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THE SOLDIERS VOTES

called obstruction, and the closure was

But the Standard will not print this.

It will continue the practice it pursued

when it suppressed Gould's evidence about Flemming and Cozzolino's evi-

dence about Tennant and the war resolutions of the western Liberal convention One result of the Standard's policy of suppression and distortion is that in

order to distribute it in New Brunswick the directors are compelled to give it

away. Even then free distribution is resented by a great many people in this

province, proof being found in the un-

claimed Standards which are so numerous in country post offices. The truth of

this statement will be recognized in-

stantly by people in scores of parishes

who know that the free distribution has been a pitiful failure and who have

helped to make it so by refusing to re-

A few truly horrible remarks on women's dress from the Philadelphia

rather in the wearer than in the gow

The standard of one age is not the standard of another. Have not those who made the loudest outcry against the short skirt already learned to appreciate its fitness? If abbreviation is to be cartill further recovery may be trusted

ried still further, women may be trusted to make it alike pleasing to the eye and

the Borden government could not refrain from playing cheap partizan politics.

The independent Ottawa Citizen says:-

The refusal of the government to permit the Liberals to name half the offi-

cers to take the soldier vote overseas

cers to take the soldier vote overseas will not convince many of the desire of the administration to permit their political opponents any privileges which it can withhold from them. And likewise it may give rise to other thoughts connected with the taking of the soldier

England is our most spiteful adversary. England is particularly the enemy to be struck down.—The Kaiser.

And, says the New York Sun, "as

press agent for England Wilhelm is

A Wooden Cross. (By Clinton Scotland.) ere, in No Man's Land,

Swept by the rain and beaten by

Pathetic? yes, and yet how small

Among the many thousand crosses-

How small a loss, you say; but nay!

To a fair maid who cannot see for

wooden cross,

the sun!

but nay!

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great success.

THE WAR

When the bill regarding votes for sol With the closing week of August military leaders look ahead to the end of the diers was discussed in the House of autumn campaign and are taking stock Commons, The Times and The Teleof this year's progress and its bearing graph published a fair summary of the upon the end of the war. The Allies debate. Hansard for August 24 arrived can now count upon only about ten only yesterday and, because of the gross weeks of reliable fighting weather, and misrepresentation of Dr. Pugsley's atperhaps less, before the autumn rains titude which the Standard has carried will render large movements difficult and on, a verbatim report of Hon. Dr. Pugs-

ley's speech was published in today's Mr. Frank H. Simonds, editor of the Telegraph. The Standard will now have New York Tribune, in reviewing the an opportunity to publish it in full and campaign on the western front this year, by doing so it will completely disprove says the British and French have no expectation of breaking through the Germaking. If the Standard is afraid to man front in 1917. He thinks victory will place before the soldiers and their friends come next summer. With the Russian collapse and the failure of the French to take Laon, he says, the western campaign settled down definitely to a series of the series of the series of the series of the exact words which Dr. Pugsley used it will be easy to draw the right confifteen lunch baskets the one basket that clusion. Dr. Pugsley never opposed gets lost always containes the salt—Seapaign settled down definitely to a series giving votes to Canadian soldiers. In paign settled down definitely to a series giving votes to Canadian soldiers. In of attacks on limited fronts, following the Petain method, the chief purpose of in the proposal that they should vote, which has been to recover ridges and recognizing that they have earned that other positions of advantage from the right many times over, and have, in fact, other positions of advantage from the more right to vote than civilians at home.

In the position of advantage from the right to vote than civilians at home. enemy, meantime inflicting upon him more right to vote than civilians at home. disastrous losses in men. By the tactics The independent Toronto Star preof Petain this has been accomplished sents a few editorial remarks regarding with relatively small losses to the Allies. the soldiers' vote bill which the Standard • It has caused the Germans to adopt the should print for the benefit of its subplan which the French carried out during scribers. The Star says: plan which the French carried out during the closing phase of the first great battle of Verdun, holding their front lines lightly, concealing machine guns in shell holes and depending mainly upon their artillery to resist enemy attacks. Because of the Russian failure, Mr. Simonds says, Germany has been able to recall at Ottawa, and threats of closure.

some troops from the East, but of greater

But they relate not to war measures,

But they relate not to help the

ortance is the fact that many thouis of men who were to be sent to cause, but to frauds designed to help the and the Germans have been able to emand the Germans have been able to emander.

Parliament is unanimous in its desire and the Germans have been able to emplay them against the British and French in the west. Therefore, he says, the chance for a decision in 1917 has definitely passed. While that is true, the Allies have won many important objectives, during July and August, and have inflicted upon the Germans much greater losses than they themselves have greater losses the greater losses than they themselves have greater losses than the greater los suffered. In conclusion Mr. Simonds ment to spare, then these votes could be handed over to a candidate in a close

"The French failure to get to Laon emphasized the fact that Germany still had the men and guns.
"She will have neither next year. If the United States is able to put a considerable number of troops. considerable number of troops—say,
half million—on the Western
front, the Allied advantage will be tremendous in numbers as well as guns, and if Russia should rally the end would, in my judgment, come before this time next year; and by the end I mean not the fall of Berlin or the passage of the Lower the end I mean not the fail of Berlin or the passage of the Lower Rhine, but the expulsion of the Germans from France and Belgium and the clear and unmistakable military decision which will dissipate the Prussian idea of victory through

deadlock.

