

RECENT FIRES.

The Monetary Times' Weekly Register of Fire Losses and Insurance

Ashcroft, B.C.—July 6—Conflagration. Loss, \$500,000. Insurance, \$100,000.

Alvinston, Ont.—July 4—Mr. N. A. McLean's residence. Loss and cause not stated.

Avonlea, Sask.—July 4—Two implement warehouses, one lumber yard, hotel and stores and dwellings. Loss, \$125,000.

Berlin, Ont.—July 2—Messrs. Kreiner and Company's furniture factory. Loss, \$200.
July 3—Incinerator. Cause unknown.

Belleville, Ont.—July 2—West Huntingdon cheese factory. Loss, \$2,200.

Cobalt, Ont.—July 5—Mr. Wood's residence at Dominion Reduction Company's plant.

Cobourg, Ont.—Mr. G. F. Purdy's farm buildings. Loss heavy.

Deseronto, Ont.—July 9—Dominion Hardwoods, Limited's factory. Loss, \$100,000.

Edmonton, Alta.—June 30—Mr. G. Papas' confectionery store. Loss, \$350. Cause, lighting gasoline lamps.

Hamilton, Ont.—King George Hotel. Loss slight; Mr. E. T. Wright's factory. Loss slight; stable rear of Mr. S. Munday's residence, 352 John Street N., and frame sheds in rear of 365 and 367 Catharine Street N. Loss, \$225; 59 Park Street N. Cause, defective oil stove.

Maribank, Ont.—July 4—Mr. Allen's store, post office and Mr. Fletcher's blacksmith shop. Loss and cause not stated.

Montreal, Que.—July 5—St. Mary's College, Bleury Street. Loss slight.
July 6—268 Denis Street. Cause, upset oil lamp; Mr. M. Harrison's residence, 841A St. Dominique Street. Cause unknown.
July 8—Mr. H. Brosseau's residence, 813 Craig Street East. Loss, \$1,000.
July 9—Stables in Delorimier Park. Loss, \$1,500.

Nanaimo, B.C.—June 30—Mr. R. Laird's confectionery store, Commercial Street. Loss, \$3,000.

Napanee, Ont.—July 7—Grand Trunk baggage room. Cause, supposed spontaneous combustion.

Newburg, Ont.—July 11—Red Lion Hotel, owned by Mr. H. Fuller.

Ottawa, Ont.—July 5—Mr. M. Gladenbury's grocery store, 288 St. Patrick Street. Cause, matches.
July 6—Mr. S. Loftus's residence, Springfield Park. Loss, \$2,000. Cause, defective chimney.
July 7—Mr. R. E. Harry's garage, 273 First Avenue. Loss, \$400. Cause, child and matches.

Port Stanley, Ont.—July 5—Dangerous grass fire.

Quebec, Que.—July 3—Mr. Toranteur's residence, St. Dominique and St. Joseph's Streets. Loss, \$600.

St. Evariste, Que.—July 2—Twenty-five residences and fifty outbuildings. Loss, \$100,000.

St. Thomas, Ont.—July 10—Messrs. Boughner and Sons' warehouse, owned by Mr. E. McCready. Loss, \$3,500. Cause, sparks.

Sarnia, Ont.—July 5—Mackenzie's electric shop. Loss, slight. Cause, pot of tar.

Saskatoon, Sask.—July 1—Mrs. J. Stewart's residence, 608 28th Street. Loss, slight.

Truro, N.S.—July 5—Farmers' Store building, occupied by Farmers' Store, Mr. M. Crowe, Mr. A. G. Phinney and Mrs. Bentley, and Mr. W. T. Little's telegraph school. Loss, \$7,000.

Vancouver, B.C.—July 7—Scrim Lumber Company, Front and Dufferin Streets, Mount Pleasant. Loss, \$10,000; St. John's Presbyterian Church. Cause, overheated stove.
July 8—Mr. Bray's residence, 1136 Comox Street. Loss, \$1,000.

WAR LOAN IN SEPTEMBER

The second domestic Canadian war loan will be issued in September. The terms will be announced a few days before the issue.

