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CAUTION TO SAFE BUYERS.

(From the Montreal Gazette of August 24th, 1862.)

We had shown to us on Saturday, by the Agent of one of the Assurance Companies a sample of the contents of a so-called Fire Proof Safe, taken out of a building belonging to Mr. Hart in Plateau St., Three Rivers, and occupied as an office by Messrs. Stearness & Co., Railway Contractors. The debris shown us was taken out of the Safe in the presence of two persons, these consist of well burned wood, charcoal and paper, burnt black and in atoms, in fact the destruction was perfect, the contents might as well have been put into the fire. The name of Kershaw & Co., Montreal, was visible on the safe. Several other safes, with the contents were destroyed in like manner except that the names of the makers were obliterated. In one case, that of Mr. Tregan the owner, said he had bought his in New York from a Mr. McFarlane. The loss and inconvenience from the destruction of papers and books is very great; the caution suggested is greatly important. Safes can be made Fire Proof and the public should have some guarantee that those they buy really are so.

ROCHESTER FIRE KING SAFE PROVED WORTHLESS.

I certify that the Safe which I had at the time of the late fire in Lindsay, (July 5th) was marked Fire King, and had the name of Duryee and Forsyth, Rochester, proved worthless all the papers and books in the Safe were completely destroyed; my loss by the same is about Eight thousand Dollars.

Lindsay, 28th. Aug., 1861.

JOHN HEALEY,
OF JOHN HEALEY, & Co.,

The above extract from the Montreal Gazette, and certificate of Mr. John Healey, are only single instances from many that are well known in regard to the kind of safes mentioned.—The Scientific American in May, 1862, referring to the Lilly Safes and others made in Troy, states that they all proved worthless in the great fire that took place shortly before, and that the "Fact is that the safe makers have departed from the original practice of filling them with the only reliable fire proof material."

ANOTHER PROOF OF THE SUPERIORITY OF J. & J. TAYLOR'S SAFES OVER ALL OTHERS.

We, the undersigned having attended, this day the testing of a J. & J. Taylor's Patent Provincial Salamander Fire Proof Safe certify that it was exposed for four hours to a severe fire, composed of nine loads of cord wood, saturated with a barrel of coal tar. We examined the following articles taken out of the Safe after it was cooled, and found them perfectly uninjured:—4 large account books, 1 pamphlet, 3 bundles papers 1 canister gunpowder. A.—Toranzen, Mayor of Quebec; Samuel Newton representing Royal Insurance Company; Daniel McGie, Agent Liverpool and London Insurance Company; W. A. Fisher exchange Broker; W. Millap, Secretary and Treasurer Peoples B. Society; Jno. J. Foote, Richard Nettie Snaith & Co., Geo. H. Simard, Chas. McDonald, A. Jno. M-xham, Casey & Co., W. B. Vallean, Alex. Roberson, Geo. Futvoye, G. T. Cary, Alex. Smeaton.