"When the war approaches German territory, the fact will be plain to the whole of Germany. Just as long as the fighting is far away in France, Belgium and Poland, the German rulers can make a case for insisting upon pages, based, upon German rulers can make a upon insisting upon peace based upon profits for Germany, or, at the least, peace by which Germany escapes all financial payments for her devastations in Belgium and France."

While Mr. Simonds thinks Russia canto come, he says it is still foolish to re- Public Ledger:gard seriously German stories about a "Skirts are to be shorter and scanter drive to Petrograd or even to Odessa.

In fact: "If Russia could prevail upon Germany to take such a step her service to the Allied cause could not be exagured to the Allied cause could not be exagured."

"Skirts are to be shorter and scanter. Such is the prophecy of that mysterious arbitress Fashion, whose decrees, like those of Fate, none may resist. The question has already been raised by masculine censores morum, who nature to the Allied cause could not be exag-masculine censores morum, who natur-gerated and German defeat would be ally know nothing of the matter, how a hastened." To undertake a great autumn and winter offensive would be to encounter Russia's greatest generals, December and January. Mr. Simonds says:

ally know nothing of the matter, now a large restricting process can go on with due regard to that modesty which, as the Gaelic proverb has it, is the beauty of women. The obvious answer is that modesty is hard to define. It resides to the wearer than in the gown.

culties with Germany and Austria, in common with all the other nations in common with all the other nations at war, is the problem of transport. We know that Berlin, like Paris, suffered from coal famine last year, and already signs point to a fear of the return of this famine. Yet France owed her coal famine in considerable measure to the fact that her coal mines were in German hands, while German coal mines remained undisturbed by any enemy.

turbed by any enemy.

"To organize an offensive operation; to conduct an invasion over four hundred miles of difficult territory with a single railroad line available at a season when water transport must shortly be interrupted this would place an enormous bur-den upon the Germans, were there no question of finding the numbers necessary to conduct such an opera-tion even in the face of a weak Rus-

"And such an invasion might coneivably rouse Russia, as the invasion of France roused the French people at the time of their revolution. This is a consideration always presented the consi This is a consideration always present in the German mind and plainly revealed in all German operations since the Russian Revolution became socialistic rather than nationalistic." The war will be decided upon the

last year, the Allies have taken 185,000 German prisoners, more than a thousand guns, and have reclaimed more than 1,000 square miles of French territory With a large American force to supplement British and French strength in the west, the end, Mr. Simonds thinks, should

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WHAT DR. PUGSLEY SAID ABOUT THE SOLDIERS' VOTE SOLDIERS' VOTE The Canadian soldier would desire us to go. I cannot conceive for a single moment that the resident of Canada, the Canadian boy who has gone to the front, would be desirous that that civil right—would be desirous that that civil right—would be desirous that that civil right—

(Hansard, Aug. 24.)

Mr. Pugsley—I beg to move, seconded by the hon. member for Welland, that section 2 be amended by striking out the words "whether or not" immediately beliance twenty-two of page one. This brings up the question which was discussed a day or two ago, whether or not a man should be allowed to vote who has not been a resident of Canada. I think myself that the mere fact that a resident of the United States or the West Indies or India, China or Japan who happens to be a British citizen enlists in the Canadian expeditionary force, hearly all the Action of the Canadian expeditionary force, absolute the conditionary forces are several thousands of British subjects who have never lived in Canada, who may know nothing about Canada, and who have no real interest in the civil government of this country.

Whether or not a man should be allowed to vote who has not been a resident of Canada. Let me appeal to the committee to consider for a moment what the result of that will be. I am told that in the Canadian expeditionary forces there are several thousands of British subjects who have never lived in Canada, and who have no real interest in the civil government of this country.

NEWS OF THE SULDERS

Mrs. Annie E. Baxter of Fredericton, was advised from Ottawa on Sunday that her son, Lance Corporal Frank that her son, La sided. But the foreigner—I use the term his vote as to the government of the

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constituencies in this dominion where the vote is very close, where either the Liberals or the Conservatives are in a slight majority, these non-residents of Canada, by making certain combinations, could practically turn the election, and in that way defeat and nullify the votes of the Canadian soldiers. Is that right? Is it a proper thing to do? On what principle can such a course be justified? One needs only to state the case, it seems to me, to show the argument against it. I do not want to take up the time of the house in discussing this matter further, but it does seem to me that the government ought to consent to the striking out of these words. Every member of this house and every man in this country wants to provide by law that ber of this house and every man in this country wants to provide by law that the Canadian man or woman who has gone to the front shall have the right to vote. Every one is desirous that the mere fact of a Canadian citizen being overseas shall not deprive him of his civil right, and surely, when we by law provide for that, we have gone as far as

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