

# OTTAWA ORDERS QUICK AID

Railway Cars, Food, Clothing, Tents  
and Blankets Rushed to  
Fire Sufferers.

## Special to The Star

Ottawa, July 31.—Attempts are being made by the Federal authorities here to co-operate in every possible manner with the Ontario Government in coping with the situation created by the conflagration now raging in the Northern Ontario forests. Dominion railway officials have been notified to place all available buildings, boxcars, etc., at the temporary disposal of homeless people.

A train in charge of F. P. Brady and Superintendent Way, of the National Transcontinental Railway, left Winnipeg last night with provisions, tents and clothing, among this being a \$3,000 contribution of clothing from the T. Eaton Company.

Application has been made to the Militia Department to have any available tents placed at the disposal of homeless people, while it is probable that part of the accommodation at the internment camps at Kapuskasing and ~~Spirit Lake~~ will be similarly utilized.

Sir Robert Borden returned to Ottawa last night and a Cabinet council will meet to-day to consider measures of assistance. There is every probability that a Dominion grant out of contingent account will be appropriated toward the aid of the sufferers.

At 10 o'clock this morning the Government here was not in possession of any official figures as to casualties. Mayor Rothschild, of Cochrane, wired at 2.30 yesterday afternoon that so far as known there had been no casualties in that vicinity.

It is reported that little damage has been sustained by Government railway property, either on the National Transcontinental or the T. and N. O. About 400 yards of wooden trestle is reported destroyed at one point.