

LARGE LOSS AT WINNIPEG, MAN.

On the 1st instant, a fire broke out at the wholesale warehouse of the S. A. McDonald Company. The following companies are interested:—

Royal.....	\$10,000	Hartford.....	7,500
Sun.....	4,000	Liv. & L. & G.....	19,000
Quebec.....	5,000	Connecticut.....	3,000
Home.....	3,500	German-Amer.....	3,500
Queen.....	9,500	Guardian.....	17,500
Commer. Union.....	14,000	Mercantile.....	16,500
Atlas.....	12,000	Pacific Coast.....	8,000
North British.....	3,000	Calumet.....	10,000
Northern.....	3,000	Building-Home.....	3,500
Alliance.....	5,000	Canadienne.....	10,000
Phoenix, Hartford.....	2,000	Commer. Union.....	11,500
Yorkshire.....	9,000	Caledonian.....	2,000
Caledonian.....	3,000	Guardian.....	2,500
Phenix, Brooklyn.....	2,000	Atlas.....	2,000
N. Y. Underwtrs.....	5,000		

\$180,000 of above is stated to be on stock and balance on building. Estimated loss, on stock, total, on building 80 per cent.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

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Commission of Conservation; Report of the International Commission on the Control of Bovine Tuberculosis; Pure Water and the Pollution of Waterways, an address by Charles A. Hodgetts, M.D., Medical Adviser to the Committee of Public Health of the Commission of Conservation.

Department of the Interior; Annual Report for Fiscal year ending March 31, 1910.

Proceedings of the Select Standing Committee of the House of Commons on Mines and Minerals.

Department of Railways and Canals; Annual Report for fiscal year ending March 31, 1910.

Department of Indian Affairs; Annual Report for year ended March 31, 1910.

Report of the Minister of Agriculture for the Dominion of Canada for year ended March 31, 1910; Appendix, Report of the Dairy and Cold Storage Commissioner.

Reports, Returns and Statistics of the Inland Revenues for the year ended March 31, 1910. Part I, Excise. Part III, Adulteration of Food.

Le Culte de l'Incompétence, par Emile Faguet, de l'Académie Française (Bernard Grasset, 7 Rue Cornille, Paris).

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Journal of the Institute of Actuaries, October, 1910. (London, C. and E. Layton).

New Hampshire Insurance Reports, 1910.

New Jersey Insurance Report, 1910, Part II, Life and Miscellaneous.

District of Columbia Insurance Report, Business of 1909.

West Virginia Insurance Report (Fire, Life, Casualty, Fraternal and Assessment Life), 1910.

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Alabama Insurance Report, 1910.

State of Ohio; Report of Superintendent of Insurance for year 1909.

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State of North Carolina; Annual Report of the Insurance Commissioner for year ending April 1, 1910.

Report of Examination of the Shawnee Fire Insurance Company of Topeka, Kansas, by the Insurance Departments of Minnesota and Virginia. (Committee of Examination, Raleigh, N.C.).

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The Brown Book of Life Insurance, of which this is the tenth edition, has long since occupied a well-recognized and

peculiar position among the insurance reference books of this Continent. While fulfilling all essential requirements of publicity by methods of thorough and exhaustive analysis, its impartiality and freedom from prejudice are recognized by all students of its text and tables. As a statistical history of life insurance covering the experience of the older representative companies for extended periods, it appeals to all connected with the business in whatever capacity, and is without a competitor.

The various elaborate statistical tables are rendered easy of comprehension by means of careful notes of explanation, while the review of the year 1909 will be read with interest by many. Summing up the position of the twenty-eight companies, whose record is included in the Brown Book, Mr. Brown writes:—"At no previous period in their history has the outstanding business of these companies afforded so potential evidence of stability or given brighter promise of future healthy growth; while as a result of the drastic readjustment of asset values within the last few years it may be added that probably at no previous period have their resources been so near what for lack of a better term, may be called a "bed-rock" status.

It is regrettable to hear that owing to Mr. Brown's increasing physical infirmities, resulting from advanced age, this will probably be the last edition of the Brown Book. So useful a reference can ill be spared.

Traffic Earnings—continued.

HAVANA ELECTRIC RAILWAY CO.			
Week ending	1909.	1910	Increase
Oct. 2.....	38,293	40,154	1,861
" 9.....	35,174	41,583	6,409
" 16.....	39,769	33,710	Dec. 4,059
" 23.....	38,229	36,810	" 1,419
" 30.....	39,351	39,744	393

DULUTH-SUPELOR TRACTION			
Week ending	1909	1910	Increase
Oct. 7.....	20,135	21,308	1,173
" 14.....	19,028	21,242	2,214

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