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FRATERNAL TROUBLES.

American insurance commissioners are reported as seriously concerned over the situation of inad-equate rate fraternals, and are trying to hasten action in the direction of adequate rates, in spite of the admitted political influence of the fraternals. Officials of the National Fraternal Congress are advising societies to make every possible effort to defeat legislative action looking towards making adequate rates compulsory in the case of new business issued after January 1st, 1919. This line of action does not put the fraternals in a very favorable

LIFE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION.

Officials of the Canadian Life Officers' Association were elected at the recent annual meeting as follows:—President, H. C. Cox, Canada Life; first vice-president, C. C. Ferguson, Great-West Life; second vice-president, J. B. McKechnie, Manufacturers Life; Secretary-treasurer, D. A. Kilgour, North American Life; auditors, J. F. Weston, Imperial Life, and G. B. Woods, Continental Life; executive committee, the foregoing officers with Alex. Bissett, London & Lancashire Life; J. E. Kavanagh, Metro-politan Life; A. R. Howell, Gresham Life; A. B. Wood, Sun Life; and Charles Ruby, Mutual Life of Canada.

THE FIELD FOR THRIFT.

Out of the first fifty claims paid in a large auto-mobile company in the United States, which kept a record of the operation of its group insurance, it was reported that there had been only one case where the insurance money was not urgently needed to prevent immediate distress. In many of the cases in which these claims were paid the employees were highly skilled, commanding large pay. Conditions were found to be much the same among the skilled and among the lower grades of labor. Each class lived up to its full income, neither finding a place in its budget for a proper amount of life insurance.

TRAFFIC RETURNS.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Year to d	ate 1915	1916	1917	Increase
Oct. 31,	\$80,428,000	\$110,875,000	\$121,068,000	\$10,193,000
Week en	ding 1915	1916	1917	Increase
Nov. 7,	3,015,000	3,036,000	3,204,000	168,000
14,	3,035,000	3,051,000	3,575,000	524,000 581,000
30,	4,104,000	4,086,000	4,598,000	512,090
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GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

Year to date	1915	1916	1917	Increase
Oct. 31, \$41	,530,305	\$49,636,732	\$54,152,481	\$4,515,749
Week ending Nov. 7, 14, 21,		1916 1,244,959 1,283,901 1,202,291 1,612,502	1917 1,287,185 1,305,511 1,266,711 1,689,929	Increase 42,226 21,610 64,420 77,427

	CANADIA	N NORTHERN	ITAILWAY	
Year to date Oct. 31, \$20	1915 ,770,800	1916 \$30,497,200	1917 \$34,146,600	Increase \$3,649,400
Week ending		1916	1917	Increase
Nov. 7,	806,500 820,800	885,000 825,100	895,400 1,039,800	10,400 214,700
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THE MONTREAL CITY and DISTRICT SAVINGS BANK

NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of Two Dollars and Twenty Cents per share has been declared on the Capital Stock, called and paid-up of this Bank and will be payable, at its Head Office, in this City, on and after Wednesday, the second of January next, to Shareholders of record the 15th of December at 1 o'clock p.m.

> By order of the Board, A. P. LESPERANCE, Manager.

Montreal, 20th August, 1917.

Montreal Tramways Company SUBURBAN TIME TABLE, 1916-1917

Lachine:
From Post Office—
From Post Office—
10 min. service 5.40 s.m. to 8.00 s.m. | 10 min. service 4 p.m. to 7.10 p.m. to 12.00 mid
20 | 7.10 p.m. to 12.00 mid
20 | 7.10 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.

20 min. service 5.30 a.m. to 5.50 a.m. 10 min. service 4 p.m.to 8.00 p.m. to 12.10 a.m. 20 8.00 p.m.to 12.10 a.m. 20 Extra last car at 12.50 a.m.

Sault au Recollet and St. Vincent de Paul:

From St. Vincent to Faul to St. Denis 15 min. service 5.45 a.m. to 8.30 s.m. 30 min. service 8.30 p.m. to 20 " 8.30 " 4.30 p.m. 15 " 4.30 p.m. 7.30 p.m. 20 " 7.30 " 8.30 p.m. 12.20 a.m. 12.20 a.m. 12.20 a.m. 12.20 a.m. 12.20 a.m. 12.10 a.m.

From Snowdon Junction—20 min. service 5.20 a.m. to 8.40 p.m. 40 " " 8.40 p.m. to 12.00mid

Prom Cartierville— 20 " 5.40 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. to 12.20 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. to 12.20 a.m.

Mountain :

From Park Avenue and Mount Royal Ave.—
20 min, service from 5.40 a.m. to 12.20 a.m.
From Victoria Avenue.—
20 min, service from 5.50 a.m. to 12.30 a.m.
From Victoria Avenue to Snowdon,—
10 minutes service 5.50 a.m. to 8.30 p.m.

From Lasalle and Notre Dame—
60 min. service from 5.00 a.m. to 12.00 midnight.

From Lasalle and Notre Dame—
15 min. service 5.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. | 15 min. service 3.30 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. 30 min. service 9.00 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. | 30 min. service 7.00 p.m. to 12 mid.

Pointe aux Trembles via Notre Dame:
From Notre Dame and 1st Ave. Maisonneuve.
15 min service from 5.15 a.m. to 8.50 p.m.
20 " 8.50 p.m. to 12.30 a.m.
Extra last car for Blv4. Bernard at 1.30 a.m.