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Kelowna, August 2.—Barnard Avenue; owner and occupant, M. J. Curts; wood frame stable and workshop; value of building \$700, insurance on same nil; value of contents \$700, insurance on same nil. Total loss, \$1,400. Cause unknown.

Maillardville, August 10.—Laval Square; owner and occupant, Henry Hammond; value of building \$1,200, insurance on same \$1,500; value of contents \$500, insurance on same nil. Total loss, \$1,400. Cause: Defective chimney. British Crown, Assurance Corporation.

Langley, July 4.—Owner, Clark Sawmill Co.; occupant, Robert Clark; wood sawmill; value of building \$1,000, insurance on same \$700; value of contents \$11,000, insurance on same \$4,500. Total loss, \$12,000. Cause: Spark from engine house. Scottish Union, New Zealand.

Langley, July 20.—Owner and occupant, Benj. Norman; wood dwelling; value of building \$4,000, insurance on same \$2,000; value of contents \$1,000, insurance on same \$500. Total loss, \$5,000. Cause unknown. Aetna Ins. Co., London Assurance.

Revelstoke, June 25.—McKenzie Avenue; owner, D. M. Brunis; occupant, G. S. Adams and London Cafe; wood store; value of building \$4,500, insurance on same \$3,500; value of contents not mentioned, insurance on same nil. Total loss, \$4,500. Cause unknown.

Revelstoke, June 25.—McKenzie Avenue; owner, Mrs. Lee; occupant, Reid & Barton; wood store; value of building \$2,900, insurance on same \$1,000; value of contents \$800, insurance on same \$500. Total, \$3,700. Cause unknown.

Revelstoke, June 25.—McKenzie Avenue; owner, Mrs. J. M. Kellie; occupant, A. D. Turner, A. Hobson; wood store; value of building \$7,000, insurance on same \$4,000; value of contents \$8,000, insurance on same \$3,600. Total loss, \$15,000. Cause: Adjoining.

Revelstoke, June 25.—McKenzie Avenue; owner, J. G. Barber; occupant, vacant; wood store; value of building \$2,500, insurance on same \$500. Total loss, \$2,500. Cause: Adjoining.

OF PERSONAL MENTION.

Dr. R. W. Brock, Deputy Minister of Mines and Director of the Geological Survey, has been appointed dean of the College of Applied Science and Professor of Geology in the University of British Columbia. Dr. Brock is exceptionally equipped for his position. Not only has he a profound knowledge of the science of mining, but he has also an intimate knowledge of the geology of the Dominion, and in particular that of British Columbia. His value to the University will be supplemented by his value to the mining industry of the Province.

Dr. Brock very kindly contributed to this Journal an article on the Geology of the Calgary Oil Fields, which carried great weight in putting a brake on the reckless speculation in Calgary oil shares.

Dean Leonard S. Klinck, dean of the College of Agriculture, is busy organizing his department. He was formerly Professor of Cereal Husbandry at Macdonald College, Quebec.

Judge Robert S. Lovett of New York, chairman of the Board of Directors of the Union Pacific Railway system, and generally recognized as the successor of the late E. H. Harriman, was a recent visitor to Victoria. His visit was without significance. He was on his round of inspection, and came up to Victoria on a vacation.

To the editor of this Journal he stated that crops on the line of the Union Pacific were the largest in the history of the railway. The war would have a very serious effect on commerce and industry, and during the period of readjustment it was difficult to state what was likely to be the course of affairs. He candidly did not hope for much with retrenchment the order of the day.