

FUGITIVE AUSTRIAN SHOT BY FRENCHMAN

Alien Made Threatening Movement and Frenchman Shot to Kill

Cochrane, June 15—Details which have come to hand regarding the shooting of an escaped Austrian prisoner from the internment camp at Spirit Lake are that the Austrian was one of a party of four that escaped, but he had broken away from his companions at the time of the shooting. He had covered a distance of about sixty miles towards Cochrane. When some distance from Whitefish he saw a young French settler, who was carrying a rifle and bundle, which the fugitive—evidently believed to be food and being in desperate plight he signaled the Frenchman to stop. The Frenchman, not understanding the signal, continued on his way, and when he came up with the Austrian, the latter started addressing him in an unintelligible manner. The settler attempted to pass, and the Austrian put his hand in his hip pocket as if he were about to draw forth a revolver. The Frenchman thereupon fired his rifle at the fugitive, killing him on the spot.