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Correctional hearing, 3rd September, 1912

Public Prosecutor against Willy of Ouvea, and Mousse (Ouvea) accused of breaches of article 59

The year 1912, 3rd September, at 9 a.m. the Court composed of Messieurs The President; the French Judge; the British Judge; In the presence of the Public Prosecutor; M. Beuzel, Registrar recording sitting in police jurisdiction, in public hearing, in first and last resort, delivered the following judgment:-

1. As regards Mousse;

Considering that it is not established that Mousse was properly and duly summoned and that in consequence it is necessary for the moment to put Mousse out of the case

2. As regards Willy;

Considering that he has been summoned in due form and Willy does not appear nor anyone on his behalf; that it is necessary in consequence to pronounce default against the offender for failure to appear.

The case.

Having heard read the documents in the case; no one for the offender; the Public Prosecutor in his conclusions;

Considering that from the debates, the confession of the offender included in the several reports produced and read during the investigation, sufficient proof is established that, in January 1911, the person named Willy, did, at a place called Soanokel, island of Taume, New Hebrides, give and sell alcoholic liquors to New Hebridean natives; offence provided for and punished by articles 59 and 61 of the Convention of 20th October, 1906, as follows:-

59: "... no person shall, in the New Hebrides, including the Banks and Tors islands and within the territorial waters of the group sell or supply intoxicating liquors to the natives in any form and on any pretext whatsoever."

61: "Any breach by non-natives of articles 57, 59... shall be punishable by a fine of from 4/- to £20."

For these reasons:

Places, for the moment, Mousse out of the case; pronounces default against Willy for non appearance; condemns, by default, Willy to pay a fine of seventy francs (£2) and all costs

So decreed, judged and pronounced the day, month and year as above in public hearing and last resort and signed by, Court de Ouvea Supraula, President; Jean Colonna, French Judge; J. Beuzel, Registrar; Alex. Under, British Judge.

The British Judge: The French Judge:

G.G. Alex Under.

J. Colonna

The Registrar:

The President: *[Signature]*

