

The Northern Life Assurance Company of Canada.

Fifth Annual Report.

The sixth annual meeting of the shareholders of the Northern Life Assurance Company of Canada was held on Monday, March 10, at their offices in the Temple Building, London, Ont.

In the absence of the president, the Hon. Mr. Justice Mills, Mr. T. H. Purdom, K. C., first vice-president, occupied the chair, and Mr. Francis Love, Police Magistrate, of London, acted as secretary.

The directors presented their fifth annual report, as follows: The directors are well satisfied with the results of the past year. The company has made substantial progress in every department, is constantly enlarging the volume of its business, and extending the area over which its operations are carried on.

The company is constantly strengthening its agency department, and has now a splendid staff of agents, who are working loyally for the company, and to whose energy and capacity is due in a large measure the gratifying results of the past year.

The amount of insurance written during the year was \$1,267,500, and the amount in force at the end of the year was \$2,768,870 and the net increase \$704,670.

The total amount of death claims paid up to the 31st day of December last was \$30,558 35, and the interest earned up to that time was \$35,152 09. The amount of death claims being \$65,710 54. The assets of the company have increased by the sum of \$70,521 65. These facts show the care with which the business is being conducted, the death claims being more than met by the interest earned. These death claims are less than the amount calculated according to the mortality tables upon which the premiums are based.

The assets of the company in cash or its equivalent now amount to the sum of \$24,271 65. This is exclusive of subscribed and uncalled capital.

The steady progress being made by the company is due to a continuance of the policy of caution and progress which has from the commencement been the policy of the directors of the company. Much energy and care has been given to the conduct of the business of the company, and the directors believe a continuance of that policy will maintain the company in its present position among the safest and best life assurance companies of Canada, and produce profits and results satisfactory to the shareholders as soon as such can, consistently, with the absolute safety of the policyholders, be expected.

The results achieved are viewed with satisfaction, and the future is looked forward to with confidence.

To the managing director, officers and staff of agents most is due for the progress made in building up the business of the company.

All the directors retire annually and are eligible for re-election.

Respectfully submitted, D. A. V. MILLS, President.

Annual Report of the Business for the Year 1901 Compared With the Previous Year.

New applications received in 1901 \$1,330,700 00

New applications received in 1900 \$839,210 00

INCREASE \$ 441,490 00 or 49.6 per cent.

New policies issued in 1901 \$1,257,500 00

New policies issued in 1900 \$822,010 00

INCREASE \$ 435,490 00 or 52.3 per cent.

Total insurance in force Dec. 31, 1901 \$2,768,870 00

Total insurance in force Dec. 31, 1900 \$2,065,200 00

INCREASE \$ 704,670 00 or 34.1 per cent.

Cash premium income in 1901 \$ 75,928 72

Cash premium income in 1900 \$ 75,425 47

INCREASE \$ 503 25 or 0.7 per cent.

Total cash income in 1901 \$ 84,755 92

Total cash income in 1900 \$ 84,714 59

INCREASE \$ 41 33 or 0.05 per cent.

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Balance Sheet Dec. 31st, 1901.

ASSETS.

By debentures, mortgages, and other interest bearing assets \$226,185 30

By cash in bank and office 4,885 61

By premium notes, premiums under collection and deferred (full reserve thereon included in liabilities) \$7,921 23

By all other assets 15,278 91

..... \$284,271 05

LIABILITIES.

To government reserves on policies \$122,983 93

To surplus on policyholders' account 161,287 12

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Assets for the security of policyholders:

Government reserves \$122,983 93

Surplus on capital account 161,287 12

Subscribed capital uncalled 625,550 00

Total security for policyholders \$909,820 45

Auditors' Report.

We hereby certify that we have made regular monthly audits of the books of the Northern Life Assurance Company of Canada during the year 1901. All the entries in the various books of the company, and the foregoing is a correct statement of the financial standing of the company on the 31st day of December, 1901.

(Signed), J. B. LAIDLAW, R. M. GRAHAM, Auditors.

On motion of T. H. Purdom, K. C., seconded by Matthew Wilson, K. C., of Chatham, and supported by brief remarks from Mr. Jenkins, of Petrolia, and others, the report was unanimously adopted.

