

Montreal, Que.—November 22—Frothingham and Workman Company's shed, Eadie and Cabot Streets. Loss \$500. Cause unknown.

November 24—Messrs. F. Nichols and Company, 111 Bleury Street. Loss \$8,000. Cause unknown. One death. Mr. G. Gauthier's shed, rear 1852 De la Roche Street. Loss \$300. Cause, supposed tramps.

November 25—Mr. S. Bermain's store, 181 St. Lawrence Boulevard. Loss \$2,000. Cause, supposed furnace. 1590 Christopher Columbus Street. Loss \$2,000. Cause unknown.

November 27—462 St. Catherine Street. Loss \$10,000. Cause unknown. Engine room of Macfarlane Lumber Company. Loss and cause unknown.

November 28—Mr. E. Dumesnil's store, 313 St. Andre Street. Loss \$300. Cause, gasoline explosion.

November 29—Montreal Wool Stock Company, and H. Takefman Company, 36 Dalhousie Street. Loss \$35,000. Cause unknown.

Edmonton, Alta.—November 25—Block is owned by W. McKenney, M.P.P., valued at \$45,000, fully covered by insurance; Larose and Company, tobacco and confectionery, stock destroyed, valued at \$45,000, insurance \$35,000; A. N. Moyer and Company, school furnishings, loss \$15,000, fully insured through head office; Otis Fensom Elevator Company, Limited, loss \$10,000, insured; National Drug Company, stock valued at \$65,000. Total loss, \$178,500. Insurance, building, \$35,000, British American, London and Lancashire, Queens, New York Underwriters, Adelphi-Phoenix and the Sun. Stock of Larose and Company, \$14,000, divided among the following companies: American, Westchester, Royal, Commercial Union, Continental, British Crown, National Union, Firemen's, General (Paris), General (Perth), Quebec, Caledonian and Palatine. Scott Fruit Company, \$22,000 insurance, divided among the following firms: Sun, \$4,000; Protector Underwriters, \$1,000; Home, \$3,000; British-Canadian Underwriters, \$2,000; Nova Scotia, \$2,250; Yorkshire, \$1,500; Winnipeg Fire, \$3,000. The insurance for the National Drug and Chemical Company was arranged for in Montreal, that of the Otis Fensom Company, in Toronto, and that of the E. N. Moyer and Company was also arranged for by the head office of that firm.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING FIRES ALREADY REPORTED

The following fires were adjusted by E. A. Lilly Adjustment Agency, Calgary:—

Castor, Alta.—October 31—Olaf B. Olson, livery barn. Loss, \$2,100. Insurance, General, \$700.

Edmonton, Alta.—101st Regiment, uniforms and accoutrements. Loss \$3,900. Insurance, Royal, \$2,150.

Red Deer, Alberta.—October 7—L. K. Farnell, dwelling house. Loss \$3,200. Insurance, North British and Mercantile, \$2,500.

Strome, Alta.—November 1—J. C. Freeman, pool hall. Loss on building, \$1,900. Insurance, Royal, \$1,200. Loss on contents, \$450. Insurance, Royal, \$450; Caledonian, \$400; total, \$2,050.

Strome, Alta.—Douglas Brothers, general store. Loss on stock, \$18,300. Insurance, Liverpool, London and Globe, \$5,000; Hartford, \$4,000; New York Underwriters, \$5,000; Caledonian, \$2,500; total, \$16,500.

Edmonton, Alta.—October 30—Building used as skating rink, armory for 101st Regiment, and known as Thistle Rink. Loss, building, \$45,000. Insurance, Atlas, \$2,500; Guardian, \$1,500; Northern, \$2,500; St. Paul, \$2,500; Winnipeg, \$1,000; total, \$10,000.

Cereal, Alberta.—September 20—L. K. Sully, general store stock. Loss \$11,000. Insurance \$10,000. British Crown, \$2,000; Continental of Winnipeg, \$2,000; Occidental, \$6,000. General store building. Loss \$1,375. Insurance, Guardian, \$1,200. Restaurant building. Loss \$1,900. Insurance, British Crown, \$1,600. Pool-room building. Loss \$750. Insurance, Guardian, \$600.

