

NOT GUILTY OF TREASON

Paul Mazur, Port Hope Soldier,
Acquitted By Jury.

At 5.30 p.m., yesterday, the jury trying Paul Mazur, the Port Hope soldier, for high treason and conspiracy to commit that offence, returned a verdict of "not guilty." They were out about 30 minutes.

The Crown held that Mazur was the leader of a party of four Austrians who were prevented from crossing into the United States from Bridgeburg, in November, by the vigilance of an immigration officer, who, when one of the party appeared nervous on giving his nationality as "Russian," investigated and had the party interned. The Crown believed that Mazur, who has seen considerable Canadian militia training and had enlisted for foreign service, engineered the expedition.

The defence through W. K. Murphy, jr., K.C., held that Mazur was in no sense the leader of the party, and that none of the Austrians had the slightest intention of going home to "join the enemy's forces."