

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING FIRES ALREADY REPORTED

Beleville, Ont.—September 1—J. Owen's livery stable. Loss, \$2,500; Mr. D. Phillip's store, owned by J. Mackie. Loss unknown; R. Adam's temperance hotel. Loss, \$5,000; Queen's Hotel stables. Cause, supposed incendiary.

Saskatoon, Sask.—September 1—Eastern Manufacturer's warehouse, Wall and 24th Streets. Loss, stock, \$30,000; buildings, \$1,175. Insurance, stock, \$12,800; building, \$3,000 with Providence, Washington, Sovereign, Fire, Yorkshire, and St. Paul, American companies. Cause, mice eating matches.

The following fires were adjusted by the E. A. Lilly Adjustment Agency, Calgary:—

Eunice, Alta.—August 16—S. S. Smith, pool room and barber shop. Loss, \$1,350. Insurance, Dominion Fire, \$1,000.

Strathcona, Alta.—August 20th—Royal Hotel. Loss on building, \$2,500; loss on contents, \$475. Insurance, Firemen's Fund, \$1,500; Hartford, \$3,000; Fidelity Phoenix, \$3,000; Aetna, \$3,000; North America, \$3,000; Northern, \$1,500; Home, \$1,500.

Innisfail, Alta.—September 3—David Arnell, livery barn totally destroyed. Insurance, General, \$1,500; Crown Lumber Company, Innisfail, Alta. Yards destroyed. Loss not yet adjusted. Fully insured. Companies interested:—Pacific Insurance Company of New York; Underwriters at London Lloyds; Excess Insurance Company, of London, England.

Edmonton, Alta.—August 23—Adam's storage warehouse. Struck by lightning and resulting in the following losses:—Building owned by W. H. Gardiner. Loss, \$1,000. Insured in Liverpool Manitoba, \$1,500; Edmonton Journal, newspaper stock and printing press. Loss, \$2,000. Insurance, Home Insurance Company, \$2,000; C. W. Hagen, household furniture. Loss, \$800. North British and Mercantile, \$200; W. H. Adams, household furniture, etc. Loss, \$750. Insurance, Employers' Liability, \$1,300; Paragon Office Supply Company, Edmonton. Loss, \$218. Anglo-American, \$500; A. H. Esch Company, Limited. Loss, \$330. Insurance, American, \$1,000; Crumb Sign Works. Loss, \$642. California, \$400; Duquesne, \$800.

MINERAL PRODUCTION OF QUEBEC

The total mineral production of Quebec province for 1912 was valued at \$11,187,110, an increase of \$2,507,432, or 28.9 per cent. over the previous year. In 1910 metallic minerals represented only 2.16 per cent. of the total production; in 1911 the proportion increased to 3.17 per cent. and in 1912 to 6.09 per cent. In Ontario, the metallics make up 74 per cent. of the total mineral productions. The most important minerals in Quebec are asbestos, valued at \$3,059,084; cement, valued at \$3,098,354; limestone, at \$1,363,355, and bricks, at \$1,284,232. The following table shows the value of mineral production in 1911 and 1912:—

Mineral.	Value 1912.	Value 1911.
Asbestos, tons	\$3,059,084	\$3,026,306
Asbestic, tons	23,358	19,802
Copper and sulphur ore, tons.....	631,963	240,079
Gold, ounces	19,924	11,800
Silver, ounces	14,591	11,500
Bog iron ore, tons		4,041
Ochre, tons	32,010	28,174
Chromite, tons		2,469
Mica, pounds	99,463	76,428
Phosphate, tons	1,640	5,832
Graphite, pounds	50,680	33,613
Mineral water, gallons	39,854	65,648
Titaniferous ores, tons	4,024	5,684
Slate, squares	8,939	8,248
Cement, barrels	3,098,350	1,931,183
Magnesite, tons	9,645	6,416
Marble	252,041	143,457
Flagstone	600	500
Granite	658,749	308,545
Lime, bushels	455,570	284,433
Limestone	1,363,555	1,128,402
Brick, M.	1,284,232	1,129,480
Tiles, drain and sewer pipe, pottery, etc.	203,100	142,223
Quartz		1,125
Kaolin	520	
Feldspar	2,200	600
Peat	2,000	700
Sand	170,600	62,000
Glass sand		1,179
Phonolith, tons	418	
Totals	\$11,187,110	\$8,670,786

PERSONAL NOTES

Messrs. Chaplin and Young, accountants, Winnipeg, have transferred their offices from 25 Empress Building to 545 Somerset Building.

