

SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE

in the case of

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*John Gordon Mathews Major
R.C.A. B.M.*

No. F 97048, Gnr. George Gracie, 21 A.A. Regt.,
R.C.A., a soldier of the Canadian Army placed
on Active Service.

CHARGES:

1. Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline.
2. When in lawful custody attempting to escape.

The Commanding Officer has directed that the Evidence be taken on oath.

B 22691, Gnr. John Gordon Mathews, 21 A.A. Regt.,
R.C.A. is duly sworn as shorthand writer.

First
Witness:

Master Frank Casey, Age 13, of 97 Rector St., Halifax,
N.S., having been duly sworn states:-

On Thursday evening, 29 Apr 43 we had been up in the field by the camp playing ball. Gnr. Gracie called out a window and asked if we wanted a bottle of beer, and we said yes. Gnr. Gracie passed the beer out the window and we took it under the steps and drank it. Then, after Gnr. Gracie took back the empty bottles he passed us out two more bottles of beer, which we took across the street and gave to some women. They gave us 50% which we tried to give to Gnr. Gracie. He refused to take it but we put it in his pocket.

Question: At what time did this take place?

Answer: About half past eight.

Frank Casey
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The accused declines to cross examine.

Second
Witness:

Master Kenneth Cooper, Age 12, of 93 Rector St.,
Halifax, N.S., having been duly sworn states:-

We were up by the canteen of the military camp on Thursday evening, 29 Apr 43. When we came up Frank Casey and Earl McPhie were drinking beer under the steps. The beer was passed out the canteen window by Gnr. Gracie. When Frank and Earl finished the beer they were drinking under the steps, Gnr. Gracie passed out two more bottles of beer. We asked him if it was alright to take it across the road to a house and he said yes. They took it across the street and then came back with the empty bottles which they gave to Gnr. Gracie. They tried to give him 50% but after he refused it several times they put it in his pocket.

Kenneth Cooper
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The accused declines to cross examine.