

The German Prisoner Case

To the Editor of The Gazette—

Sir—One of our most estimable citizens, Mr. W. P. Downey, has been pleased to take exception to my letter in your issue of the 5th instant. I have been trying to find out from his letter what target he is aiming at. I stand shoulder to shoulder with every one who is striving to thwart the efforts of the diabolical Hun. My three sons have enlisted and one of them is in the midst of the carnage now going on in France. I have already stated, and I again repeat most emphatically, that no blame can be attached to the Director of Internment Operations or his staff which is well organized and equipped and is one of the best run departments in the Government. Mr. Downey is well aware that I am competent to give an opinion, having had connection for some time with that branch of the government. A well known returned officer of long experience, remarked to me only yesterday that any information that the Sailor Schauer would be able to impart from what he could gather from his surroundings on his journey would not hurt a fly! The public can rest assured that the authorities had a tab upon the man throughout the whole journey and any attention bestowed upon him by passengers was entirely outside of the department.

Yours very truly,

VIGILANT.