

## CANADIAN FIRE RECORD

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### FIRE AT CHATHAM, ONT.

By the fire which occurred on the 11th instant on the premises of Spencer Stone, Ltd., Chatham, Ont., the following companies are interested:—

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| Aeadia.....                   | \$2,500        | Northern.....          | \$2,500  |
| Atlas.....                    | 1,500          | North Brit. & Mere.... | 3,000    |
| British America.....          | 3,000          | Nova Scotia.....       | 3,000    |
| Commercial Union.....         | 2,500          | Pacific Coast.....     | 5,000    |
| Home.....                     | 5,000          | Phoenix of London..... | 3,000    |
| North America.....            | 5,000          | Queen.....             | 3,000    |
| Liverpool & Lon. & Globe..... | 2,500          |                        |          |
|                               | Loss, \$2,600. |                        | \$39,500 |

### THE BONAVENTURE STATION FIRE.

The Grand Trunk's Bonaventure Station, Montreal, destroyed on March 1st, was insured with the Railroad Insurance Syndicate of New York. The following companies, we understand, are interested:—Liverpool & London & Globe, Hartford, Commercial Union, Pennsylvania, Globe & Rutgers, Firemen's Fund and the Home. The total coverage is stated to be \$150,000. The building was old-fashioned with lots of dry woodwork inside. The insurance loss will be about \$75,000.

MONTREAL, QUE.—Canadian Rubber Company's factory on Notre Dame Street badly damaged, March 19. Loss, about \$50,000 covered by insurance in New England Mutuals.

TORONTO, ONT.—Building at 101 King Street, occupied by J. M. Scott & Co., tailors; John Kennedy, photographer; Joshua Wilcox, engraver; and May Ashby, milliner, damaged, March 20. Origin, defective electric wiring.

THREE RIVERS, QUE.—The Page block occupied by Phoenix Club, Dominion Express, C. P. Railway, Singer Sewing Machine Co., and A. Parent, men's furnishings, destroyed March 20. Loss estimated at \$50,000.

GLENCOE, ONT.—Store of C. Dean completely destroyed, March 20. Loss \$10,000 with \$7,000 insurance. Royal Bank premises adjoining suffered damage amounting to several hundred dollars.

HALIFAX, N.S.—Building owned by James Roue at 121 Lower Water Street, and used as a factory, destroyed, March 19. Damage, \$14,000, with \$4,500 insurance. Origin, defective electric wiring.

VANCOUVER, B.C.—The West Coast Manufacturing Company's sash and door factory at 25 Lorne Street, damaged to extent of several hundred dollars, March 10. No insurance carried.

PORT HOPE, ONT.—Hotel St. Lawrence considerably damaged, March 20. Insurance carried by proprietor, W. Telfer, \$3,000. Building owned by W. H. Bradburn, covered by insurance.

WOLFE, QUE.—Factory of Model Dress Company and dwelling of O. Lambert, destroyed, March 20, with a loss of \$25,000. Some insurance carried.

COLLINGWOOD, ONT.—Steamer "City of Midland," owned by Northern Navigation Company, destroyed, March 17. Loss, \$40,000. Origin, accidental.

HUBERDEAU, QUE.—Duclos' Commercial Hotel, two residences and La Tour's blacksmith and carriage shop destroyed, March 18.

STRATFORD, ONT.—Office of Macdonald Threshing Company destroyed, March 16. Origin, overheated furnace.

## PERSONALS.

The North American Life Insurance Company, Toronto, has announced the appointment of Mr. C. W. I. Woodland as director of the Company. Mr. Woodland is well known throughout Canada as manager of the Employers' Liability Assurance Corporation, Toronto, and will no doubt be a valuable acquisition on the board of such an important institution as the North American Life.

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Lieutenant Travers Williams-Taylor, of the 13th Hussars, son of Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, general manager of the Bank of Montreal, was reported early in the week as ill with fever at Le Treport, France, but later cables happily intimate that he is expected to return to duty shortly.

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Two members of the head office staff of the Mutual Life of Canada who have recently enlisted are Mr. A. Wood, M.A., of the Actuarial Department, and Mr. H. Van Every.

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Mr. A. R. B. Hearn, manager of the Imperial Bank at Calgary, has been appointed manager at Winnipeg, in succession to the late Mr. Norman Leslie.

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Mr. H. B. Mackenzie, general manager of the Bank of British North America, intended sailing this week for Montreal after a brief visit to England.

### GETTING AFTER UNLICENSED INSURANCE COMPANIES IN ONTARIO.

Ontario is making a start in getting after the unlicensed insurance companies for taxation purposes. A bill has been introduced into the Legislature by Hon. I. B. Lucas, in amendment of the Fire Marshal's Act, providing that any person insured in unlicensed companies and receiving payment from them for a loss must pay in taxation 1 per cent. of the amount received. Particulars of insurance in unlicensed companies must also, under penalty, be registered with the Fire Marshal. It is also stated that the present legislation is merely a beginning and that it is the intention, when sufficient information regarding this unlicensed insurance has been collected, to take further action.

### AN UNUSUAL RISK.

A peculiar transaction with Lloyds of London recently was the insurance of the blonde hair of a popular actress in New York from damage caused by exposure to the incidents and accidents of the playhouse. The actress was alarmed some months ago by a burning of some of her braids and tresses by a sidelight in a theatre and immediately sought an insurance against further damage. The contract was negotiated by a broker. The arrival of the policy was delayed several months, and the parties concerned threatened suit, but before the legal papers were prepared the policy arrived and the matter was settled.