

FIRE AT STE. MARIE PULP AND PAPER COYS. MILLS.

By the fire which occurred at the above, on the 16th instant, the following companies are interested:

American	\$ 5,000
Caledonian	20,000
Guardian	15,000
London & Lancashire	40,000
Manchester	10,000
Norwich Union	10,000
Quebec	5,000
Waterloo	5,000
Canadian	10,000
Insurance Co., of N. A.	10,000
N. B. & Mercantile	15,000
British America	25,000
Commercial Union	15,000
Imperial	20,000
Lancashire	20,000
Mercantile	15,000
Phoenix of London	10,000
Western	15,000
Anglo American	20,000
Victoria, Montreal	7,500

\$292,500

Loss about 5 per cent.

MONTREAL CLEARING HOUSE.

	Clearings. \$	Balances \$
Total for week ending 17 Oct..... 1900,	13,302,356	1,963,966
Corresponding week... 1899,	14,081,207	1,886,179
“ “ .1898,	14,600,794	1,988,679
“ “ .1897,	13,463,878	1,838,822

WEDDING BELLS.

The marriage of Miss Margaret Ramsay, daughter of Mr. W. M. Ramsay, manager of the Standard Life, and Mr. Gordon Osler, son of Mr. E. B. Osler, M.P., Toronto, was solemnized at St. Paul's Church in this city, on Wednesday last. The wedding presents were most numerous and costly, and the newly wedded couple left on their honeymoon 'mid a perfect shower of good wishes from hosts of friends in both cities.

THE MONTREAL COLD STORAGE CASE.

The criminal case in which certain officers of the Montreal Cold Storage Company are implicated is occupying public attention to an unusual degree, and is exciting great interest, by reason of the large amount of money involved.

As the matter is at present before the Court, comment thereon is withheld.

PERSONALS.

Mr. Spencer C. Thomson, manager of The Standard Life Assurance Company, Edinburgh, who has been making a tour through Canada, has just returned from the Pacific Coast, in company with Sir Ralph Anstruther and Mr. J. H. Davidson, two of the company's directors, and Mr. W. M. Ramsay, manager for Canada.

In the course of their travelling, the party visited Winnipeg, Banff, Rossland, Vancouver and Victoria.

Mr. Thomson evinces great surprise at the extraordinary growth and progress noticeable everywhere since his last visit to Canada, fourteen years ago. He expressed himself as particularly impressed with the development of British Columbia, which, by its superior natural advantages and climate he believes is destined to become the most attractive province in the Dominion. Incidentally, Mr. Thomson signified his satisfaction with the business transacted by The Standard Life in the Western country.

The party left on Wednesday for New York, from whence they will sail for home to-morrow.

THE CHRONICLE has reason to believe that the three gentlemen named are returning to England much impressed by all they have seen and heard during a too brief tour of our country, and quite ready to admit that those who sit in libraries, poring over books and maps, cannot learn so much as travellers who, with eyes and hearts open, are receiving impressions all day long from the things themselves.

Mr. E. Roger Owen, the well-known General Manager of the Commercial Union Assurance Company, has spent a few days in Montreal. He leaves for Chicago and San Francisco this evening. He has visited some of the agencies of his company in the United States.

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