

RECENT FIRES

Monetary Times' Weekly Register of Fire Losses and Insurance

Kintore, Ont.—July 10—Cheese factory. Loss slight. Cause, sparks.

Yarrow, B.C.—June 4—Moir shingle mill. Loss, \$6,000. Cause unknown.

Whitby, Ont.—July 12—Mr. D. Maclaren's barns. Loss and cause unknown.

Delaware, Ont.—July 13—Mr. J. Jones' barn. Loss unknown. Cause lightning.

Stouffville, Ont.—July 11—Mr. W. H. Shaw's store. Loss and cause unknown.

Deseronto, Ont.—July 14—Mr. E. Levesque's store. Loss, \$1,600. Cause unknown.

Sperling, B.C.—July 8—Salmon River Company's lumber mill. Loss, \$40,000. Cause unknown.

Preston, Ont.—July 12—Mr. J. Slee's barn, near Doon. Loss, \$30,000. Cause, heating of hay.

Dalhousie, N.B.—July 7—Dalhousie Lumber Company's mill. Loss, \$25,000. Cause unknown.

Port Dover, Ont.—July 11—Port Dover Brick and Tile Works. Loss, \$20,000. Cause, supposed incendiary.

Quebec, Que.—July 9—Dufferin Terrace. Loss unknown. Cause, supposed dropped cigar or cigarette end.

Chilliwack, B.C.—July 7—Denmark and Burton Hardware Company's warehouse, a laundry and stables. Loss, \$12,000. Cause unknown.

Stevensville, Ont.—July 10—Mr. A. Otterman's pool-room, United Brethren Church, Mrs. D. Campbell's residence. Loss, \$6,500. Cause unknown.

Montreal, Que.—July 9—Messrs. M. D. Carroll, Robert Warren, Robert Herron, and Donald Logan, summer residences at Hudson. Loss, \$6,000. Cause unknown.

July 11—Shamrock Athletic Association grandstand. Loss, \$10,000.

July 13—Canadian Pacific Railway storehouse, Glen yards. Loss and cause unknown.

Toronto, Ont.—The report of Fire Chief Thompson for week ended July 7th shows the following losses:—

July 2—Vacant residence, 682 Richmond Street West, owned by Benj. Siegle. Cause unknown. Loss, \$500.

July 3—Mrs. L. Murrell's residence, 29 Homewood Avenue; owned by Chas. Schmuck. Cause, lamp exploded. Loss, contents, \$350; building, \$25. International Stock Food Company's building, 92 Adelaide Street East, owned by Toronto General Trusts Company. Cause unknown. Loss, contents, \$100; building, \$25.

July 4—George Pointon's residence, 204 Dovercourt Road, owned by D. M. Woods. Cause unknown. Loss, contents, \$50; building, \$75.

July 6—Wm. Noble's building, 2202 Dundas Street. Cause, overheated stove. Loss, contents, \$50; building, \$25.

July 7—Gasoline launch, J. M. Oxley (Port Credit). Cause, ignition of gasoline. Loss, \$1,000.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING FIRES ALREADY REPORTED

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

Edmonton, Alta.—July 1—Howlett, Bell and Evans, automobile destroyed. Insurance, \$1,400, North America.

South Fort George, B.C.—Palace Boarding House. Loss about \$7,000. Insurance, Imperial Underwriters, \$5,000.

Islay, Alta.—June 30—J. T. Fyfe, skating rink building, totally destroyed. Insured, \$2,400, Liverpool and London and Globe.

Coronation, Alta.—June 25—H. L. J. Watchorn. Dry good store and living apartments. Total loss on building and contents, \$3,819. Insurance, Hartford, \$500; Caledonian, \$1,000; Liverpool-Manitoba, \$1,300; Sun, \$500; Royal, \$2,000; total, \$5,300.

Edmonton, Alta.—June 22—J. and J. Candy Manufacturing Company, Limited. Loss on stock and fixtures, \$2,350. Insurance, Firemen's Underwriters, \$2,000; Dominion Fire, \$2,000; Imperial Underwriters, \$1,000; other insurance, \$5,500; total, \$10,500. J. A. Burgess, building occupied as

candy factory by above, Edmonton. Loss, \$600; insurance, \$7,500.

