

CANADIAN FIRE RECORD

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FIRE AT HASTINGS, ONT.

By the fire which occurred on the 23rd instant on the premises of the Hastings Tanning Company, the following companies are interested:—Commercial Union, \$10,000; Nova Scotia, \$10,000; Continental, \$7,500; Norwich Union, \$7,500; Hartford, \$7,500; Mount Royal, \$7,500; Royal, \$7,500; Home, \$7,500; Millers and Manufacturers, \$7,500; Sun, \$6,000; Millers National, \$5,000; London & Lancashire, \$5,000; State of Pennsylvania, \$5,000; London Guarantee & Accident, \$5,000; Dominion, \$5,000; Aetna, \$5,000; Atlas, \$5,000; Stuyvesant, \$5,000; Springfield, \$2,500; Economical, \$2,000; Century, \$2,000; Lloyds, \$16,705; Excess, \$3,295; Providence Washington, \$5,000. Total, \$150,000. Loss total.

We understand that on account of the inflammable oils the firemen were unable to do anything but save surrounding buildings.

FIRE AT ST. GEORGE'S, BEAUCE, P.Q.

On the 22nd instant a fire broke out on the premises of V. Dionne, druggist, St. George's Beauce, spreading to adjoining buildings. Insurance is stated to be as follows:—On Dionne's: Sherbrooke & Stantead, \$2,000; Mount Royal, \$500; Norwich Union, \$1,000; Royal, \$1,000; Phoenix of London, \$2,600. On M. M. Morrisette and Frere's general store:—North British & Mercantile, \$1,000; Liverpool & London & Globe, \$1,000; Guardian, \$1,000; Union of England, \$1,000; Mount Royal, \$1,000; Royal, \$3,000. Loss about total.

FIRE AT PETERBORO, ONT.

By the fire which occurred on the 11th instant, on the premises of the Peterboro Lumber Company, insurance is as follows:—Queen, \$2,000; Union, \$2,000; Continental, \$500; Total, \$4,500. Loss total.

WELLINGTON, ONT.—Hotel Alexandria, with J. E. Clark's residence adjoining destroyed, October 9. Loss \$15,000, partly covered by insurance. Origin unknown.

CORNWALL, ONT.—Steamer St. Laurent, owned by Montreal & Cornwall Navigation Company, burned, October 19. Loss \$15,000 with \$5,000 insurance.

GANANOQUE, ONT.—Frame house on Kate Street owned by C. McDonald, destroyed in absence of tenant, C. Bamford, October 11. Loss about \$3,000.

PRINCE ALBERT, SASK.—Prairie and brush fire destroyed buildings and crops of G. Power, District Magistrate, and other settlers, October 10.

EAST ANGUS, QUE.—Building owned by H. Therrien and occupied as bakery and dwellings, destroyed, October 12. One life lost.

PRUDENTIAL TRUST COMPANY'S APPOINTMENT.

Mr. J. William McKenzie, who resigned some months ago from the Canada Accident Assurance Company, has been appointed manager of the insurance department of the Prudential Trust Company. The Company transacts a considerable business as brokers, and the arrangement now announced will, no doubt, be an advantageous one to both parties.

INSURANCE COMPANY OF NORTH AMERICA.

Leading officials of the Insurance Company of North America from all over the Continent recently participated in a series of gatherings held in Philadelphia, in celebration of the Company's 125th anniversary. The Insurance Company of North America occupies a unique position on this Continent, its foundation so far back as 1792 constituting it the oldest joint-stock company in the New World. The remarkable success which the Company has achieved and the high position which it holds at the present time in the esteem of its policyholders and the whole insurance community, are the result not only of unremitting enterprise in business development and conservatism in financial policy, but also of service to its patrons and the public at large. The records of the Company show that almost from the earliest beginnings of the North America, its management has made the Company foremost in public activities and in organization work which has, as its ultimate end, the bettering of conditions for the good of the community as well as for the business itself.

Occupying a very fine financial position, the total surplus to policyholders at December 31st, 1916, being \$11,030,378, the Company has many well-wishers in Canada where its interests for many years have been in the hands of Messrs. Robert Hampson & Son Limited, of Montreal. The hope will be general that during the coming quarter of a century's progress to the next notable milestone in the Company's career, it will meet with an annual measure of success even greater than in the past.

PERSONALS.

The Royal Trust Company have appointed an Advisory Board at Halifax, in which the membership is as follows: Mr. A. E. Nash, Halifax, Manager of the Bank of Montreal, Chairman; Mr. A. H. Whitman, Managing Director Robin, Jones & Whitman, Limited; Mr. G. McG. Mitchell, Pres. G. P. Mitchell & Sons, Ltd.

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Mr. E. E. Duckworth, of the Sun Life of Canada's actuarial staff, has been appointed superintendent of insurance for the province of Quebec, in succession to the late Mr. William Chubb. Mr. Duckworth, who is a science graduate of Liverpool University, has spent the whole of his insurance career in the service of the Sun Life. He is well qualified to carry out the duties of his new position, and the Quebec Government is to be congratulated upon the appointment.

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Alderman C. A. Hanson, M.P. for the Bodmin division of Cornwall, who will be installed as Lord Mayor of London on November 9th, is chairman of the Gresham Life Assurance Society, and of the allied Gresham Fire and Accident Insurance Society, Alderman Hanson, who is a Cornishman by birth, and was formerly associated with the Montreal financial firm of Hanson Brothers, has lived permanently in London for about 25 years, is a partner in a leading financial firm, and has long been recognised in London, as an authority on Canadian financial affairs. For a number of years, he has taken a keen interest in the affairs of the "City," which now gives him its highest honor.