

In the opinion of the Court it is not necessary to comply with R.P. 83 (b).

The prosecutor calls his third witness.

Third Witness: Mr. John Allen, Luton Cottage, Aboyne, Aberdeenshire, having been duly sworn by the Scotch Form of Oath, is examined by the prosecutor.

Q.188 Will you give the Court your full name and your address, please?

A.188 John Allen, Luton Cottage, Aboyne.

Q.189 Did you order some wood during the latter part of November?

A.189 Yes, sir.

Q.190 How did you order it?

A.190 By letter addressed to Major J.S. Scott, No. 4 Company.

Q.191 As a result of that letter what happened?

A.191 I got the wood.

Q.192 When did you get it?

A.192 The last week in November. It was on a Friday.

Q.193 Were you yourself at home when the wood was delivered?

A.193 No, sir.

Q.194 When you returned home you found the wood as there?

A.194 Yes, sir.

Q.195 Was there anything out of the way that you noticed?

A.195 No.

Q.196 Did any one later come to you in connection with the matter?

A.196 When I went into the house I got the receipt from the Mrs. Stronach. I looked at it and noticed it had been altered.

Q.197 Here is a document Exhibit "B". Do you recognize this document?

A.197 Yes.

Q.198 What is it?

A.198 I take it to be a receipt I got for my wood.

Q.199 You never got any other document than that in connection with the wood?

A.199 No, sir.

Q.200 Give the particulars of the alterations you noticed?

A.200 I noticed it had been altered to £3-19-6 and the two tons had been altered to 3 tons.

Q.201 Have you any idea how these alterations were made?

A.201 No, sir.

Q.202 Did you do anything in regard to this alteration?

A.202 I phoned No. 4 Company.

Q.203 Did anything happen as a result of that telephone call?

A.203 One of the fellows returned a day or two later and handed me back £1-5-0.

Q.204 Do you know Pte. Howes, F.C.?

A.204 Yes.

Q.205 Can you recognize him here in this court?

A.205 Yes (Pointing to Pte. Howes).

Q.206 What did Pte. Howes say when he paid you the money?

A.206 He handed me back £1-5-0. He said a mistake had been made in the account, and I gave him a receipt.

Q.207 Did you ever see the other chap Pte. Atherton in connection with the matter at all?

A.207 No, sir.

Q.208 Can you tell me the day or the date on which he came and returned the money?

A.208 The Monday following the Friday I got the wood.

Q.209 Turn the document Exhibit "B" over. Did you ever see the pencilled writing on the back?

A.209 No, sir.

Q.210 Did you put that on?

A.210 No, sir.

Q.211 Was it on the last time you saw the document?

A.211 I don't know. I never looked at the back of it.

Q.212 Have there been any alterations made on the face of the document since you last saw it?

A.212 Exhibit "B" has been put on it. I don't think there are any other changes. It is just as I got it.