

\$5,000,000

The above figures represent the estimated loss by farmers through Smut in grain crops in Ontario in 1916.

If you had a field of wheat, barley or oats, you no doubt contributed to the great loss. By reason of the prevalence of Smut last year the danger is rendered greater this year. There is one way to prevent this and that is to

Treat Your Seed for Smut

The method usually adopted is as follows:—Mix one pint of Formalin with 40 gallons of water, or two tablespoonsful to one pail of water. Place the grain to be treated in a heap on clean canvas or floor. Sprinkle the Formalin solution over the grain, then shovel. Repeat this until every grain is moistened by the solution; then cover the pile with sacking and leave for three or four hours. At the end of this time spread the grain out thinly to dry, (shovelling it over three or four times will hasten the drying). Forty gallons of the Formalin solution is sufficient to sprinkle thirty or forty bushels of grain, smaller amounts in proportion. Immersing the grain in a bag is sometimes practised and is equally effective.

Those requiring further information, apply to

SIR W. H. HEARST, **H. C. DUFF,**
Minister of Agriculture, District Representative,
TORONTO MARKDALE, ONT.

CHANGE OF BUSINESS

The undersigned begs respectfully to state that he has purchased the Bakery and Confectionery business of Mr. H. N. Burnett, and will take charge the 1st of May. Having a practical experience of 17 years, and by using nothing but first-class material, I am determined to keep the baking up to a high standard. Wedding and Birthday Cakes tastefully decorated. A fair share of patronage solicited.

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ing centres, in the near future.

Batt. Q.M. Sergt. Frost and Pte. Mulcock are recruiting in Holstein and vicinity this week.

Four men from Mt. Forest and one from Durham were attested last week, all of whom were passed by Dr. Jamieson. Two of the men will go before the medical board in Toronto for further examination this week, and the remaining three will go next week.

The mass meeting, which was to have been held in Dornoch last Friday night, was postponed owing to the bad weather, and will be held in the Presbyterian church, Dornoch, on Friday, April 27, instead. Rev. T. H. Ibbott of Holstein will give his illustrated lecture, and Capt. Parsons, Lieut. Yule and others will also be provided.

The boys are making good progress with their physical training, and squad drill. As a number of them expect to return home shortly to assist with seeding, Lieut. Yule is anxious to have them learn as much as possible before leaving. Lectures are also being given on musketry, visual training and other subjects.

The boys will parade to the Methodist church on Sunday morning.

VICTORY OVER WOUNDS

Canada should be as proud of her wounded soldiers' victory over their wounds as she is of the glorious fights in which they fell. Their struggle up from the depths of disablement is often as hard, and even as heroic, as their desperate defense of Ypres, or their dashing capture of the Vimy Ridge.

We hear little, altogether too little, of these hard-won victories won by disabled men, because they are fought out in the seclusion of a hospital, not in the theatre of war with the whole world looking on. But such victories equally deserve public recognition. They show the same spirit, the same pluck, and still more indomitable perseverance.

A preacher on Easter morning was thanked for the inspiring sermon he had just preached, on the resurrection. He said: "I had my text sitting in front of me—a man in khaki, with an empty sleeve. He has had two resurrections already. He was buried by a shell, explosion, and was dug out only just in time to save his life. That was the first. He spent months in hospital, fighting his way back to health. That was the second."

"Doctoring and nursing, of course, did much for him; so did the exercises and occupations that they provide nowadays—perhaps the best part of the treatment. But the man himself was working out his own resurrection, by resolutely putting his own will-power into the task. Now he is almost ready to go out into the world, a better and abler man, he says, than he was before, in spite of his lost arm. "While the rest of us are thinking of a resurrection beyond the grave, he has won a resurrection this side of it, to a new life of activity and independence among his fellow-countrymen."

Authentic cases resembling that are not rare in the records of the Military Hospitals Commission. Here are a few that have just been communicated to us:—

A mechanic who enlisted in the Princess Patricia's Regiment was wounded, returned to Canada, spent three months in a convalescent hospital, and now earns double his former pay, having taken full advantage of the mechanical drawing and arithmetic classes carried on there. Writing to the hospital instructor, he says:—

"When I enlisted, I was earning about \$3 a day at my trade. At present, and since my discharge from military service, I am, technically, a better man all around; I am able now to hold a job as foreman in a machine shop, with more than twice the salary I was getting before. This benefit to me is greatly due to your practical information, and my only regret is that I was unable, after my discharge, to continue instruction with you as you had advised."

