

The American Public Health Association held several meetings in this city last week, during which the following subjects were discussed: the pollution of water supplies; the disposal of garbage; animal diseases and foods; the nomenclature of diseases; inoculation; sanitary legislation; diphtheria; infant mortality; the causes of consumption, and preventive measures; car sanitation; yellow fever; quarantine regulations; school hygiene, etc. Delegates were present from nearly all the States, also from Mexico. The local faculty took a prominent place in the proceedings.

Lumber rates in Iowa have been fixed as follows: the minimum in any lumber yard is $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. The minimum rates upon lumber, when clear space from any saw, shingle or planing mill or other wood-working or manufacturing establishment is 200 feet or less, shall be, with clear continuous space clause of at least 200 feet, \$2.50; if of 150 feet, \$2.75; if of 100 feet, \$3. When less than 100 feet space exists, the lowest rate is to be 3 per cent, and never less than the rate of the highest rated special hazard or mill so exposing with 100 feet. Agents are required to report all expenses within 200 feet, and the rate of them.

One form of danger from incandescent lamps has been put to a practical test by Mr. Merrill of the Chicago Underwriters Association. Doubt being expressed whether such a lamp had caused a fire by coming into contact with woollen cloaks, he placed a child's woollen hood over a lamp, with this result: in eight minutes the hood was on fire and the globe burst. In another test, woollen cloth was ignited in six minutes. Manifestly there should be more precautions taken than are usual in clothing stores, warehouses containing woollen goods, and wherever electric lamps can possibly be brought into contact with this class of goods.

At a sale of assurance policies lately in London, Eng., the following prices were realized: one issued by the Rock Life for \$7,500 with bonus additions, making a total of \$12,830, age 80, annual premium \$235, fetched \$10,025; a second for \$25,000 with bonus additions, making a total of \$33,460; age 80, annual premiums \$1,130, sold for \$23,500; a third for \$25,000 on the life of Lord Sudeley, age 54, premium \$660, sold for \$5,300; another on same life with the Equity & Law Life, for \$30,000 with profits, premium \$750, sold for \$19,750; and a fifth, for \$10,000 with profits, annual premium \$275, sold for \$6,125.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. WM. TATLEY, we are glad to see, is making rapid progress to satisfactory health and strength.

Mr. JOHN W. MOLSON has returned to the city, much improved in health. His many friends will be glad to learn this.

WE REGRET to record the death of Mr. James A. Brown, Auditor of the New York Life which took place on Sept. 25th.

Mr. D. E. CAMERON, late assistant treasurer of Province of Ontario, has been appointed general auditor of the Mutual Reserve.

WE HAVE HAD THE PLEASURE of a call from Mr. R. G. Moles of Arnprior; Mr. Thos. Kerr, of the Standard Life, Toronto; Mr. R. H. Matson, Toronto.

Mr. T. H. SCHNIDER, has been appointed general agent at Montreal for Province of Quebec of the Provident Savings Life. General Manager Matson has made a good appointment.

MR. GEORGE HAGUE, general manager of the Merchants' Bank, is expected home from England about the middle of the month.

MR. MATTHEW C. HINSHAW returned from a trip to the Old Land on Friday last, having very much enjoyed his visit. He has come back looking, if possible, more jolly than ever.

MR. J. D. WELLS has been advanced to the position of second vice president of the Mutual Reserve Fund Association, the vacancy having occurred by resignation of Hon. H. J. Reimund.

SUPERINTENDENT PIERCE was presented, on 22nd inst., with a gold-headed cane and a valuable cigar case by the Insurance Commissioners of United States, as a recognition of his courtesy as President of their recent Convention.

MR. S. STANLEY BROWN, general manager of the Employers' Liability Corporation, London, England, is in Montreal. We understand it to be his intention to push the accident and guarantee department of his company. The Canadian management will be under Mr. F. Stanchiffe, who has successfully represented the fire re-insurance department for some years.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:—

1. That the Annual Examinations of the Institute of Actuaries will be held in the Colonial centres, Melbourne, Sydney, Wellington, Montreal, Toronto, and Cape Town, on Friday, 15th April, 1895, and on Saturday, 20th April, 1895. In the case of Candidates submitting themselves for examination in both sections of Part III, the Examination will be continued on Monday the 22nd, and Tuesday the 23rd April.
2. That the respective Local Examiners will fix the places and hours of the Examinations, and inform the Candidates thereof.
3. That Candidates must give notice in writing to the Honorary Secretaries in London, and pay the prescribed fee of one guinea not later than 31st December, 1894.
4. That Candidates must pay their current annual subscriptions prior to 31st December, 1894.

(By Order)

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