

STABBING AFFRAY

INCIDENT AT BOULDER.

As the result of an altercation at the Horseshoe Inn Hotel, Boulder, early yesterday afternoon, the licensee, Samuel Keenan, received a knife wound on the left shoulder, and a Russian named Jack Pavelkin was conveyed to the Government hospital suffering from injuries to the body.

The facts surrounding the case and the events which led up to the stabbing incident have not yet been elucidated, but it appears that Pavelkin and a mate of the same nationality arrived at the hotel during the morning, and after several drinks the mate left. Shortly afterwards an altercation occurred and Pavelkin is alleged to have stabbed Keenan in the left shoulder with a large military jack knife. The Russian then made off towards the railway crossing, followed by a number of men, who attacked him and gave him a severe handling. Dr. Connelly found Pavelkin's condition to be such as to warrant his removal to the Government hospital, whence he was conveyed by Sergt. Mulkerin and Constable McGillivray. Keenan, on the other hand, was found to have sustained only a flesh wound on the shoulder and a cut finger, and his injuries are not of a serious nature.

Pavelkin is a returned soldier, having served in the mining corps, and has recently been employed in one of the local mines.

No arrests have yet been made, but the matter is being inquired into by Det.-Sergt. Read.