The following gentlemen were elected directors for the ensuing year: Hon. Mr. Justice Mills, Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, T. H. Purdom, Esq., K. C., Thomas Long, Esq., Matthew Wilson, Esq., K. C., John Ferguson, Esq., F. B. Leys, M. P., P. W. S. Calvert, M. P., N. H. Stevens, Esq., John Davis, Esq., Francis Love, Esq., J. D. Balfour, Esq., M. D., A. P. Sherwood, Esq., John Purdom, Esq., M. P., and John Milne, Esq.

At a subsequent meeting of the board of directors, Hon. Mr. Justice Mills was re-elected president, with T. H. Purdom, Esq., K. C., first vice-president, and Thomas Long, Esq., second vice-president.

MRS. CARRIE NATION

LOOKING FOR BLOOD

Going Back to Topeka—Hatchet Brigade to Report for Work April 7.

Topeka, Kas., March 20.—The Journal says: Mrs. Nation is coming back to Topeka. She wants her hatchet brigade to report for business on April 7, and bring their weapons with them.

In a letter dated York, Neb., Mrs. Nation says:

"I read a communication from Gov. John P. St. John, in the Kansas City World, in which he says the women of Topeka are organizing to smash the conspiracy and anarchy in Topeka that Mayor Parker and his hordes of rebels are aiding and abetting. If ever it was justified to shed blood to free the country from human slavery, the condition of the bondage from the enemies to law and human life and eternal salvation demand as extreme measures under the bondage these traitors, perjurers and anarchists would compel submission to. I wonder that the poor women who have been lashed with the scourge of oppression have tolerated their tortures so long. I pray the day to come when women as well as men, arm themselves with hatchets, rocks, cowhides, clubs and dynamite and defend the cause of humanity, home and

heaven. This will be but a deed of love—perfect love casteth out all fear. There is no power on earth as great as that of woman's when she uses it. God gives her the inherent right to demand protection for her offspring. A woman will but lower her character by begging her rights. Demand them, then, your motherhood, virtue and hatchet. I shall be in Topeka the 7th of April. If there is a church or any house open for a mass meeting I will be present. Letters directed to Topeka will reach me."

A CHESLEY FARMER

Sick in Harvest Time—Doctors Fail—Dodd's Kidney Pills Cure Him.

Chesley, Ont., March 17.—John Fletcher, a farmer of this place, has been a sufferer from Lumbago and Kidney Trouble, which the best physicians failed to cure, or even relieve.

He is a farmer and during last harvest he was particularly troubled, so much so as to make his duties during this busy time almost impossible.

Dodd's Kidney Pills came to his relief, however, and he has been well ever since. He tells everybody:

"I was troubled all harvest with Lumbago and Kidney Trouble. My urine was of a very red color. The best medical men could do nothing for me. Finally I got some Dodd's Kidney Pills in Granston, and they proved to be just what I needed."

"In a very short time my back was as well as ever, and the Kidney Disorder had completely gone."

Iridium, which is the hardest of all metals, is used in the tips of gold pens and wears. Its cost is \$30 to \$50 a pound.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

Backache, swelling of feet and ankles, itching under eyes, frequent thirst, scanty, cloudy, highly colored urine, and all urinary troubles lead to Bright's disease, dropsy, diabetes, etc. Doan's Kidney Pills are a sure cure.

Doan's Kidney Pills are sold in London by C. McCullum & Co., and Anderson & Nelson, druggists.

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TWO KNOWN TO HAVE DROWNED

Loss by the Blaze at Hoboken \$1,000,000.

Farmer Loses an Arm by a Buzz-Saw—Hamilton Man Killed.

Lapeer, Mich., March 19.—Eliza Bradshaw, of Oregon township, was burned to death in attempting to light a fire with kerosene oil.

DROPPED DEAD.

Port Colborne, March 20.—An old lady named Mrs. Ward dropped dead on the street in Port Colborne, yesterday. She was 81 years of age, and came from Grand Rapids, Mich., about four years ago.

Chatham, March 20.—Cook Stringer, a young man, aged 30, and son of one of the oldest and best known families in Chatham, dropped dead yesterday afternoon at his home. This is the second death of this nature in that city within the past two days.

MANGLED BY SAW.

