

GERMAN ESCAPES FROM NANAIMO

Daring Break for Liberty by Interned Iron-Worker— Man Still at Large.

NANAIMO, July 5.—Despite the fact that it is surrounded by barbed wire and guarded by armed soldiers at every point where there would appear to be any possibility of escape, a German prisoner, named Carl W. Kastner, escaped from the Nanaimo internment prison early this morning, and at the time of going to press had not been recaptured.

A structural iron worker, Kastner—who is also known as Hellwig and "Dutchy"—was taken into custody last March at Prince Rupert. He was then at work on the drydock and his trade is such that he is capable of walking at any height and upon almost any surface, however slight. This circumstance, combined with the fact that he is a muscular man, only 28 years of age, is held as accountable for his remarkable escape which took place, it is stated, through the roof.

News of the escape was flashed from Nanaimo this morning in time to have the Nanaimo steamer, Princess Patricia—searched—through the courtesy of the C. P. R.—upon her arrival at Vancouver. No trace of the missing man was found.

The military prison at Nanaimo is the old Nanaimo jail and is situated a mile and a quarter from Nanaimo on the waterfront.

The full description of the escaped prisoner, who is a native of Geneva in 'a sack.' Minton was fined \$25 and costs or in default sentenced to 30 days' imprisonment.