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WILL INVESTIGATE THIS NEW YORK LIFE COMPANY

Report Shows a Serious Impairment of Financial Strength—History of Trouble.

NEW YORK, Jan. 1.—Such serious impairment of the financial conditions of the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance Co. of New York is shown by the report of Examiners Hadley and Hughes of the state insurance department that it will not be made public until it has been investigated by the attorney-general.

This information was contained in a statement issued at Albany last night by Supt. Otto Kelsey of the department. Mr. Kelsey announced that the report had been submitted to him, and said:

"It discloses a serious impairment of the company's financial condition, and upon the advice of the attorney-general and pending his consideration of matters included in the report and papers submitted to him in connection therewith, the report is withheld from public inspection."

President Archibald C. Haynes of the Mutual Reserve was asked last night if he had any statement to make on Mr. Kelsey's statement, and said:

"I simply mean that we will get what I have wanted for six months—an official ruling on the condition of the company."

"We have contended that the company is all right. The insurance department has thought otherwise. Now it is up to the attorney-general to settle it."

The trouble in the Mutual Reserve began in the summer of 1898, when First Vice-President T. L. James, General Manager Moss and Treasurer Vrooman resigned.

Frederick A. Burnham, president at that time, denied that the resignations had any significance. In September, 1899, charges of dishonest management were made against Burnham and an attempt was made to have him indicted. Nothing was done at that time.

In January, 1902, the company decided that mutual insurance was a failure and that it should be reorganized into an old line company. Shortly after-ward application for a receiver was made by some of the policyholders, but it was denied.

There was more or less scandal and many charges made against the Burnham administration during the next few years, but in 1904 at the annual election, the Burnham people won.

In the following month the affairs of the company were brought to the attention of the grand jury, and on March 8 President Frederick A. Burnham, his brother, George Burnham, a director and counsel for the company, and Vice-President George D. Eldridge were indicted for grand larceny in the first degree and forgery in the second degree. There were five counts against each man.

The sum named in the first larceny indictment was \$7500 and in the second \$1500.

George Burnham was placed on bail a few months later, found guilty and sentenced to prison. After serving four months he was released, pending a new trial. During his last trial Assistant District Attorney Knott made the charge that Burnham had obtained \$100,000 from F. A. Burnham, under threat of showing that the Mutual Reserve was insolvent. Mr. Knott said that Mr. Burnham had finally induced Faxon to come down to \$40,000 and had paid that amount out of his own pocket.

The company was reorganized, the Burnham crowd being ousted and Archibald C. Haynes elected president. Retrenchment began at once. The president's salary was cut from \$35,000 a year to \$20,000, the vice-president's from \$20,000 to \$15,000 and the counsel's from \$25,000 to \$10,000.

company was well under way when the company decided to radically change its business methods. This change has been going into effect by degrees for the past few months, but no decisive action was taken because of the investigation.

The main point aimed at by the officials of the company was the changing of certain liens against policies, amounting in all to \$750,000, from the liability to the asset column on the books. It was stated by counsel for the company that it should be done and that it might save the company from insolvency.

John B. Stanchfield, special counsel for the company, admitted that the liens were needed to save the company, and said that otherwise it might go into the hands of a receiver.

PICTURE TO CURE INSANE

Unique and Impressive Experiment in Ohio Institution Encourages Doctors

MASSILLON, O., Jan. 1.—The physicians at the State Hospital for the Insane to-day tried the experiment of exhibiting to the patients a big painting of Christ illuminated by electric lights. It is believed that by thus concentrating the attention of the insane upon this picture a beneficial therapeutic effect will be produced and may result in their recovery.

The experiment was made to-day at the religious services. A big picture entitled "Christ Knocking at the Door" was placed in the chapel, with a battery of electric lights, ready to be concentrated on the subject at the discretion of the physician in charge.

An impressive character the lights were suddenly turned on to the painting. The lights were then turned off, and after a few minutes the picture was again illuminated. Many of the patients, recognizing the subject, raised their hands in supplication toward it, and some fell on their knees and wept.

The physicians at the hospital were well satisfied with the experiment. They believe that in the cases of some of the patients the effect has been most beneficial.

The picture was donated to the hospital by citizens of Akron.

NEWS OF INGERSOLL

New Election Necessary—Fire in Grocery.

INGERSOLL, Jan. 1.—(Special.)—Only five of the aldermanic nominees filed their declarations of qualification, and they have been declared elected by acclamation. They are W. J. Elliott, F. Richardson, Walter Mills, F. G. Walley and J. T. Patterson. There is still one vacant seat and it will be necessary for the new council to authorize another election to fill the vacancy.

