

PRESUMED BRITISH SUBJECT

**Allen Must Elect When Reaching
Age of Twenty-One.**

TORONTO, April 18.—When an alien who comes to Canada as a boy reaches the age of 21 he has the right to elect whether he will become a British subject or remain uncivilized. If he doesn't do so he is presumed to be a subject of His Majesty the King. Magistrate Kingsford made this clear when Geo. Mattachuk, an Austrian, appeared before him yesterday on a charge of not complying with the Military Service Act. It seems that Mattachuk came to Canada when twelve years old. He is now twenty-nine. His father was naturalized but he failed to "elect" when twenty-one. As a "presumed" British subject he was committed to Burwash for six months.