

# WELLAND HUNGARIAN FACES TREASON CHARGE

Victor Subosits, a well known and prosperous Welland merchant, appeared for trial on Tuesday before Judge Livingstone on the charge of treason. It was alleged that he violated the proclamation prohibiting trading with or assisting the enemy, by sending money from local Austrians and Hungarians to relatives in these countries, with which Canada is at war. The remittances were made through the Transatlantic Trust Company of New York. The defence admitted the remittances charged by the prosecution, but contended that as these were sent to a United States banking house, which is a neutral country, it did not constitute trading with the enemy as set out by the proclamation.

"There appears to me to be no doubt of the defendants guilt," said his honor. The roundabout method of sending the money indicates that he knew it was not right. It is natural that foreigners here would want to send money to their families, and relatives at home, yet every dollar so sent strengthens the sinews of that power against us. "I will reserve decision, however, until Saturday morning, and in the meantime the defendant will stay in custody."

The defendant is a native of Hungary, but has been in Canada eight years and is now a naturalized citizen.

County Crown Attorney Cowper prosecuted and G. H. Petti appeared for the defence.