

PARAGRAPHS.

An Insurance Adjuster is one who stands between the insured and immediate wealth.—*Bill Nye.*

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Historic Warwick Castle, in England, is rented this summer by a New York and Chicago fire insurance broker.

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The Royal Insurance Company, English exchanges state, has decided to increase the annuities it gives for every age by 7s. per annum for every £100 invested—nearly three-eighths of one per cent.

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Mrs. Murphy—An' phwat is double indemnity accident insurance, Pat?

Murphy—Sure, ye lie twice as hard about the extent of your inj'ries, an' the comp'ny tries twice as hard to keep ye from gittin' a cint."—"Puck."

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Denial is given by the Treasury Department at Ottawa to a story printed in a New York financial journal that a Canadian Government domestic loan is imminent. The story appears to have been merely a re-hash of speculative discussion which has been going on for weeks.

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Various British insurance companies are reported in English exchanges to be giving their staffs extra bonuses in recognition of additional services performed while a considerable proportion of the regular staff has been away with the colours, and in view of the current high prices in Great Britain.

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Given normal weather until harvest, the yield of grain per acre along the 5,000 miles of line of the Canadian Northern Railway in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta is almost certain to average high, according to a consolidated report from its agents which has just been received in Toronto. This gives an estimated average over the three provinces for wheat of 24 bushels; oats 54; and barley 37 to the acre.

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It is estimated that up to the end of July British life assurance companies paid nearly £3,000,000 in claims in respect of the rank and file of both services killed in the war. Of this amount, £769,780 was paid by industrial assurance offices to the relatives of more than 42,000 soldiers and sailors—an increase of over £300,000 since the end of April. A really great advance on the western front would probably produce an enormous increase in these claims.

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Beginning about October 15th, or November 1st, the Allan Line fleet and the Atlantic and Pacific ocean fleets of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company will be operated by a new company organised in Montreal last week under the title of Canadian Pacific Ocean Services, Limited. Under the new arrangement it is stated that the Allan line will stand in the same relation to the new company as the White Star Line does to the International Mercantile Marine. Mr. G. M. Bosworth, vice-president of C.P.R. is president of the new company.

CANADIAN FIRE RECORD

Specially compiled by The Chronicle.

MONTREAL, QUE.—Wooden sheds and galleries from 47 to 57 Walnut Street, destroyed August 12. Considerable damage done to store of Westmount Tailoring Company, 4124 St. Catherine Street, August 12.

Storehouse owned by M. Castonguay, 1163 Davidson Street, badly damaged August 12.

Stable of Jacob Rittberg at rear of 2185 St. Lawrence Boulevard, considerably damaged August 17. Three horses burned to death, one valued at \$500.

PETROLIA, ONT.—Pumping outfit on King Street owned by J. J. Kerr Company, destroyed August 16.

KINCARDINE, ONT.—Pattern shop of Hunter Bridge & Boiler Company, damaged August 16. Damage about \$15,000.

COBALT, ONT.—House occupied by Mr. Matthewson and C. Thompson on Nickel Street damaged to extent of \$4,000, August 16.

NELSON, B.C.—Eight launches and twelve boat-houses were destroyed on the waterfront August 16. Origin, explosion of gasoline.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—Two houses under construction at corner of Ellice and St. Matthews Avenues destroyed August 12. Loss \$2,000.

QUEBEC, QUE.—Conflagration started in Union Cove, Sillery, and destroyed twenty-two dwellings, August 18. Origin, explosion in coal oil stove in home of Mrs. Morrisette.

\$2,334,513.77

CITY OF OTTAWA

DEBENTURES FOR SALE

Tenders, addressed to the Chairman of the Board of Control and marked "Tender for debentures" will be received by the City of Ottawa until 11 o'clock on Friday the 3rd day of September, 1915, for the purchase of the following debentures:—

\$200,000.00	10 year
203,000.00	20 year and
1,100,480.00	30 year

Also, the following debentures under the installment plan:—

\$188,089.75	20 year
6,355.05	20 year
497,537.47	15 year and
139,051.50	10 year

All debentures bear interest at the rate of 5 per cent payable 1st January and 1st July.

Tenders may be made:—

1. For all Debentures.
2. For Installment Debentures.
3. For Debentures other than Installment Debentures.

All tenders must be on the official form.

Accrued interest from the 1st July, 1915, must be paid in addition to price tendered.

The Debentures are made in \$1,000.00 denominations and odd amounts where necessary, payable in lawful money of Canada at the Bank of Ottawa, Ottawa, Ont., or in gold coin at the National Bank of Commerce, New York, at the holder's option.

Delivery of the bonds can be made any time after acceptance of the offer.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Full particulars, together with further conditions and official forms of tenders can be obtained on application to the City Treasurer.

NELSON D. PORTER

MAYOR