

## Two Canadian Officers Reduced and Sentenced for Failure to Use Bayonets.

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Devils Lake, N.D., June 15 — The story of two Canadian soldiers at the Brandon camp where 3,600 Austrian and German subjects are interned, losing their rank and getting terms of 15 and 30 days in confinement, was told by a traveller from the Canadian city. When a squad of the Austrians were recently taken from the Brandon camp, for daily exercise the trouble started. One of the foreigners became rebellious. He left the line of marching men, shouting that he refused to be held a prisoner of war.

The officer of the guard ordered a bayonet charge. The first sergeant who received the order failed to respond. He had joined the army to shoot from trenches. Gouging an unarmed man who stood helpless before him was too much. The same order was issued to a second man, and he, too, failed to execute it. It remained for the third, a veteran in the service, to level his musket and inflict a flesh wound in the Austrian, which was sufficient to send him to the hospital.

A courtmartial was held in which the two subordinates were found guilty of failing to execute an order. They were put back in the ranks after being sentenced.