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Mr. Justice Metcalfe has refused the application by Attorney M. N. Doyle for a writ of Habeas Corpus to be used in freeing two Austrians sentenced last week by a military court to two months in jail. The Austrians were two of the twenty-six to whom different sentences were meted out for the trouble at Transcona.

It was argued by the attorney for the Austrians that Major Heath Jackson, by whom the men were sentenced to prison, had exceeded his authority and had construed the law too narrowly.

Justice Metcalfe decided that the Austrians had broken their parole by leaving Winnipeg in addition to the offence of creating disorders in Transcona. In making his pronouncement on the application, he said: "The law applying to alien enemies, their duties and limits in war time, cannot be too narrowly construed at this stage of hostilities."

Police Magistrate Fraser might well paste that sentence in his hat, or better still, in some place where he will have it ever before him.