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THE DEFENDING OFFICER MAKES A CLOSING ADDRESS:

Mr. President and Members of the Court in closing the defence for this case I call to your attention to two things which has come out in evidence. In the charge sheet itself it definitely states that the money was stolen, first between the hours of 0730 and 0800 in the morning. This has not been substantiated by the prosecution. In the case of the first witness--Lieutenant Wood there is no idea in his mind as to when the money was stolen or who could have stolen it. It was also brought out by the defence that the Officer who investigated the case is a R.C.M.P. in civilian life, and it is the contention of the defence that the so-called confession has been secured by duress. We wished to bring out the fact from the last witness that the accused does receive money from home. This point was also brought out in the evidence of Mr. Campbell who also testified that the money was given to him to hold as it was money the accused had received from home.

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