Mr. R. Loney, of Messrs. Loney and Company, of Moose Jaw, has been elected president of the Associated Boards of Trade of Western Canada.

Mr. Albert J. Ralston is spending a few weeks in the Western Provinces in connection with the business of the National Life Assurance Company.

Mr. James Playfair has been elected a director of the National Landed and Investment Company to succeed his father, Mr. John S. Playfair, who died last June.

Mr. James Reid Wilson has been appointed to the directorate of the Montreal Trust Company, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Mr. F. W. Thompson.

Mr. C. H. Emerson, industrial commissioner at Brantford, has resigned his position. He is now on a tour through New York and other states securing industries for Brantford.

Mr. J. Stuart, one of the founders of the Bank of Hamilton, and a director of the Canada Life Assurance, Canada Landed and National Investment Companies, died at his residence, Toronto, on Monday.

Mr. J. A. Mackenzie, of the London and Lancashire Assurance Company, Limited, has been appointed agency manager and Mr. G. W. Clark has been appointed as the company's branch manager for northern Saskatchewan.

Mr. J. Knight, secretary of the Canadian Bankers' Association, will continue his association with the Montreal Clearing House and the Bankers' Journal, but has made a suggestion to the association that the secretaryship be filled by an official who will be able to devote a considerable time to travelling.

Mr. Henry E. Rawlings, managing director of the Guarantee Company of North America, left Montreal on Monday for six weeks, to attend the meetings of the company's local boards at New York and Chicago, and to make a tour of inspection of its many branches and appoint additional agencies and correspondents throughout the Canadian west and border states.

Mr. Charles B. Gordon, elected president of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association this week, was born in Montreal in 1868. He is a son of the late John Gordon, merchant. In 1904 he inaugurated the Dominion Textile Company. Mr. Gordon is president of that company, president of the Hillcrest Collieries; vice-president of Penmans', Limited; vice-president of C. Meredith and Company, Limited; a director in the Bank of Montreal; director in the Royal Trust Company; director in the Dominion Bridge Company; director in the Montreal Cotton Company; director Ritz-Carlton Hotel, and numerous other corporations in the Dominion of Canada, and is a governor of McGill University.

The contract for the construction of the workshops at St. Malo, has been signed, the cost of same being \$1,500,000.

A branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce has been opened at Shaunovan, Sask., under the management of Mr. W. A. T. Hunter temporarily.

That sprightly little journal of the Sterling Bank staff, "The Teller," has reached Volume 2, Number one, and is eagerly awaited each month by Canada's bank managers-to-be, who should appreciate Mr. Patterson's admirable articles on practical banking topics, as well as the other contents. All interested should forward twenty-five cents for twelve issues to Mr. R. D. Little, care of Sterling Bank, Toronto.

Sir Boverton Redwood, the British Admiralty's adviser on petroleum matters, denies the announcement emanating from Montreal that a member of his staff is investigating the shale fields of Newfoundland and Nova Scotia. Regarding the truth of the statement that Newfoundland alone contains three billion tons of oil shale, or sufficient to supply England and Canada for 500 years, Sir Boverton said it was altogether too premature to say anything on the matter.

The Nipissing Mines Company has decided hereafter to ship its silver bullion from Cobalt, Ont., to New York, instead of from Cobalt to London direct, as heretofore. This decision is the result of the recent advance in express charges on silver bullion from Cobalt to the British capital of \$2.50 per 100 pounds, making the flat rate between the two points \$7 per 100 pounds. The company has made several trial shipments of bullion to New York upon such favorable terms that it has been decided to ship all of its bullion to New York.