Dutton, March 19.—Thomas Ross, a farmer, residing east of Dutton, had the misfortune to have his arm caught in a buzz-saw while sawing wood at his place yesterday afternoon. His arm was badly broken from the wrist to the shoulder so that the bones are protruding through the flesh above the elbow. His life is despaired of by the doctors in attendance.

TROWN FROM HIS BUGGY.

Detroit, March 19.—Wm. W. Magee, a well known meat dealer, was thrown from his buggy and fatally injured beneath the wheels of a street car at Mott and Woodward avenues, last night. A companion, Fred Yates, was seriously hurt. Mr. Magee died four minutes after his arrival at Harper Hospital. Mr. Magee was born at Hamilton, Ont., 54 years ago, and he came to Detroit when 20 years of age.

Mrs. Magee, who survives her husband, was Miss Maggie McDonald, of Glengarry, Ont.

Fred Yates came here from Hamilton, Ont., five or six years ago, and he has been one of Mr. Magee's clerks for the last six months. He is about 30 years of age.

TWO PERISHED.

Hoboken, N. J., March 20.—It was learned today that the fireboat David A. Boddy, of the Hoboken pier, was burned, and was drowned. No exact estimate could be made of the loss, but it is believed to be about \$1,000,000.

Patrick Hussey, a longshoreman, who was burned while trying to escape from the Phoenix pier, died from the effects of his injuries. Besides Hussey, four longshoremen were taken to St. Mary's Hospital. Some of the longshoremen, who saved themselves by swimming ashore, say they saw 20 or 30 men leap into the river. Sup. Mason, of the Phoenix Line, said today that it would be impossible to definitely state the loss by the fire in less than two weeks. He did not think \$1,250,000 would cover it.

FATAL FALL.

Winnipeg, March 20.—Charles B. Reynolds, night clerk of the Queen's Hotel, was fixing something in the bath room and slipped from the ladder, hitting his head on the fire. He was dead when found a few minutes after. Reynolds leaves a wife and several children. He had been in the Queen's Hotel since the early boom days, and before then worked in a brewery at Montreal. He had also served in the army in India and Africa.

LOST IN A BLIZZARD.

Reston, Man., March 20.—Foreman A. L. Davis, of Antler, was lost in Saturday's blizzard, and cannot be found. All hopes of his survival are at this time. The young Englishman, named Chadwick, at Belmont, was lost in the storm from Sunday night till Monday. He was living, but helpless when found, and is in a serious condition at the hospital.

BLASTING FATALITY.

Revelstoke, B. C., March 19.—Herbert Walton, a resident of Revelstoke, and timekeeper for a rock gang working in the Revelstoke district, was almost instantly killed by being hit over the heart by a flying fragment of rock from a blasting spot 1,200 feet away.

TO CLEVELAND FROM DETROIT BY BOAT.

First Trip of the Season Successfully Accomplished—Soo Canal Opening.

Cleveland, Ohio, March 19.—The steamer City of Detroit arrived here at 4:30 p.m. yesterday, having made the run from Detroit in a little less than seven hours. Her officers reported having encountered bitterly cold weather and snow squalls, but very little ice was seen. Owing to an accident to the receiving apparatus, the wireless telegraph did not work satisfactorily. At 12:20 a message, dated "On Lake Erie," reported that one of the wire screens used in connection with the telegraph in America is the steamer had been blown away. During the afternoon General Passenger Agent Schantz received the following message: "Lake Erie, 2 p.m.—Making good headway. Encountering no ice."—Captain McKay.

THE SOO CANAL OPENING.

Sault Ste. Marie, March 20.—The Canadian Ship canal will be in readiness for the passage of vessels next Saturday.

Catarth is a Germ Disease

Science, armed with the microscope, has established it a fact, and this conclusion renders obsolete the practice of treating asthma, catarrh and bronchitis by coughing, spraying, sneezing, etc. Such treatments are an utter failure, because they cannot penetrate the delicate air cells of the lungs, or the air passages of the nose and bronchial tubes, where the germs of catarrh have their stronghold. Catarrh is the only certain remedy. It is inhaled by the mouth and after spreading through all the respiratory organs is exhaled through the nostrils. Catarrhine kills the germs, heals the inflamed tissues, clears the head and throat in two minutes, and cures in a few hours. Nothing is so effective, pleasant and simple as catarrhine. Two months' treatment, \$1; small size, 25c. Druggists or N. C. Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont.

