

RUSSIAN WANTED TO GO TO MONTREAL TO SAVE HIS MONEY

Was Picked Up By Police,
But Magistrate Let
Him Go

When John Lavidsky appeared in police court yesterday before Magistrate Elliott, he was charged with leaving the city without leave. The military police had taken him off the train. Lavidsky explained through the interpreter that he was not leaving the city from any ill motive, but that he wanted to go to Montreal to recover some money he had endeavored to send home to Russia. He produced an American Express money order for the sum of \$1,400 which was

to be placed to his credit in a Russian bank at Kiev, and he had another receipt for \$500 from a Russian agent in Montreal, which he had exchanged for Russian roubles, but John found to his dismay that the greater part of his roubles were only bubbles and that as the value of the Russian rouble had depreciated the Montreal dealer had notified him that his account would also decrease, then John became very anxious about his funds and started for Montreal, with the expectation of having to enter an action against the agent. Hence his efforts to leave the city for a few days. After reviewing the circumstances and telling John very plainly that every dollar sent to Russia these days was just giving the enemy so much more money to help prosecute this war, Magistrate Elliot allowed him to continue on his journey in the hope of recovering his money and John went on his way rejoicing.

La Tribune, of Sherbrooke, Que., says it is not for love of the British Empire that the young men of Quebec are responding to the call to the colors, but in defence of the noble and oppressed in France.