

SOLICITOR INSANE

SYDNEY, May 18.—A Sydney solicitor who claimed heavy damages from two doctors for certifying him insane in 1931 was to-day deemed insane and committed to Parramatta mental hospital.

The solicitor, Oliver Darcy Johnston (42), was found guilty by Mr. F. Beavers, S.M., of having wandered at large at the Sydney suburb of Dee Why while insane.

Johnston, who pleaded not guilty, claimed that he had been wrongly arrested and detained.

On May 11, Johnston was remanded for medical examination and treatment after police told the lunacy court that Johnston had taken a shotgun to home of Mr. Baker in Dee Why and knocked loudly at the door at 3 a.m. on May 10.

On May 11, in the Supreme Court, Justice McClelland stood over the case in which Johnston claimed damages from Drs. Horace Layton Spierman and William Henry Randall.