

RECENT FIRES

Monetary Times' Weekly Register of Fire Losses and Insurance

Aylmer, Ont.—October 18—Mr. E. Schuber's residence. Loss and cause unknown.

Central Onslow, N.S.—October 18—Mr. J. Wilson's barn. Loss and cause unknown.

Tilbury, Ont.—October 22—Mr. D. Burns' storehouse. Loss \$1,500. Cause unknown.

St. Hilaire, Que.—October 18—St. Antoine parish church. Loss \$45,000. Cause unknown.

Radville, Sask.—October 22—Mr. C. S. Hill's oil house. Loss \$1,500. Cause unknown.

Kelowna, B.C.—October 16—Mr. C. Clarke's residence. Loss \$2,000. Cause unknown.

Chilliwack, B.C.—October 17—Mr. W. H. Bloomer's residence. Loss and cause unknown.

Halleybury, Ont.—October 23—Tug "Scotsman" damaged. Loss and cause unknown.

Ottawa, Ont.—October 17—Osgoode Hotel stables. Loss \$500. Cause, supposed incendiary.

Canterbury Station, N.B.—October 22—Mr. H. N. Grant's barn, etc. Loss \$5,000. Cause unknown.

Elk Lake, Ont.—October 16—Mr. A. Skill's residence. Loss \$3,000. Insurance \$2,000. Cause, stove.

Hamilton, Ont.—October 23—Unitarian Church, Main and Walnut Street. Loss \$100. Cause unknown.

Owen Sound, Ont.—October 22—Mr. W. G. Morgan's clothing store. Loss unknown. Cause, wiring.

Swift Current, Sask.—October 16—Mr. H. McCoy's residence, south-east of city. Loss and cause unknown.

Listowel, Ont.—October 17—Mr. J. Tinnerg's blacksmith shop. Loss, stock and tools, \$300. Cause unknown.

Vancouver, B.C.—October 20—St. Peter's Church, Main Street. Loss unknown. Cause, supposed incendiary.

Mosa Township, Ont.—October 21—Mr. N. Munro's barns. Loss \$3,000. Insurance \$1,000. Cause unknown.

Cowansville, Que.—October 21—Mr. T. Strange's barn. Loss \$2,000. Insurance \$1,500. Cause, fuse from dynamite charge.

Selkirk, Man.—October 20—Mr. E. Millidge's barns, Superior Street. Loss \$7,000. Insurance \$2,500. Cause unknown.

Victoria, B.C.—October 19—Canadian Pacific Railway ferry "Adelaide." Loss slight. Cause, supposed dropped cigarette.

St. Thomas, Ont.—October 26—Michigan Central and Canadian Pacific Railway freight sheds. Loss \$1,000. Cause unknown.

Clifford, Ont.—October 25—Mr. J. Range's furniture workshop, and Mr. C. H. Willett's barber shop. Loss and cause unknown.

Welland, Ont.—October 24—Mrs. G. Hullon's residence, Mill Street. Loss \$200. Insured with Queen's Insurance Company. Cause, supposed defective chimney.

Edmonton, Alta.—October 15—Great West Clothing Company, 448 Jasper Street East. Loss and cause unknown. Lewis Brothers Cafe, First Street. Loss unknown. Cause, range.

Winnipeg, Man.—October 16—Mrs. Potter's residence, 137 Carlton Street. Loss \$500. Cause unknown.

October 20—Mr. F. Tozer's residence. Loss \$400. Cause unknown.

Montreal, Que.—October 17—St. George's School, Bernard and Waverley Streets. Loss \$10,000. Insurance as follows:—Guardian, \$35,000; Connecticut, \$10,000; Union of Paris, \$10,000; Norwich Union, \$6,000. Cause unknown.

London, Ont.—October 27—London Bed and Mattress Company's factory. Loss \$17,000. Insurance \$17,000. Cause, supposed wiring. Ross and Wright, adjusters for the assured.

October 21—P. Forgue's barn, 633 Chambord Street. Loss and cause unknown.

October 22—Brodeur Company, Limited, premises, 84-86 St. Peter Street. Loss \$25,000. Insurance on buildings, Equitable, \$22,000; loss, \$5,000. On stock, Mount Royal, \$5,000, and Royal, \$7,000. On fixtures, Equitable, \$1,500; Norwich Union, \$2,500, and Royal, \$1,000. On paintings, Mount Royal, \$2,500. Cause unknown.

