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### SENT TO TRIAL

Alleged Robbers of Wyoming Bank Committed for Trial at County

All Identified By Witnesses. Ring-leader of Bandit Gang Has Hear-ing at Wyoming. The Other Three at Sarnia.

Identified by the first three, witnesses called by the crown as one of four bandits who held up the Bank of Toronto, at Wyoming, on October 20, last, and escaped with \$10,900 in cash, Edward A. McMullen, 28, a London mechanic, was committed for trial at the June sittings of the supreme court for Lambton County, following the preliminary hearing of the charge heard at the Wyoming town hall Wednesday afternoon by Magistrate J. J. Jarvis, of Courtright. Crown Attorney F. W. Wilson prosecuted and J. M. McEvoy of London defended McMullen.

Bank Manager Testifies

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happenings of October 20 last, very
vividly. At 2.55 in the afternoon McMullen moked a revolver in the door.

Mullen poked a revolver in the door of his office in the bank and ordered "hand up."

The man then advanced to the room and covered witness who was sitting in his chair, with the revolver. Alpheus McKay was in the room talking business. The prisoner was unmasked when he entered the manager's room. McKay rose, saying that he thought he would be gonig, the bandit replying that he thought oth-

Witness, continuing, described how Miss McIntosh, who had been held up outside came into his room and lay

down on the floor beside him.

Mr. Taylor, the teller, was then brought in and ordered to the ground Witness heard men ransacking the cage, and rifled boxes dropped to the floor. He lifted his head and one of the robberg with head and one of the robbers put his foot on it and ordered him to keep it down threat-ening to "drill" him. He thought he was five or six minutes on the floor.

One of the men came in then and

demanded that the vault be opened.
He could not say which man it was.
Witness told Mr. Taylor, who was kicked by one of the robbers, to go and turn the vault combination.
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Witness was compelled to hand over the key to the inner vault which the men entered. The men obtained \$8,200 from the inner safe and about \$2,300 from the teller's cage.

Locked in Vault

The men then ordered witness to the vault and also McKay and Miss McIntosh.

were locked in the inner

identify the men who were masked?" was the first question to which witness gave a negative reply.

He identified McMullen by his face

and eyes.

McEvoy:—Did you give out any information to anyone.
Witness:—Plenty of it.

Mr. McEvoy—Did you tell anyone the men were masked? Witness;—Yes. I told all the peo-

chief up to his nose.

Identified in London

thing else, also his smile. He noticed McMullen's eyes were snappy. He again refuted the suggestion of counsed that McMullen was addressed by an official at the London identification proceedings.

County Court.

Scores of residents of Wyoming and Sarnia, along with representatives from the surrounding country for a 20-mile radius, were in court.

Ernest S. Taylor, teller of the

Miss McIntosh

Miss McIntosh was the next wit-ness and appeared to be nervous when first called. She gave her evidence in clear concise answers. Her statement very closely corroborated that of Mr. Lambert.

Witness—When Mr. Lambert came back from London.

Mr. McEvoy asked witness a number of questions as to when and how she first recognized McMullen in the court room, receiving the reply that it was when the magistrate asked McMullen to stand up.

Alpheus McKay This witness said on the afternoon of the robbery he saw the men pull up in a car outside the bank and get out. He stood and gazed at them as they left the car. "All at once the blood seemed to freeze in my veins and I said "they are a band of crooks". At this the court burst into bandit replying that he thought otherwise. Advancing, McMullen placed the muzzle of the revolver against witness' stomach and told him to lie on the floor.

Asked if he could point out the man Mr. Willson asked witness if he did who entered the manager's office, mcKay immediately picked out McKa watched the men walk up the street from the car and noticed that they gazed at the overhead hydro lines. "Then I thought they were hydro lines."

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men" he continued.

