### RECENT FIRES

# The Monetary Times' Weekly Register of Fire Losses and Insurance

Beaumaris, Ont.-August 14-Summer cottage of Miss Hall, Guelph.

Belleville, Ont.—August 15—Messrs. Johnsons Brothers' livery. Loss, \$3,000. Mr. J. Lafferty's. Loss, \$1,200; Cumming's Estate. Loss, building, \$2,500.

Barrie, Ont.-August 15-Steamer Otanbee. Loss, \$10,000.

Dover Township, Ont.—August 8—Mr. A. Cadotte's ns. Loss, \$6,000. Cause, lightning; Mr. McGrail's barns. Loss, po, harns. Cause, lightning.

Calt, Ont .- August 8-Mr. A. Stuart's barn, Puslinch. Partially insured with Puslinch Mutual. Cause, lightning.

Coderich, Ont.-August 13-Allison Brothers' fruit store.

Loss, \$200. Cause, stove.

Hamilton, Ont.—August 14—11 and 13 Edinburgh Avenue and 218-220 Ottawa. Loss, \$3,000.

Harrow, Ont .- August 8-Mr. J. Quick's barn. Cause,

Lakeport, Ont.—August 12-Mr. J. Cowie's residence. Cause, gasoline stove exploded.

Luskville, Que.-August 14-Mr. H. Pilon's store. Loss,

Merlin, Ont .- August 8-Mr. W. Barr's barns. Loss not stated. Cause lightning.

North Vancouver, B.C.-August 8-Mr. Vada's residence, Fourth Street. Loss, \$2,500.

Ottawa, Ont.—August 13—Mr. W. W. Wylie's residence, 190 Carling Avenue. Loss, \$2,000.

Quebec, Que.-August 9-Barber shop of Mr. H. Moreau. Cause, overheated stove.

August 10-Mr. H. Paquet's residence. Loss not stated. Two deaths.

St. Cenevieve, Que.-August 13-Mrs. Demers' residence. Loss, \$2,500. Insured.

Sidney Township, Ont.—August 14-Mr. A. Thompson's residence. Insurance, building, \$900; contents, \$300.

St. Ursule, Que.-August 14-Canadian Northern Railway bridge.

Tic Island, Ont.—August 13-Miss Cruso's ice house. Cause, spontaneous combustion.

Toronto, Ont.-August 14-New Method Laundry stables, River Street. Loss, \$3,500.

Wallaceburg, Ont.-August 7-Mr. D. F. Rae. Loss unknown. Cause, lightning.

Whitby, Ont.—August 15—Bush fire caused by engine sparks

Windsor, Ont.-August 13-Canadian Glass Company's plant, McDougall and Albert Streets. Loss, \$2,000. Cause, spontaneous combustion.

Winnipeg, Man.—August 11—Leslie's, Limited, ware-house, Fort Street and Graham. Loss, \$25,000. Insured. Yarmouth Township, Ont.—August 8—Mr. W. Matthew's

barn. Loss, \$3,500, partially insured.

### HAIL INSURANCE LOSSES IN SASKATCHEWAN

Claims amounting to \$1,000,000 or over will be paid out by the Saskatchewan municipal co-operative hail commission as a result of the recent disastrous hail storms, estimates Mr. J. E. Paynter, chairman of the commission. Over four thousand claims have come in to the office of the commission in the last few days, and officials state that this has been the worst year for hail since the commission was organized in 1913. It is thought that the entire revenue for the current year, which will amount to a little over a million dollars, will be required to meet the losses.

Chatham, Ont., has raised the interest rate on its bonds from 5 to 51/4 per cent. The issue is being sold "over the counter."

# The London Mutual Fire Insurance Company

\$784,426.31 Surplus to Policyholders \$404,046.07



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### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING FIRES ALREADY REPORTED

Blind River, Ont.-August 1-Fire Marshal E. P. Heaton finds that in this fire the total number of people suffering damage was 33. The aggregate loss is practically \$175,-000 and the insurance loss \$85,833. About 50 per cent. of the aggregate loss being insured. Much of this is due to some of the sufferers carrying no insurance at all.

Victoria, B.C .- Fire Chief Davis reports the losses for July as follows: Loss, buildings, \$715; loss, contents, \$223; total loss, \$938; insurance, buildings, \$79,200; insurance, contents, \$850; total insurance, \$80,050; property at risk,

\$415,500. There were 17 alarms.

Vancouver, B.C.—Fire Chief Carlisle's returns show that the total loss by fire during the month of July was \$16,616, the insurance loss was \$8,841, leaving the property loss above insurance \$7,775. The total value of property involved was \$144,100. The department responded to 33 alarms. The following list shows the causes of fires; Unknown origin, 7; chimney fires, 3; fire had broke out again, 1; flying sparks, 10; overheated stove pipe, 1; tar pots, 3; false alarms, 1; bush fire, 1; gasoline explosion, 1; fires outside city limits, 2; overheated gas plate, 1; short circuit, 1; and electric iron left turned on, 1.

# WAR ORDERS PLACED BY LORD SHAUCHNESSY

The purchasing department of the British War Office in Canada, organized under Lord Shaughnessy and employing systems and machinery of the Canadian Pacific Railway, had placed up to May 1st a total business in Canada for various general supplies, not including munitions, of \$13,000,000. Since then the business placed has amounted to over \$4,000,-000, making a total of over \$17,000,000, more than \$7,000,000 of which represents transactions during the current year. About the most important business which has been received since last report covers additional orders for canned beans with pork to the extent of about 12,000,000 cans.