TO MAKE MONEY IT IS NECESSARY

to have a clear, bright brain, a cool head and strong nerves. Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills invigorate and brighten the brain, strengthen the nerves and remove all heart, nerve, and brain troubles.

LAXATIVE PILLS

Those who have used Laxa-Liver Pills say they have no equal for relieving and curing Constipation, Sick Headache, Biliousness, Dyspepsia, Coated Tongue, Foul Breath, Heart Burn, Water Brash, any disease or disorder of the stomach, liver or bowels.

Mrs. George Williams, Fairfield Plains, Ont., writes as follows: "I have used so many other medicines offered for sale in substitution for Laxa-Liver Pills I am particular to get the genuine, as they surpass anything else for regulating the bowels and correcting stomach disorders."

Laxa-Liver Pills are purely vegetable; neither gripe, weaken nor sicken, are easy to take and prompt to act.

RADCLIFFE READY FOR A GRUSOME TASK.

Alleged to Have Been Intoxicated—An Execution to Take Place at Edmonton.

Ottawa, March 20.—Radcliffe, the official hangman, arrived in Hull, Que., yesterday to prepare for the execution of Stanislaus Lacroix, the Montebello murderer. Archbishop Duhamel visited Lacroix yesterday morning. The Ottawa Journal published the following yesterday:

Hangman Radcliffe and Jailer Moussette, of Hull, had a difference of opinion this morning, in which the sheriff also took a hand. Radcliffe, fired in Hull this morning early and presented himself to Jailer Moussette, demanding admittance to see his prisoner. Jailer Moussette refused to let him through the door of the jail, where the scaffold is erected, and to a Journal reporter stated that the hangman was intoxicated. Radcliffe appealed to Sheriff Wright, who, on seeing his condition, refused to let him into the jail. A reporter subsequently located Radcliffe in the parlor of a hotel asleep on a lounge. On being roused, he showed every sign of intoxication, but was very indignant at the treatment accorded him at the jail. "That man is my prisoner," said he, "and I am a bigger man today than the sheriff of the whole Dominion. I want to see Lacroix, and I have a right to see him, which has been refused me. This afternoon I shall personally go over and see the matter straightened out. I have been ill for some weeks, and am not feeling very well now, and I do not want any more trouble about this matter."

The scaffold was completed this morning by the Montreal jailers and is now ready for Friday morning. Gilt-edged invitations have been sent out to some.

ANOTHER EXECUTION.

An order in council has been passed allowing the law to take its course in the case of "Bud" Bullock, now under sentence of death in Edmonton jail for the murder of one Stanislaus Chas. Kalamazoo, Mich. Bullock will be hanged on March 26.

TO BE TRIED FOR MANSLAUGHTER.

Stratford, March 20.—At the high court a true bill has been returned by the grand jury in the case of Rex vs. Peters and Slater for manslaughter.

PAIN'S CELERY COMPOUND

Has the Approval of the Best Physicians.

AS A SPRING MEDICINE IT HAS NO EQUAL.

It Cures the Most Desperate Cases After Failures With Other Remedies.

The indorsement of Paine's Celery Compound by men high in the medical profession and the success of its Medical approval was only announced after severe tests and proofs of remarkable cures. Paine's Celery Compound has always succeeded in the work of life-saving after other medicines and prescriptions failed; it has cured diseases and troubles of long standing, and faithfully carried out all that it claimed to do. Medical evidence freely given by unbiased and honest physicians is sufficient to place Paine's Celery Compound far ahead of all other medicines as an unrivalling cure for nervousness, prostration, mental exhaustion, sleeplessness, rheumatism, paralysis, headache, dyspepsia, and all troubles arising from a sluggish and impure condition of the blood.

As a spring medicine, Paine's Celery Compound has been used by the most successful physicians in Canada, and is fully indorsed by America's best physicians.

SMALLPOX SUSPECTS.

Toronto, March 19.—So many small-pox suspects and patients have slipped out of the hospital, and are now along the Ottawa River of late that the Ontario Government has decided to establish two large quarantine camps—one near Pembroke, for the Upper Ottawa district, and the other near the capital, for the section of country along the lower reaches of the river.

