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GREAT FIRE AT QUEBEC. St. Sauveur Suburb Wiped out by the Flames.

QUEBEC, May 16.—Very early this morning, almost immediately after the midnight bells had sounded, an alarm of fire startled those of our citizens who were not asleep, and a glance out of doors discovered a lurid red light to the westward part of the city in the direction of St. Sauveur.

THE SCENE OF A FIRE THREE WEEKS AGO and quickly assumed large dimensions. In the adjacent house belonging to the same landlady lived Gaudouze Plante, carter, who at the time of the fire was on his way home from Montmorency with a load.

FROM ONE WOODEN BUILDING TO ANOTHER, and there were few cool heads in the crowd outside of the disinterested spectators. At the hour above mentioned the flames had come no further west than St. Peter street, and on St. Valier street had been successfully kept from invading the Tozer property, though the out-buildings were still threatened.

By 10:30 the fire in St. Sauveur had been checked on the city side, but was still burning furiously toward the north, and seemed likely to stop only when there was nothing left to feed it. The larger number of houses destroyed were small wooden buildings. There was a strong easterly wind blowing, and rain had been falling for the last three hours.

It was of course almost impossible while the fire was raging to learn much about insurance. It is believed, however, that most of the companies doing business here are more or less affected. Mrs. McCann has her three houses insured in the North British & Mercantile, and it is supposed is fairly well covered.

It will no doubt be found to include some 40 to 500 houses, and to reach from \$50,000 to \$100,000. COMPANIES INTERESTED.—QUEBEC, May 16.—At the fire at St. Sauveur the loss is estimated at \$600,000.

Major Charles J. Short, who met his death at the post of duty while combating the spread of the flames at Quebec, was a son of Judge Short of Sherbrooke. He was a volunteer in military matters, becoming a volunteer in the local artillery corps in his native place.

QUEBEC, May 17.—In St. Sauveur to-day wells are being explored to fish up valuables cast in by owners at the time of the fire. An inquest on the bodies of the two victims of the powder explosion, by Dr. Bellemare, district coroner, took place at the clinical hospital this afternoon.

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night, because of his cruelty to his step-daughter, aged 13. He was given seventy-five lashes and warned to leave town at once. While Columbus workmen were excavating beneath where an old house had been torn down in the southern part of the city, they discovered a quantity of gold and silver. A miserly old woman formerly owned the place. It is thought \$20,000 was dug up.

THE BISHOP'S MISIONARY UNION elected Rev. Dr. Geo. W. Northrup, of Illinois, president. A board of managers was elected. The committee on finance reported that during the three quarters of a century the union has been in existence it has expended \$5,870,403 for missionary work.

RECENT WASHINGTON DISPATCHES from prominent men connected with Indian affairs indicate that Gen. Crook and the other commissioners will meet with trouble in negotiating a treaty. Sitting Bull says: "This will be our last treaty, as hereafter, if we give up our land, we will have nothing more that the white man wants."

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ESQUIMAULT DEFENCES. Saddling Canada with Imperial Military Charges. LONDON, May 16. Lord Sudley raised the question of the Esquimault defences in the House of Lords to-night. Lord Esquimault on behalf of the government admitted the importance of the subject, but said last year's agreement between the Imperial and Dominion Governments had been modified.

FOR THE TRUE WITNESS. HER FIRST COMMUNION. She looked like the morning, so radiant and bright; like the may-dawn, so pure and serene; Enclosed in robes of immaculate white, Her hair dressed in a coronet of gold, A sunbeam fell over her, enhancing her beauty, Till lost in the sheen of her hair.

COMMERCIAL. MONTREAL MARKET QUOTATIONS. FLOUR, GRAIN, &c. FLOUR.—The past week's business has been one of the dullest on record, being confined exclusively to the local trade, and even it has run below its usual dimensions.

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COUNTRY PRODUCE. EGGS.—The market is decidedly weaker and lower, with sales at 43c in single cases, and 42c for round lots. Receipts have increased during the past few days. Lower prices still are expected.

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14c per lb. comb. Extracted, 10c to 12c as to quality, and imitation honey 8c to 10c. MAIZE STROP AND SUGAR.—The market rules very quiet, with sales of syrup at 44c per lb in 15 gallon kegs, and 4c bid for 40 gallon kegs. Sugar sells at 6c to 7c per lb as to quality.

FRUITS, &c. APPLES.—The market for old fruit is still very dull, further shipments of Western fruit being received with sales at from 85c to \$1 per bbl, sound fruit bringing \$1.50. Single barrels of choice fruit are quoted higher.

RAW FURS. Beaver, per lb. \$4.00 to \$4.50; Bear, per skin, \$12.00, \$17.00 to \$20.00; Bear cub, per skin, \$4.00, \$5.00 to \$8.00; Fisher, \$5.00 to \$7.00; Fox, red \$1.25 to \$1.50; Fox, cross \$3.00 to \$7.00; Lynx, \$3.50 to \$4.50; Martin, \$1.00 to \$1.25; Mink, \$1.00 to \$1.50; Muskrat, spring \$2.00 to \$2.50; Otter, \$1.00 to \$1.25; Raccoon, 40c to 60c; Skunk, 40c to 50c.

MONTREAL STOCK YARDS. The receipts of live stock for the week ending May 18th, 1889, were as follows:—Receipts: Cattle, Sheep, Hogs, Calves

MONTREAL HORSE EXCHANGE. The receipts of horses at these stables for the week ending May 18th were as follows:—Left over from previous week 14; Total for week 185; Shipped during week 123; Sales for week 24; Left for city 19; On hand for sale 19.

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IN THE YEAR 1718 A. D. A silk-throwing mill on the Italian model was set up at Derby by John Lombe. Lombe went to Piedmont in 1715 and secretly obtained access to the mills there. He carefully examined the machinery and made drawings and models of its parts.

REMAINDERS OF SILKS. A large lot of Silk reduced as follows:—1st Lot All Colored Gros Grain Dress Silks at 65c, 75c, 80c, 85c, 87c, are reduced to 50c per yard.

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