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4. (Statement of Pte Duquette Continued).........jacket and took his. He gave me 5/- and all his papers and guaranteed another 5/-. I did not see this man again. This took place in the Y.M.C.A. Manchester - Peter Street. He gave me one wallet containing photos and a couple of Merchant Navy papers, one a pass to s.s. Boreas.

The Manchester Ship Canal Pass No. 133136 was given to me by John SEABROOK so that I could find him if I came back to Manchester. He gave me this at the same Y.M.C.A. in Manchester.

During the time that I was away I stopped in Wigan and Edinburgh. I sent home for some money and asked that £10.0.0 be sent to G.P.O. Manchester, but I did not get it, and for all I know this money might be there for me.

Friday, 18 Dec 42.

(signed) R. Duquette (Witness) J.R. Carriers, Sgt.

- 5. The above-named was returned to his unit by escort on 18 Dec 42.
- 6. It now appears probable that Duquette was never in possession of the Merchant Seaman's papers thought to have been given him by PEARBON since these were found in the possession of another absentee, now apprehended and subject of a separate report.
- 7. In view of the forgoing it is requested that a copy of this report and attached Exhibit together with the property listed thereon be forwarded to Officer Commanding the unit concerned and this file concluded as far as this section is concerned.

(Sgd) H.W. Chester S/Sgt. E-76047 (H.W. Chester) S.I.S. Cdn Provost Corps, C.M.H.Q.

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- Forwarded for your information, with Exhibit Report No.73 together with exhibits listed thereon attached.
- It is regretted that this report was delayed so long, but the operative who made the investigation was admitted to No.5 Cdn Gen Hosp and this matter was not brought to my attention.
- 3. May one copy of the attached Exhibit Report be completed, acknowledging receipt of exhibits, and returned to this office, please.

London. 29 Dec 42

(Sgd) (R.C. Rieley) Major. A.P.M. - C.M.H.Q.

Owing to the exigencies of the service and the expense and loss of time involved, the attendance of the above witnesses was not required at the taking of the Summary of Evidence.

To.A. DONALD Capt.

Certified True Copy (O.A. DONALD) Capt.