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CROWDS AT THE TRIAL.

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was the identical one found under the cell couch last August and at the time Pare says he used it, was really concealed in the cells. This is considered a strong point by the defence.

The Morning Court.

At 9:20 the falsetto tones of W. J. Black, court-crier, "Oyez-Oyez!" brought a court-sitting before the Court, and the defence went on.

Prisoners Ponton and Mackle were brought into the dock, and while the jury sat in the witness-box.

Pare Continues.

Mr. Osler began at the witness. The story started at the attempt to get at the strong room. With a model combination before him, and a piece of wire in his hand, Pare unravelled a surprising mass of facts, all Mr. Osler called him up short, by saying, "You gave him further instructions, don't you go too much into details."

"The key that was afterwards made was identified by Pare as 'That's the one.'"

"The key was handed to the jurors who handled it with wonder in their eyes."

"Mr. Baines' defence expedition was again introduced. This gave the witness the chance to enter the bank. It is in my hand. Here the witness took a drink to refresh his memory, and a saying of his own. The brass-key to Mr. Baines' compartment, made by Pare, was again identified. The witness explained what was done by leaving the safe door on the day lock, working in his stereotyped phrase about 'centri-leaver,' pronounced by 'centri-leaver.' He crossed the model lock like a child does a doll."

I First Entered the Vault.

"The night Ponton was left in charge of the bank, having left both the vault and the safe on the day-lock. I first entered the vault. Holden went with me."

"Then with the key in his hands, he explained to me the combination in the mind of his story, Pare placed on his gold-rimmed eye-glasses and looked for the world the most professional discussion on practical science. His story done, the gold-rimmed glasses were returned to his pocket that when he left the bank, the porter of the Paisley House saw him."

"The boy," he said, "if not polite, denied this story in toto, or words to that effect."

"He told about the bling of the drop of the lock on his second visit to the vault after Ponton had told him Mr. Baines had been monkeying with the combination. That the arrested man's story and the hiding of the keys in the cells re-appeared."

How He Hid the Keys.

"How did you hide the keys from the police?"

"Put them in my mouth with a chew of tobacco," said the witness.

"After being arrested and released, me to Holden say that it was very near time that this thing was come to a finish," remarked the witness, while a perceptible smile circulated through the Court-room. The witness said he was in the mind of the witness, a necessary adjunct to the "fish." Pieces of a board box and the board box were produced. The witness said he had taken the board box out in it, and the tin-box, were brought into Court; the latter by Detective Greer, and the former by the sheriff."

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been guilty of burglary, forgery, breaking jail, false testimony and procuring an affidavit signed by a man who could never be found.

"You do admit that in courts of justice you have lied?"

"Yes."

He admitted that he didn't use his name Pare always, Howard, Belanger, Bark, "Old George," were among the names he had used.

He had been a soldier, a printer, grocer's clerk, hotelkeeper, saloonkeeper, baker and barman.

He had been in jail in Quebec, in Montreal, in St. Vincent de Paul and Concord State Prison, N. H.

"Have you been guilty of every robbery you have committed?"

"Yes, all but one. That one I escaped from by running away."

"Have you been arrested for all your criminal offences?"

"I believe I have."

He said he had been sentenced to 15 years and 3 months in prison.

In the Afternoon.

The court-room was crowded in the afternoon and hundreds were turned away. Court opened at 2:15. At once Mr. Porter considered the examination of the witness and prisoner Pare. He drew from Pare that he knew his uncle was innocent.

"Did not your first occasion of accusing a man in the bank is it? asked the lawyer."

"I gave information to Detective Cullen in this direction against Mr. Weir. Nothing came of it."

The witness admitted that he was swearing, hoping to become by his evidence, He acknowledged that his testimony before Magistrate Daly was taken up. Before the magistrate he had said his sister had made the appointment with John R. To-day he had sworn he himself made the appointment. Mr. Porter was content when Pare said his former evidence was not true.

Pare Expostulates.

Mr. Porter endeavored to show that the witness contradicted himself in his evidence today when read with that of the preliminary investigation. Pare expostulated, "That's all right, you have it all your own way, I haven't any chance."

The judge counselled him by saying, "You will have a chance to explain. I will clear the way. Don't be afraid of talking too much."

Pare admitted that he had made mistakes in his previous evidence. He excused himself by saying to the court: "I was cross-examined the same day I gave my evidence and I was tired." Mr. Porter was strong in this matter.

Referring to the event of Aug. 5, which Pare acknowledged was the important date before the bank was robbed. In spite of its importance the witness had two stories to tell:

"Which one do you stick to?" was the pertinent question.

