

GERMAN-AUSTRIAN CANADIAN CITIZENS LOYAL TO DOMINION

Former Residents of Warring Nations To Be Amply Protected

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WINNIPEG, Sept. 17.—The former residents of Germany and Austria now residing in Winnipeg and west are doing all in their power to set at ease any fears of their being ranged up with their former countries is amply proven by the reports that are sent daily to Maj. W. Lawless, acting district officer commanding the Western Canada military district.

Of late no trouble has been experienced with Austrians and Germans now resident in Canada. Here and there in a bar room in some isolated town, trouble may arise from a heated argument, but the foreign element is in every way endeavoring to show loyalty and to avoid trouble.

A recent order-in-council calling upon Germans and Austrians to give up any arms and ammunition they may be in possession of, is being carried out by civic authorities and the North West Mounted police. It is stated that when called upon there is no hesitance to give up arms and ammunition.

In connection with the matter Major Lawless said today that reports he was receiving from his district were most satisfactory in every way. It was the intention of military, civil and police authorities to do all in their power for those citizens from belligerent countries who had made Canada their home.