## INSURANCE.

St. John City made no return. Halifax returned 4 incendiary fires out of 71 alarms, but failed to return the number of fires. Winnipeg returned 5 incendiary fires out of a total of 182 fires.

1339. As the utility of the collection of these facts is forced upon the attention of those interested it is likely that the returns will be more complete and that the several places will be led to adopt a uniform system for statistical information.

1340. The following statements respecting the system of water supply for fire purposes were obtained :—

## ONTARIO.

Arnprior	Five wharves for engines at streets on banks of Madawaski river, through centre of town; 5 tanks in other portions of town.
Barrie	Water works. Pumping to water tower for fire and domestic uses from artesian wells, but can open a tap and let Lake
Belleville	Simcoe furnish supplies if needed. A stand pipe, 125 feet high and 25 feet in diameter, together with direct pressure from two Worthington pumps combined, capa- city, 3,500,000 gallons per day; average pressure, 80 lbs., which is increased to 125 lbs. in case of fires.
Dowmonwillo	Tanks filled from mill pond.
	Water works, Holly's system, direct pumping; capacity, 4,000,000 galls.
Chatham	
Cobourg	·· 5,000,000 ··
Collingwood	" supply unlimited.
Cornwall	<pre>'' i 5,000,000 galls. daily. '' supply unlimited. '' pumped direct into mains.</pre>
Dresuen	r fre docks on river bank, supply uninficed.
Dundas	Gravitation, pressure about 85 lbs.
Forest.	Six tanks, capacity from 30,000 to 60,000 galls.
Fraserville	Twelve reservoirs, capacity 150,000 galls.
Galt	Water works, stand pipe, pressure, 112 lbs.
Goderich	" capacity, 1,000,000 galls. daily.
Guelph	"Holly's system, direct pumping; capacity, 1,500,000
	galls. daily; 112 double hydrants; water pressure, 80 to 90
	lbs.; can be increased 20 or 30 lbs. in case of fire.
Hamilton	Reservoir supply, 187 feet above level of Lake Ontario, with stand pipe for extra fire pressure.
Kingston	Pumping to tank from lake to tower.
Kincardine	Stand pipe, capacity 1,000,000 galls.; also direct pumping, 35 hydrants.
Lindsay	Direct pumping into stand pipe of 300,000 galls.
London	Reservoir and direct pumping, average pressure, 70 lbs.
Midland	Six tanks and Midland bay.
Mount Forest	Private wells only.
Napanee	Tower system, in combination with force pumps.
Niagara Falls	Direct pumping, capacity, 2,000,000 galls, daily; pressure, 120 lbs.
Newmarket	" steam power.
Oshawa	Ten tanks on east side, along west side is a stream of easy access.
Ottawa	Water works, direct pumping into mains; pressure ranges from 85 to 120 lbs. for fire duty.
Penetanguishene	Water works. Reservoir on hill and pumping engine at base of
Picton	hill; tank holds 40,000 galls.
± 100011	Water works. Reservoir, capacity, 400,000 galls.; gravity pres- sure, 210 feet above level of pumping station; average pres- sure, 75 lbs.
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