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### **Bertrand and Latreille** Given 15-Year Terms

L'Orignal, Oct. 23 .- J. A. Leo Bertrand, 22, of 136 Bay street and was in tabloid form and was so de-Anatole Latreille, 28, of 63 Poplar cidedly unpopular that the publisher street, Ottawa, were both found decided to return the paper to its guilty by a jury here tonight of the attempted holdup, while armed, of a Russell bank and each sentenced to 15 years in penitentiary by Mr. wide area of readers a different type Justice Chevrier.

the trial, partially collapsed and had comments are printable but somewas handed a glass of water.

Latreille, with a hard look on his the judge.

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day, when the indictments were given to the grand jury at the united counties of Prescott and Russell assizes here. A true bill was returned on Tuesday morning and since that time the Crown brought forth 42 witnesses and filed nearly as many exhibits.

Justice Chevrier's First This trial was Justice Chevrier's first criminal case since he was appointed to the Ontario Supreme Court bench recently. He was for-merly M.P. for East Ottawa. After the verdict had been rendered Justice Chevrier turned to the

jury and said: "I thank you for the manner you have discharged your duties. You are now discharged."

"I move that sentence be passed both accused," said Joseph on both accused," said Joseph Sedgewick, K.C., of the attorneygeneral's department, Toronto, who conducted the case for the Crown. He then proceeded to read the previous convictions that were against the accused, saying: "There is nothing in the records that call for leniency in this case. It is not only a punishment to them but a warning to others."

Justice Chevrier then asked the accused if they had nothing to say why sentence should not be passed, to which they replied in the negative.

"Bertrand and Latreille, you have both been found guilty of a serious crime. You were ably defended and no stone was left unturned by your counsel. Latreille, on a number of occasions you have been sentenced and the punishment under the law must be adequate and it must serve s a protection to the state," said His Lordship.

Tabloid Size Paper Unfavorably Received Last week's issue of The Leader

former size. It was an experiment with a sincere desire to give to the

of newspaper but the comments-Before sentence was passed and they forgot to wash The Leader in while Justice Chevrier was addres-sing the convicted men, Bertrand, dapper young man who had a look f apper young man who had a look of confidence on his face throughout of news had pinned on him. Some to sit down in the prisoner's box. He decidedly not, but the point that encourages us most is that by the very nature of the comments we know

face, took the sentence with no ap-parent outward emotion. He stood that our readers are interested in in the docket with his hands at his the growth of the paper and its consides and his eyes directed towards tents. And because this fact sticks out like a sore finger we are happy

John B. Woods, of Hawkesbury, who defended the men, when seen at the conclusion of the trial, would offer no comment on whether an appeal would be entered. He said: "I paper and to those who are far away have nothing to say for publication." or tucked away in a small section or or tucked away in a small section or The jury took only 40 minutes to in the larger centres of this great big reach its verdict. The trial of the Ottawa men on country of ours, it is still your paper

charges arising out of the holdup of and one of our greatest pleasures is the Bank of Nova Scotia at Russell in bringing you each week the on June 16 last, commented on Mon- "doin's" in your old home town. Sincerely,

> GAR. The sudden cold spell caught quite a number of local agriculturists with their turnip crop still in the field. Many of them were afraid it would

be a repetition of three years ago when practically the entire crop had to be left in the field, but conditions this year seem inclined to be more favorable and this valuable crop will

draw your own inferences. **Plans Miscarried** 

be saved.

"They went to the bank and entered with drawn revolvers. Bertrand held up the manager and La-treille the clerk and customers. Their plans miscarried however. They found a courageous bank manager there who decided to resist possibly at the risk of his own life. They found themselves faced with a man armed as they were and willing to shoot it out with them. They were surprised, they did not expect to find armed resistance. They turned in flight, knowing the hold-They up was useless," contended the Crown counsel.

"Probably the most important thing of all is the silent witnessthe grey felt hat. We found the sweatband with the overalls and on the band were initials N.L. At I,atreille's residence we found a grey found that a hat with the initials N.L. in the sweatband had been delivered to Latreille's home some time previous. Then you have the evidence of the chemist who exmined the hat piece by piece. He had no hesitation in saying that the hat which was found in the Latreille's apartment was the one from which the sweatband came. Isn't that conclusive enough evidence to connect Latreille with the crime and does it not fit in like a piece of a puzzle into the picture? Bertrand's Friend "I brought out the evidence of Florence Fauteux unwillingly. She was Bertrand's friend. She received letters from him while he was in jail. Isn't her story as she told it an unwilling one-only the more damaging.



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See bills for further particulars and list of articles.



Close to Murder

"Mind you, you were within six nches of standing in that box indicted with murder, so close did you come to shooting the bank manager When you are in jail think of how lucky you were that you were not indicted for murder."

It was at this point that Bertrand partially collapsed, but soon regained his composure. Justice Chevrier then pronounced the sentence of 15 years each in Portsmouth peni tentiary.

The spectators filed from the courtroom and the sentenced men were led off to a cell in the jail there to await transfer to the penitentiary in the course of a few days or a week

In opening his charge to the jury Justice Chevrier reminded them of their duty, saying that they were to give a true verdict according to "I congratulate you the evidence: and thank you for the manner in which you have listened to this drawn out trial," commenced Justice Chevrier.

"As the result of investigations conducted by the police, the Crown has submitted to you the evidence the police gathered. From the facts it is for you to say if these two men are guilty of the crime with which they are charged. The Crown must prove them guilty beyond a reason-able doubt." He then explained the meaning of reasonable doubt.

"If there is no reasonable doubt in your minds it is your duty to return a verdict accordingly. The indictment is a joint one and the evidence was submitted jointly," concluded His Lordship.

### The jury then retired.

Sedgewick's Summary Sedgewick's address lasted Mr. one hour and fifteen minutes. "We now come to the end of this long trial. I want to thank you for your kind attention and patience," commenced Mr. Sedgewick.

"I will point out to you the hold-up was planned. The theory of the Crown is that they stopped on the Loucks road to make final arrangements for the hold-up and to put 1935 license markers on the car. They put the license plates on with white tape, some of which was later found in Bertrand's car. They also put on their disguises at this point. "It is probable that Latreille tore the hat band from the hat so it the attempted looting of the more snugly. You are entitled to | in a verdict of acquittal.

"He said to her he mussed up the car and changed the plates. Can you avoid that? This is not an nemy witness. This is one who likes him and probably loves him.

"He wanted to boast to his girl about the holdup. He wanted to tell her he held up the bank and fooled the police. He was a braggart.

"You cannot avoid the conclusion that they are both guilty and your verdict should be one of guilty," concluded Mr. Sedgewick. **Defence's Plea** Asking for the acquittal of Ana-

tole Latreille, Mr. Woods said that the identification of Latreille by Norval Kay, bank clerk, was highly unsatisfactory. He also said that no proof had been abduced. That Latreille had ever purchased a hat, such as police found in his home. Defence counsel declared that two Crown witnesses, Eugene Blondin and Oscar Sauve, had sworn that Bertrand was at his taxi stand in Hull at 1.30 o'clock the day of the holdup. This evidence automatically proved that he could not possibly have participated in the Russell

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bank attempted robbery. Mr. Woods stated also that evi-dence given by Miss Florence Fau-teux to the effect that Bertrand had admitted staging the holdup could not be considered seriously since her statements were given to police

under duress. Mr. Woods declared himself dissatisfied over the manner in which both prisoners were identified in jail. He submitted that since there was a reasonable doubt that either of the accused had taken part in bank



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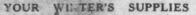
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