

FIRE RECORD.

Canada's fire losses in April amounted to \$1,470,622 as compared with \$1,355,055 for the corresponding month last year. The following are the monthly totals of the losses by fire during 1912 and 1913:—

	1912.	1913.
January	\$3,002,650	\$3,913,385
February	1,640,153	2,037,386
March.	2,261,414	1,710,756
April	1,355,055	1,470,622

A serious fire occurred at Lyster, Que., May 2, fifteen houses and two general stores being destroyed. It is thought that only the two stores, owned by Thibaudeau and Gagnon, carried any insurance. Lyster is about forty miles from Quebec on the line of the Grand Trunk Railway. The loss is placed at between \$20,000 and \$30,000.

The Cobalt Town Public Incinerator, Cobalt, Ont., was destroyed by fire May 1. Loss \$7,000 no insurance.

The cold-storage plant of J. O. Henry, Ottawa, Ont., was destroyed by fire May 1. Nine days ago from some unknown cause a blaze started, but was stopped before much damage was done.

One of the most disastrous fires in the history of North Sydney, C.B., broke out Monday and before it was checked had practically swept the entire business section of the town creating damage to the extent of approximately \$200,000, and resulting in the death of Percy Sayce, who was burned to death in his room at the Vendome Hotel, which was among the buildings destroyed. The list of business houses destroyed include the following:— Commercial Street, North side: Joseph Salter and Sons, occupied by J. R. Bigger, fruit and confectioner; Joseph Salter and Sons, brokers, offices; F. H. Lawrence, book store; D. H. Nolan, gents' furnishings; R. F. Phalen, barrister; D. B. Lewis, magistrate; D. A. Smith, broker; T. J. Eans, photographer; Messrs. Wood and Parsons, dwellings. W. M. McCallum and N. A. McMillan block, occupied by J. L. Robertson, watchmaker and jewellery, and C.P.R. offices; W. M. McCallum, drug store; Henry Epps, boots and shoes; McKenzie and McMillan, barristers; C. and W. Hackett, ship brokers. Kirk and Whitman, new brick building occupied by owners; men's clothing and general groceries. Mrs. M. Collins, occupied by M. Ratey, confectionery, families upstairs. R. F. Scott, occupied by C. W. Lovett, book store; G. A. Maloney, boots and shoes. George Cameron, dwelling, families on top floor. A. M. Ross, building, occupied by A. M. Ross, jeweller; Dr. H. J. Hunt, dentist. D. W. Pilkington, building, occupied by D. W. Pilkington, jeweller.—Commercial Street, South side: Vooghts Bros., warehouse, beds, bedding, furniture, flour, feed, etc. Mrs. H. H. McKenzie, Vendome Hotel. A. F. Connor, occupied by Bent and Cohoon, hardware; W. Palmer Moffatt. Moore block, occupied by W. N. Rice, dry goods; Jos. McDonald, barrister; H. A. McInnes, printer; Kirk and Cook offices. L. Moffatt, dwelling; D. Perry, dwelling. Peter Murphy, dwelling. J. W. Ingraham, occupied by owner's general store. Sidney Salter building, occupied by Mrs. Mary Foster, dwelling and restaurant. R. Musgrave, machine shop. Johnson and Grant, five and ten cent store. Wm. Marr, shop and dwelling. McCallum and McMillan, dwelling, three families.

The entire business section of Englehart, Ont., was destroyed by fire Sunday. Loss estimated at \$125,000 with less than \$50,000 insurance. Details of the loss are as follows:— Lowery Block, loss \$6,000, insurance \$3,000; Catt and Lowery, druggists, \$3,000, insurance \$1,000; Englehart Charlton Power Co., \$5,000; Dr. Lowery, household effects, \$1,500, insurance \$100; A. J. Catt real estate office, \$1,000, insurance \$500; Thurnbull block, \$2,000; M. Thompson, groceries, \$3,000; Sam Sing, laundry, \$1,000; Fennell block and boarding house, \$4,000, insurance \$1,000; Korman block, \$2,000; David Korman,

