

**Beaver Fire Insurance Company**

The announcement is made this week that the Beaver Fire Insurance Company of Winnipeg are entering Montreal, and have appointed the well known firm of Dale & Co. as general agents in this City. This Company was formed some years ago, largely, to write preferred business only through its mortgage connections in the West, but latterly, has decided to extend its business in the East. The Beaver has had a good record under excellent management since its inception six years ago. The board of directors is composed of wealthy and influential business men. Among the officers of the Company being Mr. W. J. Christie, President, a well known capitalist in Winnipeg. Mr. G. W. Allan, K.C., M.P., Vice-President, is also a director of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Mr. J. Galt, Director, is President of the Union Bank and Mr. F. Morton Morse is a well known and influential Winnipeg merchant. The Company has been under the management of Mr. A. DeJardin since its inception, who is largely responsible for the Company's strong financial standing.

**PERSONALS**

Mr. C. R. Drayton, manager for Canada of the Union Insurance Society of Canton was in Montreal this week on his return from Newfoundland. He reports conditions in the latter place are not quite as good as they might be. He found business men, however, very optimistic about the future. Mr. Drayton states that there is a great deal of feeling existing between different parties, as to whether the Government should control the price of fish or not.

**CANADIAN FIRE RECORD**

*Fire at Brandon, Man.*—On the 21st instant a fire occurred in the Oatmeal Plant of the Western Canada Flour Mills, cause stated to be spontaneous combustion. Loss about \$12,000.

*Fire at Bell River, Ont.*—On the 19th instant a fire destroyed 15 stacks of flax, and did other damage. Estimated at \$10,000, cause stated to be lightning.

*Fire Arnprior, Ont.*—On the 24th instant a fire occurred in the planing mill and lumber piles of S. R. Rudd & Co. Loss about \$12,500.

*Fire at Stanislas, P.Q.*—On the 24th instant a fire destroyed some ten buildings, including the hotel, five dwellings, one restaurant, one blacksmiths shop and two stores, entailing a loss of about \$30,000. The buildings are mostly insured in Provincial Mutuals.

*Fire at Montreal.*—On the 23rd instant a fire damaged the premises and stock of the Globe Waterproof Clothing Co., 356 Notre Dame Street West, extending to the provision store of W. George, 358 Notre Dame Street West. The loss is estimated at about \$12,000.

*Fire at Montreal.*—On the 24th instant a fire broke out in the premises of the Dodd-Simpson Press Ltd., and caused considerable damage to stock of paper in storeroom to which the fire was confined.

# COLUMBIA

## INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW JERSEY

**Annual Statement as of December 31st, 1920**

| ASSETS                                                      |               |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Government and Municipal Bonds . . .                        | \$ 790,488.00 |
| Railroad and Miscellaneous Bonds . . .                      | 563,890.00    |
| Cash in Banks . . . . .                                     | 175,145.60    |
| Premiums in course of Collection and other Assets . . . . . | 267,431.48    |

**\$1,796,955.08**

| LIABILITIES                               |               |
|-------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Cash Capital . . . . .                    | \$ 400,000.00 |
| Unearned Premium Reserve . . . . .        | 390,134.38    |
| Losses in process of adjustment . . . . . | 105,426.82    |
| All other claims . . . . .                | 88,000.00     |

983,561.20  
Surplus over all Liabilities . . . . . **813,393.88**

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**Head Office for Canada  
Montreal**

**R. MacD. Paterson  
J. B. Paterson**

**Joint Managers**

**A. McBEAN & CO.**  
**GENERAL AGENTS FOR MONTREAL**  
**LEWIS BUILDING, MONTREAL**