South Edmonton, Alta.—October 26—Douglas Brothers, general store stock. Loss on stock and fixtures, \$72,000. Insurance, Aetna, \$5,000; Acadia, \$4,000; British America, \$2,000; Connecticut, \$1,000; Fidelity Phenix, \$2,000; Hartford, \$5,000; Home, \$2,500; Liverpool, London and Globe, \$3,000; Montreal-Canada, \$3,000; Norwich Union, \$3,500; New York Underwriters, \$3,000; North America, \$5,000; Palatine, \$3,000; Rochester-German, \$500; Royal, \$2,500; St. Paul, \$1,000; Springfield, \$5,000; Yorkshire, \$5,000; total, \$56,000. Building owned by J. N. Walter. Loss \$8,700. Insurance, British America, \$1,000; Fidelity Phenix, \$2,000; Home, \$1,000; Northern, \$1,000; Western, \$3,000; total, \$8,000.

The following fires were adjusted by H. T. Hughes, Toronto:—

Welland, Ont.—October 23—Mr. P. C. Hill. Loss \$231. Insurance, \$585. Cause, sparks.

Lambton Mills, Ont.—November 7—Mr. W. Cowley, Dundas Street. Loss \$17. Cause, lamp exploded.

Midland, Ont.—November 1—Mr. D. Grise, stoves, King Street. Loss \$1,227. Insurance, \$20,000. Cause, electric wires.

Hamilton, Ont.—November 1—Mrs. S. H. Skinner, 57 Chestnut Street. Loss \$130. Insurance, \$1,100. Cause, natural gas explosion.

Clifford, Ont.—November 2—Mr. J. Runge. Loss, building, \$2,225; wall paper, \$238. Insurance, building, \$1,000; wall paper, \$200. Cause unknown.

Ottawa, Ont.—November 7—Mr. L. Greville, Woodrooge Park. Loss, building, \$2,000; household effects, \$1,507. Insurance, building, \$1,000; household effects, \$1,000. Cause, stove.

Toronto, Ont.—November 1—A. F. James, 292 Bathurst Street. Household effects. Loss \$5. Insured, \$800. Cause, child and matches.

November 5—Charlotte C. Brown, 5 Lindon Street. Building insured for \$500. Loss \$8. Cause, gas and curtain.

November 9—F. C. Hyde, 585 Clinton Street. Building insured, \$2,000. Loss \$4. Cause, gas stove. H. Laughlin, 24 Dresden Avenue. Building insured, \$500. Loss \$6. Cause, gas stove.

November 3—A. Diamond, 1252 Bloor Street West. Tent. Loss, \$45. Insurance, \$300. Cause, children and matches. James Lumbers, 200 to 202 Carlton Street. Stables, sheds. Loss, \$306. Insurance, \$400. Cause unknown.

November 26—Harry Mandelbaum, 99 River Street. Household effects. Insurance, \$1,000. Loss, \$481. Cause, candle upset. Noah Green, 99 River Street. Building, insured, \$1,500. Loss, \$150.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Mr. Keith Scott, chartered accountant, has opened offices at Regina and Swift Current, Saskatchewan.

Mr. C. B. Gordon has been elected a director of the Ogilvie Flour Mills Company, to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Norton.

Mr. J. W. W. Stewart, managing director of the Monarch Life Insurance Company, Winnipeg, has been visiting Toronto with a view of increasing the company's organization.

Mr. George J. Webster, who has been connected with the Dominion Bond Company, Toronto, is leaving for Detroit, where he will become manager of the Lake Superior Iron and Chemical Company.

Mr. Frank W. Baillie, of Messrs. Baillie, Wood & Croft, and Mr. J. D. Montgomery, of Messrs. McMaster, Montgomery, Fleury & Company, have been appointed directors of the North American Accident Insurance.

Messrs. R. M. Hickson and A. E. Rex are the principals of a new Montreal financial house. The firm will go under the name of Messrs. Hickson & Rex, and will purchase the Stock Exchange seat of the late Mr. J. E. Gaudet, of J. E. Gaudet & Company, which firm is about to be dissolved.

RECORD OF TRADE DISPUTES

The Department of Labor reports that the industrial situation from the standpoint of the number of trade disputes in existence, was better in October than at any time during the year. The loss of time to employees through trade disputes actually commencing during that month was small, and in all there were only eight disputes in existence, this number including those already in existence at the beginning of the month, and those which commenced during October. On no occasion during the present year has the number been as small as this; the next best record being in September, when eleven disputes were reported. About 3,657 employees were directly and indirectly involved in the disputes of the month. About 70,000 working days were lost through strikes and lockouts during October as compared with 83,380 during September, and 98,000 in October, 1912. As in the previous months the most important dispute was that of coal miners on Vancouver Island. It is difficult to estimate the loss of time through this dispute, as it is probable that the strikers obtain work from time to time in other localities and that other men are taken on by the operators concerned. An estimate would show about 2,000 men out of work directly as a result of this dispute during October.