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President - was the accused running or walking away?
Witness -! He was running.

Statement by the accused 64361 Pte P.E. Plante - Royal
vs a Regt. Accused refused to make statement under oath

"On the night of June 22nd 1943 I was in the canteen with Private Bruneault. We sat there drinking from 1900 hrs till 2100 hours."

First witness for the defence - P48840 - C.E.M. Dumais S.
having been duly sworn -

Defence - Did you see Private Plante on the night of June 22nd 1943?

Witness - yes! at about 2130 hours.

Defence - Did he appear to have been drinking?

Witness -! yes sir!

Statement by the defending officer Lieut. F.J.R. Lapfiche
Royal vs a Regt. -!

"In the testimony given by Corporal Girard he first admitted he could not see who was hitting him and then he said he could identify the person who hit him. Apparently he could only identify a man while walking away from the scene. Therefore I believe there is some reasonable doubt that he could identify the accused as his actual assailant.

Corporal Michaud was in an adjoining room and only rushed in during the confusion. I doubt that he could be taken as a creditable witness under these circumstances when the men who were seated at the table with the victim have not stepped forward to identify Corporal Girard's attacker."