

TURKS TRIED TO SKIP, ARRESTED

Three So-called Missionaries Were Stopped at Line and Sent Back Here

Macleod, Alta., Nov. 25.—(Special.)—The three Turkish missionaries, Ziha Thomas, Alexander Kuriakos and Elias Marcus, who were recently held at the Mounted Police barracks here as prisoners of war, and later released on parole, were re-arrested by the Immigration officials at Kingsgate on Friday last as they were attempting to cross the line into the states. They were at once sent back to Macleod, and on Monday were transferred to the Detention Camp at Lethbridge, which will probably remain their residence until the termination of the war. At the time of their first arrest the three men protested they were gathering funds for the relief of the Christians in Turkey, and after a strict examination satisfied the police authorities of their bona fides, and were released on parole on condition they reported themselves once a month to the police at Cranbrook, and did not attempt to leave the Dominion.

Last week they duly presented themselves at the police station, but must have at once made plans to escape across the line, as a few days later they were stopped in their attempt to get across the border.

They were treated in a very fair manner by the police authorities, and have no one to blame but themselves that they are now languishing for an unknown period in a Detention Camp.