

On farm and household.....	\$4,359,728 00
" Mercantile	1,008,752 00
" Manufacturing	364,524 00

There are in all 20,759 policies in force, covering \$16,225,452 00. The directors regret to have again to announce the losses as being heavy, though not so disastrous as in the previous year. They amount, including adjusted, unadjusted and rejected, in all to \$72,733 54, viz:—

Rejected	\$ 6,692 70
Unadjusted	10,342 70
Adjusted, not due.....	12,202 47
Adjusted, due. [and not paid	400 00
Paid	43,095 67
	<u>\$72,733 54</u>

The balance of assets is, as per statement, \$254,130 17. The ordinary running expenses amount to \$14,955 86. The total amount of cash receipts for the year were \$84,206 78; while the disbursements have been \$80,826 83, leaving a cash balance of \$3,379 95, against \$2,043 36 for last year.

Your directors beg to submit the following statements, certified to by the auditors, also the auditor's report.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT—DETAIL OF EXPENSES.

<i>Assets.</i>	
Cash in bank not bearing interest	\$ 1,272 81
Cash in bank, at interest	2,000 00
" " in Treasury	107 14
Notes at short dates.....	22,660 15
Dues by Agents.....	4,530 46
" other companies for re-insurance	3,046 85
Assessment dues in course of collection.....	25,976 23
Furniture.....	219 40
Other debts due to the company	4,011 84
	<u>\$ 63,824 88</u>
Premium notes after deducting assessments..	209,865 12
	<u>\$273,690 00</u>

<i>Liabilities.</i>	
Claims under investigation and not paid.....	\$23,872 17
Due directors for Board attendance	249 64
Due inspector of losses..	155 00
Due inspector of risks..	231 00
Due to agents.....	2,164 60
Other debts due by the company	1,887 52
	<u>\$ 28,559 83</u>
Balance	245,130 17
	<u>\$273,690 00</u>

Audited and approved,
DAVID WRIGHT, } Auditors.
F. W. GATES, }

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

<i>Receipts.</i>	
Balance in cash and bank 31st Dec., 1875	\$ 2,043 36
Prem pd thrgh agts.....	\$15,815 61
" " by short dtd nts 34,239 78	50,055 39
Assessments received.....	28,670 70
Notes collected through Division Court.....	1,161 46
Interest on deposits.....	256 41
Law costs refunded Division Court..	124 73
Rent received from tenants.....	151 00
Bills payable.....	1,494 50
Postage stamps redeemed.....	249 23
	<u>\$84,206 78</u>

<i>Disbursement.</i>	
Losses paid of 1875.....	\$16,643 40
" " 1876.....	41,788 86
Agents on account.....	4,362 99
Expenses, salaries, printing, postage, stationery, &c.....	8,794 32
Rent and taxes.....	664 14
Auditors	150 00
Furniture	60 00
Investigating losses.....	\$2,977 00
" risks.....	500 00
Post Master General, remitted postage stamps for redemption.....	173 51
Directors' fees.....	971 70
Bills payable.....	1,094 50
Law costs.....	1,355 21
Premiums refunded.....	532 76
Suspense account.....	761 44
Deposit on interest.....	2,000 00
Balance on hand.....	1,379 95
	<u>\$84,206 78</u>

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There is perhaps no class of business subject to more severe loss in hard times than that of fire insurance, even notwithstanding the greatest precaution and care as to the risks taken. It therefore behooves the directors to be doubly anxious at such times. According to the provisions of a recent Act of the Provincial Legislature, all mutual insurance companies doing a partially cash business have to make a deposit with Government. The deposit has to be made in July next, and your new Board will have to make provision for that. Upon the report being disposed of, you will be called upon to elect seven directors to serve for the ensuing year. The present Board now retire; they are eligible for re-election, with the exception of Dr. Walker, who objects to re-nomination, and whose letter to that effect the secretary will be asked to read.

Presented by
THOMAS STOCK,
Chairman.

THE MERCHANTS BANK OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

The Directors have much pleasure in submitting for your information the sixth annual report of this bank. Although mercantile business has been much depressed since last annual meeting, yet the season closed exhibiting a marked improvement, caused chiefly by a brisk demand for our agricultural exports; this enabled the commercial community generally to respond to their obligations with ordinary promptness, so that the business of the bank has resulted satisfactorily.

Two dividends of five per cent each have been declared, and paid to stockholders, and a further sum of \$15,000 has been added to the rest account, which now amounts to \$30,000, while a balance of \$12,507 58 at the credit of profit and loss has been carried forward to the account of the incoming year. The business of the agency at Georgetown continues to progress favorably. The Directors deem it their duty to record their high appreciation of the efficient manner in which the Cashier and all the officials of the Bank have discharged their duties during the year. The statement herewith of the liabilities and assets, together with the profit and loss account, exhibits the present state of the institution.

<i>Liabilities.</i>	
To Capital paid up	\$146,000 00
" Bank Notes in circulation	237,098 00
" Deposits bearing interest	171,844 00
" Deposits not bearing interest ..	124,078 96
" Dividends unpaid	186 54

" Rest Account	30,000 00
" Undivided Profits on hand	12,507 58
	<u>\$721,715 50</u>

<i>Assets.</i>	
By SPECIE,—Gold and Silver	\$5 1,397 81
" Notes and Cheques of other Banks ..	10,995 94
" Balances in hands of other Banks..	172,731 73
" Debentures	1,800 00
	<u>236,926 48</u>
" Bills discounted.....	408,270 79
" Other Securities, including Cash Accounts judgments Loans &c.,	72,832 88
" Bank Premises	3,685 35
	<u>\$721,715 50</u>

Profit and Loss Account.

1877.	
March 1.	To current expenses including Georgetown agency, salaries, rent, Directors' remuneration, &c.
	" Int. Commission &c., ..
	" Dividend No. 8,
	" do. No. 9,
	" Balance due on preliminary expenses written off,
	" Transferred to rest acc't ..
	" Balance on hand.....
	<u>\$64,029 29</u>

1876.	
March 2.	By balance brought down.....
1877.	
March 1.	" Total earnings for the year
	<u>\$64,059 29</u>

WM. McLEAN,
Cashier.

STOCKS IN MONTREAL.

4 o'clock, Mar. 14, 1877.

Stocks.	Lowest Point in Week.	Highest Point in Week.	Total Transactions in Week.	Buyers.	Sellers.
Montreal.....	175	176	723	1754	176
Ontario.....	101	101	27	101	10
Consolidated	91	91	27	91	92
Peoples.....	88	88	27	88	80
Molson's				112	114
Toronto		174	26	174	175
Jacques Cartier	33	33	37	33	33
Merchants	79	82	13	79	79
Commerce	118	119	315	118	119
Metropolitan		48	46	48	50
Maritime				72	
Exchange			3	93	96
Hamilton				9	9
Union					80
Montreal Tel.	111	113	3336	112	112
Dominion Telegraph ..			12	85	88
Gas	157	159	1341	157	158
City Pass.....	106	108	305	106	103
R. C. Insurance.....		90	37	90	90
Sterling Exchange ..	109	109		109	108
Gold	104	105		104	104

Langton gth.—Steinhoffs vacant tavern, and the store, dwelling and storehouse of J. K. McLennan, consumed by fire, building insured, contents covered in.

Mono Mills gth.—The store of Patrick McLaughlin took fire, presumed from incendiary, storehouse and contents burned, stock heavy, and but slightly insured.