

SOCIETY NOTES AND ITEMS.

London, Ont., had no losses by fire during October month.

Norwich, Ont., has added \$318,885 worth of buildings to its real estate value during the year.

Mr. Thomas B. Bell has been appointed General Manager of the Lion Fire Insurance Co. of London, England.

There were only two small fires in Ottawa during the month of October, the total loss being \$250; no insurance.

Mr. J. N. Walter, hailing from Pennsylvania, has been appointed Special Agent to the Sun Life Assurance Company, Montreal.

The Salvage Corps, lately organized at St. John, N.B., has already proved of valuable service in saving property at several recent fires.

Mr. Thomas Mackay, formerly of the Canada Fire and Marine, has received an appointment in the Fire Insurance Association, Montreal.

Mr. J. H. Robinson, late of the Sun Life, has been appointed General Agent for the State of Michigan for the Manhattan Life Company of New York.

Woodstock, N.B., has received a second steam fire engine and the rate-payers are shortly to vote on the question of Water Works on the direct pumping system.

Mr. James Allin, formerly Special City Agent for the British America Assurance Company, Montreal, is now acting in that capacity for the Royal Insurance Co.

Mr. S. C. Duncan Clark, Chief Agent for the Lancashire Insurance Company, Toronto, has gone to England. We hope to see him return very much benefited in health by his trip.

We understand that Mr. A. H. Gilbert of Peterboro', Ont., is to be appointed General Agent for Nova Scotia of the Sun Life Assurance Co. in place of Mr. T. K. Jenkins, who has resigned.

The British America Assurance Co. has re-established an agency of its Marine Department in New Brunswick, and have appointed Messrs. M. & T. B. Robinson of St. John, N.B., their agents.

Judgment was rendered against the G. T. R., on the 6th inst., awarding \$568 damages to Wm. Meegan, of Coteau, who some time ago had his barn burned down, the fire having originated from a spark of a passing locomotive.

We are pleased to note the safe return of Mr. William Tatley, Joint Chief Agent of the Royal Insurance Co., per the SS. Sardinian on the 23rd of October, after an absence of about seven weeks in the old Country, looking very much the better of his trip.

A deputation from the various insurance companies represented in Toronto will wait upon the Fire and Gas Committee of the City Council, with the object of impressing upon the members the necessity of having full hydrant service along the Esplanade.

Will Insurance Journals in United States kindly accept the following corrections; we notice very many slips during the last few months: Winnipeg should never be spelt Winnepeg; Montreal, Que., is correct, not Montreal, Ont.; Hull, Que., is correct, not Hull, Ont.

The joint assignees of the Canada Agricultural Insurance Co. have declared "a third dividend of ten per cent. upon the Fire Loss claims and a first and final dividend on privileged claims, open to objection until November 13th, after which date dividends will be paid."

We are sure his Toronto brethren were glad to welcome back Mr. S. F. Magurn, the popular General Agent for Ontario of the City of London Fire Insurance Company. He returned, after having, he informed us, a good time of it for some weeks in Great Britain, per the SS. Sardinian on October 23rd.

The Fire Insurance Association of London, Eng., has built very handsome new offices at Nos. 66 and 67 Cornhill, E. C., in the old French Renaissance style of architecture. We are glad to say that this young Institution is making rapid strides under the able management of Mr. W. P. Clirehugh. The Canadian branch is managed by Mr. Wm. Robertson, who is ably assisted by Mr. J. Stewart Browne.

The efforts to form an effective Board in Boston are meeting with gratifying success, as also the move to secure an improved tariff. The scheme contemplates a rating committee of nine, composed of three from foreign, three from local, and three from agency companies, one-third to retire each month. The agreement has been signed on behalf of fully 90 per cent. of the insurance capital represented in the city. Mr. Appleton, president of the Manufacturers' F. and M. Insurance Company, is the present chairman of the Committee.—*Chronicle*.

The fifth annual meeting of the Intercolonial Railway Insurance Association was held at Moncton last month. The secretary's report showed that since the last annual meeting nine deaths occurred—a total of 14 since organization. There are 671 members on the roll, and a balance of \$298.10 in the treasurer's hands. The officers were elected, Mr. Pottinger, General Superintendent, being President, and there was some discussion as to the best means of collecting the assessments. It was generally agreed to allow the paymaster to deduct \$1 each from the members every month, but the question was referred to the Executive Committee, who would report their decision to Mr. Pottinger for his sanction.

The Conflagration in E. B. Eddy's Mills and Factories, Hull (Que.), on the 2nd inst., involves a total loss of \$89,000 to the Insurance Companies interested, that being the amount of the adjustment, subdivided among the following companies:

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British America.....	5,933
Commercial Union.....	5,933
City of London.....	5,933
Connecticut.....	2,968
Fire Insurance Association.....	11,866
Hartford.....	5,933
Niagara.....	2,968
North British & Mercantile.....	5,933
Queen.....	5,933
Royal.....	17,800
Royal Canadian.....	5,933
Scottish Union & National.....	5,934
Total.....	\$89,000

Mr. Harold Engelbach, Secretary of the National Assurance Co. of Ireland, visits Canada, arriving on the "Sardinian," October 20th, to obtain a personal knowledge of the Dominion, with a view to opening an agency here, if, on his return to Ireland, the directors should so resolve. Mr. Engelbach must be rather amused at the various items in our American contemporaries anent his doings, *The Weekly Underwriter* (of New York and Hartford) on