

RECENT FIRES

The Monetary Times' Weekly Register of Fire Losses and Insurance

Belleville, Ont.—July 5—Automobile garage, property of Victoria Hotel. Interior gutted. Loss about \$1,500, covered by insurance.

Belmont, Man.—July 4—Property belonging to R. H. Drummond-Hay, Cannon and Houghton, and Fargies Smith burned to the ground. All buildings partly insured.

Brockville, Ont.—July 8—Pavilion, owned by Canadian Northern Railway at Beverley Lake Park, destroyed.

Brockville, Ont.—July 10—Three buildings burned. Loss, \$2,500.

Brussels, Ont.—July 9—Mr. Wm. Armstrong's barn.

Campbellton, N.B.—July 3—L. and A. Malenfant's mill at Arsereau Siding entirely destroyed, including a quantity of lumber and pulpwood. One workman lost his life. Mill valued at \$10,000; insured for \$3,000; value of lumber \$5,000, covered by insurance. A quantity of pulpwood, the property of the Meigs Pulpwood Company, was also destroyed.

Chatham, Ont.—July 5—Stable, property of Mrs. Hackey, destroyed.

Dover Township, Ont.—July 7—One farm, large barn, shed and granary, the property of Miss Angus, completely destroyed. Loss partly covered by insurance. Cause, lightning.

Gilbert Plains, Man.—July 3—Two large stables, with feed and seven valuable horses burned to the ground, property of Mr. Jas. Dewitt. Loss covered by insurance, carried in Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

Lethbridge, Alta.—July 7—Barn and sheds at rear of 443 18th Street North, completely destroyed. Owner, S. Trew. Cause, children playing with matches.

Niagara Falls, Ont.—July 1—Alderman W. P. Dixon's ice-house. Loss on building, \$3,000; to stock, \$3,000. Insurance, \$1,000. Cause, lightning.

North Vancouver, B.C.—July 7—Saw-mill, property of North Shore Lumber and Shingle Company, burned to the ground; few piles of lumber in yard saved. Fire started in boiler room. Estimated loss, \$10,000. No insurance carried.

Petawawa, Ont.—July 4—Fire at camp, one building and valuable instruments destroyed.

Preston, Ont.—July 5—G. Emerson's electrical store. Damage to stock, chiefly by smoke and water, estimated at \$1,000. Mostly covered by insurance.

Retlaw, Alta.—July 7—National Company's elevator, containing 10,000 bushels of grain, various other damage done to coal shed and warehouse.

Seven Persons, Alta.—July 2—Property destroyed: Seven Persons Farmers' Co-operative Association, Bish's hardware, Smith's pool-room, Harris' grocery, Hunt's garage, Pocum's implement warehouse and the post-office. All carried insurance, with the exception of Mr. Harris. Estimated loss, \$75,000.

St. Jacques L'Archigan, Que.—July 4—Parish church damaged. Estimated loss, \$50,000.

St. Thomas, Ont.—July 5—Mr. W. Vair's barn and Mr. F. M. Griffin's icehouse totally destroyed. Barn damaged to the amount of \$400, not entirely covered by insurance. Mr. Griffin's icehouse, containing 500 tons of ice was all insured; insurance on icehouse amounts to \$1,200, and the estimated loss is calculated at \$700.

Taymouth, N.B.—July 6—Mr. Jas. T. Cowperthwaite's barns totally destroyed. Estimated loss, several thousand dollars. Cause, lightning.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING FIRES ALREADY REPORTED

Lanark, Ont.—June 21—The following companies were interested in the Clyde Woolen Mills (Boyd, Caldwell and Company, Limited) fire: Phoenix of London, \$25,000; North British and Mercantile, \$8,500; Guardian, \$5,500; Hartford, \$5,000; Western, \$4,500; Northern, \$2,500. Insurance loss, \$51,000. Property loss, \$78,880. The property was under-insured to the extent of nearly \$28,000.

Montreal, Que.—June 29—The following companies were interested in the W. Rutherford and Company, lumber merchants', fire: Phoenix of London, \$21,000; Hartford, \$5,000;

Canadian Lumbermen's Exchange, \$5,000; total, \$31,000. Loss reported total.

