

RECENT FIRES

Grande Prairie, Alta., Sydney, N.S., Windsor, Ont., and Winnipeg Suffer Heavy Losses—Large Number of Small Fires

Burlington, Ont.—April 20—Barn and equipment belonging to R. W. Dingle was destroyed. Cause, incendiarism.

Crediton, Ont.—April 18—Residence of W. B. Gaiser, near village, was damaged.

Cross Lake, Ont.—April 17—Residence of Xavier Perron was destroyed. Cause, paper igniting with overheated stove-pipe.

Denholm, Sask.—April 10—Fire destroyed the Saskatchewan Co-operative Elevator, with about 9,000 bushels of wheat.

Fredericton, N.B.—April 18—Four houses, occupied by Angus Campbell, Mrs. A. Tweedwell, William McDonald and O. Brewer, on the Woodstock Road, were destroyed. Loss is estimated at \$15,000.

Grande Prairie, Alta.—April 14—The Spencer, Donald, Patterson and Morsion buildings were damaged. The loss to the tenants of the destroyed buildings is estimated as follows: Hook and Leonard, jewellers, \$10,000; City Drug Co., \$8,000; S. E. Higgins, milliner, \$2,000; H. Mattinson, photographer, \$1,000; Grande Prairie Land Co., \$600; North Land Developers, Ltd., \$600; Grande Prairie Hotel annex, \$1,000; Eager and Corbett, barristers, \$1,500; A. P. Turner, men's furnisher, \$1,000; N. O. Brown, auto accessories, \$500. The loss to buildings was approximately as follows: Spencer, \$15,000, about 25 per cent. covered by insurance; Donald Paterson, \$8,000; K. Morrison, \$3,000; A. L. Thompson, partially damaged only, \$1,000; Malcolm Campbell, \$2,000.

Kingston, Ont.—April 16—The dry goods store of Newman and Shaw, Princess Street, was damaged. Caused from electric wires.

Lakefield, Ont.—April 12—Power plant of frame construction was destroyed. Valued at \$5,000, and partially insured. The fire followed an explosion in the power-house, believed to have been caused by a short circuit.

Moncton, N.B.—April 13—American Hotel, owned by Mrs. Margaret Wallace and under lease to A. B. Pugsley, was damaged. Covered by insurance.

April 19—Livery stable, owned by D. A. McBeath and conducted by Fred. Wilbur, was destroyed. Estimated property loss, between \$4,000 and \$5,000, with insurance of \$2,000.

Moose Jaw, Sask.—April 15—The "XL" Garage on High Street West was damaged. Estimated loss on building, \$3,000, partially covered by insurance; loss on cars in garage for repairs, \$2,500; and the loss on one car and the stock of T. Smallwood, S. Cooper and W. Stiles, proprietors, amounted to \$1,000.

Regina, Sask.—April 14—Grassick Block, Scarth Street, was damaged. Property loss is estimated at \$5,000, covered by insurance.

Renfrew, Ont.—April 16—Sugar camps owned by Alex. Jamieson, of Horton township, Hiram McCreary and Daniel McEwen were damaged from fires of mysterious origin.

St. John, N.B.—April 17—Grocery store of Mrs. Helen Lacey, 311 Germain Street, was damaged. William P. Lacey, who has been ill mentally at various times, scattered the contents of an oil tank in the store and set the place on fire.

Strathroy, Ont.—April 14—Residence of P. A. Gahan was destroyed. Estimated loss, \$3,000, with small insurance on building.

Sydney, N.S.—April 17—Harshman's drug store, at the corner of Charlotte and Wentworth Streets, was damaged. Estimated loss, \$25,000, partially covered by insurance.

April 20—Plant of the Sydney Milling Co. was damaged to the extent of \$40,000.

Toronto, Ont.—April 16—Building at 70 Bay Street, owned by the Wellington estate, was damaged. The fire originated in the second story, occupied by Marcus and Co., furriers, in a fur bin. Their loss is estimated at \$5,000.

Watrous, Sask.—April 17—Several buildings were damaged and the business section of the town threatened. Estimated loss, \$30,000.

Winnipeg, Man.—April 9—Edward Building, 325 Portage Avenue, occupied by the Phonograph Shop, Cross, Goulding and Skinner Piano Co. and the Portage Avenue branch of the Standard Bank on first floor; Drs. Moore and Carmichael, dentists, Sample Shoe Store, Cooks' and Waiters' Union, Roberts' photo studio and Dr. J. W. Pemberton on second floor, and suites on the third floor were damaged. Estimated loss on basement stock of pianos of Cross, Goulding and Skinner, \$10,000, covered by insurance.

April 14—Shed and contents of the Dyson Pickle Co., Higgins Avenue, was damaged. Loss estimated at \$1,000, fully covered by insurance.

Windsor, Ont.—April 18—Summer home of Fitz Bridges, president of the Bell Ice Co., was destroyed, due to an overheated furnace. Total loss is estimated at \$18,000, and insurance totals \$4,000.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING FIRES

Montreal, Que.—March 24—The following losses were incurred by insurance companies as a result of the fire which took place on this date in Molsons Brewery, corner of Craig and Delorimier Avenue:—

On J. C. Whitney and Co. (teas)—Palatine, \$5,000; North British and Mercantile, \$5,000. Total, \$10,000. Loss about 40 per cent.