Questioned by Mr. McEvoy he said he could swear to McMullen's identi-ty from what he saw of him outside of the bank, apart from what he saw inside. He had not seen McMullen

Mr. McEvoy—When did you first hear this man's name.

Witness—I don't know his name

any more than I know yours.

Mr. McEvoy—Why did you have so

New York World. many interviews with the manager in his office.

Witness—Why shouldn't I have? I do my banking there. Mr. McEyoy suggested that witness and Mr. Lambert had collaborated in regard to the identification and this McKay vigorously denied, adding. "I what is true and you can't make me."
He shook his head confidently at counsel, and court again roared.

Lively Exchanges They were locked in the inner vault and the robbers attempted to lock also, the outer vault, but failed to lock it properly, as the electric light arrangement went amiss. In reply to Mr. Willson's question witness said he recognized McMullen.

Mr. Lambert was cross-examined by McEvoy for 45 minutes.

"You don't pretend to be able to identify the men who were masked?" between Mr. McEvoy and Mr. Mc-

Kinley.

At this point McKay said to counsel "You've got about all I know and sel You've got about all I know and so its no use going any further. Besides I've got a young married couple down there that I'm looking after."

Mr. McEvoy retorted that he thought witness was an undertaker and looked after the dead ones, and the could not restrain its

again the court could not restrain its merriment.

Mr. McEvoy:—Now, when it is convenient, you say McMullen was not masked.

Witness:—He wasn't when he came into my office. He put on the mask when he ordered Taylor to get down to the floor. He pulled a handerker-chief up to his page.

Witness was allowed to go and the Unestioned further, witness said he told the London police the amount taken by the robbers was \$11,000. Mr. McEvoy suggested \$13,000 had been mentioned, but witness denied this. Witness had seen three men in Toronto who were suspected of complicity in the robbery, but didn't many maning at the Sarping court house at

been mentioned, but witness denied this. Witness had seen three men in Toronto who were suspected of complicity in the robbery, but didn't know them. He saw the prisoner's a week ago in London.

Mr. McEvoy:—When you got there they called McMullen out?

Witness:—They did not.

Mr. McEvoy—How many were in the cell.

Witness—Five or six.

Mr. McEvoy:—Were there any elderly men?

Witness—They were of various ages.

Mr. McEvoy—You saw these men longer at London than at the bank? could you identify any of the others?

Witness—No.

Mr. Lambert said he recognized McMullen by his eyes more than any—

and Sarnia, along with representatives from the surrounding country
for a 20-mile radius, were in court.
Ernest S. Taylor, teller of the
bank identified Anderson as the bandit who first entered, and after receiving change for a five dollar bill atthe case, produced a revolve and the cage, produced a revolver and ordered him to throw up his hands.

Miss Pearl E. Bailey, clerk of the Wyoming postoffice, who was making a deposit when the bandit pulled out a revolver after asking for change, and that she could receive the control of the could receive the could said that she could positively identify Anderson as the man.

Mrs. Koehler admitted having given information leading to the arrest of the four men, and said that she intended to claim the reward if they

were convicted.

#### FALLS INTO WELL: KILLED

Parkhill, Ont., June 4:—Russell Bodfield, aged 23, fell 40 feet to the bottom of an old gas well near here at noon on Saturday and was instant-y killed. Lexie Barr, of Blanshard, who was working with Bodfield, and who tried to bring the body to the who tried to bring the body to the surface, was overcome by gas and unconscious for more than three hours. Bodfield's body was finally secured by grappling irons.

The well had been reported leaking and Bodfield went down to repair it. The gas at the bottom proved too strong for him and he signaled to be

strong for him and he signaled to be drawn to the surface in a rope sling. Just before reaching the top he slipped out of the sling and fell back 40 feet, fracturing his skull. Death was practically instantaneous.

Barr went down to try to secure the body, but the gas was too much for him, and he had to be drawn to the top. Bodfield was unmarried and of Alonzo Bodfield of St. a son Marys.

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