

GERMANS ARE ESCAPING FROM THE DOMINION

They Reach the United States by the "Underground Rail- way" System.

New York, Dec. 31.—A despatch from Cleveland to the Tribune, says: An "underground railroad" similar to the ones in operation during the Civil War, when escaping negroes were brought north, has been established between the United States and Canada. This time the "underground" is rescuing Germans from Canada.

Word as to the working of the "underground" was brought to Cleveland to-day by Hermann Wenz, of Montreal, who described his escape from Canada to Buffalo in a trunk.

"Because I speak French fluently, my nationality was not questioned until recently when an enemy informed the Canadian officials I was a German," said Wenz. "The sheriff at Montreal summoned me, but I managed to evade the writ for a day and then got to Niagara Falls. I tried in vain to get across to the American side until I met a French-Canadian who offered to do the job for \$20. I paid him, and he put me in a trunk, which was shipped across the river to a warehouse in Buffalo. Three hours later I was freed."

Wenz declares that a regular system has been established for getting Germans out of Canada and by the accident of meeting with the right man he was able to avail himself of the "underground."