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Ottawa, April 15.-The advent of the United States into the war, with the possibility of some form of conpulsory drafting for military service across the line. has resulted in a sudden cessation of the recent drift from Canada of a certain class of slackers across the border. For some months past this exodus from Canada has been of large proportions, averaging some weeks fully one thousand per day. Part of the emigration may be ascribed to labor demands and high wages in the United States, but there were undoubtedly tens of thousands who left Canada because they feared they might be drafted for military service. The total exodus during the past two years has, according to the immigration authorities, been probably over 200,000. A large proportion were men of allen birth, drifters and ne'er-do-well's, whose citizenship is perhaps well lost to Canada. Some of these are now seeking to come back, but are being rejected at ports of entry by the immigration, officials as undesirables.