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MANY HARVESTERS FED BY CHARITY

Two Thousand Men at Moosejaw
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SLEPT ON Y. M. C. A. FLOOR

(Special News Service) Moose Jaw, Friday.—The distribution of harvesters has been very poor in this district. The weather has been very cold tonight, with great prospects of severe frost.

BIG DREDGING CONTRACT FOR RICHELIEU RIVER

(Special News Service) Between St. John and Lake Champlain, Ottawa, Friday.—The Government has awarded a contract for dredging work to improve the navigation of the Richelieu river.

(Special News Service) Newcastle, Sunday.—For the fourth time in two days the Newcastle firemen have been called out to fight fires, the last alarm, which sounded at 9:45 last evening proved to be for one of the most disastrous fires which has occurred in Newcastle for years, and now the fire factory and eight, together with a quantity of lumber in the yard, the stables, offices, etc. of the Anderson Furniture Co. are a mass of smoking ruins.

Supposed to be of incendiary origin. The fire, was discovered and an alarm was immediately sounded, but it had a good start on the dry building. From appearances it started on the southwest side of the dry kiln, and on the outside. The wind was from the southwest and the flames spread with great rapidity until the entire building was a mass of flames. So fast did it spread, and so warm was it in the vicinity of the fire that the firemen, who made a gallant fight, were obliged to retreat several times, and lost a large quantity of hose.

Still Another Alarm. At about 3:30 Saturday morning the fire alarm again sounded, this time in the carriage factory of C. Allen, in the old Wm. Robinson stand. There was a little delay in sounding the alarm, and the fire had a fair start before the firemen appeared on the scene. The fire, however, was confined to this building, although others were closely adjoining, that of the Leader office being built against the side of the burned building. The interior of the blacksmith shop and rear store room was badly gutted and a large quantity of new carriage stock and some repair work was destroyed. The loss on the building is covered by insurance.

No damage was done to the Leader office, and nothing was removed, except a quantity of paper stored in a rear room, but many willing hands were present to render assistance if necessary.

Mr. Allan is at a loss to account for the fire as he is always very careful and that evening inspected the premises as usual before looking up. There are also suspicious circumstances which point to the work of an incendiary.

Firemen All Right. In all these fires the firemen responded promptly and the water pressure and fire-fighting appliances were up to the mark. The members of the fire company are now virtually sleeping with their boots on and people are recalling the time, a few years ago, when so much property was destroyed by incendiary fires, and for which one young man served a short time at Dorchester. There is a good deal of talk on the streets, but it is impossible to judge of its reliability.

Much Drunkenness. For several days there has been an unusual amount of drunkenness about town and it is thought that these men may have perhaps unintentionally set at least two of these fires. These men have no bars to congregate in. They procure a bottle or bottles of liquor and retire to an out of the way place to drink and smoke, being careless with their matches, a fire results.

At the Churches. At today's religious reference was made to the recent fires. One preacher gave a lengthy discourse on the subject, during which he remarked that "when there was so much fire water there was bound to be fire," and asked the citizens and those in authority what they intended to do about it.

It is the general opinion of citizens that the matter should be speedily dealt with and if the fire were incendiary that the guilty parties be brought to justice at once.

The Other Fires. The other alarms were for fires of a smaller nature, two of them doing little damage, the other doing damage to the extent of \$15,000.

The first alarm was rung in Friday afternoon for a fire in a shed to the rear of Mr. John Brander's store. The fire company responded promptly and the fire was speedily drowned out.

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