

Q What I mean is, was it the ordinary window or windows with storm sash?

A It was the same as one of these windows might be, Sir, with a blind.

Q And the window was open a little?

A Yes, Sir.

Q When you saw the accused in the room did you have any conversation with him?

A I said, 'Private Advent, did you hear the R.S.M.'s order'? I then said, 'Private Advent, you are to report back for duty'.

Q And what happened then?

A Private Advent answered, 'Get going'.

Q And then what?

A Then Sergeant-Major Lloyd joined me outside the window, and I then went back to my duties, Sir.

Cross-examined by the Defending Officer:

Q Quartermaster Sergeant Day, when Mr. Lloyd stated to Private Advent that he was to report back to duty, do you know what duty he was talking about?

A No, I don't know, Sir.

Q When you gave the order to Private Advent and stated 'report back for your duty', did you know at the time what duty it was, or were you merely repeating the Sergeant-Major's order?

A I was repeating the Sergeant-Major's order, Sir, and it was duty, as I thought, in connection with the cleaning up, Sir.

Q You thought. You weren't sure?

A No, I wouldn't say I was sure, Sir.

Q Quarter Day, on the day in question, the 17th day of May, 1945, this clean-up day in the afternoon, you were the senior Warrant Officer on parade after Sergeant-Major Lloyd had reported to go to a Court-Martial?

A Yes, Sir.

Q Was there any report made to you of what action had been taken with Private Advent?

A How do you mean, Sir.

Q I mean, were you told? What did Sergeant-Major Lloyd tell you?

A He told me that I was on duty that afternoon on cleaning-up day, Sir.

Q No, but were you present when Sergeant-Major Lloyd placed Advent under arrest?

A I am not just sure, Sir.

Q He wasn't placed under close arrest?

A I am not sure whether Sergeant-Major Lloyd placed him under open or close arrest.