On Messrs. Cardinal (Flour)—Union of London, \$17,500; Union of Paris, \$7,500. Total, \$25,000. Loss about 50 per cent.

On J. D. Arsenault (general provisions)—Continental, \$11,800. Loss about 5 per cent.

On A. Racine (flour)—Continental, \$4,000. Loss about 50 per cent.

On H. Daoust (flour)—New York Underwriters, \$2,500. Loss total.

On A. Benoit—London Assurance, \$2,000. Loss total.

On Aird and Sons (leather board)—Commercial Union, \$20,500; Queensland, \$10,000. Total, \$30,500. Loss 10 per cent.

On D. W. Raphael (grain and feed)—London Assurance, \$11,000. Loss about 50 per cent.

On Renfrew Flour Mills—Home, \$5,200. Loss about 50 per cent.

On Robin Hood Flour Mills—North Empire, \$68,000; Palatine, \$7,000; North America, \$35,000; Employers, \$45,000; St. Paul, \$35,000. Total, \$190,000. Loss about 8 per cent.

On Russell Murray—Phoenix of London, \$7,680. Loss about 30 per cent.

On J. L. Viau—North America, \$4,920. Loss total.

On Wolfe Sayer and Heller—Guardian, \$1,800. Loss total.

On Warde and Co.—Home, \$15,000; London Mutual, \$10,000; Imperial Underwriters, \$5,000; Palatine, \$10,000; British Dominions, \$10,000; London Assurance, \$5,000. Total, \$55,000. Loss about 60 per cent.

On Molsons Brewery Grain—United States, \$15,000; Globe Indemnity, \$25,000; National of Hartford, \$25,000; Phenix of Hartford, \$10,000; Palatine, \$15,000; Canada Security, \$10,000; Guardian, \$5,000; Employers, \$5,000; Yorkshire, \$5,000; Springfield, \$10,000; Hartford, \$5,000; Westchester, \$5,000; New York Underwriters, \$5,000; Niagara, \$10,000. Total, \$150,000. Loss about 90 per cent.

On Malt House and Kiln—North America, \$10,000; United States, \$4,000. Loss about 5 per cent.

On Mile End Milling Co.—Home, \$3,000. Loss total.

On Montreal Preserving Co.—Royal, \$2,400. Loss total.

On Morrow Milling Co.—Royal, \$4,000. Loss about 25 per cent.

On National Licorice—Guardian, \$10,000. Loss about 25 per cent.

On Peelless Cereal—Equitable, \$3,000. Loss about 80 per cent.

On Petrie—Provincial of England, \$6,000. Loss about 80 per cent.

On Dominion Sugar Co., Ltd.—British Dominions, \$50,000; London Guarantee, \$25,000. Loss about 30 per cent.

On Dominion Tobacco Co.—North River, \$12,000; North America, \$5,000. Total, \$17,000. Loss total.

On A. Durivage—Home, \$1,500. Loss total.

On Genest and Genest—Liverpool and London and Globe, \$9,800. Loss total.

On Gagnon, Lachapelle and Hebert—North America, \$5,000. Loss about 80 per cent.

On J. Grenier—North River, \$3,000. Loss total.

On Harrison Crossfield—Atlas, \$5,000. Loss about 25 per cent.

On Kearney Bros. (teas)—Firemens Underwriters, \$27,000; Alliance of Philadelphia, \$15,000. Total, \$42,000. Loss total.

On A. J. Aver—Guardian, \$14,500; London and Lancashire, \$13,000. Total, \$27,500. Loss about 90 per cent.

On Bryson Import Co., Ltd.—Provincial of England, \$3,000; London Mutual, \$3,000. Loss about 50 per cent.

On Bruneau Currie and Co.—Westchester, \$6,000; British Empire, \$3,400; British Traders, \$4,000. Total, \$13,400. Loss total.

On Berliner Gramophone—London and Lancashire, \$6,000; British Crown, \$40,000; British Colonial, \$5,000; Rochester, \$20,000; Yorkshire, \$20,000; Caledonian, \$20,000; Guardian, \$80,000; Globe and Rutgers, \$25,000; General of Paris, \$25,000; Union of Canton, \$25,000; Northern, \$20,000; Queen, \$20,000. Total, \$306,000. Loss about 75 per cent.

On Chaput Fils and Cie—Guardian, \$10,000; North West, \$15,000; Hudson Bay, \$10,000; Employers, \$10,000; Globe and Rutgers, \$10,000; Fire Insurance Co., of Canada, \$5,000; Royal, \$25,000; National of Paris, \$10,000; British Colonial, \$5,000; Scottish Union, \$5,000. Total, \$105,000. Loss about 75 per cent.

On Tropical Products Co. (tobacco)—Eagle Star, \$35,000.

On Laberge and Fils (flour)—Mount Royal, \$6,000.

On J. E. Cloutier (flour)—Mount Royal, \$8,750.

On S. Christin (canned goods)—Mount Royal, \$8,000.

On A. W. Harris—British Dominions, \$4,000.