

# \* THE MEN IN THE FORT. \*

The alien enemy, represented in  
this part by the men who are im-  
prisoned in our fort and elsewhere, will  
be made the subjects of legislation  
at the next session of the commons.  
They are labouring under various dis-  
abilities. They are deprived of their  
property, being under suspicion, and  
they could not, if allowed to go free,  
obtain employment at the present  
time. They cannot take action in  
the courts because, as enemies of the  
realm, they have no legal rights.  
They could be deported, only to seek  
the fatherland and there become iden-  
tified with the army. The situation  
is a serious one, and if parliament  
can help it of its anxiety it will  
be doing well. Meanwhile a large  
number of the prisoners are doing  
their duty on the government land-  
ings at Quebec and Ontario, and two hun-  
dred and fifty of them are guarded in  
our fort. They are  
very young men, in the prime of  
manhood, and are behaving under re-  
straint. For their sake, and for eco-  
nomy's sake, it were well the war had