Several extra medical officers will be appointed to look out for incriminated patients, and the hospital will be today from Party Sound, and an additional one from Foley township, near there. Alice township is caring for an extra sufferer and several more are being treated in Ottawa.

CANADA SHOULD TAKE ARCTIC ISLANDS

Suggestions Made at Annual Meeting of Surveyors—Value of Northern Ontario's Great Clay Belt.

Toronto, March 20.—The annual meeting of the Ontario Land Surveyors is in progress at the parliament buildings.

The land surveyors are very strong of opinion that Canada should take formal possession of the Arctic islands and peninsulas to the north of the mainland of British North America. These lands are Canadian by presumption, but in the report of the polar research committee, presented by Mr. Willis Chipman, it was urged that the title be made secure.

THE BIG CLAY BELT.

The great clay belt of Northern Ontario discovered north of the height of land in 1900, was the subject of an important paper by G. B. Kirkpatrick, of the Ontario Government Survey, who produced records showing that up till Oct. 23 in that year there were only two nights of frost in the region in the year of the survey. He estimated that there was room for 100,000 farms in the region and for a population of 1,000,000. The value of the standing pulpwood alone is \$115,000,000.

THE HUDSON BAY ROUTE.

H. DeQ. Sewell dwelt upon the necessity of increased facilities in Manitoba and the Northwest, particularly for the purpose of dealing with the annual grain blockade. The Canadian Northern would do something to relieve this blockade, but much still remained to be done to avert the great annual loss to the farmers of the Territories. He wondered that more attention had not been paid to the outlet afforded by Hudson Bay. A line from a central point in Manitoba to Hudson Bay would give a more direct route to Liverpool than the shipments via Montreal or through Buffalo to other seaports.

Reports showed that floating ice would make shipment from Hudson's Bay, except from August to December, impracticable, but as these were the months of the grain blockade, a great advantage would result in having a railway to and a steamship line from that bay. Incidentally the railway would open up a country undoubtedly rich in timber, mineral and agricultural possibilities.

DEFECTIVE MAPS.

Otto Klotz, of Ottawa, who has dug up the records of the convention of 1782 on the boundary of what is now the Lake of the Woods region and Minnesota, and the interests of Canada were hopelessly sacrificed because of defective maps, evidently the work of men with hazy knowledge of the region. The result is that for all time there will be a section of territory in the United States to which the only access is by the water of the Lake of the Woods frozen over every winter, or through British territory.

SUMMER PRICES FOR ICE.

Dealers Announce Rates for Large and Small Delivery Supplies—Protection Necessary.

At a meeting of the ice dealers of London, held recently for the purpose of deciding on a mutual course of action, the following agreement was arrived at:

The season to begin May 1 and end Sept. 30.

All hotels, clubs, grocers, provision dealers, butchers, bakers, etc., poultry and milk dealers, private customers and hospitals taking over 50 pounds daily, at 15 cents per cwt.

Retail confectioners, ice cream parlors, cafes and fish dealers, at 12½ cents per cwt.

Butchers, confectionery manufacturers and brewery agencies to be charged at the rate of 10 cents per cwt. (extra for putting in boxes).

The rates decided upon for private consumers are as follows:

15 to 20 pounds daily, season \$5 50

25 pounds daily, season 6 00

30 pounds daily, season 7 00

At all other additional rates, and for every additional 5 pounds daily, 25 cents more per month added.

For consumers taking not more than 20 pounds daily, times, per week, \$1 per month, or for the season, \$5.

And to those not regular customers, wanting 100 pounds or more, to be charged 30 cents per month, or for the season, \$3.

Customers wanting ice before May 1 and after Sept. 30, to be charged at the rate of \$1 per month for 20 pounds, delivered four times a week; and more according to quantity required, although the prices are not materially raised, according to rates.

For their own protection it was felt necessary by the ice dealers to come to a common understanding among themselves, particularly at this time, owing to the limited supply of ice, and the fact being that all of the dealers must content themselves with very much less than that secured in previous years. Not alone for this reason are the ice dealers justified in asking better and more uniform rates than those previously existing, but for another and sufficient reason—the steady advance of wages, and the increased prices demanded for all supplies required by