

ALLEGED GERMAN SPY WELL KNOWN TO WINNIPEGGER

Winnipeg, Nov. 4.—Carl Hans Lody, the alleged German spy, whose trial has been in progress in London and which was concluded on Monday, was well known to Wm. McBride, M.A., managing director of the Metropolitan Securities, Ltd. He expected to again meet the German in Winnipeg. In speaking of the man, McBride said:

"In regard to Carl Hans Lody, alias Charles A. Ingles, whose trial in London as a German spy was concluded yesterday, I may state that in 1910 I was some seven months in his company during a trip around the world on a German boat, the Cleveland, of the Hamburg American line. From San Francisco to Honolulu he sat at another table, but as he seemed to have taken kindly to my wife and myself, he got a transfer at Honolulu and sat beside us all the rest of the trip. He was a graduate of a German university and an officer in the German army and spoke fluently German, French, Spanish, Italian and English as well, with hardly any accent.

"He had a magnificent state room, and his own dark room for developing pictures. He was an expert photographer, and I spent many happy hours with him in his dark room, watching him develop his pictures. When I saw his trend was fortifications in Japan, Hong Kong, India and British straits possessions and Egypt, I asked him why he made a specialty of such, to which he replied that as an officer and an engineer, his mind ran in that direction, and he did it purely for amusement as a German gentleman. I thought him a man of affluence and cultured refinement seeking innocent delectation in his photographic fads.

"In talking one day of the death of a fellow passenger, he said, 'My death shall be short and sweet, as I know I shall be shot.'

"When I asked him why he had this premonition, he said 'Because I am such a dare devil. You know I was nearly shot at Tokio when I was caught getting those photographs of the fortifications and I escaped by the skin of my teeth at Bombay.'

"He was continually asking me about our canal systems, about whether the colonies were really loyal to the mother country, etc., but I never for a moment suspected his having any ulterior object other than a personal desire for general information. He was a splendid musician, had a beautifully trained voice, and was a general favorite on board.

"When I left him at Hamburg he told me he would be visiting Canada in a few years and I was looking forward to a pleasant reunion in Winnipeg. I have no doubt now that he was then a paid spy of the German government, and that this system of espionage had its ramifications in almost every quarter of the globe."