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tendency is very firm, but it is believed that country dealers paid too high for the parcels in their hands.

A St. John's Newfoundland despatch says the laundry building and plant owned by M. B. Vail have been completely destroyed by fire. The loss is \$25,000, insurance \$5,000.

The returns of homestead entries in Canada for the month of July show an increase of 701 over July, 1904. The entries for the past month were 3,572 against 3,019 for July, last year. The largest increase was at Regina, where the number rose from 743 to 1,110.

Battleford came next, with 622, against 277, July, 1904.

The Princess Royal Gold Mining Company, Limited, has been registered at Somerset House, London, with a capital of £500,000. Its objects are to acquire from the Princess Royal Gold Mines, Limited, certain mineral areas, to adopt an agreement with the said company and the Hon. W. Pugsley, and to carry on, in British Columbia or elsewhere, the business of miners, prospectors, metallurgists, refiners and dressers of and dealers in ores and minerals, etc. The company will acquire the Princess Royal mines in Northern British Columbia, in which Premier Tweedie of New Brunswick, Attorney-General Pugsley and several other prominent New Brunswickers are interested.

The contract for the double tracking of the Canadian Pacific from Fort William to Winnipeg, which has been awarded to Foley Bros., is attracting considerable attention. The obstacles attending the duplicating of 427 miles of track with 80-lb. rails from Lake Superior to the capital of Manitoba are due first to the exceedingly difficult character of about a quarter of the work, and, second, to the fact that any delays or obstruction to the vast volume of traffic passing over this particular section of the C. P. R. will have to be avoided in the carrying out of the contract. The importance of the change will be better understood by the official statement that no less than 50 per cent. will be added to the hauling power of every locomotive on that section of the road.

At a meeting of the Dominion Cabinet on the 4th, plans of the Grand Trunk Pacific for the location of their road from Portage la Prairie, 275 miles westward, were approved. From Portage la Prairie the railroad will

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in the net amount of business in force in Canada, gained during the last five years, as shown by the Dominion Government Blue Books.

almost parallel the main line of the Canadian Pacific to a point a little west of MacGregor, and then proceed in a straight line west to the Assiniboine River. The line runs about half-way between the Manitoba & Northwestern and the Canadian Pacific main line for some distance west of MacGregor. It is located between twelve and fourteen miles north of Brandon and a little south of Rapid City. There will be a spur line into Brandon. It will cross the Arrow River about Crandell, then run west up to the Assiniboine River near Crowe. From Crowe it runs due west to township 26, range 13, and crosses the second meridian a little north of Sumner.

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Full particulars regarding the plans of the Metropolitan may be obtained of any of its Agents in all the principal cities of the United States and Canada, or from the Home Office, 1 Madison Ave. New York City.

Amount of Canadian Securities deposited with the Dominion Government for the protection of Policy-holders in Canada, over \$2,600,000.00.

Significant Facts

This Company's Policy-claims paid in 1904 averaged in number one for each minute and a quarter of each business day of 8 hours each, and, in amount, \$102.54 a minute the year through.

THE DAILY AVERAGE OF THE COMPANY'S BUSINESS DURING 1904.

391 per day in number of Claims Paid.

6,561 per day in number of Policies Issued.

\$1,426,700.50 per day in New Insurance Written.

\$114,060.67 per day in Payments to Policy-holders and addition to Reserve

\$73,326.8 per day in Increase of Assets.

London and Lancashire

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Head Office for Canada: MONTREAL.

Extract from Annual Report 1904.

Policies Issued 2,376 for	\$3,479,240
Premium Income	1,508,115
Total Income	1,840,440

Death Claims	612,440
Matured Endowments	159,615

Addition to Funds	638,465
Total Funds	\$10,002,885

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