The Combination.

An answer that may have important bearing on the case was "40, 90, 80, 60 to 45, and 25." He said 45 alone could open the safe.

"Could 30, 60, 80, 43 open the safe?" was asked.

"No," was the answer.

"But Mr. Baines said the last time the combination the safe was set on these; you explain this to the jury?"

The witness had no explanation.

The judge confessed he thought a man who got inside of the safe would get the right number.

Mr. Porter replied that that was the point he was making, yet Pare had got the wrong numbers and opened the safe.

Many contradictions in the evidence were exposed by Mr. Porter's incisive questions.

Pare was not able to stick to his former evidence in many instances.

A cross-examination ran on combination locks. The witness had studied combination locks to discover their weak points.

"You had it down pretty well," said Mr. Porter.

"Yes, see-enough for my own purpose," said the witness.

"And too fine for the Dominion Bank?" added Mr. Porter.

Pare's Weak Memory.

Witness Pare has shown that his memory is not good enough to hang to one story. He has perceptibly weakened and his explanation is not without effect on the jurors, as their faces showed at every new contradiction disclosed by Mr. Porter. Pare claimed that he used to bore the hole in the partition between the bank and the Blewett shed was new, yet he said the holes in the board exhibited were rough, jagged and made by an old bit.

A Queer Admission.

The witness made an admission when he said that before he had any connection with Ponton he had knowledge of the Government bonds.

"I did not get my first information of the bonds from Ponton. I spoke about them myself."

In speaking of the combination on the vault door Pare said, that 5, 20, 25, were some numbers were commonly used.

Before the money was stolen Pare said that there was no groaning or noise in Ponton's room "He wanted to keep quiet." The gang were in the room twice. There wasn't any noise. Mr. Porter stated when he was evidence that Pare's story that Ponton left the vault safe on the day lock was a fabrication, for Green swore he locked the vault, and Baines swore he locked the safe and knew it was locked on the right combination. The witness said it was after 11 o'clock when Ponton was sent for the pitcher of water on the night of the robbery. The night before that he had been sent for a pitcher of water also. Ponton got back about 20 or 25 minutes after 11.

A Straight Contradiction.

In Pare's evidence formerly he swore Ponton was in his room when the gang came there the night of the robbery. This afternoon he swore Ponton was not there. Mr. Porter made a strong point out of this. Mr. Porter claimed that Pare had confused the names of James and John Mackle. Pare said, "It may be wrong there, but it was John Mackle. Mr. Porter replied that he read from the Court stenographer's report, Pare repeated 'I swore on John; it was wrote James.' The judge asked the stenographer what marks made James and John. The stenographer, "they are totally different, Sir."

An answer of Pare's regarding a certain moment of time was greeted by the Court room by laughter. The judge reproved the spectators and approved of the answer given by the witness. With the permission of Mr. Porter, Pare was allowed to stand down.

Conductor Russell's Evidence.

Frederick A. Russell was called. He is a conductor on the G. T. running out of Montreal on the 24th. On April 25 he ran a train arriving at Belleville at 11:05 and leaves at 5:45. Russell said that Pare was with him two Deseronto tickets. The train was stopped and the two men put off. This was the only day the conductor ran off.

Cross-examined by Mr. Porter, the conductor said he could not swear by the photo of Holden; he had one ticket in his hand; the other was extended so it could be read. They were single tickets made of paste-board.

Pare cross-examined by Mr. Holman. Mr. Russell said that a month ago Detective Greer saw him in Belleville. He could not recall even the countenance of any other passenger he had that day. He had talked to the ticket agent at Belleville. The latter said that no tickets had been sold on April 25. He said they were sold on board one. The court adjourned at 6:10.

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Montreal, Nov. 24.—(Special)—Rev. I. J. Lawson, parish priest of St. Henri De Masouche, being a witness in the case of the Crown v. Ruppelle, said in reply to Mr. Dugas, counsel for the prisoner, "I would like to tell the court that I will not be questioned on sacramental questions."

Mr. Dugas—"You can tell all you know outside of the confessional. Is it to your knowledge that the prisoner was married?"

The witness, "I did marry the accused."

Mr. Dugas—"Is it not true that marriage took place under exceptional circumstances. Was not the prisoner's conduct immoral?"

The witness—"Again I ask the court's permission to remain silent."

The judge—"Without revealing the secrets of your ministry you can speak of the prisoner's general reputation."

The witness—"I will neither deny nor affirm it."

The prisoner was, however, found guilty of an assault upon a little girl 9 years of age.

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