

**FIRE AT DIAMOND GLASS WORKS, MONTREAL.**

A fire took place on the 15th instant, on the premises of the Diamond Glass Works, Montreal. The loss is stated to be in the neighbourhood of \$40,000. We understand all insurance carried was placed in Lloyds.

MR. LANSING LEWIS, manager for Canada, Caledonian Insurance Company, will sail to-morrow per SS. Carmania for the Mediterranean. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Lewis, and will probably be absent three months.

MR. E. L. PEASE, general manager of the Royal Bank of Canada, gives entire denial to the story wired from Toronto to the effect that the Royal was about to absorb the Colonial Bank of London.

THE BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA has opened a branch at St. Martins, N.B., under the temporary management of Mr. John Black, jun.

MR. GEORGE MCL. BROWN was this week appointed European manager of the Canadian Pacific Railway, to succeed the late Mr. Archer Baker.

B. C. PACKERS' directors have declared 10½ p.c. dividend payable February 15, on preferred stock. This wipes out all arrears.



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DR. J. E. LABERGE read a statement at the meeting of the Montreal Board of Health on Wednesday showing that the number of cases of typhoid fever was steadily decreasing.

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