

PETAWAWA ALIENS CAUSE TROUBLE.

The disaffection which prevailed among the prisoners at Petawawa camp during the past week or more broke out anew at Kapuskasing a few days ago, with the result that one of the prisoners was killed by the guards and thirteen others wounded, nine of them seriously. The first trouble at Petawawa was caused by a batch of prisoners brought there from Fort Henry. They refused to work, and induced many of the others to follow their example. Various means were adopted to persuade them to obey orders. They were given close confinement, deprived of tobacco and served with a bread and water menu, but without success. They remained sullen and obdurate and when last week they were transferred to Kapuskasing they started trouble there. They arrived at Kapuskasing on Wednesday of last week, but the disturbance did not break out until Friday morning, when some of the new arrivals were ordered to do some camp chores. They refused to do manual labor, claiming that as war prisoners they could not be called upon. The leaders were taken aside by the commanding officer and advised to obey orders, but while the conference was going on the other newly-arrived prisoners rushed the guards, the latter being compelled to fix bayonets. The result was one fatality and quite a number injured. None of the prisoners escaped, but they gave the 300 guards quite an interesting time of it. The result of the outbreak may have a sobering effect on the aliens. One of the officers at Petawawa remarked during the trouble there that the aliens would not be quietened until there was a funeral, and the events of Friday last show that his prediction was about correct.