The grocery store of S. M. Fleet was practically ruined by smoke and water last night as the result of a fire which broke out in the cellar. Mr. Fleet resided over the store and part of his household contents and the building were seriously damaged. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

Haywood Deposed by Miners. DENVER, Col., Jan. 1.—William D. Haywood is no longer secretary and treasurer of the Western Federation of Miners. Ernest Mills has been elected to that position by the executive board and now fills that office. It is rumored that Haywood is out for good, and that he will not in the future be associated with the organization in which he has been recognized as the leading spirit, but this is denied some time ago, but the announcement of it was held back.

Withdrawals at Ottawa. OTTAWA, Jan. 1.—There are but two withdrawals from the list of candidates for municipal honors on Monday next. E. J. Lavender drops out in the Scotch Settlement Ward and J. Forwood in Dalhousie Ward, as prospective aldermen.

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York County and Suburbs

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NORTH TORONTO AGAIN RETURNS MAYOR FISHER

Death of Col. Button One of Markham's Oldest Residents—York County News.

PICKERING, Jan. 1.—(Special.)—A most distressing accident occurred here to-day by which Mr. J. Chapman, one of the most respectable and well known residents of the township, was seriously injured. Mr. Chapman was engaged in feeding the straw into the cutting box at the time, when his hand became entangled in the rollers and was drawn under the knives, completely severing the right hand. As soon as possible the unfortunate man was liberated from his position and Dr. Bell was immediately summoned. Later in the afternoon a further amputation took place. Owing to the shock to his nervous system, coupled with heart weakness, his condition to-night is regarded as very serious.

Mr. Chapman is the father of F. M. Chapman, agricultural editor of The World.

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Markham Township.

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The First Light Dragoons, known as "Button's Troop," was organized by his grandfather, Capt. John, in 1810, and the first body of cavalry organized in Canada, was by the latter under a commission from Gen. Brock.

Deceased was a veteran of the war of 1837 and 1838.

Lieut.-Col. Button is survived by five daughters and two brothers, the latter being Newberry and Francis of Ringwood.

In politics deceased was a Liberal-conservative, a member of the Masonic Order and identified with the Methodist Church.

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CANARY BIRD SHOW

PROVES BIG SUCCESS

Entries are Numerous and Excellent—Winners of the Special Prizes.

The annual show of the Toronto Canard Club was held yesterday in the King Edward Hotel, with a big entry list, including some exhibitors from Hamilton, London and Woodstock. H. S. Tibbs, secretary of the Canard and Cage Bird Society, expressed himself in high terms as to the excellence of the exhibits.

The following is the list of special prizes:

Specials, Scotch Fancies—Best, J. Givran; second best, Mackenzie and Walls; best young bird, R. McDowell; Somerset Kennel's Cup, for most points, Mackenzie and Walls.

Norwich—Best, A. Mountford; second best, W. Brookbank; third best, H. P. McKenhen; Canadian-Fancier's Cup, for most points, H. P. McKenhen.

Crests—For best, H. Way; second best, H. McKenhen; Mackenzie Cup, for most points, H. Way.

Crests—Best, J. G. Sweetlove; Yorkshire—Best, J. G. Sweetlove; second best, J. G. Sweetlove; Cup for most points, W. J. H. Given.

Yorkshire, cinnamon—Best, A. Mountford; second best, Mackenzie and Walls.

Yorkshire, cinnamon marked—Best, Mackenzie and Walls.

Norwich, cinnamon—Best, H. P. McKenhen.

Mules and wired birds—Best, A. Mountford.

Color fed—Best, R. H. Gill.

Rollers—Best, J. G. Sweetlove, Ryle silver medal and Trimble Cup; second and third, J. Mephann, Ryle silver medal.

General-Championship gold medal, 15 canaries, Mackenzie and Walls (50 points); largest entry, Mackenzie and Walls.

Result of voting contest for the Hendry and cage will be announced later.

SOCIALIST GAINS.

Editor World: It is not often we have to find fault with leading articles in your progressive paper. But I must take exception to one or two statements in your article, "British Parliamentary Session." You say, "The result of the municipal polls showed a considerable electoral revolution, due probably to alarm at the progress of socialism and the aggressive policy of its extreme sections." Now, it is true the socialists lost some seats they held, but they gained others held by Liberals and Conservatives, and when it is all balanced up, the socialist has a gain of three seats and a very much increased vote for those who were unattached over their vote of a year ago. I send you the figures in The Labor Leader to make good my contention, trusting you will give this the same prominence you gave the erroneous information.

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