

ALARM THAT ALIENS HAD ESCAPED PROVED UNFOUNDED RUMOR

Soldier with Dislike for Guard Room Got Away But His Lib- erty Was Short Lived

Like an electric shock the alarm that three prisoners had escaped this morning from the Winter Fair building startled the guard, who turned out in force and men on foot and on bicycle started to run down the fugitives. The bridges across the Assiniboine were guarded and the city police notified to stop the runaway, according to Captain Coleman, the alarm, however turned out to be false, and the three supposed prisoners proved to be one man from the 99th battalion, who had escaped from the guardroom, where he had been placed for some offence against military regulations.

The soldiers had been passing the Arena, when some of the men on guard there recognized him, and one shouted: "There he is." Hearing the shout the escaping soldier ran away along Eleventh street, and as he was not in uniform the alarm spread that some of the interned aliens had got away. He was captured on Rosser avenue, and is now in one of the cells of the Arena, and will come up before his company officer in the 99th battalion.

A shot was fired into the air by the guard to stop the man running away.