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(Special Despatch to The Globe.)

Ottawa, May 24.—Italy's declaration of war brings another section of the population of the North American continent into very close contact with the great conflict now raging overseas. There are 45,411 Italians in Canada, and a few millions in the United States. Of the numbers in Canada about 5,000 are reservists, whose duty it is to join the colors. In addition there will no doubt be 4,000 or so who will be anxious to volunteer. In the United States many thousands will be numbered in the same categories.

With such considerable numbers to be conveyed to Italy, it is obvious that transports will be necessary, and as transports, as such, can not sail from the United States, it is possible that the reservists and volunteers from that side of the line may mobilize in Canada for transport overseas via Canadian troops ports. Italy could well supply transports and convoys for the work.

It is even possible that many Italians may enlist with the Canadian troops, though this is not considered probable, since Italy is in a good position to equip her own troops.

The Italian population in Canada is distributed as follows: Ontario, 21,265; Quebec, 9,576; British Columbia, 9,721; Alberta, 2,139; Manitoba, 972; Saskatchewan, 310. Toronto and Montreal have each about 7,000; Vancouver has 2,500; Winnipeg, 756, and Calgary, 390.

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