

We understand that the Ontario Mutual Life has arranged to prosecute its work in this province through four or five general agencies, each reporting direct to the head office. Districts, embracing several counties each, have been organized with headquarters as follows: Richmond, with Mr. John Ewing, an old resident and long time fire insurance man, as general agent; Arthabaskaville, Mr. Louis Laverne, a widely and favorably known resident, general agent; St. Hyacinthe, Mr. Arthur W. Bradford, formerly with the Canada Life, as general agent. Other appointments will soon be made. Mr. Forbes continues as the representative of the company in Montreal, and an increase in the force is contemplated.

The Investigator of Chicago, commenting on the value of accident insurance protection, in the light of numerous accidents of recent occurrence in that city, says: "Two people have been killed while riding in street cars supposedly secure from all possible danger—one by a bridge lever, and another by a frightened horse which plunged into the car. Seven persons lost their lives in a three story hotel, in broad daylight, from fire and smoke, while many others were badly injured. The flames were extinguished in a few minutes after discovery, the interior of the building being but slightly damaged. And yet seven people perished. None of these people had reason to believe they were in danger, yet each suffered. So it is with the thousands that daily throng the streets."—Moral: Carry some accident insurance.

A pretty bad fire, aided by the high wind, occurred in this city on Tuesday evening last, in the building Nos. 85-89 St. James street, owned by Judge Cross. The insurance on the building was \$28,800, being in the Scottish Union for \$14,400; Eastern, \$7,200; and Norwich Union, \$7,200. The loss is estimated at about \$12,000. Marcotte, auctioneer, claims \$60,000 loss, with insurance of \$20,000 as follows: Liv. & Lond. & Globe, \$5,000; Queen, \$2,500; Phoenix of Hartford, \$1,500; Quebec Fire, \$3,500; United Fire, \$5,000; Western, \$2,500. Mathieu Bros., wine merchants, had \$22,000, of which \$17,000 was taken by the Phoenix of Hartford, and \$5,000 by the Queen. The loss will probably not exceed \$8,000. Duval & Co., printers, were insured for \$3,000 in the Commercial Union; loss probably 50 per cent. The Cheesebrough Manufacturing Co. had \$5,000 in the Manchester; loss not much over \$2,000. The insurance on Clough's cigar factory we have not yet been able to ascertain. The total property loss by the fire will probably not exceed \$90,000.

PERSONAL MENTION.

MR. W. C. AUSTIN has been appointed general agent of the Standard Life for the Brockville district.

MR. G. H. ALLEN, of Kingston, inspector for the Standard Life, was in Montreal last week, and reports business good for the company in Ontario.

MR. E. COZENS SMITH, general manager of the Imperial Fire of London, arrived in New York by the steamer "Columbia" on Friday of last week.

MR. E. D. JONES, director-general for England of the Mutual Reserve Fund Life, has resigned, and, it is rumored, will enter the service of the Equitable Life of New York.

MR. ISRAEL C. PIERSON, the well known secretary of the Actuarial Society of America, and actuary of the Washington Life, enjoyed part of his vacation at Waterloo, Ont., as the guest of Messrs. Wm. Hendry and Geo. Wegenast of the Ontario Life, supplemented by a fishing excursion to Little Current, Manitoulin, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Wegenast.

MR. R. H. MATSON, of Toronto, the general manager of the Provident Savings Life for Canada, was in Montreal last week. He reports business good, and that the first seven months of the year show an increase by the company of more than \$4,000,000 in new insurance over the same period last year.

MR. W. S. HONGISS, superintendent of agencies of the Ontario Mutual Life, after several weeks of good work in this province organizing the agencies of the company, left for Ottawa last week on his way home to Waterloo. He reports the prospects for business in this province flattering.

MR. W. M. RAMSAY, of this city, the well known and efficient manager for Canada of the Standard Life of Edinburgh, sailed by the "Labrador" on Saturday of last week, accompanied by Mrs. Ramsay, for a visit to the Old World, combining business with recreation. We believe it has been some five or six years since Mr. Ramsay visited the Old Country. It is expected that he will remain abroad until November, and the kindly wishes of a host of friends will go with him that he may have a pleasant journey and a safe return.

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TENDERS FOR DEBENTURES.

Sealed tenders marked "Tenders for Debentures" and addressed to the undersigned will be received at the office of the Clerk of Committees, City Hall up to

12 o'clock noon, on Tuesday, 29th August

for the purchase of \$74,000 City of Winnipeg, "Park Fund Debentures," to run 30 years, and bear interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum, payable half yearly at the Bank of Montreal, Winnipeg.

Further particulars can be obtained from Mr. D. S. CUNY, City Comptroller.

No tender necessarily accepted.

THOMAS CILROY, Chairman,
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