FIRE AT THREE RIVERS, P.Q.

By the fire which occurred on the 8th instant, on the premises of the Canada Iron Corporation, the following companies are interested:

Phoenix of London \$ 2.625	Montmagny \$ 2,625
Royal 4,200	Ontario 2,625
Queen 4,200	Ottawa 2,625
Liv. & Lon. & Globe 4,200	Empire City 2,625
North Brit. & Mer 2,625	Dominion 2,625
Union 2,625	London Mutual 2,625
Northern 2,625	Miss. and Rou 2,100
Commercial Union 2,625	Richm'd & Drummond. 2,100
Rochester German 2,100	Stan. & Sherbrooke 1,575
Yorkshire 2,100	Economical 1,575
British America 2,625	Sterling 1,050
	United Fire Agencies 6,700
Ætna 2,625	Lloyds 14,100
Home 2,625	Anglo-Scottish 2.000
Guardian 2,625	United Counties 4.000
General 2,100	British Crown 2,000
St. Paul 1,050	United Lon. & Scottish 4,900
Connecticut 2,625	National Brit. & Irish
Acadia 2,100	Mer 9,800
Hearts of Oak 2,000	
	*100.000
National General 9,800	\$132,800
Equity 2,625	
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UNION BANK OF HALIFAX.

The Union Bank of Halifax is about to open for business in Montreal; and has taken the office in the Sun Life Building, on Notre Dame Street, occupied by the Union Bank of Canada before the latter's removal to its new banking-house on St. James St. It is expected that the Union of Halifax will open to the public at the beginning of the week. Under the capable local management of Mr. Chas. A. Gray, of St. John, N.B., the Montreal business of this firmly established institution should grow steadily from the first.

The Union of Halifax has an authorized capital of \$3,000,000, paid-up capital of \$1,500,000 and reserve fund of \$1,200,000. Its assets total about \$15,000,000.

THE INSURANCE RATE on Toronto civic property has been reduced by the companies carrying the business from \$2.25 per \$100 to \$2.10. In round figures the city carries insurance on \$3,250,000 on 50 per cent. of the value of the properties. The insurance this year is increased about \$700,000.

WINNIPEG WHEAT PRICES yesterday compared as follows with one week and two weeks ago:

		Oct.	Dec.	May.
Nov.	11	981	981	98
Nov.	4	954	921	97
Oct.	28	981	944	991

Chicago prices reached over \$1.05 for December delivery, owing to reports of damage by locusts in Argentina.

The Silsby Lumber Company at St. George, Beauce, Que., lost its plant by fire this week. The loss is estimated at from \$50,000 to \$60,000. This is covered by an insurance of \$20,000, with companies represented by Messrs. Hobson and Southwood, Sherbrooke.

INDUSTRIAL EXPANSION on the Island of Montreal continues apace. Announcement is made of the purchase of a large property at Longue Pointe for the erection of a large plant by the Montreal Steel Works.

A DESPATCH FROM THE Soo states that a contract for the erection of a coke oven plant, to cost \$200,000, is about to be completed by L. N. Wilputte, chief engineer of the Kopper Coke Company, with the Lake Superior Corporation. The plant will be built adjoining the steel plant on the northwest side.

THE NORTH WEST GRAIN DEALERS' ASSOCIATION estimates wheat crop for Manitoba, Alberta and Saskatchewan at 123,211,600 bushels; oats at 160,720,000 bushels and barley at 29,715,000 bushels.

RICHELIEU DIRECTORS met yesterday and declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1¼ per cent., payable December 1, to shareholders of November 19.

CANADIAN BANK CLEARINGS for the month of October were \$525,864,879 as compared with \$413,-737,235 for the corresponding month of 1908.

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