The following table will enable the progress of the business to be traced during the fourteen years recorded.

Amounts of Insurances effected during the respective years 1869-1882.

Year.	Canadian Companies.	British Companies.	American Companies.	Total.
	<u>-</u>	\$	\$	 \$
1869	1,156,855	2,627,392	9,069,885	12,854,132
1870	1,584,456	* ,657,493	8.952,747	12,194,696
1871	2,623,944	2,212 107	8,486,575	13,322,626
1872	5,276,859	1,896,655	13,896,587	21,070,101
1873	4,608,913	*1,704,338	14,740,367	21,053,618
1874	5,259,822	2,143,080	*11,705,319	19,108,221
1875	5,077,601	1,689,833	8,306,824	15,074,258
1876	5,465,966	1,683,357	6,740,804	13,890,127
1877	5,724,648	2,142,702	5,667.317	13,534,667
1878	5,508,556	2,789,201	3,871,998	12,169,755
1879	6,112,706	1,877,918	3,363,600	11,354,224
1880	7,547,876	2,302,011	4,057,000	13,906,887
1881	11,158.479	2,536,120	3,923,412	17,618,011
1882	12,198,045	2,833,250	5,423,960	20,455,255

Life Insurance in Force in 1882.

The total amount of insurance in force at the close of the Statements was \$115,042,048, which shows an increase of \$11,751,116 over that of the previous year, being distributed as follows:—

Canadian Co	mpan	ies	Fotal in force. . 53,855,051	Increase. 7,813,460
British	do	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	22,329,368	1,346,276
American	do			2,591,380
To	otal	*****************	115,042,048	11,751,116

Among the six active American Companies, the increase was \$3,341,039; while in the retired American Companies, which had at risk \$11,393,380 at the close of 1881, the decrease has been only \$749,659, of which \$196,187 was terminated by death or maturity, and \$553,472, or less than 5 per cent. of the existing insurance, was terminated by surrender lapse or removal. This latter fact speaks well for the character of the business transacted by these Companies.

It is to be regretted that the system of industrial insurance commenced last year does not seem to have attained the development which was expected, the number of policies taken having been only 697, for \$114,183, as against the 2703 policies for \$349,463 of the previous year, while the number in force has decreased from 1,301 to 1,267, although the amount in force is slightly larger.

[·]Imperfect.