

LOUISA MARKESFELDT GETS 6 MONTHS' TERM

"German Spy" Sent to Mercer Reformatory on Charge of Vagrancy.

AUTOS CARRY LOOT

Mrs. Louisa Beatham, Aged 50, Pleads Guilty to Wholesale Thieving.

Toronto's one sensational German spy case ended to-day with the conviction of Louisa Markesfeldt on a vagrancy charge, and her committal by Magistrate Kingsford to six months and indefinitely in the Mercer.

"This poor girl," said his Worship, "has no home, no friends, and no means of living. The only thing we can do is to send her somewhere. I think six months and indefinitely in the Mercer should suffice."

"Might I suggest that it be made a transfer to the Industrial Refuge?" asked Crown Attorney Corley.

"What will that mean?" "Well, this girl is not the sort usually committed to the Mercer, and I think if she were sent to the Refuge she would have work to do and would not be in evil company."

The girl did not open her mouth. She walked from the court room as serenely as ever.

It required two automobiles to carry away the dresses, cutlery, silver, cut-glass, and other household materials stolen by Mrs. Louisa Beatham, alias Steven, from the home of James Milne, 67 High Park boulevard, where she was employed as a domestic. The value of the goods is \$600.

Mrs. Beatham is a woman 50 years of age, and has a grown daughter with whom she lives on Galley avenue. In court to-day, very stylishly dressed in a silk coat and panama hat, she pleaded guilty to the charge and was remanded one week to jail.

Mrs. M. Blewett, of 399 Keele street, who also employed the Beatham woman, may lay a similar charge.

Karl Schmidt made pro-German statements in an hotel bar Saturday evening and nearly caused a riot. On a charge of disorderly conduct, he appeared before Squire Ellis.

"He claims to be a Russian to-day," said Inspector Verney.

So Schmidt, who bears a well-known name not Russian, was remanded one week.

John Moran, of Vermont, U.S.A., has had four remands, as he is wanted in the United States, and is to be **deported**. Deportation takes time, so Moran was remanded again one week.

A Literary Futurist.

Matthew B. McGovern is the crippled man who may have been seen about Toronto streets with tin signs nailed on his crutches with unintelligible words on them. Charged as a vagrant, letters were found on him in the same senseless jumble of words.

"He is a literary futurist likely," said Sergeant McKenny.

McGovern was fined \$5 and costs or thirty days.

Allan Cattle, 20 years old, pleaded guilty to a drunk charge, and the court tried very decently to find out where he got the liquor, as he is under age. He couldn't remember, and so was handed over to Patrol Sergeant Jackson of the morality office. He told Jackson he didn't intend to remember. So he was taken off bail and remanded to jail till Wednesday.

Frank Madigan was charged with disorderly conduct by fighting with an old man.

"He called me a German," said Madigan, who lives on Dennis avenue. Madigan was let go.

Remanded on Conspiracy Charge.

Charles B. Purvis, Thomas R. Tennant, and John T. and William Trewen were all remanded eight days further on the charge of conspiracy to defraud in real estate deals. The Crown is not prepared to go on.

Five Austrians, whose names are note writeable in ordinary letters, were arrested in a furious fight on Weston road. These Austrians fight like cats, with both front and hind legs, and any projecting parts of the anatomy, such as ears and noses, are considered fair game. All five were fined \$2 and costs, or 15 days each.

Daniel McAuliffe, Thomas Segee, and John Shaw were remanded a week on a charge of breaking into a freight car at the foot of Cherry street and stealing a quantity of bonded goods.

The races have won another victim, this time William Kennard, 19 years old, who stole \$10 from his employer and went to the Hamilton race meet with it.

Robert McFarland pleaded guilty to a charge of stealing a couple of shrapnel shells from the Steel and Radiation Company. He said he wanted them for souvenirs, and that he worked, in the place. He was remanded for sentence.

George E. Edwards is alleged to have yanked out a 38calibre while riding in a jitney and waved it at the passing crowds, incidentally scaring two young ladies, who were also in the jitney. Edwards pleaded that he was drunk, and was remanded one week, bail \$200.

David Bain was remanded to the 36th on a charge of breaking into Joseph Cozin's repair shop at 9 Nelson street and stealing a motor tire.

George P. Black was remanded a week on a charge of "beating" the hotels.