Another letter received is from an ex-private in the 43rd Battalion. Before enlistment he was getting \$12 a week as driver on a city milk round. "I always had a liking for drawing," he says, "and felt that if ever I had the chance I would take up a course in mechanical drawing." This opportunity came to him at one of the Commission's convalescent hospitals. After six weeks' application to the work there, he was able to secure an appointment, with a salary beginning at \$75 a month, with good prospects of advancement.

A locomotive fireman enlisted, was severely wounded, and had to have his left arm amputated. Under the Commission's scheme of re-education, which is offered to all men incapacitated for their former work by service, he received special training in telegraphy and railway routine. As a result, he secured an appointment as station agent and despatcher, at \$110 a month.

Still another patient, formerly a mechanic, passed the Civil Service qualifying examination after instruction in hospital, and has got a Custom House position at \$900 a year, rising to \$1,500.

A man who had been a guide and trapper, and had never handled tools, returned from the front with one eye destroyed by a wound and the sight of the other eye impaired. In spite of all these old and new disabilities, by putting his mind to it he became a first-class carpenter after three months in the hospital workshop.

Equally remarkable is the case of a Polish laborer. He came to Canada six years ago, and worked in a coal mine till he enlisted. At the front, he was both gassed and blinded. Though he knew absolutely nothing about carpentry to begin

with, after two months of instruction in hospital he was able to hold his own with any ordinary carpenter.

Not every man, of course, can "double his pay." But one of the most cheering facts, proved by experience during the war has been this—that almost all the disabled men, including the very seriously

wounded, can be equipped once more with power to earn a good living.

And often, as Lord Shaughnessy said the other day, the occupations and training provided by the Military Hospitals system "reveal astonishing talents which even the man himself did not know he possessed."

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248TH BATTALION NEWS

(Mrs.) Capt. Parsons will spend the latter part of this week, and the first of next week in Durham and vicinity. She will speak in Holstein on Thursday evening, and in the Presbyterian church, Dornoch, on Friday evening. She will also address a meeting for women only in the public library, Durham, on Saturday, at 3 p.m. As Capt. Parsons was associated with the work of the Women's Institute for some years, every woman should make an effort to attend.

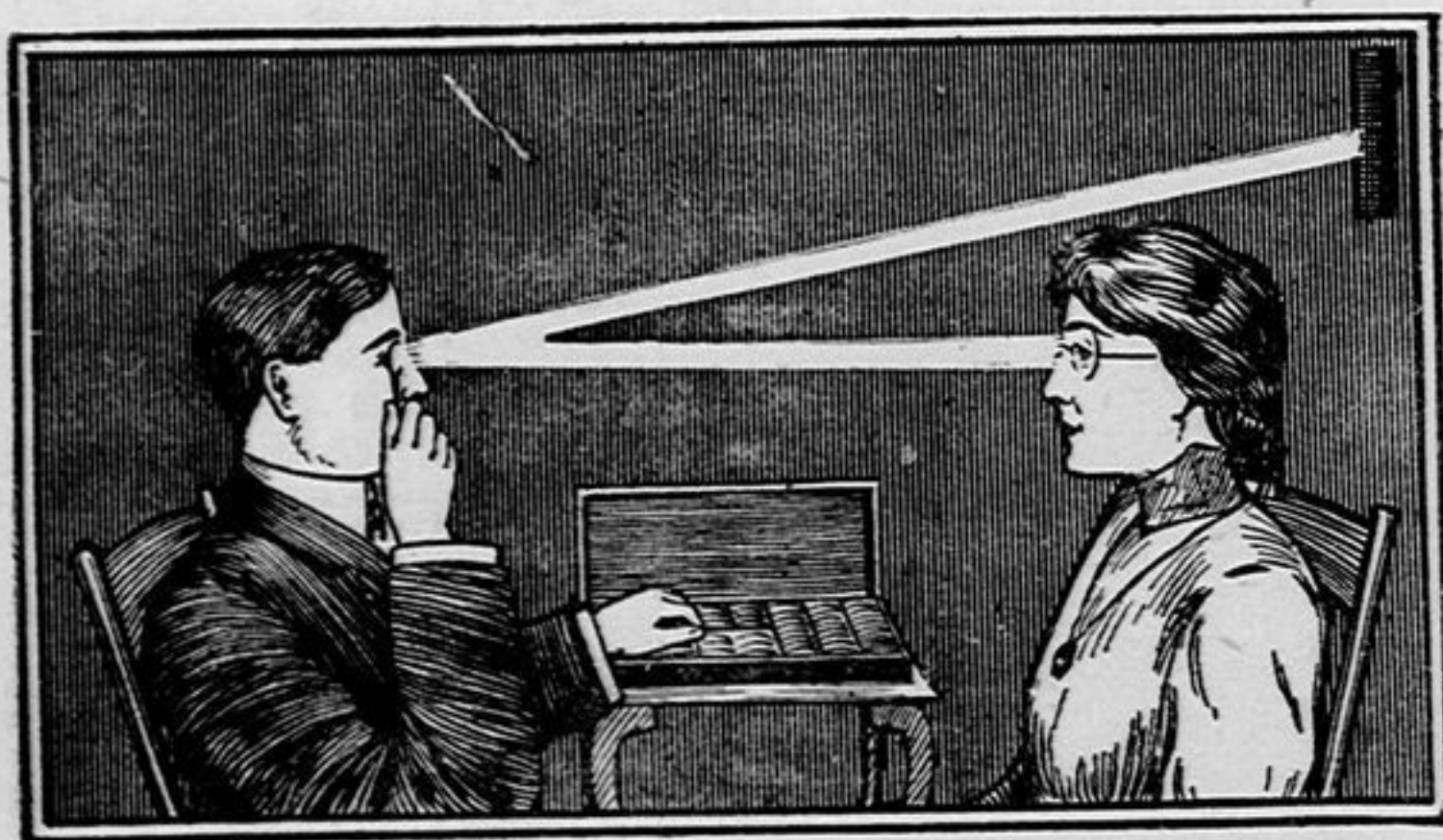
A mass meeting will be held in the town hall, here on Sunday evening after the evening services. (Mrs.) Capt. Parsons and others will