Toronto, Ont.—October 14—W. Long Piano Company's store, 164-166 Queen Street West. Loss, stock, \$100; building, \$50. Cause, ignition of boiling wax. Burton and

Young's store, rear 176 Christie Street. Loss, building, \$300; contents, \$25. Cause unknown.

October 15—Moving picture theatre, 334 Queen Street West. Loss \$500. Cause, overheated electric heater. Mr. J. Slaughter's premises, 61 Carlton Street. Loss \$100. Cause, sparks from chimney. Sheds rear 32, 34, 36 Mercer Street. Loss \$185. Cause unknown.

October 16—Mr. J. Coughlan's residence, 514 Adelaide Street West. Loss, building, \$15; contents, \$25. Cause unknown. Mr. R. Bigley's foundry, rear 252 Macdonell Avenue. Loss \$400. Cause, hot castings ignited woodwork.

October 21—Canada Foundry Company's shed. Loss \$200. Cause unknown.

October 22—Auto, 12 McMurrich Street. Loss \$100. Cause, engine backfiring. Mr. A. Kissock's carpenter shop, rear 193 Carlton Street. Loss, contents, \$50; building, \$10. Cause unknown.

October 22—Mr. J. Rotterdam's store, 911 Yonge Street. Loss, contents, \$50; building, \$20. Cause unknown. Mrs. Bradfield's shed, rear 200½ Carlton Street. Loss, building, \$200. Mr. W. H. Harris' shed, rear 202 Carlton Street. Loss, contents, \$100; buildings, \$200. Miss Hunter's shed, rear 204 Carlton Street. Loss, contents, \$400; building, \$200. Dr. W. H. Mosely's shed, rear 206 Carlton Street. Loss, building, \$50. Cause unknown.

October 23—Messrs. J. C. Greene Company, 72 Wellington Street West. Loss \$50. Cause, spark from motor. Messrs. Meen and Meen's office, 1308 Queen Street East. Loss \$150. Cause, overheated grate. Toronto Silver Plate Company's premises. Loss, building, \$25; contents, \$150. Cause, sparks.

October 25—Mr. A. Martin's residence, 999 Queen Street East. Loss, contents, \$50; building, \$5. Cause, papers falling on stove.

October 26—Mr. D. Discardis' store, 202 Teraulay Street. Loss unknown. Cause, incendiary. Mr. S. A. Frost's store, 284 College Street. Loss, contents, \$200; building, \$200. Cause, defective stove pipe.

October 27—Mr. W. Speer's automobile, 1764 Dundas Street. Loss \$200. Cause, spark from pipe ignited gasoline. Mr. W. Gardner's auto, 1609 Queen Street West. Loss unknown. Cause, collision. Store, 341 King Street East. Loss \$25. Cause, fumigating building.

October 29—522 Delaware Avenue, owned by Mr. J. Hotchkiss. Loss \$800. Insurance, Royal, \$900. Cause unknown. Ross and Wright adjusters for the assured.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING FIRES
ALREADY REPORTED

Milestone, Sask.—Mr. O. K. Wilson's elevator, etc. Loss, building, \$7,000. Insurance, factories, \$5,000; contents, \$18,000. Insurance, Rimouski, \$5,000; Phoenix, \$5,000; Factories, \$5,500. Cause, incendiary.

GRAND TRUNK TRAFFIC STATISTICS

The following table shows the traffic statistics of the Grand Trunk Railway Company for 1913 compared with the returns for 1912,—

	1913.	1912.	Increase or Decrease.
Passengers carried	5,978,560	5,530,072	+ 448,488
Average fare per passenger	46.80d.	44.95d.	+ 1.85d.
Tons of freight and live stock	11,181,698	9,388,829	+ 1,792,869
Average rate per ton	61.56d.	63.81d.	— 2.25d.
Tons carried one mile	2,025,819,981	1,779,753,535	+ 246,066,446
Earnings per train mile	95.39d.	89.75d.	+ 5.64d.

The average rate per ton mile on the entire freight business was 0.69 of a cent, compared with 0.68 of a cent in the corresponding half-year.

The working expenses, excluding taxes, amounted in the half-year to £3,149,262, or 72.14 per cent. of the gross receipts, as compared with £2,748,575, or 71.68 per cent., an increase in amount of £400,687, and in the proportion to the gross receipts of 0.46 per cent.