

GERMAN MENACE IN CANADA

Two German emissaries or spies of distinction have arrived from Quebec, and been interned in Fort Henry. They should have been there long ago. They were in business and had a mail of prodigious proportions. No house or firm or corporation in the ancient city had anything to be compared with it. Some of their letters were examined, they being suspects, and found to contain nothing of a treasonable character.

The language was that of a business man and referred to nothing, apparently, but business, but these Germans have developed the art of conspiracy to a remarkable extent. The Imperial Government is represented all over the world by men whose shrewdness and diplomacy, (which is another word for deception), are their chiefest assets, as they had been supplying the Secret Service Department in Germany with a great deal of information. A lot of this information has been of no value, and it must have worried the German staff to read and interpret it.

Occasionally, however, there was something that was carefully noted. The big mail that these Quebec scouts embodied, there is no doubt, instructions or enquiries for details in certain matters. All were discussed in terms peculiar to business men. The code made it inexpressibly pungent.

Eventually, these suave and cunning cut-throats made a demonstration that gave them away. Before

the picture of the King in the Chat-teau Frontenac they cursed and shook - their fists. Their disguise for the moment was off. The circumstance was reported to the Dominion Secret Service, and two days later they were in custody and on the way to Fort Henry. As traitors they deserve something more heroic than quiet imprisonment.

Canada has a need to bestir herself. The enemy within her boundaries is showing its spirit. Ultimately, she may have to insist upon the internment of all the Germans who are in any way suspected. The explosions at Walkerville and Windsor are suggestive of the vengeance that lurks in the breast of everyone, and they ought to be treated as their country is treating the Britishers, and that means a curtailment of all their liberties and a deprivation of most of the comforts of life.