

TWO INSURANCE CO'S ROSE MILLION EACH BY BIG FIRE

Net Losses to Toronto Interests Place Western at \$350,000 and British America at \$210,000.

Insurance matters are in a somewhat chaotic state in regard to the big Toronto fire, since a number of the insurance offices themselves fell prey to the flames and valuable records were consequently lost. The extent of the damage suffered, and the extent of the loss, is necessarily incomplete, and it is estimated that the most accurate and carefully prepared statement forthcoming only includes about one-half of the total number of insurance companies involved. Reasons assigned for this are that a large number of "unauthorized" concerns are involved, being so termed because they do not make their figures and operations public property, and that confusion reigns among the local fire insurance firms, so that no estimates of their losses are obtainable as yet.

The following list is the most complete and detailed received in the city since the amounts given are the net losses sustained by each company, i.e., the insurance carried by the company, less other concerns has been deducted and the figures represent the net amount which individual companies are to lose:

Royal	1,000,000
Liverpool & London & Globe	1,000,000
Continental	750,000
Hartford	500,000
North British & Mercantile	500,000
North American	500,000
Germania	500,000
National	500,000
Phoenix	500,000
Queen of Victoria	500,000
Home	500,000
Individual Underwriters of New York	450,000
New York Union	450,000
Sun	450,000
Commercial Union	400,000
Springfield	400,000
London & Lancashire	350,000
Royal Exchange	350,000
Western	350,000
Insurance Co. of N. America	300,000
New Hampshire	300,000
Phoenix of Hartford	300,000
Indemnity	250,000
Commercial	250,000
Union	250,000
Phenix of Brooklyn	250,000
British American	200,000
American of New York	200,000
Fire Insurance Association	200,000
Commercial	200,000
Hanover	200,000
London Assurance Corporation	200,000
Palatine	200,000
Traders	200,000
Orient	150,000
St. Paul	150,000
Williamsburgh City	150,000
Aachen and Munich	150,000
Agricultural	150,000
American of Philadelphia	150,000
Essex	150,000
Bocheter German	150,000
Equitable of Providence	150,000
Law, Union and Crown	150,000
United Firemen	150,000
American of Boston	150,000
German Alliance	150,000
Globe & Rutgers	150,000
Pelican	150,000
Citizens of Philadelphia	150,000
DeKalb	150,000
Mechanics and Traders	150,000
North River	150,000
Total	\$16,720,000

MASTER PAINTERS HERE ANNUAL CONVENTION

Several Hundred Delegates From All Parts of the Country, and Entertainment Well Arranged.

The International Master Painters Association met in annual convention for the twentieth time yesterday morning at the Temple Building. About 500 delegates were present from all parts of the States and Canada, and ladies formed a large proportion of the visitors. J. M. Faircloth called the convention to order at 10, and Dr. Perry opened with prayer. R. G. Kirby of the Builders' Exchange gave a vocal selection. The British and U. S. national anthems were also sung, and Mayor Urquhart welcomed the delegates to Toronto, shaking hands with all present. J. W. Knott, president of the local association, also spoke in welcome.

President W. J. Edwards of Boston, Mass., delivered the annual address. He dwelt upon the outrageous demands often made upon employers by organized labor. The building trade had been especially affected in this way. Every shop should be equally open to the union and non-union men. Unjust means should be denounced and made illegal whether resorted to by employer or employee.

In the afternoon the chief business was a paper by Ernest Hough of Cambridge, Mass., on Capital and Labor. The point Mr. Hough dwelt upon was the position of the employer as at present between the capitalist and the laborer. The paper was worthy of its position and aroused much discussion.

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MISSIONARIES ENDANGERED.

The struggle between Russia and Japan is a momentous question for the Canadian Presbyterian Church. Their missions in Corea are located just where the struggle will be fiercest. Their station at Womou includes a large church in the town and a large number of outlying stations. The following missionaries are at present in that country: Rev. and Mrs. W. R. Poole, Rev. and Mrs. D. M. McKelone, Miss L. M. McCully and Miss K. McCullen, M.D.

INDIA NOT ENTHUSIASTIC.

(Canadian Associated Press Cable.) London, Feb. 9.—India is not enthusiastic on the question of preferential duties within the empire. A Bluebook containing the views of the India office has been issued. It says that India already enjoys the advantage of free exchange of imports for exports. The scheme has little to offer; there is a great deal of risk and financially a fear of the danger of reprisals.

The Home Life Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Home Life Association of Canada was held at the Head Office, Home Life Building, yesterday. A large number of policyholders and shareholders were present. The annual report shows gratifying progress during the year 1903. Applications for insurance to the amount of \$1,243,450 were received and considered by the association and policies were granted for \$1,143,000. The net assets now amount to \$484,584.18, an increase of \$1,109,722.22 and expenses were reduced 4.75 per cent. The increased 28 per cent. of the association now amounts to over \$1,000,000. The paid-up capital is \$1,035,182.00.

Special Service to Markham Hockey Tournament.

