## Personals.

Mr. D. Lorne McGibbon has retired from the board of the Nipissing Mining Company.

Mr. R. A. Mannings, of the head office staff of the Royal Insurance Company, Liverpool, has been appointed secretary of the Canadian Life Department, in succession to Mr. A. R. Howell, who has become Canadian manager of the Gresham Lite.

Sir William Whyte has been elected a director of the Imperial Guarantee & Accident Insurance Company.

Mr. F. G. Ramsden, travelling inspector of the Bank of Toronto, will be inspector of the new Banque Internationale.

Mr. W. L. W. Miller has been appointed manager of the San Francisco department of the Western Assurance Company.

Mr. Oscar Jones has been appointed manager of the St. Catherine Street branch, Montreal, of the Bank of British North America.

Mr. J. Stephen, of Hamilton, will succeed Mr. F. T. Salisbury as manager of the North Vancouver branch of the Bank of British North America.

Mr. J. Pitblado has been elected a member of the governing committee of the Montreal Stock Exchange, succeeding Mr. Rodolphe Forget, who recently resigned.

Mr. T. G. McConkey, formerly superintendent of agencies of the North American Life, has been presented by the officers and members of the head office staff with a handsome tie pin.

Mr. A. R. Howell, the newly-appointed Canadian manager of the Gresham Life Assurance Society, will leave for London next week in connection with the establishment of the Canadian branch. He will probably spend a couple of weeks at the head office of the Society.

## The Canadian Fire Record.

WINNIPEG.—Fire in residence of N. Rosen, 755
Manitoba Avenue, damaged furniture, August 20
St. CATHARINES, ONT.—Barn owned by Calcott
Estate destroyed, August 20, with automobile owned by E. N. Dockstader.

CHAPLEAU, QUE.—Store and storchouse of Poupore & McDonald and residence of Miss D. Kelly destroyed, August 20. Origin, unknown.

MILNER, B.C.—Barn of Charles Moffatt, burned, August 11, with 7 head of cattle, 200 tons of new hav and implements. Origin, lightning.

OSSA, ONT.—Barn of William Burke destroyed with season's crops and farm implements, August 16. Origin, lightning.

DORCHESTER, ONT.—W. H. Smith's big barn with season's crops and many implements destroyed, August 16. Origin, lightning.

LINDSAY, ONT.—Factory of Canadian Handle & Wood Turning Company, Mary Street, property of Julius Zimmerman, lately of Oshawa, destroyed, August 18. Origin, unknown.

FENELON FALLS, ONT.—Sawmill of Thomas & Connell, destroyed, August 19, with a shingle mill, lime kilns and 1,500,000 shingles. Origin, unknown.

THURSO, QUE.—The convent, a three storey wooden structure put up last June, destroyed, August 22. Fire started in sheds. No fire fighting apparatus in village.

CHATHAM, ONT.—Barn, shed, implements, 500 bushels of newly threshed grain and hay on farm of W. Stingis, of Dover, destroyed, August 19. Origin, spark from threshing engine.

KINGSTON, ONT.—Loyst's Hotel and home of Mrs. Summers and Mrs. York at Mountain Grove, destroyed August 21. Buildings were all frame structures. Origin, cigar end.

SUSSEX, N.B.—Forest fire running above Sussex Corner towards Penobsquis, has now been checked. Origin a mystery, as it started in two places simultaneously with 62 rods of cleared land between them.

THREE RIVERS, QUE.—Steam laundry on St. Julie Street, property of La Compagnie de Buanderie à Vapeur de Trois Rivières partially destroyed, August 18. Second time this year there has been a fire at the laundry.

WALLACEBURG, ONT.—Frank Robert's meat shop destroyed, August 13, and upper portion of McNall and Harper's pool room and Beck's fruit store gutted. Buildings owned by Messrs. H. Martin and T. D. McGuire. Contents practically a total loss.

WELLAND, ONT.—Interior of barn owned by H. G. Keenan, burned out, August 18. Contents were owned by A. E. Mason, contractor, including eight horses, only four of which were saved. Supposed origin, defective electric wiring. Insurance on building, \$1,000 with Alliance.

GRAND FORKS, B.C.—Burning of P. Burns & Co.'s butcher shop caused property loss of \$8,000. Insurance on buildings, \$2,000 as follows:—Factories Ins. Co., \$500; Fidelity-Phenix, \$1,000; Royal, \$500. On plant and contents Factories Ins. Co. had \$3,250.

VANCOUVER, B.C.—A fire on August 16, was started in Champson & White's stable, 264 Harris Street, by a horse rubbing against a stableman's coat hanging on a wall with sufficient force to ignite matches in one of the pockets.

SARNIA, ONT.—Tug Winslow, property of Reid Dredging Company, burned August 21, while crossing Meldrum Bay. Loss placed at \$25,000 with insurance of \$20,000. Origin, unknown.

ST. JOHN, N.B.—Three storey wooden building in Union Street, near Opera House, owned by Philip O'Neil, and occupied by Mrs. G Wallace as a boarding house, upstairs; H. T. McCarthy, barber, and S. Kardins, post card store and shoe shine parlor, gutted August 22. Entire upper part of building destroyed.