LOSSES INCURRED-OTTAWA AND HULL CONFLAGRATION.

Name of Company.	Losses incurred, less reinsurance in Licensed Companies.	Name of Company.	Losses incurred, less reinsurance in Licensed Companies.
Canadian Companies.	\$		s
Anglo-American British America Canadian Fire London Mutual Mercantile Fire Ottawa Fire Quebec Fire Victoria-Montreal. Western	23,907 98,262 13,230 13,609 19,501 29,882 34,258 27,199 164,683	National of Ireland North British Northern Norwich Union Phœnix of London T Royal Scottish Union and National Sun Union Assurance	76,049 254,575 51,778 148,952 191,579 198,752 63,373 50,452 179,800
Total	424,531	Total	<b>2,</b> 525,872
British Companies.		United States Companies.	
Alliance	153,000 57,731 175,000 98,075 170,720 96,000 99,226 17,259 118,289 89,860 71,834 163,568	Ætna Fire. American Fire. Connecticut Fire. Hartford Fire Insurance Co. of North America Phenix, of Brooklyn Phænix, of Hartford. Queen  Total. Grand total.	15,018 24,461 183,726 97,747 34,801 38,306 135,660

In recent times there have been two or three great fires in Canada, the traces of which are seen in the statistics. In St. John, N.B., in 1877, a fire swept over 200 acres opened up by  $9\frac{1}{2}$  miles of street. Over 1,600 houses were destroyed and 13,000 persons rendered homeless. 615 places of business were burned to the ground.

In Ottawa, April 26, 1900, a fire swept over a large part of Hull, crossed the river and destroyed many houses in the western part of Ottawa. It was estimated that in all 3,000 houses were burned and 15,000 persons made homeless. The insurance paid was in the neighbourhood of four million dollars. The loss of property was estimated at nine millions, and the donations of the people of the British Empire and the United States amounted to about one million dollars.

During 27 years ended in 1902 the net profit of all the British fire insurance companies in Canada amounted to \$2,370,000. This was all wiped out and more in the Toronto fire of 19th April, 1904, their losses in that fire having been \$2,742,000.