On Feb. 10, 11 and 12 special train will leave Toronto for Markham at 4:45 p.m. via Grand Trunk, in connection with the Hockey Tournament. Returning special will leave Markham 11 o'clock each night.

MAYOR FAVORS ANNEXING TERRITORY TO THE EAST

Acquirement Would Prove of Benefit—City Engineer Presents His Estimates.

Mayor Urquhart yesterday expressed his hearty approval of the proposed extension of the city limits easterly to Scarborough Township. He had spoken with residents of that district to be annexed and found them favorable to the project. The acquirement of this section by the city would undoubtedly result in great good to the east end, as much of the territory is of the best character for residential districts. The petitions are now being circulated and are said to be receiving many signatures. There is said to be some difficulty regarding the chaise excluding liquor licenses from the area, but it is believed that this opposition will be overcome.

The City Engineer has prepared his estimates for the current year and the total is \$11,114,000 in expenditure, as compared with \$10,000,000 for the year ended last year. The chief cause of the great increase is of course the large sum to be expended on improvements to the waterworks system, which is estimated at \$8,000,000. The sewerage system requires the expenditure of \$350,000 on horses and \$150,000 for carts. There is \$400,000 provided for the improvement of the approaches to the Dundas street bridge and \$400,000 for the repairing of the King street subway. A new stone-arch bridge is required, to cost \$700,000. An important item is that for the extension of the present Yonge street wharf to the wharf line at an expense of \$28,000, and a corresponding extension of the sewer, which will cost about \$4500.

Lots of Water Wasted.

The City Engineer stated last night that there were eleven feet of water in the reservoir and he did not anticipate any recurrence of shortage of water. The inspectors are at work on the leaks and covered simple repairs. The chief trouble appears to be that landlords refuse to make private repairs and tenants do not feel under any obligation to do so in this direction, so the fixtures are neglected.

Building Permits.

The following building permits have been issued: 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200.

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PRICE AND JEALOUSY RAPIDLY AMONG NATIONS

Dr. Wild, However, Fails to See in Present Events Approaching Battle of Armageddon.

Rev. Dr. Wild told the World last night that his theories regarding the final tremendous conflict of nations at Armageddon are in no way affected by either the outbreak of hostilities or the certainty of peace.

KINGSTON RAILWAY ROW

Two Petitions Will Be Presented to Council When It Meets on Monday Next.

Kingston, Feb. 9.—(Staff Special.)—Whether the Street Railway Company will be granted the demand of stopping the car service, or whether the city can compel the company to operate their system, is the question that is occupying the minds of the citizens, and is the all-absorbing topic of conversation. Feeling is growing daily, and the struggle promises to be a bitter one if there is not a satisfactory arrangement arrived at at the next meeting of the Council. The city are all in the bar, and nothing but a compliance with their demand will satisfy the company to start them again, they say. The situation is one of the most singular that the people of Kingston have had to deal with, and they are there for a long time to know just how to act at present, but something will have to be done in relation to the public convenience that is being sacrificed.

Petition of Employes.

The petition of over two thousand names in the hands of the employes of the road is ready to be presented to the Council at their first meeting. It asks that the Council make such arrangements that the cars will be started on a speedy basis, and it urges that the workmen of the company be undergoing a real hardship as well as the people who are dependent on the cars. The weight of the petition might be increased by the fact that a number of aldermen look upon it as having been inspired by the city.

A sign of the petition bearing the names of nearly every property-owner and occupant of the stores on Princess street, and the names of aldermen, is already in the hands of the Council. It is strongly urged that the Council should be open to the possibility of a direct loss of revenue to the city if the cars are not started. It is claimed that it would be a direct loss of revenue to the city if the cars are not started. It is claimed that it would be a direct loss of revenue to the city if the cars are not started.

Will Fight to Bitter End.

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MR. TARTE REPLIES.

Montreal, Feb. 9.—Hon. Mr. Tarte spoke last night at a meeting held at Point St. Charles in the interest of Dr. Bernard, the Conservative candidate in Hochelaga. The meeting, which was held in the parish church, was attended by about 800 people and the parish priest occupied a seat on the platform. Mr. Tarte received an enthusiastic welcome and spoke with vigor, replying to the statements made by Sir Wilfrid Laurier in his Montreal address.

How Far Has He to Go?

John and William met at Charing Cross at 5 o'clock.

"How far are you going?" asked John.

"I am going to the States," replied William.

"I will walk with you to the station," said John.

"I shall be there five minutes late, if I walk the mile in four I shall be there ten minutes late, please tell me how far I am going."

A PAGE OF CIVIC HISTORY.

Examined close has been the Page to take what knowledge it should teach: M. y all that move across the stage of Content us with as forth right speech: J. B. M.

Favors the Practice.

The current number of Events contains a letter from Sir Charles Dillk. Mr. Dillk is a member of the House of Commons and is a strong supporter of the practice of the House of Commons in regard to the making of laws. He says that generally speaking he regards the House of Commons as an independent state, in France the King's edicts call to British the ownership of certain islands in the coast of Borneo.

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