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WANTED—Good bright boy, for all day. Apply J. M. Young & Co. m-36

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## Miscellaneous Wants.

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FOR DESTROYING PAIN GET Delone's Magic Oil, most penetrating remedy yet discovered. For sale by all leading druggists. Dec. 29

WANTED—Cotton Mill Help; feeder and slubber tenders. Apply Slingsby Mfg. Co. m5tf

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## Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat.

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## Dental.

DR. HART has gone back to his old stand over the Bank of Hamilton; entrance on Colborne St. d-mar26-15

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DR. C. H. SAUDER—Graduate American School of Osteopathy, Kirkville, Missouri. Office, Suite 6, Temple Building, 76 Dalhousie Street. Residence, corner Bedford and William Sts. Office phone 1544, house phone 2125. Office hours: 9 to 12 a.m., 2 to 5 p.m., evenings by appointment at house or office.

## BOYS' SHOES.

HAND MADE. MACHNE FINished, all solid leather, sizes 11 to 5. Also Shoe Repairing of all kinds.
W. S. PETTIT.
10 South Market St.

## Restaurants.

FOUND AT LAST—Ye Olde English Fried Fish and Potato Restaurant. Come and have a good fish dinner, by an expert cook. Hours: 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. 145½ Dalhlousie St. Bell Phone 2816

## Hairdressing.

MRS. MABEL ANGUISH — Electrolysis, Shampooing, Hair Dressing, Facial and Scalp Massage, Manicuring; manufacturing of Hair Goods, 28 West St. Bell Phone 2048. Auto. 822.

## Lost

LOST—On Saturday, a leather purse containing large sum of money. Reward at Courier.

LOST—Eye glasses, with gold button and chain. Reward, Courier office.

LOST—In Woolworth's, Saturday afternoon, parcel containing stockings. Please return to Courier Office.

## To Let.

TO LET—Red brick cottage. East ward. Electric, gas, $8. Apply 38 Darling.

## Articles For Sale.

FOR SALE—Save money on Furniture and Rugs. 44 Colborne St.

FOR SALE—Ladies' Long Pony skin coat, size 38, nearly new. $30. Phone 630.

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FOR SALE—Sugar Barrels. Apply The Wm. Paterson & Sons Co., Limited.

FOR SALE— Selected fumed oak dining room suite, new, at an extremely low price. 45 Colborne St.

## Legal.

JONES & HEWITT—Barristers and Solicitors. Solcitors for the Bank of Nova Scotia. Money to loan. Offices: Bank of Hamilton Chambers, Colborne and Market Sts. Bell phone 604. Alfred Jones, K.C., H. S. Hewitt.

BREWSTER & HEYD—Barristers, etc., Solcitors for thReoyal Loan and Savngs Co., the Bank of Hamilton, etc. Money to loan at lowest rates. W. S. Brewster, K.C. Geo. D. Heyd

ERNEST R. READ—Barrister, Solicitor, Notary Public, etc. Money toloan on improved real estate at current rates and on easy terms. Office 127½ Colborne St. Phone 487.

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R. FEELY—181 Colborne street—New and second hand stoves, heaters and cooks. Repairs of all kinds. General hardware.

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## Painting.

A. J. OSBORNE, Successor to the late Joseph Tilley, is carrying a full and up-to-date range of Wall Papers, 168 Market St.

## Architects

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## Shoe Repairing.

SHEPPARD'S, 73 Colborne St.—Electric Shoe Repairing. Work guaranteed. Phones: Bell 1207, Automatic 207. tf

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## Chiropractic

CARRIE M. HESS, D. C., AND FRANK CROSS, D. C. —Graduates of the Universal Chiropractic College, Davenport, Ia. Office in Ballantyne Building, 195 Colborne St. Office hours, 9.30-11.30 a.m., 1.30-5 and 7.30 to 8.30 p.m. Evenings by appointment. Phone Bell 2025.

OGG & OGG—Mrs. Robt M. Ogg, D.C., Ph.C., and Robert M. Ogg, D.C., Ph.C., graduates of the Palmer School of Chiropractic, Davenport, Ia. Office in the Canadian Bank of Commerce Building. Office hours: 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 a.m.; 2.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. Evening hours by appointment. Telephone: Bell 2265; Automatic 226.

## Medical

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SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST LAND REGULATIONS.

ANY sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter-section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. Application must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency for the District. Entry by proxy may be made at any Dominion Lands Agency (but not Sub-Agency), on certain conditions.

