

# GERMANS BLAME DUVERNET

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## Say Countrymen Are Harshly Treated at Concentration Camps.

Crown Prosecutor E. E. A. DuVernet is thought by certain odd-minded German sympathizers to be the man who made the concentration camps where alien enemies of His Majesty are quartered. All through the trial of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Nerlich Mr. DuVernet was the mystified recipient of various vague and threatening communications by letter and telephone.

"They think," said the Crown Prosecutor to The Star, "that I am responsible for all the concentration camps. They took occasion to point out to me that the Germans and Austrians, interned in these camps were treated with the utmost cruelty, that conditions were terrible, and food bad, and that men were dying of the hardships they were forced to endure in the midst of winter. They called to my attention the generous treatment that was being accorded to British subjects in Germany, and warned me that when the Germans marched into Canada I would not be forgotten."

As the threats were made on the supposition that at some time victorious German forces would tramp into Toronto, Mr. DuVernet is taking it all without much interest.