general store, \$5,000; Goldstein and Lavine, butchers, \$1,000; S. G. W. Holditch bakery and household effects, \$3,000; Residence, A. J. Catt, owner, Frank Taylor, tenant, \$1,000; The Englehart News, W. Buchanan, owner, \$3,500; Residence, I. P. Wilson, \$1,000; J. Vertlieb, vacant store, \$1,000; S. Vertlieb, grocery, \$3,000; Jamieson Meat Co., \$2,000, insur. \$1,000; John Clark, general store and block \$35,000; Union Bank, \$1,000; James Loftus restaurant, \$1,000; William Hugh, pool room, \$170; Joseph Rubenstein, gent's furnishings, \$3,000; O'Grady block, \$2,000; Henry O'Grady household furnishings, \$1,000; Dusty Block, James Dusty, owner, \$1,500; Ramsay block, F. D. Ramsay, owner, \$5,000; Post-office, \$1,000; Thomas Magladery, hardware, \$6,500, insurance \$3,000.

Two stables in the rear of 133 and 135 Markham Street, Toronto, were damaged by fire Sunday afternoon, the loss being about \$300. The stables were owned by Thos. Jennington and James Jeffries.

Fire Tuesday broke out in the Victoria Rink, Moncton, N.B., destroying it, also one church, a hall and five residences. The buildings destroyed were the Baptist Church, parsonage and hall, Victoria Rink, four dwellings and a barn in Robinson Street, and Mrs. J. A. Killam's house and barn in Church Street. Loss \$100,000.

Clemus Walton's large brick boarding stable at 490 Ridout Street, London, Ont., was destroyed by fire Monday, and fifteen horses burned to death. The building, the property of Mrs. Ann Highby, was valued at \$3,000, and was partly covered by insurance. Mr. Walton carried no insurance on his stock of feed nor on a \$600 pair of horses which he lost. The total loss in the fire, including a number of vehicles, was about \$8,000.

The residence of Wm. Beckett, South Pelham, Ont., was destroyed by fire Monday. The building, which was an old frame one, burned quickly. It was insured for \$1,000. A considerable quantity of furniture was burned, but some was saved.

A shed in the Western Cattle Market, Toronto, caught fire Tuesday, and was damaged to the extent of \$300 before the flames had been put out. Hay valued at \$1,000 stored in the shed was also destroyed.

The residence of J. Tompkins, Deseronto, Ont., was destroyed by fire Monday. Loss partly insured.

Fire in F. J. Moore's horse collar factory at the rear of a King Street hotel, London, Ont., Monday, also damaged Keene's furniture factory in the building of the Moore Fruit Co. The total loss is less than one thousand dollars.

A fire by which four men lost their lives and two others were probably fatally injured occurred in a shanty at Residency No. 45, on the line of the Transcontinental Railway on Sunday.

Ten thousand cords of pulpwood stored in the Quebec Central Ry. yards, St. Rose, Que., were destroyed by fire Tuesday. The pulpwood was the property of the Quebec and St. Maurice Industrial Co., and of J. Gagnan, B. C. Howard, and J. R. C. Chabot.

A house belonging to J. E. Nalin, St. Rose, Que., was destroyed by fire Tuesday.

The oil warehouse in the Intercolonial Railway Yard, Moncton, N.B., was destroyed by fire Tuesday. Loss \$8,000.

Fire Monday destroyed the wireless station at Cape Race, Nfld. Loss \$10,000.

All the barns and outbuildings, together with live stock, on the farm of J. Head, at Richmond Hill, Ont., were destroyed by fire Monday. Loss \$12,000.

An express car on C.P.R. train No. 13, was destroyed by fire May 1, east of Medicine Hat, Alta. The contents of the car were valued at \$125,000, and are a total loss.

Fire Sunday destroyed the farm buildings on the old Sifton, farm, Brandon, Man. Loss \$2,000.

The tallow plant of J. Miller, Belleville, Ont., was gutted by fire Monday. Loss \$6,500.