Duties—Six months residence in each of three years after earning homestead patent; also 50 acres extra cultivation. Pre emption patent may be obtained as soon as homestead patent, on certain conditions.

Duties—Six months residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres, on certain conditions. A habitable house is required except where residence is performed in the vicinity.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter section alongside his homestead. Price $3.00 per acre.

A settler who has exhausted his homestead right may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price $3.00 per acre. Duties—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate 50 acres and erect a house worth $300.

The area of cultivation is subject to reduction in case of rough, scrubby or stony land. Live stock may be substituted for cultivation under certain conditions.

W. W. CORY, C.M.G.,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.
N.B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.

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MAIN LINE—EAST.

Departures.

6.50 a.m.—For Dundas, Hamilton and East.

7.05 a.m.—For Toronto and Montreal.

4.51 a.m.—For Hamilton, Niagara Falls and East.

8.30 a.m.—For Hamilton, Niagara Falls and intermediate stations.

10.29 a.m.—For Hamilton, Toronto and East.

1.57 p.m.—Hamilton, Toronto, Niagara Falls and East.

1.56 a.m.—For Hamilton, Toronto, Niagara Falls and intermediate stations.

6.00 p.m.—For Hamilton, Toronto, Niagara Falls and East.

8.32 p.m.—For Hamilton, Toronto and East.

MAIN LINE—WEST.

Departures.

3.21 a.m.—For London, Detroit, Port Huron and Chicago.

8.53 a.m.—For London, Detroit, Port Huron and intermediate stations.

9.37 a.m.—For London, Detroit, Port Huron and Chicago.

9.55 a.m.—For London.

3.52 p.m.—For London, Detroit, Port Huron and intermediate stations.

6.52 p.m.—For London, Detroit, Port Huron and Chicago.

7.32 p.m.—For London, Detroit, Port Huron and Chicago.

8.34 p.m.—For London, Detroit and intermediate stations.

### Buffalo & Goderich Line.

East.

Leave Brantford 10.05 a.m.—For Buffalo and intermediate stations.

Leave Brantford 6.00 p.m.—For Buffalo and intermediate stations.

West.

Leave Brantford 10.05 a.m.—For Goderich and intermediate stations.

Leave Brantford 8.15 p.m.—For oderich and intermediate stations.

### Galt, Guelph and North

Leave Brantford 6.50 a.m.—For Galt, Guelph, Palmerston and all points north.

Leave Brantford 8.55 a.m.—For alt, Guelph and Palmerston.

Leave Brantford 3.55 p.m.—For Galt, Guelph, Palmerston and all points north.

Leave Brantford 8.40 p.m.—For Galt and Guelph.

### Brantford & Tillsonburg Line.

Leave Brantford 10.35 a.m.—For Tillsonburg, Port Dover and St. Thomas.

Leave Brantford 5.15 p.m.—For Tillsonburg, Port Dover and St. Thomas.

From South—Arrive Brantford, 8.45 a.m., 5.10 p.m.

### Buffalo & Goderich.

From East—Arrive Brantford, 9.52 a.m., 8.05 p.m.

From West—Arrive Brantford, 10.00 a.m., 5.42 p.m.

### G. T. R. Arrivals.

From West—Arrive Brantford, 7.56 a.m., 7.05 a.m., 9.30 a.m., 10.29 a.m., 1.57 p.m., 3.50 p.m., 6.00 p.m., 8.32 p.m.

From East—Arrive Brantford, 8.53 a.m., 9.15 a.m., 9.37 a.m., 3.52 p.m., 6.52 p.m., 7.32 p.m., 8.10 p.m.

### W. G. & B.

From North—Arrive Brantford, 9.05 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 4.29 p.m., 8.39 p.m.

### T., H. & B. RAILWAY.

EAST BOUND

7.37 a.m. DAILY—For Hamilton and intermediate points—Toronto, Welland, Niagara Falls, Buffalo and New York.

2.31 p.m., Ex. SUNDAY — For Hamilton and intermediate points—Toronto, Peterboro, Winnipeg and Buffalo.

5.12 p.m. Ex. SUNDAY—For Hamilton, Welland, Buffalo, New York and Boston.

7.08 p.m. DAILY—For Hamilton and intermediate points—Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Buffalo and New York.

WEST BOUND

9.46 a.m. Ex. SUNDAY—For Waterford and intermediate points— St. Thomas, Detroit and Chicago.

2.31 p.m. DAILY—For Waterford and intermediate points, St. Thomas, Detroit, Toledo, Bay City and Saginaw.

