Westmount, Que.—January 5—Block of brick houses at corner of Melbourne and Metcalfe Avenues was destroyed. Estimated loss, \$15,000.

Windsor, Ont.—January 6—Brick building at 4 Goyeau Street destroyed. Estimated loss, \$3,000. Loss is divided between C. S. Smith and Baum and Brody.

Winnipeg, Man.—January 8—Premises of Winnipeg Brass and Fixtures Company destroyed. Estimated loss, \$3,000. Room of Codville Company damaged. Cause, spontaneous combustion. Estimated loss, \$10,000.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING FIRES ALREADY REPORTED

Angus, Ont.—December 24—Frame building of L. S. Lee destroyed. Caused by defective flue. Estimated damage to stock, \$4,000; to buildings, \$3,000. Insurance is carried in four companies through F. A. Lett, Barrie, Ont.

Hamilton, Ont.—December 31—The Steel Company of Canada's plant was damaged. Estimated loss on building, \$1,115.79; on equipment, \$7,784.76. The total insurance loss of \$320,000 is divided among the companies as follows: Legal, \$3,500; United States, \$17,500; Richmond, \$15,000; Merchants, \$12,500; National Fire and Marine, \$2,500; Stuyvesant, \$26,500; Fire Association, \$3,500; Georgia Home, \$7,500; Peoples National, \$2,500; North River, \$13,000; Michigan Millers, \$2,500; Dixie, \$2,500; Hamilton, \$2,500; National Union, \$8,000; Colonial, \$2,500; Millers National, \$2,500; Millers Mutual, \$2,500; Lumbermans, \$2,500; Cornhill, \$2,500; Excess, \$5,000; Lumbermans, \$2,500; Cornhill, \$2,500; Excess, \$5,000; London Lloyds, \$53,000; Columbian National, \$7,500; Assurance Company, \$2,000; Columbian National, \$2,500; Niagara, \$10,000; Ohio Millers, \$20,000; North Branch, \$3,000; National Benefit, \$10,000; National Union, \$12,000; United States, \$2,250; Pacific, \$13,000; North River, \$2,250; London Lloyds, \$22,000.

Montreal, Que.—December 20—The Church of St. Stanislas de Kotska, which was destroyed, carries a total insurance of \$157,000, which is divided among the following companies: London Guarantee, \$10,000; Mount Royal, \$15,000; Scottish Union, \$50,000; Royal, \$15,000; Sun, \$10,000; Fidelity Underwriters, \$10,000; Fidelity-Phenix, \$5,000; Atlas, \$20,000; Niagara, \$10,000; North-West, \$5,000; Pacific Coast, \$5,000; National of Paris, \$2,000.

Ottawa, Ont.—December 13—The insurance carried on property destroyed on Sparks Street is divided among the companies as follows: Rea Building—Royal Exchange, \$30,000; Liverpool and London and Globe. \$22,500; Globe and Rutgers, \$10,000; General of Paris, \$7,500; St. Lawrence Underwriters, \$5,000; General of Paris, \$7,500; St. Lawrence Underwriters, \$5,000; Century, \$5,000; Royal, \$10,000; total, \$00,000. H. K. Atkinson—Queen, \$5,000; Mount Royal, \$5,500; total, \$10,500. Ottawa Typewriters Company—London, \$8,600; Royal, \$1,500; Caledonian, \$1,000; total, \$11,100. Loss, \$1,700. Nelson D. Porter—Hudson Bay (rental), \$2,400. Loss, \$1,200. Layzell Stock—Yorkshire, \$10,000; Hudson Bay, \$5,000; Nationale, \$6,000; Provincial, \$4,000; total, \$25,000. Loss, \$10,000; Nova Scotia, \$2,500; total, \$3,500. Loss, \$875. Ely Stock—Guardian, \$5,000; London Mutual, \$2,500; Commercial Union, \$2,500; Yorkshire, \$5,000; total, \$15,000. Loss, \$12,750. O'Connor—North America, \$5,000; Phœnix of London, \$1,000; total, \$6,000. Powers—National of Paris, \$2,000; Mount Royal, \$4,000; Provincial, \$2,000; Continental, \$4,500; total, \$12,500.

December 29—The Borridge Block, which was destroyed, carries a total insurance of \$91,250, which is divided among the companies as follow: Atlas, \$4,500; Sun, \$13,500; Commercial Union, \$8,000; National of Hartford, \$1,500; Employers, \$2,500; Royal Exchange, \$5,000; Northern, \$2,000; Phenix of Paris, \$2,300; General, \$2,000; Hudson Bay, \$500; New York Underwriters, \$3,000; Scottish Union and National, \$5,000; Hartford, \$3,000; Minnesota Underwriters, \$1,500; Mercantile, \$150; Phænix of Hartford, \$2,700; North Western, \$2,500; Royal, \$5,500; Home, \$3,600; Globe and Rutgers, \$2,000; North British and Mercantile, \$2,000; Western, \$6,500; Glens Falls, \$3,000; Exchange Underwriters, \$4,500; Fidelity-Phenix, \$4,500.

