

# NURSES NEEDED IN BRANTFORD

London Also Makes Special  
Call for Volunteers and  
Helpers

## CONDITIONS ELSEWHERE

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Next Sunday

(Special and C. P. Despatches.)  
Brantford, Oct. 17.—The influenza situation here is little changed. The new Board of Management of the Emergency Hospital this morning decided to ask the clergy of the city to assist in making an appeal for volunteer nurses. A branch of the "Sisters of Service" will be organized here in the morning, Mrs. Geo. Vatt being convener pro tem. An instructor is being sent from Toronto.

There were ten deaths reported today, two of little children. Two of the deaths were at the Emergency Hospital, one being James Duncan, a well-known lacrosse player, whose weakened frame, through being badly shot up in France, could not withstand the inroads of the disease.

### More Nurses and Helpers Needed.

London, Ont., Oct. 17.—The Public Library and public funerals are the latest to come under the ban of the Board of Health in an effort to fight the epidemic of Spanish influenza in this city. The rate of increase of cases does not seem to be abating, and many doctors are too busy to report new cases. The call for nurses cannot be met, although teachers and patriotic women workers have been called upon.

The Board of Education has granted the use of the domestic science rooms for the preparation of food for the sufferers. Returned soldiers are being used as orderlies at Victoria Hospital, and a special call has been made for women to help with the household duties to relieve the nurses for attention to the patients.

One doctor reported to-day five homes where every member of the family was in bed with influenza, and it was necessary for him to light fires for them before leaving.

### Getting More Nurses.

The city health authorities this afternoon decided to requisition the services of all nurses and doctors in the employ of manufacturing and other corporations in order to fight the influenza epidemic. School teachers now out of employment owing to the closing of the schools will also be used as nurses.

### May Need to Inspect Travelers.

Unless the influenza epidemic abates at a very early date it will, in our opinion, be absolutely necessary for municipal authorities to maintain at least a superficial system of inspection for all strangers arriving in any city," said an official of the Canadian Railway War Board this afternoon. "The Canadian Railway War Board has taken every possible step to insure that no one shall pick up a 'flu' germ on any passenger train in Canada. Precautions which were formerly applied only to trains coming from Boston and New York now apply to every passenger train in Canada, whatever its point of origin or its destination. The railway coaches of Canada are probably safer to-day than the average city-dwelling, so far as 'flu' infection is concerned.

"The disease has seriously depleted the ranks of railway employees. In some centres engines are lying idle for lack of crews to man them.

Paris, Ont., Oct. 17.—There have already been some ten fatal cases in this town within the past week, and there are still a number of very critical patients on the nurses'

hands. The Board of Health and Council are having the Armouries converted into an Emergency Hospital, and are asking for volunteer nurses to take charge of the same. There are some 1,200 cases in town.

### All Churches in Quebec Closed.

Montreal, Oct. 17.—All churches throughout the Province of Quebec will suspend services next Sunday, and Roman Catholics are dispensed from attending Mass. At a meeting of the Central Board of Health this morning this was one of the orders passed. Archbishop Bruchesi was present at the meeting and gave his assent to the Church regulation in so far as it concerns Roman Catholic churches.

### Nuns and Friars to Nurse.

The nursing problem was discussed at length by the board. It was announced that Archbishop Bruchesi had placed at the disposal of the health authorities the nuns and friars of the various religious orders in Montreal.

In the city of Montreal there were 60 new deaths among civilians this morning, and 189 new cases.

### Reports From Other Cities.

Windsor has had thirty cases of Spanish influenza reported within the past two days.

It is believed there are between 80 and 100 cases in Tillsonburg.

Arthur Wright Meyer, a Belleville barber, died of influenza and pneumonia, aged 39.

James Patrick O'Flaherty, blacksmith, was one victim in Woodstock.

A. E. Gaudion, a grocer in Chatham for about twelve years, died of pneumonia following influenza.

Vancouver school trustees decided Wednesday night to close all city schools on Friday.

Moose Jaw has 80 cases in the hospitals, though none serious, and only one death has occurred so far. All theatres, schools, dance halls, pool and billiard rooms have been closed for a week.

Chatham Board of Health has closed theatres, dance halls, churches, Sunday schools, lodges, rummage sales, etc., and prohibited all public gatherings.

### A Sweeping Order.

Galt's M.O.H., Dr. J. H. Radford, ordered closed all churches, schools, theatres, poolrooms, the library, the Y.M.C.A., ice cream parlors, shoe shines, candy, furniture and second-hand stores, lodge and club rooms and Chinese cafes. The hospital is full, and an isolation hospital will be opened as soon as nurses are available.

St. John, N.B., has 274 cases, an increase of 57 since Wednesday. Every county in the Province is affected. There have been several deaths in St. John and elsewhere.

The influenza situation in Nova Scotia is increasingly serious, and the demand for nurses and doctors is entirely beyond the supply. Up to noon yesterday 500 new cases and 15 deaths, exclusive of Halifax, had been reported within 24 hours. The situation among the troops stationed in Nova Scotia is not alarming.

W. Floyd Shepherd, manager of the Rosedale Creamery at Kitchener was among the victims of the epidemic yesterday. He was 28 years of age.

### Tremendous Jump in Sarnia.

Sarnia, Oct. 17.—The Spanish influenza has hit this city in full force

the number of cases jumping from 200 to 500 in the last twenty-four hours. The most of the cases are mild, and no deaths have yet been reported.