Morette on trial in Milton

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good mood.

The main witness to testify Monday was Mrs. Isabel Walter, who testified that she saw the entire incident. She said Mr. Sedore, whom she had known for a month, had called her from the McGibbon Hotel to ask her to drive him home because he wasn't able to drive.

Mrs. Walter testified that she arrived at the hotel, and as she and Mr. Sedore were leaving, Mr. Morette approached them and began to talk to Mr. Sedore. They were standing just inside the doorway leading into the lobby at the time.

Mrs. Walter said the two began wrestling back and forth with one hand, and as she urged Mr. Sedore to leave and go home, the two began to move out into the lobby, still "Just fooling." Mr. Morette was moving foward, and Mr. Sedore backwards.

Mr. Sedore wanted to leave. Mrs. Walter said, but Mr. Morette continued with the wrestling, and wouldn't let go. By this time, they were wrestling with both hands, and had moved into the lobby.

DEFENSE COUNSEL Under questioning by the crown attorney and crossexamination by counsel for the defense, Mrs. Walter described the sequence of events which took place after the two moved out of the beverage room. She testified that Mr. Sedore, trying to free himself to leave, pushed Mr. Morette, who fell against the wall of the lobby. Mr. Morette pushed Mr. Sedore, who struck the wall and slid down to the floor. By this time, both men were becoming anary, she said.

At that point, the two men were no longer gripping hands, Mrs. Walter said. She said when Mr. Sedore got up, he pushed Mr. Morette back, saying he had to leave. Mr. Morette then pushed Mr. Sedore backwards, out the outer door and on to the steps leading down to the sldewalk.

Mr. Sedore, who Mrs. Walter . had testified earlier as seeming inebrlated, appeared to stumble on the top step and fell backwards, landing with his shoulders on the lowest step, and his head on the sidewalk.

Mrs. Waltery testified that after Mr. Sedore fell down the steps he remained motionless, with his eyes closed. Mr. Morette came down the stairs and kicked Mr. Sedore several times in the head.

FOUR TIMES

Mrs. Walter said Mr. Morette kicked him four times altogether, in the forehead, on the right cheek and in the neck. During this time, she said she was telling Mr. Morette to stop or she would call the police. Mr. Morette responded that he didn't care, she said.

After Mr. Morette had kicked Mr. Sedore, Mrs. Waltey said, he bent down and pulled a package of cigarettes out of Mr. Sedore's pocket, and threw the pack down on him. Mr. Sedore rolled over and tried to get up after Mr. Morette had gone back inside. but was unable to get up.

Mr. Belleghem suggested during cross-examination that Mr. Morette might have been trying to roll Mr. Sedore over with his foot, or that Mr. Sedore might have been holding on to Mr. Morette's foot, but Mrs. Walter said she had seen Mr. Morette kicking Mr. Sedore.

Testimony on Tuesday included evidence from experts from the Centre of Forensic Science and other Halton Regional Police officers who were involved in the investigation.

Expert testimony given Tuesday morning indicates that the victim's blood alcohol level was nearing the lethal point when he fell after wrestiing with Mr. Morette.

William Robinson, textcologist from the Centre of Forensic Science in Toronto, said that Mr. Sedore's blood alcohol level in tests taken at the time of his death showed he had a 327 mg. reading. The minimum lethal blood alcohol level is considered to be 350 mg, per 1,000 ml. of blood.

Mr. Robinson said that blood samples taken from Mr. Morette the night of the incident showed both drugs and alcohol in his system. Analysis of the sample showed he had a quantity of Librium approximately five times the normal therapeutic doseage in his blood and the alcohol content was 145 mg. alcohol per 1,000 ml. blood. The drug and the alcohol in Mr. Morette's system would work to enhance each other, Mr. Robinson said.

G.M. Longfield, Halton region pathologist who performed the autopsy on Mr. Sedore, was expected to testify yesterday afternoon.





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