St. John, N.B.—December 13—St. David's Presbyterian Church, which was destroyed, carries a total insurance of \$55,000, which is divided among the following companies:

Norwich Union, \$5,000; Scottish Union and National, \$1,500; Quebec, \$4,500; New York Underwriters, \$5,000; North British and Mercantile, \$3,000; Royal, \$5,000; Home Underwriters, \$2,000; Hudson Bay, \$3,000; Westchester, \$4,500; Firemen's Fund, \$4,500; Montreal Underwriters, \$5,000; Employers, \$5,000; Phænix of Hartford, \$2,000; Queen, \$3,000; London and Lancashire, \$2,000.

St. John's, P.Q.—December 13—The Excelsior Straw Works Company, which was damaged, carries a total insurance of \$22,000, which is divided among the following companies: Equitable, \$2,000; Fidelity-Phenix, \$2,500; Mount Royal, \$1,000; Employers, \$3,000; Royal, \$2,000; Liverpool and London and Globe, \$4,000; Guardian, \$7,500.

Valleyfield, Que.—December 13—The Montreal Cotton Mills Company lost \$100,000 when their plant was damaged. Insurance is carried in the New England Mutual Company.

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Victoria, B.C.—December 31—Fire Chief Thomas Davis reports the loss on buildings and contents and the insurance carried thereon as follows: Loss, buildings, \$79; contents, nil; total, \$79; insurance, buildings, \$2,350; contents, nil; total, \$2,350; property at risk, \$43,000.

Wallaceburg, Ont.—December 10—The Dominion Sugar Company, which was destroyed, carries a total insurance of \$96,300, which is divided among the following companies: New York Underwriters, \$7,500; Aetna, \$2,500; St. Paul, \$5,500; Home, \$10,000; British America, \$15,000; Caledonian, \$7,500; North British and Mercantile, \$7,500; Ocean, \$1,300; Law Union and Rock, \$5,000; Phœnix of London, \$10,000; Union, \$5,000; Commercial Union, \$5,000; Connecticut, \$6,-250; Yorkshire, \$6,250. Loss is approximately 50 per cent. of the total insurance.

Winnipeg, Man.—December 22—The Crown Elevator Company's plant, which was destroyed, carries insurance which is divided among the companies as follow: Insurance on contents, North British, \$20,000; London and Lancashire, \$12,500; American Central and Sun, \$7,500 each; North America, \$6,500; Royal Exchange, \$5,500; Aetna, Calumet, Firemen's Fund, Hamilton, London Assurance, Niagara, National Union and Union of London, \$5,000 each; Liverpool and London and Globe, \$4,500; Pacific Coast, \$3,500; Delaware Underwriters, Fidelity Underwriters, Union of Paris, Norwich Union, Ocean, Providence-Washington, Palatine, Phænix of Hartford, Quebec, St. Lawrence Underwriters. Scottish Union and Yorkshire, \$2,500 each; North-Western National, \$1,500; American Underwriters, \$1,000; total, \$140,000. Loss estimated at 68 per cent. owing to over-insurance. Insurance on building, Lloyds', \$10,000; Caledonian, Firemen's of Newark, Imperial Underwriters, Union of Paris, \$5,000 each; Yorkshire, \$4,500; National Union, \$4,000; Aetna, American Central, British Colonial, Continental (N.Y.), Delaware, London and Lancashire, Liverpool-Mamitoba, Norwich Union, North Empire, Occidental, Pacific Coast, Palatine, Quebec, Royal Exchange, St. Lawrence Underwriters, Scottish Union, Sun, \$2,500 each; Dominion, Firemen's Fund, Guardian, London Guarantee, London Assurance, National Benefit, Providence-Washington, \$2,000 each; Fidelity Fire, Hamilton, Liverpool and London and Globe, National Fire and Marine, \$1,500 each; Union of London, \$1,250; American Underwriters, Continental (Winnipeg), Great American, Globe and Rutgers, Ocean, Phænix of Hartford, \$1,000 each; St. Paul, \$750; total, \$10,000. Loss, 85 per cent.

Westmount, Que.—January 2—The Arena, which was destroyed, carries a total insurance of \$50,000, which is divided among the following companies: Home, \$5,000; Liverpool and London and Globe, \$10,000; Guardian, \$20,000; Northern, \$2,000; Royal, \$5,000; Sun, \$5,000; Union, \$3,000. The building is stated to have cost \$75,000 20 years ago.

NEW FIRM TAKES OVER BANFIELD BUSINESS

The business of J. J. Banfield, Vancouver, was taken over on January 1st by the incorporated company of Banfield, Gunther and Black, Limited, who will carry on the business in the same city. Mr. Banfield has been actively engaged as general agent for the Norwich Union Insurance Company and in the mortgage, loan and real estate business. Colonel E. F. Gunther went to British Columbia from Toronto several years ago to become superintendent of insurance for the province of British Columbia. He resigned several months ago to re-enter the insurance field. Mr. Black has long been associated with Mr. Banfield as office manager. The new firm have the good wishes of their many friends.