Manville, Alta.—June 30—J. B. Burch, general store. Loss on stock, \$18,200; insurance, \$13,000. Loss on buildings, \$3,000; insurance, \$1,750. D. McArthur, pool room. Loss on building, \$650; insurance, Liverpool and London and Globe, \$1,500. S. K. Smith, curling rink building. Loss, \$1,200; insurance, Great North, \$600. D. B. McLean, implement warehouse. Loss on stock, \$3,300; insurance, Liverpool and London and Globe, \$1,500. Loss on building, \$1,500; insurance, \$1,000. Dr. Bruce, business block. Loss, \$260; insurance, Hudson Bay, \$2,500.

Victoria, B.C.—Fire Chief Davis reports the following loss by fire on buildings and contents, and insurance on same for June:—

Loss by fire on buildings	\$1,205.00
Loss by fire on contents	639.50

Total loss by fire on buildings and contents.... \$1,844.50

Insurance on buildings	\$4,800.00
Insurance on contents	1,400.00

Total insurance on buildings and contents.... \$6,200.00

There were 4 box alarms, and 14 telephone alarms.

Saskatchewan.—During June, July and August, 1913, 61 fires caused by lightning were reported to Saskatchewan fire commissioner, involving a property loss of \$30,043. Of these losses 52, or approximately 85 per cent. occurred in rural districts. Barns and dwellings suffered most, the number of such buildings struck being 44, or 72 per cent. of the total. Whilst it is not claimed that the losses reported represent anything like all the losses from this cause in the province they are sufficiently indicative of the lightning danger and should furnish a stimulus to more adequate protection. Several losses from this cause have been reported already during the summer of 1914. The attention of the public is therefore drawn to the advisability of protection, especially in the case of country buildings, isolated buildings and buildings of an elevated description.

Vancouver, B.C.—The Vancouver fire department responded to 59 alarms during June, as follows, according to Mr. N. Lee's report: Second alarms, 2; false alarms, 4; chimney fires, 6; fires where no damage resulted, 12; smoke scares, 3, and fires where damage occurred, 32. The total loss for the month was \$52,487 with insurance paid of \$42,377, leaving the property loss above insurance \$10,110. The total value of property involved was \$1,387,198. A list of alarms where the damage exceeded \$50 follows.

June 3—Telephone alarm at 12.45 a.m. to Robertson and Hackett's saw mill plant, Granville Street and False Creek. Fire in frame shed at the east end of plant near the refuse burner and conveyer caused by sparks from burner. Shed and contents destroyed. Plant owned and operated by Robertson and Hackett. Damage, \$1,522, covered by insurance.

June 4—Alarm from Box 215 at 4.07 p.m. Fire on roof of frame cottage at 173 Dufferin Street caused by sparks from chimney. Building owned by Ota and occupied by Japanese. Roof destroyed and also slight damage to contents. Damage \$150. Telephone alarm at 7.20 p.m. Fire on roof of Maple Leaf restaurant at 111 Hastings Street East, caused by sparks from chimney. Building owned by A. A. DesBrisay, and occupied as a restaurant with rooms above. Fire confined to roof. Damage \$350, covered by insurance.

June 5—Verbal alarm at 10.29 a.m. Fire on roof and gable of the Salvation Army Barracks, Gore Avenue and Hastings Street, caused by sparks from chimney. Building owned and occupied by the Salvation Army. Damage \$88, covered by insurance. Telephone alarm at 8.06 p.m. Fire in two two-story frame buildings at 1266-1276 Granville Street, owned by H. Hoffmeister, and occupied by P. A. MacEachern, carpenter shop; C. Bestlands and W. W. Howe, furniture and auction rooms; Roote automobile top company; W. R. Corey, auto repair shop. The blaze apparently started in the basement in carpenter shop from some cause unknown, and owing to the very inflammable nature of the building and contents quickly spread, considerable damage resulting before being extinguished. A second alarm was turned in for this fire. Damage \$11,714, partly covered by insurance.

June 8—Alarm from Box 67 at 4.30 a.m. Fire in wharf and pile of coal at 1029 Main Street, owned by D. McArthur and occupied by the Main Supply Company. The blaze was