4.36 p.m., Ex. SUNDAY—For Waterford and intermediate points— St. Thomas, Detroit, Chicago and Cincinnati.

9.22 p.m., DAILY—For Waterford and intermediate points—St. Thomas, Detroit, Chicago.

### L. E. & N. RAILWAY.

PORT DOVER TO GALT

| Daily Except Sunday | am. | Dy. am. | Dy. am. | Dy. am. | Dy. am. | Dy. am. | Dy. am. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| P. D. | 7.00 | 9.00 | 11.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 | 5.00 | 7.00 |
| S'coe | 7.10 | 9.10 | 11.10 | 1.10 | 3.10 | 5.10 | 7.10 |
| W'f'd | 7.25 | 9.25 | 11.25 | 1.25 | 3.25 | 5.25 | 7.25 |
| Ok'ld | 7.38 | 9.38 | 11.38 | 1.38 | 3.38 | 5.38 | 7.38 |
| Mt. P. | 7.45 | 9.45 | 11.45 | 1.45 | 3.45 | 5.45 | 7.45 |
| B'ford | | | | | | | |
| Ar | 7.55 | 9.55 | 11.55 | 1.55 | 3.55 | 5.55 | 7.55 |
| Lv | 8.00 | 10.00 | 12.00 | 2.00 | 4.00 | 6.00 | 8.00 |
| P'rs | 8.20 | 10.20 | 12.20 | 2.20 | 4.20 | 6.20 | 8.20 |
| Gl's | 8.35 | 10.35 | 12.35 | 2.35 | 4.35 | 6.35 | 8.35 |
| M'n St. | | | | | | | |
| Galt | 8.52 | 10.52 | 12.52 | 2.52 | 4.52 | 6.52 | 8.52 |
| C. P. R. Galt. | | | | | | | |

GALT TO PORT DOVER

Southbound Trains:

| Daily Except Sunday | Dy. am. | Dy. am. | Dy. am. | Dy. pm. | Dy. pm. | Dy. pm. | Dy. pm. |
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| C. P. R. Galt | 6.57 | | | | | | |
| M'n St. | | | | | | | |
| G'lt | 7.00 | 8.55 | 10.55 | 12.55 | 2.55 | 4.55 | 6.55 |
| Gl's | 7.20 | 9.15 | 11.15 | 1.15 | 3.15 | 5.15 | 7.15 |
| P'r's | 7.35 | 9.33 | 11.33 | 1.33 | 3.33 | 5.33 | 7.33 |
| B'ford | | | | | | | |
| Ar | 7.50 | 9.50 | 11.50 | 1.50 | 3.50 | 5.50 | 7.50 |
| Lv. | 8.00 | 10.00 | 12.00 | 2.00 | 4.00 | 6.00 | 8.00 |
| Mt.P | 8.11 | 10.11 | 12.11 | 2.11 | 4.11 | 6.11 | 8.11 |
| Ok'd | 8.18 | 10.18 | 12.18 | 2.18 | 4.18 | 6.18 | 8.18 |
| W'fd | 8.30 | 10.30 | 12.30 | 2.30 | 4.30 | 6.30 | 8.30 |
| S'coe | 8.43 | 10.43 | 12.43 | 2.43 | 4.43 | 6.43 | 8.43 |
| E.D. | 8.58 | 10.58 | 12.58 | 2.58 | 4.58 | 6.58 | 8.58 |

# NATIONAL SERVICE WEEK VERY NEAR

## Every Man in Canada Will Soon Have a Card to Fill Out

National Service Week is drawing very near and the fact that the first week of the New Year bears that title is something in which everyone in Canada has an interest. The men are interested because it is obligatory upon each of them, between the ages of 16 and 65 years, to fill out one of the cards which the government is sending to them through the post office authorities. The women are interested because their co-operation is being invited, in seeing that their men-folk attend to this important duty. The children are interested because their school teachers have explained to them the meaning of National Service and the way in which father and the big brothers at home have to reply to the various questions.

To write the answers and return the card promptly is a good New Year's resolution for every man throughout the Dominion and it has the advantage of being easy of fulfilment. It only means a few minutes careful thought. The postman in the cities gets the hard work, for he has not only to deliver the cards; he is responsible also for their proper return. Prompt mailing of the answers will make the postman's work very much easier.

National Service means that we are to get into the frame of mind which will cause us to think of the needs of the country, to realize that the interests of the State have a greater claim on us than our self-interest. This applies to everyone, from the highest in the land to the lowest. The Prince of Wales' motto "I serve" may well be the motto of every citizen of the British Empire at this time.

