

The Windermere and Golden Divisions together produced about three times as much lead as in 1916, due to a largely increased production from the Paradise mine; the output of this mine was approximately 1,200,000 lb. Other shippers were the Couverapee, Lead Queen, and Monarch.

The Omineca lead production for 1917 was a little larger than that of 1916. The Silver Standard is the largest producer, with half a dozen small shippers. The lead output from this Division should be larger in the year 1918.

MISCELLANEOUS INSURANCE IN CANADA IN 1917. (Continued from page 14.)

the Subsidiary High Court. The premiums received in Canada for sickness and funeral risks by these fraternal societies amounted to \$497,909 and the claims paid amounted to \$444,548.

Sprinkler leakage insurance was carried on by nine companies-three British and six Foreign companies. The premiums received during the year amounted to \$62,282, and the losses paid to \$33,456 with 23,708 losses outstanding at the end of the year.

Steam boiler insurance business was carried on by six companies-two Canadian and four Foreign companies. The total premiums received amounted to \$219,605, and the claims paid, to \$31,899, with \$21,270 unsettled claims out-

standing at the end of the year. The Chartered Trust and Executor Company is licensed by the Department to transact the business of "Title Insurance" as defined in the Company's Act of Incorporation.

No premiums were received during the year, and no losses were incurred.

Tornado insurance was carried on by fifteen companies -one Canadian, one British and thirteen United States companies, the total premiums received being \$35,137, and the losses paid, \$49,065 with \$46,236 unsettled losses at the end of the year.

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On this account, the giving of time by Central will be discontinued after July 31st, 1918.

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