

PRISONERS OF WAR MADE BOLD ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE.

One German Shot Dead and Four Others Seriously Wounded in the Detention Camp at Amherst.

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AMHERST, N. S., June 24—Considerable excitement was caused on the streets of Amherst today by the report that a concentrated effort had been made by a squad of German prisoners confined in the detention camp here to escape and as a consequence one of them had been shot. Recognizing the need of accuracy in matters of this nature The Morning Chronicle correspondent got in touch with those competent to give a true version of the affair. This in substance is as follows:

"While the prisoners of war in the detention camp here were being conducted to the compound for physical exercise one of them, Fritz Clause by name, assaulted one of the internment Camp Police, knocking him insensible. The guard was called to quell the mutiny, and in the melee which followed the originator of the trouble was shot dead, and four of the other prisoners more or less seriously wounded."

It is understood that those involved were a German body of men, and it is a source of great satisfaction to the citizens of Amherst that the officers and guard in charge of these men are ready for such an emergency and their prompt action will no doubt result in preventing like actions in future.