There are many ways of serving the nation besides going to the front. The man on the farm and the mechanic in a workshop may be serving the nation as usefully as the man in the trenches. Every man should be doing the work which represents his most efficient service to his country.

The war is teaching us, or should be teaching us, great lessons. Terrible as are its effects, those who have faith in Canadian manhood hope and believe that the nation will emerge from this experience a stronger and a better people. If the meaning of National Srvice is thoroughly grasped and properly understood if the government's call for information is responded to in the right spirit, the coming year will be the banner year in Canada's history.

# BLAZE CAUSED BY MOVIE FAN

## Someone in Walkerville Attempted to Have Show of His Own

Walkerville, Dec. 26—The police are looking for the "world's greatest moving picture fan." They want to assist him in getting a prize of several years in prison which the statute books provide for offences such as he commited. The police are confident the "champion movie bug" lives in either Walkerville or Windsor.

Early this morning the Family Theatre, in Walkerville, was found to be ablaze. The fire had obtained good headway before being discovered and the whole place was threatened with destruction when the fire department arrived on the scene

After a battle lasting for over an hour, the flames were placed under control and finally extinguished. The loss is estimated at about $2,000.

Investigation of the ruins showed that the booth in which the motion picture machine was located was broken open and a reel of film placed in proper position for running off. Although the film was destroyed by the fire, it was plainly evident from the charred remains that part of the reel had been run off. The management of the theatre says some inexperienced operator, who risked capture and a prison sentence for breaking and entering the theatre to see a picture show of his own making, had, by his carelessness, started the blaze. The police are investigating the case.

# TWIN NURSES TO GO OVERSEAS

## Two Twin Daughters of Galt Man Honored Before Departure

Galt, Dec. 26.—Misses Violet and Lillie Larter, twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Larter, Chalmers street, graduates of the Montreal General Hospital, while home on their last leave before going overseas, were presented with the City of Galt signet rings by Mayor Edwards. The young ladies are identified with the Army Medical Corps and spent several months this summer on duty at Valcartier camp.

Children Cry
FOR FLETCHER'S
CASTORIA

# MILITARY DUTY FOR R. N. W. M. P.

## Famous Mounted Police of Canada's Northwest to Form a Regiment

Edmonton, Dec. 26—A Bowen Perry, C. M. G. commissioner of the Royal Northwest Mounted, Police stated to-day that "so soon as the Alberta provincial authorities can take over the stations in the province now held by the R.N.W.M.P., this famous unit will be recruited to full strength and will come under the federal authorities for military duty."

An order-in-council to this effect states that the provincial authorities will take over all the police duties heretofore undertaken by the R. N. W. M. P. on January 19, 1917.

Commissioner Perry states, however, that owing to the difficulty that would be apt to arise if the various stations in the province were immediately withdrawn from the control of the R. N. W. M. P., the order-in-council cannot actually take effect until such time as the Provincial Government can provide suitable men to fill them.

The action has been taken by the Federal Government as being a military necessity in time of war, and for the increasing demand for a highly trained unit to be ready for instant service within the Dominion.

**PUT CREAM IN NOSE AND STOP CATARRH**

Tells How To Open Clogged Nostrils and End Head-Colds.

You feel fine in a few moments. Your cold in head or catarrh will be gone. Your clogged nostrils will open. The air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely. No more dullness, headache; no hawking, snuffling, mucous discharges or dryness; no struggling for breath at night.

Tell your druggist you want a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm. Apply a little of this fragrant, antiseptic cream in your nostrils, let it penetrate through every air passage of the head; soothe and heal the swollen, inflamed mucous membrane, and relief comes instantly.

It is just what every cold and catarrh sufferer needs. Don't stay stuffed-up and miserable.

**DR. DeVAN'S FEMALE PILLS** Reliable monthly medicine for all Female Complaint. $5 a box, or three for $10, at drug stores. Mailed to any address on receipt of price. THE SCOBELL DRUG Co., St. Catharines, Ontario.

**PHOSPHONOL FOR MEN** Restores Vim and Vitality; for Nerve and Brain; increases "grey matter"; a Tonic—will build you up. $3 a box, or two for $5, at drug stores, or by mail on receipt of price. THE SCOBELL DRUG Co. St. Catharines, Ontario.

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Office Phone 2148.
Night Call: Residence 2004.

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Recovered and Repaired
Always make sure to get the right man if you want a first-class job. H. Morrison, 69 Waterloo St., Bell phone 864. Work called for and delivered.

