The claims by death and matured endowments equalled \$1,044,155, the aggregate of the claims by death being exceptionally small—69.5 per cent. of the expectation, according to the H. M. Table of the Institute of Actuaries, on which the office calculations are based:

3 died at age 90 and upwards.

34 died at age 80 and under age 90.

77 died at age 70 and under age 80.

71 died at age 60 and under age 70.

78 died under age 60.

The Revenue for the year was \$2,447,560, and the total outgo, \$1,622,720, leaving \$824,840 to be added to the net funds, which amounted to \$22,701,710. The rate of interest realized on the total funds, invested and uninvested, was a fraction over 4 per cent., and the expenses of management amounted to 14.25 per cent. of the premium income for the year.

NEW YORK INSURANCE DEPARTMENT REPORT, 1903.

Part 1 of Report for 1903 of the Insurance Superintendent of the State of New York was made public on 19th inst. This section comprises returns of Fire and Marine Insurance. The changes last year were not extensive. The Greenwich is the only company that reinsured and retired from business. The Hamilton Fire having showed an impairment of capital, was ordered to make good the deficit last month. The National Standard and the Assurance of America become merged under the latter title. The North American withdrew, and the Insurance Co., of Pennsylvania, the National, Security Fire and Western Underwriters were admitted to the State of New York.

The gross amount of insurance in force by all the Fire and Marine Companies reporting to the Department amounted to \$26,358,748,635, representing the business of 168 companies. For every \$100 insured the average premium is \$1.06. There was \$205,936,092 received in premiums for the entire business and fire and marine, \$101,704,050 paid for losses. The miscellaneous disbursements amounted to \$82,244,652, and for dividends there was paid \$8,549,423.

The fire premiums received were \$33,952,588, the fire losses paid, \$15.412,921, the loss ratio bein—the very moderate one of 45.3 per cent. The estimated expense for the transaction of this business is \$11,317,529, the ratio to premiums being 33.29 per cent.

The amount of fire risks written in 1902 was \$4,303,760,976, in 1903, \$4,370,774,882, the increase in past year being \$67,013,906. The marine and inland risks written in 1902 was \$505,180,523, in 1903, \$506.623,127, an increase of \$1,442,604. The following table, compiled from the Superintendent's Report, shows a comparison of the business in 1902 with that of 1903. We have supplemented the official figures by adding the amount of the increase in each case.

UNITED STATES FIRE INSURANCE, 1903.

	New York Joint Stock Fire Companies.		Joint Stock Companies of Other States.		Mutual Fire Companies.		Foreign Fire Companies. U. S. Branches.	
	1903	1902	1903	1902	1903	1902	1903	1902
Number of Companies	46	47	68	65	6	6	33	33
Assets Increase or Decrease 1903 Liabilities, except Capital Increase or Decrease 1903 Capital	50,933,941 3,595,434	47,338,507	Inc. 11,411,152 85,769,799 Inc. 5,192 643	80,577,156	Inc. 66,260 558,820 Inc. 40,954	517,866	Inc. 4 778,79-	48,331,47
Surplus	Inc. 3,183,373 53,963,875 Inc. 6,513,119	47,450,756	Inc. 5,418,510 86,633,221 Inc. 11,827,665	74,805,556	572,356 Inc. 100,803	471,553	Inc. 3,315 589 55,935.772 Inc. 2,688,061	53,247,71
Losses paid	Inc. 372,985 47 3 per cent. 5.8 per cent	53.1 per cent.	Dec. 1 021,807 49.2 per cent Dec. 9 1 p. cent	58.3 per cent.	Dec. 24,147		28,675,184 Dec: 467,956 51.2 per cent. Dec. 3.5 per ct.	54.7 per cent
Fotal disbursements Increase or Decrease Risks in force Increase or Decrease 1903	7.861.129.185	7.311.912.559	10.832.776.028	10 625 121 416	91 209 271	80 735 000	Dec. 624,256	7 074 540 55