

TAKES SERIOUSLY GERMAN DANGER

Home Guards Are Organized in Eastern Canada to Be Ready for Raids From South.

Montreal, Nov. 19.—Eastern Canada is taking more and more seriously the possibility of German raids and filibusters from south of the international border. Montreal has decided to organize a home guard of 5,000 men and similar home guards are in process of organization in Toronto and other eastern cities. Deficiencies in home rifles will be made up by the importation of American arms.

At a recent informal meeting of cavalry officers belonging to Montreal and Eastern townships regiments the possibility of German raids was discussed, and it was generally felt that the danger was not sufficiently realized. Colonel Smart, a well-known Montreal manufacturer, addressing the meeting, said: "As a people we scarcely seem to realize that we are at war, while all of us are taking matters far too easily."

Reported German Activity.

In a report of this meeting of cavalry officers the Montreal Journal of Commerce says:

"At the meeting held last night, it was freely stated that immediate rep-

representations should be made to the militia authorities urging them to take some action to patrol the border between Canada and the United States. Statements were made of excellent authority that German stragglers were crossing the line at various points, offering their services to farmers slooply for their board, setting up small stores in out-of-the-way villages, and, in brief, carrying on the system of espionage which has characterized the Germans throughout the world. It was also reported that there were three times the usual number of applications for hunting licenses made in Maine this year as compared with ordinary years and that the majority of those making application were Germans.