**BRANT THEATRE**
Special Holiday Attractions
Three Dixie Girls
In a Classy Harmony Melange
Matilde Trio
Sensational Equilibrists
THOMAS MEIGHAN and ANITA KING
IN
The Heir to the Hoorah
A Fascinating Comedy Drama
Earle Williams
IN
THE SCARLET RUNNER
The Seminary Scandal
A Christie Comedy
Coming Thur., Fri., & Sat.—
OWEN MOORE and MARGUERITE COURTOT
IN
The Kiss
A Wonderful 5 Part Photoplay

**GRAND OPERA HOUSE**
ERNIE MARKS
STOCK COMPANY
ALL THIS WEEK
Special Matinee Saturday
Tuesday "For Her Husband's Sake." Wednesday, "The Rosary." Thursday, "The Girl and the Game." Friday, "Tess of the Storm Country." Saturday Matinee, "The Man of Mystery." Saturday Night, "Why Girls Leave Home."
REFINED VAUDEVILLE SPECIALTIES BETWEEN THE ACTS.
Special Scenery, Magnificent Costumes. Matinees commence at 2.30, Evenings at 8.15. Vaudeville between acts.
POPULAR PRICES—
10c., 20c. 30c
Reserve Seat Plan at Boles' Drug Store Friday.

**Colonial Theatre**
Special Xmas Program
Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday
25, 26, 27th December
Daily at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Presenting—
The Great Dramatic Actor
**Juluis Steger**
In His Recent and greatest Stage Triumph
"THE MASTER OF THE HOUSE"
Picturized in 5 acts of sustained interest that goes right to the heart.
"POULTRY A LA MODE" with Ben Turpin and Rube Miller, a comedy of fun and pretty girls.
"MATCHLESS JIM" with Anna Little and Frank Borsage, a fascinating drama of the plains.

**Maloney's** *Night and Day Service*
**TAXI-CAB GARAGE**
*Cars Stored and Repaired*
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**TAXI CAB**
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55 Darling St. Brantford

FORTY-SIXTH YEAR

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# Entente's

# AUSTRIA HUNGA SEEKING

## Believed That Dua Monarchy Wi Make Separat Overtures to Ital

London, Dec. 29.—Dispatches received here to-day from Geneva that Austro-Hungary is seeking peace indicate developments which have been expected for some time here.

It is an open secret here that Emperor Charles is desirous of concluding a peace at the earliest possible moment. It was stated last night that in official circles the belief held that as a first move Vienna is likely to make separate overtures to Italy for the conclusion of hostilities between these two countries.

Since his succession to the throne, the new emperor has shown a spirit of independence anything but pleasing to Count Tisza and the other members of the "Potsdam party" in the Cabinet of the dual empire. His country has had to bear the brunt of the economic hardships of the central powers, and is now on the brink of starvation. His readiness to strike a separate bargain with Italy, looking toward the eventual retirement of Austria from the entire war, is therefore evident.

**Of Great Interest**

The part to be played by Austria in the next stages of the peace negotiations is the most significant feature of the situation to-day. Of all the bigger belligerents Austria was suffered most from casualties, and economically and financially. No matter how soon peace is made Emperor Charles will rule over a country almost on the brink of ruin. Economically Austria's plight could hardly be worse.

Under the tutelage of Count Hatzfeldt, former foreign secretary, the emperor is trying to clean out Von Burian and other tools of Count Tisa. In his short reign he has shown clear-sightedness, determination and a sincere desire to break away from the grip of Germany.

**Italy to Fight On**

Italy has played the game skilfully and fairly and is still very much in the ring. Italy's aims in this war have been clearly defined and she intends to fight on until they are realied.

Reports that separate overtures to Italy from Austria have already been made are, however, premature. It is undoubtedly true that Emperor Charles has high hopes of a speedy ending of the war, and is willing to make large sacrifices of territory to Italy rather than to see the disintegration of his kingdom. Italian statesmen have a keen appreciation of the whole situation and realize the advantages to be gained by continuing to the end.

# $500,000 FIRE IN TORONT

## Barns of Toronto Railw Company Completely Destroyed

## CAUSE UNKNOWN

## Building Was Filled W Combustible Materials

Toronto, Dec. 29.—The King car barns of the Toronto Railway Company were completely destroyed by fire last night. While an accurate estimate of the damage c

**Weather Bulletin**

Toronto, Dec. —A pronou area of high sure is ce over Man and the north states and cold weathe prevails in m all parts o Dominion.

Forecast: Fair and de ly cold to and on Satu local snow ries.

"Zimmie"