

Summary of evidence in the case of No. B73758 Pte Bruton R.A.
RCOC attached to HQ 2 Cdn Inf Bde.

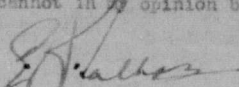
By direction of the Commanding Officer the summary of evidence is taken on oath.

1st witness
for the
Prosecution

L/Cpl G. Watkins C.M. Police, Edinburgh.

A written statement of this witness's evidence purporting to be signed by him has been read to the accused and is included in this summary of evidence. Attd as Appx "A"

Having regard to the expense and loss of time involved the attendance of this witness cannot in my opinion be readily procured.


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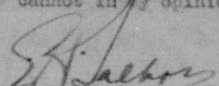
The accused does not demand the attendance of this witness for cross-examination.

2nd witness
for the
Prosecution

L/Cpl A. Dagger C.M. Police, Edinburgh.

The above statement of L/Cpl G. Watkins is corroborated in that the written statement of L/Cpl G. Watkins is also signed by L/Cpl A. Dagger. Attd as Appx "A"

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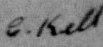

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3rd witness
for the
Prosecution

H3026 Pte C. Kelly HQ 2 Cdn Inf Bde Def Pl having been duly sworn, states: On 1 Jun 41 I was in charge of the guard which was holding the accused in close arrest. At approximately 2130 hrs the man in close arrest was missing. The guard searched for the accused but could not find him. I reported him missing.

Q. 1. What time did you report the accused missing?
A. 1. About mid-night.


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The accused declines to cross-examine this witness.

4th witness
for the
Prosecution

E53064 Pte C.J. McMurphy HQ 2 Cdn Inf Bde Def Pl having been duly sworn, states: On 1 Jun 41 I was due to go on guard at 2130 hrs. Between 2100 hrs and 2130 hrs we were playing checkers, and about the time I was supposed to go on guard Cpl Kelly came to me and said ~~that he had not been able to find the prisoner.~~ in the meantime I went on guard. When I came off guard he informed me that he had not been able to find the prisoner.

Q. 1. Where and when did you last see the prisoner?
A. 1. The last time I remember seeing him was about 1900 hrs.
Q. 2. What was he doing?
A. 2. He was laying on the bed either smoking or reading. I can't remember exactly.
Q. 3. How many men were in the guard room at the time?
A. 3. There were four men off guard and the corporal.
Q. 4. After 1900 hrs you cannot say definitely ~~that the accused~~
No, sir, not definitely.