Regina, Sask.—June 11—Regina Storage and Forwarding warehouse, in which the following companies are interested: Stored goods, Northwestern National, \$5,000; Fidelity-Phenix, \$4,000; General of Perth, \$1,300; British Crown, \$550; National of Hartford, \$1,000; National Union, \$1,500; Occidental, \$1,000; Scottish Union and National, \$1,000; Sun, \$2,500; total, \$17,850. Loss, total. On building, Dominion, \$4,000; Springfield, \$2,000; Northwestern National, \$2,000; Continental of New York, \$2,000; total, \$10,000. Loss, total. On refrigerating plant, Scottish Union and National, \$1,500; Continental, \$1,000; total, \$2,500. Loss, total.

Saskatoon, Sask.—Fire Chief Thos. E. Heath makes the following report of June fires to *The Monetary Times*:—

June 5—Dwelling house, occupant P. Muhywayko, owner, Mr. W. Puree, Alston, Sask.; damage to building, \$75; to stock, \$75.

June 9—Mr. Hughes' dwelling house, owner Mr. La Brasse; damage to building, \$25. Cause, gasoline explosion.

June 16—Garage, property of Mr. A. E. Bence; damage to building, \$250. Cause, children playing with matches.

June 17—Cafe, owner, Mr. A. Smith, occupant, Yee Ly; damage to building, \$50. Insurance carried in Mercantile Insurance Company, total amount, \$2,500. Cause, wood-work too close to stove.

June 20—Dry cleaners' cleaning department, occupants, Mr. A. Rose, owner, Standard Trust Company; damage to stock, \$171. Total insurance, \$3,300, carried in Canadian National and Merchants Mutual. Cause, gasoline explosion.

June 28—Coal and wood yard, property of Mr. Simmons, damage to stock, \$85. Cause, children closed switch, causing short circuit motor.

Simcoe, Ont.—The Ontario fire marshal reports the following: The loss upon the plant of the Dominion Cannery at Simcoe (Norfolk County), has turned out very much less than the estimate included in the figures for that month. The estimate was \$525,000, the actual loss has been adjusted at \$220,100. We are therefore correcting the total loss for the month of April by deducting the sum of \$304,900, the amount of the over-estimate.

Sorel, Que.—June 19—Canada Steamships' workshops in which the following companies are interested: New York Underwriters, \$2,000; Strathcona, \$5,500; Phoenix of London, \$600; British-America, \$2,500; Royal, \$14,000; Queen, \$1,400; Atlas, \$4,000; total, \$30,000.

Victoria, B.C.—The following is the June report of Fire Chief T. Davis: Loss, buildings, \$8,443; contents, \$112,430; total loss by fire on buildings and contents, \$120,873; insurance, buildings, \$29,850; contents, \$52,400; total insurance on buildings and contents, \$82,250; property at risk, \$249,950.

Cameron Company's mill fire loss, buildings, \$8,364; contents, \$112,430; total loss of buildings and contents, \$120,794.

JUNE FIRES

Annapolis, N.S.—June 29—Tenement house on George Street, occupied by A. L. Robertson, owner, Rufus Mardwick. Building insured in the Nova Scotia Insurance Company, of Halifax.

Carmangay, Alta.—June 30—Elevator containing 10,000 bushels of wheat.

Edmonton, Alta.—June 30—Mrs. Reid's house, 81st Street, Grove Park, totally destroyed. Estimated loss, \$2,000.

North Vancouver, B.C.—June 30—Campbell and Barton's saw-mill at Mosquito Creek burned out. Fire started in boiler room. Damage estimated at \$6,500.

Oak Lake, Man.—June 29—Mr. F. G. Taylor's barn, containing several valuable implements, ten tons of hay and a quantity of oats and wheat, totally destroyed. Loss, \$15,000, partly covered by insurance. Cause, lightning.

Rossland, B.C.—June 23—Central school building completely destroyed. Insurance carried, \$7,500.

St. Thomas, Ont.—June 29—Cattanach Brothers' barn, building and silo completely destroyed. Loss, \$2,000, with partial insurance.

Winnipeg, Man.—June 29—Roof of the power-house in the Canadian Northern Railway yards, Fort Rouge. Damage, \$1,000. Cause, lightning striking vista rods.

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