CANADIAN BANK CLEARINGS

The following are the returns of the bank clearing houses for weeks ended July 6, 1916, and July 8, 1915, with changes:—

	Week ended July 6, '16.	Week ended July 8, '15.	Changes.
Montreal	\$ 74,542,948	\$ 55,494,476	+ \$19,048,472
Toronto	57,745,600	41,450,527	+ 16,289,073
Winnipeg	34,254,441	19,728,854	+ 14,525,587
Vancouver	6,526,679	6,779,179	— 252,500
Ottawa	5,739,333	4,952,558	+ 786,775
Calgary	4,543,622	2,990,750	+ 1,552,872
Quebec	4,317,951	3,998,807	+ 319,144
Hamilton	3,800,812	3,380,636	+ 420,176
Edmonton	2,018,448	2,812,807	— 794,359
Halifax	2,993,746	3,081,190	— 87,444
London	2,569,453	2,258,844	+ 310,609
Regina	2,115,557	1,430,782	+ 684,775
St John	1,653,523	1,909,518	— 255,995
Victoria	2,011,335	2,022,233	— 10,898
Saskatoon	965,571	781,026	+ 184,545
Moose Jaw	866,840	701,601	+ 165,239
Brandon	549,726	609,228	— 59,502
Brantford	693,076	803,833	— 110,757
Fort William	582,667	478,928	+ 103,739
Lethbridge	462,980	305,493	+ 157,487
Medicine Hat	329,881	228,851	+ 101,030
New Westminster	319,775	280,010	+ 39,765
Peterboro	520,429	477,669	+ 42,760
Totals	\$210,124,393	\$156,972,800	+ \$53,151,593
Sherbrooke	620,265		
Berlin	501,315		

The following are the bank clearing returns for the month of June as compared with those for a similar period last year:—

	June, 1916.	June, 1915.	Changes.
Montreal	\$320,737,140	\$196,646,272	+ \$124,090,868
Toronto	234,373,961	161,404,956	+ 72,969,005
Winnipeg	150,375,516	77,738,643	+ 72,636,873
Vancouver	27,127,873	22,500,450	+ 4,627,423
Ottawa	22,621,590	17,197,520	+ 5,424,070
Calgary	17,167,065	12,090,461	+ 5,076,604
Quebec	15,973,856	13,188,189	+ 2,785,667
Hamilton	16,443,307	12,864,156	+ 3,579,151
Edmonton	8,525,573	9,243,638	— 718,065
Halifax	10,527,852	9,915,556	+ 612,296
London	8,028,975	7,721,083	+ 307,892
Regina	8,930,033	5,575,660	+ 3,354,373
St. John	7,975,302	6,322,920	+ 1,652,382
Victoria	6,919,085	5,857,043	+ 1,062,042
Saskatoon	4,542,312	2,901,624	+ 1,640,688
Moose Jaw	3,542,445	2,773,580	+ 768,865
Brandon	2,128,412	1,765,924	+ 362,488
Brantford	2,509,636	2,169,052	+ 340,584
Fort William	2,376,941	1,739,719	+ 637,222
Lethbridge	1,840,719	1,192,738	+ 647,981
Medicine Hat	1,396,051	835,429	+ 560,622
New Westminster	1,386,665	1,084,430	+ 302,235
Peterboro	2,340,661	1,716,871	+ 623,790
Totals	\$882,361,452	\$574,445,914	+ \$307,915,538
Sherbrooke	2,226,335		
Berlin	2,364,147		

Mr. G. Burruss, president of the well-known fire insurance firm of Messrs. Burruss & Sweatman, Toronto, died last week. The late Mr. Burruss some years ago was special agent of the Western Fire Insurance Company at Richmond, Virginia, and at Baltimore. He was widely known among fire underwriters, especially to the older men in the south-eastern field, having for several years represented the Western and British-America Assurance companies in Virginia and contiguous territory. While in the employ of these companies he suffered an illness, but when he recovered, he came to Toronto in the employ of the Western and British-America companies, with which he has been associated in the United States. Later he entered the agency field with Mr. Sweatman. The agency is to be continued in the same name under the supervision of Mr. H. S. Sweatman.