

evidently caused by spontaneous combustion, and a quantity of the coal had to be washed into False Creek to enable the department to get at the seat of the fire. Damage about \$1,650, covered by insurance.

June 10—Alarm from Box 35 at 10.05 p.m. Fire in compensator in sub-station at Prior and Main Street, caused by electric current. Building owned and occupied by British Columbia Electric Railway Company, Limited. Damage \$150.

June 13—Alarm from Box 412 at 3.27 p.m. Fire in vacant dwelling at 1788 First Avenue West, owned by E. N. Peck. Furniture had been stored in a lean-to at rear and boys had set packing on fire, considerable damage resulting to the building before being extinguished. Damage \$700, partly covered by insurance. Alarm from Box 28 at 6.12 p.m. Fire in roof and attic of building at 132½ Pender Street East, caused by a defective chimney. Building owned by Mee Wo and occupied by Huie Quong and used as a jewellery store and restaurant. Damage \$50, covered by insurance.

June 16—Verbal alarm at 6.15 p.m., to 814 Granville Street; fire on roof caused by sparks from chimney. Building owned and occupied by Mr. Allan and used as a cafe and rooming house. Damage \$88, covered by insurance.

June 17—Telephone alarm at 6.29 a.m., to 642 Hastings Street East, owned by A. Z. Anderson, and occupied by E. S. Waterman as a dwelling. Fire on roof caused by sparks from chimney. Damage \$610, partly covered by insurance. Telephone alarm at 12.49 p.m., to 2556 McKenzie Street, owned and occupied by Mrs. C. S. Town. Fire in upstairs and roof caused by children with fire crackers setting fire to cot on sleeping porch in rear. Damage \$375, partly covered by insurance.

June 18—Alarm from Box 1329 at 6.24 p.m. Fire at the Fairview Manufacturing Company sash and door factory at 2054 Sixth Avenue West, owned and occupied by Baldwin and Sutherland. The blaze started from some unknown cause and had a good hold on the 1½-story frame building and contents when the apparatus arrived, both building and contents being practically a total loss. The heat was so intense that two dwellings across the street were set on fire, one being badly damaged. 2055 Sixth West was owned and occupied by Chas. Raiton and 2059 Sixth West was owned and occupied by F. Radelett. A second alarm was turned in for this fire. Damage about \$21,380, partly covered by insurance.

June 19—Telephone alarm at 7 a.m., to 510-512 Richards Street, a two-story frame building, owned by W. H. Gallagher and Company, and occupied by A. J. Cassels, window blinds, R. D. Brewis, Brilliant Sign Company, and Mrs. Sutherland, cafe and rooms. The fire was on the roof and was caused by sparks setting moss ablaze, the contents of the building being damaged by water. Damage \$582, partly covered by insurance.

June 21—Verbal alarm at 10.43 a.m., to 234 Hastings Street East, owned by Mrs. Rowbottom and occupied by Paul Letvinoff, tailor shop, and A. H. McLean, living rooms on second floor. The blaze had started in work-room of tailor shop and was caused by an electric iron being left turned on, and was working its way up walls at rear to floor above. Damage considerable; not yet adjusted.

June 23—Telephone alarm at 1.44 a.m. Fire in two-story frame dwelling at the north-east corner of Thurlow and Hastings Street, owned by Janet M. Hutchison, trustees, and occupied by Mrs. Thorne. Cause of fire unknown, no one being in the house when it started, and had a good hold when the department arrived; considerable damage resulting to both building and contents. Damage about \$4,910, covered by insurance.

June 25—Telephone alarm at 8.15 a.m., to 1641 Fourth Avenue West, a two-story frame building owned by E. N. Gilliatt, and occupied by the Permanent Dye Works, and apartments on the second floor. A gasoline explosion had occurred which blew out one side of the basement wall and enveloped the rear of the place in flames. Considerable damage was done to both building and contents before the fire was extinguished. Damage about \$1,461, partly covered by insurance.

June 26—Telephone alarm at 10.38 a.m., to 811 Cordova Street East, owned by Hans Nelson, and occupied by A. Segal, and used as a dwelling and store room for electrical fixtures. Fire had started in an upstairs store-room from some unknown cause, considerable damage resulting to the stock. Blaze confined to room where it originated. Damage about \$1,575, covered by insurance.

MOOSE JAW'S SOUND POSITION

Financial Statement Shows Excellent State of Affairs

The city of Moose Jaw has issued its financial statement for 1913. It shows a strong position, with assets of \$9,281,509 and liabilities of \$6,221,833, the former exceeding the latter, therefore, by \$3,059,676. Credit is due to the municipal authorities and to the chartered accountants, Messrs. Ronald Griggs and Company for the clear and concise way in which the accounts of the city are presented. Such businesslike methods cannot do otherwise than enhance the credit of the municipality, whose bonds are held in Canada, the United States and Great Britain, and generally in high esteem by investors and institutions.

Made Good Progress.

Moose Jaw has made excellent progress during recent years, and during the recent sifting process which separated municipal imagination from fact, this city has stood firmly upon its solid foundation of agriculture, trade and business. Moose Jaw has always done more work that counts for all time in city building than horn blowing that impresses only for the moment. The result has been satisfactory to the people of Moose Jaw and of Canada generally.

The city offers exceptional opportunities for the investment of capital in legitimate enterprise in many lines, but particularly, we believe, in wholesaling, distributing and industrial works. Some of the city's needs are:—Wholesale hardware houses, wholesale boot and shoe stores and clothing houses, wholesale harness and harness factory, furniture factory, wholesale paint and glass house, biscuit factory and distributing house, linseed mill, gasoline engine works, planing mills, flour mills, oat meal and prepared food mills and binder twine factory.

Is Railroad Centre.

The city is on the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway, 400 miles west of Winnipeg and 440 miles east of Calgary. It is in the heart of a rich agricultural area. Moose Jaw is one of the most prominent railway cities in Saskatchewan. It is the meeting point of the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway and the Soo line, the greatest system under the Canadian Pacific Railway control. Here the Canadian Pacific Railway, with its thousands of miles of railway and the allied Soo system with its thousands of miles, touch rails to form the great transcontinental line of the Soo Pacific system. The Grand Trunk Pacific is building to Moose Jaw from Regina. The Canadian Northern Railway also reaches the city. A branch line of the Canadian Pacific Railway runs north to Outlook—the beginning of an iron trail which will yet be extended to Edmonton and onward to the Pacific—and the Great Northern Railway plans to come in from the south. Moose Jaw is the keynote of the railway situation in Saskatchewan, one of the richest provinces of the Dominion.

Will Become Manufacturing Centre.

Mr. Richard Loney, a well-known Moose Jaw citizen, has said, very truly:—"Moose Jaw must become a great manufacturing centre, for where the raw material abounds there will industries be established. Manufacturing in Canada follows a clearly defined and well outlined course of progress. The first development in a new section of the country is always agricultural, then commercial and finally industrial, for great industries logically are founded from the growth and development of settled communities and where there is high earning power, and unexcelled natural opportunities, the genius of the people will assert itself in the development of manufacturing enterprises. These influences have during the last few years made themselves manifest in Moose Jaw."

The civic government of Moose Jaw has always been careful and it reflects considerable credit upon the city council and upon the municipal officers, including Mr. W. F. Heal, the city's energetic and able financial commissioner.

Mr. A. E. Dawson, who has been associated with a lumber company at Burk's Falls, Ontario, and who was previously with the Imperial Life Assurance Company, has returned to the latter company as an inspector in Ontario.