

## RECENT FIRES

## The Monetary Times' Weekly Register of Fire Losses and Insurance

**Burleigh Falls, Ont.**—July 18—Mr. W. Windsor's farm totally destroyed. Loss partly covered by insurance.

**Burnaby, B.C.**—July 18—Mr. John Wilson's bungalow destroyed.

**Cooking Lake, Ont.**—July 14—Mr. Harvey Fraub's summer residence and contents burned to the ground. Estimated loss to building, \$8,800; to contents, \$1,000. Partly covered by insurance.

**Enniskillen, Ont.**—July 1—Mr. J. Simmon's frame barn and contents. Partly covered by insurance.

**Fort William, Ont.**—July 17—Mr. Youman's farm stable and barn destroyed, also three pigs burned alive and 75 bushels of oats, a double set of harness, disc harrow, wagon and seed drill consumed. Fire started in pile of straw.

**Haileybury, Ont.**—July 19—Mrs. T. Poppleton's residence completely destroyed; covered by insurance. Probable cause, lightning.

**Hamilton, Ont.**—July 21—Bastien's boathouse partially destroyed, two rowboats and a canoe completely. Owners of boats, Mr. G. Burlinghoff, Mr. H. Smart, and Mr. W. S. Campbell. Total loss, \$400.

**Hudson, Que.**—July 21—Canadian Ice Company's ice house damaged, also two cottages and some buildings destroyed. Company's losses amount to \$20,000. Total loss estimated at \$50,000. Cause, thunder bolt.

**Macklin, Sask.**—July 20—Warin's furniture store, four others adjoining and many buildings destroyed. Total loss estimated at \$75,000; partly covered by insurance.

**Merritt, B.C.**—July 16—Inland Coal and Coke Company's boarding house.

**Nashwaak Village, N.B.**—July 21—Mr. Bank's cow stable and three barns containing machinery, the property of Mr. Cameron, destroyed. Loss to barn \$1,000, partly covered by insurance. Loss to machinery \$500. Cause, lightning.

**Owen Sound, Ont.**—July 22—North American Bent Chair Company's factory; large section of roof and third floor destroyed.

**Ridgetown, Ont.**—July 23—Mr. W. Squire's store. Estimated loss some hundreds. Cause, burning match.

**Salmo, B.C.**—July 11—Kootenay Shingle Company's plant and office buildings. Loss runs into thousands of dollars, partly covered by insurance.

**Vancouver, B.C.**—July 14—Mr. Victor Eckstein's house damaged. Loss covered by insurance.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING FIRES ALREADY REPORTED

**Ingersoll, Ont.**—July 16—Recent information received with reference to Mr. Edwin Marshall's dwelling house show estimated damage to contents, \$800; to building, \$200. Insurance was carried in Liverpool and London and Globe insurance companies to the extent of \$200. Total insurance, \$300. Cause, defective chimney.

**Lethbridge, Alta.**—July 7—Barn and cow stables, property of S. Trew. Estimated damage to buildings, \$300. No insurance carried. Cause, children playing with matches.

## PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED

**Municipal Handbook.**—A compact and useful guide to Toronto's civic and political history, combining street railway, building and school statistics, with detailed description of National Exhibition. Issued by the city of Toronto. Publishers, The Carswell Company, Limited, Toronto.

**Canada at War.**—A pamphlet containing speeches with reference to the war delivered by Right Hon. Sir Robert Laird Borden both in the British Isles and Canada. Issued by the Premier, Ottawa.

## INVESTMENTS AND THE MARKET

## News and Notes of Active Companies—Their Financing, Operations, Developments, Extensions, Dividends and Future Plans

**National Portland Cement Company.**—Under the recent reorganization the following is the directorate of the company, according to information received by *The Monetary Times* from Mr. R. H. McWilliams, manager: Hon. Dr. David Jamieson, president, Durham, Ont.; Gilbert McKechnie, secretary-treasurer, Durham, Ont.; R. H. McWilliams, manager, Durham, Ont.; John E. Russell, Toronto; R. E. Hamilton, Grand Valley; N. Colville, Orono; E. A. Smith, St. Thomas; Wm. Calder, Durham.

**Brompton Pulp and Paper Company.**—At a meeting of the directors a dividend of 1¼ per cent. for quarter was declared, payable August 7 to shareholders of record July 31, placing the stock on a straight 5 per cent. basis instead of the 4 per cent. with a bonus of 1 per cent. The company's figures show for the half-year ending April 30, a surplus of \$326,274, after providing \$150,000 for contingencies and taxes. Legal expenses and salaries amounted to \$49,274 and bond interest to \$45,989.

**Canadian Car and Foundry Company.**—New York shareholders who have been canvassing for the election of A. Hicks Lawrence, of New York, to the board of directors, state that they have already secured the support of \$1,000,000 stock, and make a further appeal for support. A new circular signed by William A. Shakman, of Julius Kayser and Company, and H. R. Hilliard, of William E. Peck and Company, asks for additional proxies, stating that "we believe that if the American stockholders would name Mr. Lawrence as their proxy it would strengthen his position as an independent director." The circular states that a large number of stockholders apparently have failed to send in their proxy in response to the company's own circular, or to the circular of the American shareholders.

## COBALT ORE SHIPMENTS

The following are the shipments of ore, in pounds, from Cobalt Station, for the week ended July 20th, 1917:—Aladdin Cobalt Mines, 83,100; Dominion Reduction Co., 88,000; National Mines, 40,000; Penn Canadian Mines, 60,861; Mc Kinley-Darragh-Savage Mines, 87,119; Kerr Lake Mining Co., 58,072; Nipissing Mining Company, 195,995; total, 614,048 pounds, or 307 tons.

The total shipments since January 1st, 1917, now amount to 15,647,750 pounds, or 78,233.7 tons.

## NEW BRUNSWICK SELLS \$500,000 BONDS

The New Brunswick provincial government have sold \$500,000 bonds authorized by legislation last session. The issue has been taken by Messrs. J. M. Robinson and Sons, investment and stock brokers, St. John and Fredericton. The bonds bear 5 per cent. interest and have twenty years to run. The sale was made at 95. The bonds now offered to the public are bringing 98. The proceeds are to be applied to road work, bridge construction and repairs.

The work for the past year of the Institute of Chartered Accountants was reviewed by the retiring president, Mr. Arthur C. Neff, and showed continued progress. The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:—President, T. Watson Sime, Toronto; first vice-president, Wilfred R. Morris, Peterboro; second vice-president, R. J. Dilworth, Toronto; secretary-treasurer, Arnold Morphy; council—A. K. Bunnell, R. Easton Burns, R. J. Dilworth, J. Wyndham Eddis, George Edwards, Edmond Gunn, G. F. G. Jewell, James F. Lawson, Arnold Morphy, W. R. Morris, Arthur C. Neff, Bryan Pontifex, Malcolm H. Robinson, T. Watson Sime, Rutherford Williamson; representatives on council of the Dominion Association—R. J. Dilworth, Arthur C. Neff, Bryan Pontifex; auditors—Frank G. Short, James Turner; registrar, W. J. Valleau.