

1) He was hard up for money and was being pressed by his creditor.

He was broke and stressed by his creditor.

2) They acted in a manner that rendered them liable to prosecution.

Their statement in prosecution made them suspicious.

3) The account the witness gave of the incident moved everyone that heard it to laughter.

The witness gave another belly laugh to the incident.

4) His courage in the battle might without exaggeration be called lion-like.

He was acting as lion even in battle.