speak. Capt. J. R. Beaton, paymaster of the 428th Battalion, spent last Friday in town. Needless to say both the officer in charge, and the men, were pleased to see him.

Through the kindness of Messrs. R. McDonald, N. McIntyre, R. Whitmore, J. P. Telford, D. C. Town, J. F. Grant, A. Noble, R. Macfarlane, W. McLachlan, G. S. Burnett and R. Burnett, the boys have secured a first-class foot-ball, and already they have had some good times with it.

The boys here, together with the boys in Mt. Forest, are organizing a baseball team, and hope to be in shape to challenge the men in Hanover, Markdale and other recruit-

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NEWS

Potatoes are \$3.25 a

Pte. H. A. Tudor, of E is reported amongst th

A car load of ceme Place your orders r Intyre.

Pte. J. H. Lawrence, Chas. Lawrence, Hull recently reported as action.

Rev. John Morris spent a couple of days first of the week, as S Inspector for the Dea

The Toronto Globe its subscription rate taking effect. The 1st have not yet been adva cease in the price of Empire, but expect it

A report was in cir some of the local p that Pte. Will Pett wounded. His fath Pett, told us on Mond ceived no such infor

Mr. J. S. McIlraith, official telegram on M that his son, Pte. Fra had been slightly w leg on April 22nd, an treated in a hospital

Mr. Archie Park, of inck has purchased the nel property near to move here in a couple McCannell, we unde going to Arizona for

The town hall was barn at the last two e and suggested the ide refrigerator. We kne was really uncomfort cold at the minstrel s ment on Tuesday nig

One hundred and members have enist from St. Paul's Angli Stratford. Of these, either killed or class while 39 others are wounded. This is a one church in a sma

Quite a lot of snow and the night before, have been left in a ve dition. The backwa the weather will it seeding, and consequ mands for greater id Some grain has been cold weather there i

May Day was a d it was more like a d part of November. like favorable weat fishing, but Mr. F caught two beautie ing. They each me inches, and one we and the other 13.

A week ago last fishing from the dock Mrs. (Capt.) Minifie water and was dro Minifie in his addre half of the Belgian R the esteem and resp met him. Mrs. Mi him on his last visi

A copy of the Por Chronicle, received Moffat, of Murillo, g astic account of th send-off given to (141st) Battalions ing for overseas. I MacKenzie was the mand.

Although the las plantations were s 1916, the long effort opium traffic in Ch reaching its final st of 1911 with Engla porters to carry op under certain ed March 31, even th an end, and after J opium at all will k law.—Youth's Comp

Rev. D. W. S. U terian minister, die the General and M Collingwood. He l there till two year resigned on accou He was 42 years o Scotland, came to G years of age. He g onto University an logical course at K held pastorates at pen, Listowel and

The Rev. Dr. Sp conduct special e vices in Durham from the 13th to is a man of wide perience. Besides fully the pastorate churches, he has p ent of Missions an He was for five ye ent of the prohibi British Columbia, gaining a 4,000 m as far back as 1908 broad sympathies and loves to labor ferent denominati would gratify him coming services th co-operation of all who are intereste welfare of the co