

# ATTEMPT MADE ON WIRELESS STATION

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Port Arthur, Ont., Aug. 14.—A deliberate and almost successful attempt to put the government wireless station at Port Arthur out of commission was made early this morning, and as it was the station has been out of operation for nine hours while repairs were made to the damage done.

The operator, O. G. Hughes, who was on duty alone during the night, noticed that communication had been

cut and on investigation found that the aerials had fallen to the ground. He called the operator in charge, John Bartlett, from a nearby building where he was sleeping. Mr. Bartlett hurried out in his pajamas and saw two men who ran from the field on observing him. As they ran they fired two shots and as Mr. Bartlett was unarmed he did not continue the pursuit. Further examination showed some of the cables supporting the big masts to be cut, but the masts were still upright. It is probable that in a few more minutes all the supporting

cables would have been cut, in which case the mast might have fallen. Militia guards will be placed on duty at the station immediately.