The following list of life insurance carried by large capitalists is an indication as to how they regard the value of such protection: John Wanamaker, of Philadelphia, insured for $1,500,000; George W. Vanderbilt, New York, insured for $1,000,000; August Belmont, New York, insured for $600,000; H. H. Kohlsaat, Chicago, insured for $600,000; E. H. Abbott, Milwaukee, insured for $500,000; Chauncey M. Depew, New York, insured for $500,000; N. W. Gibbs, Philadelphia, insured for $500,000; T. A. Havemeyer, New York, insured for $500,000; J. Read Whipple, Boston, insured for $500,000; George K. Anderson, New York, insured for $410,000; Fred. W. Peck, Chicago, insured for $400,000; Clarence I. Peck, Chicago, insured for $400.000.

One of the "fifteen year class" of disgruntled policyholders of the Mutual Reserve having applied to the Supreme Court of the State of New York for an injunction to restrain the Association from collecting assessments as recently re-apportioned, and urging that the court interfere to protect his rights, it has been decided by the court that a policyholder could not maintain such an action, and that the issuing of such an injunction might result disastrously for the Association and interfere with the prosecution of its business. Those who have vigorously resisted the last assessment if they will not pay up can lapse.

Estate of late Thos. Doherty, versus Ontario Mutual Life. The late Mr. Thomas Doherty took out a policy of insurance with the Ontario Mutual Life for $5,000, payable to his heirs, executors or assigns. Shortly before his death, he notified the Company that he wished to make an assignment of the Policy in favor of his sister, Mrs. Kearney, to which they assented, and assignment was accordingly made.

After his death, Mrs. Doherty claimed amount of insurance and so did Mrs. Kearney under the assignment. The Company, upon receipt of claim papers properly executed, were about to transmit amount of claim to Mrs. Kearney, but payment was stopped on protest of Mrs. Doherty, who claimed money should be paid to her.

Since that time, nearly a year ago, the Ontario Mutual have been using every effort to get them to come to an amicable arrangement; but failed, and will now pay the money into court.

The suit pending is for the purpose of establishing who is entitled to the money.

The annual meeting of the Chicago Life Underwriters' Association at the Union League Club on the 15th of February resulted in the unanimous election of the ticket of the nominating committee. The officers for the new year are: Geo. L. Wrenn, president; L. Brackett Bishop and Alonzo W. Kimball, vice-presidents; Fred B. Mason, secretary; Hervey S. Dale, treasurer. Executive committee: James W. Janney, William D. Wyman, Dr. S. L. Fuller, Geo. F. Schilling and Danford M. Baker.

Mr. F. B. Soule, of the Security Trust and Life, was elected to membership.

The reports of the officers and Executive committee for the year just ended show a present membership of 95; active members, 82; honorary, 9; non-resident, 4. This is a loss of seven for the year, 27 having been dropped on account of death, resignation or non-payment of dues, and 20 new members admitted. The deaths recorded were two—I. H. Flitcraft and L. H. Towler.

The London & Lancashire Life Assurance Company have purchased a part of the Barron block, St. James St., in this city, and will erect a five storey fireproof building thereon. The Bank of Nova Scotia will occupy the entire ground floor, and the London & Lancashire intend to reserve the first floor for their own offices. The building will have a frontage of 40 feet on St. James street and 80 feet on St. John street, and is to be a structure suitable to such a splendid site and solid as the Company undertaking its erection.

What Elizabeth Stuart Phelps Ward says about the jingo newspapers :

"What should be said of the newspaper men who might be guilty of causing such an immeasurable woe? God only could forgive them. This country never would. Let us remember that civilized nations are no longer thugs and pirates. It is out of date to settle national differences by slaughter. The incendiary editor raves hotly over the loss of *three hundred men. But he coldly instigates the murder of three hundred thousand or three times that.* He pours fiery rhetoric about the miseries consequent on the explosion of one battle-ship. *But he is laying the torpedoes which may blow up two navies.* He places the mine. He trails the wire; he puts his finger on the electric button. He is the criminal. *He is a thousandfold more guilty than any possible savage, or maniac, who might, by any conceivable turn of events, be suspected to know more than he chose to tell about the destruction of the Maine.*"

The net earnings of the Grand Trunk, Canadian Pacific, Montreal and Toronto Street railways up to a recent date were as follows :—

G. T. R.

	1898.	1897.	Increase.
Feb. 14	$415,437	$355,854	$59,583
21	411,644	387,692	23,952
28	451,587	405,526	46,061
Mar. 7	445,048	397,587	47,461
14	476,407	403,556	72,851
21	453,470	410,545	42,925
21-31	674,045	591,591	82,454

C. P. R.

	1898.	1897.	Increase.
Jan. 1-7	$426,000	$340,000	$86,000
8-14	404,000	325,000	79,000
15-21	396,000	315,000	81,000
22-31	472,000	353,000	119,000
Feb. 1-7	385,000	332,000	53,000
8-14	375,000	323,000	52,000
15-21	351,000	310,000	41,000
22-28	377,000	306,000	71,000
Mar. 1-7	454,000	325,000	129,000
" 7-14	492 000	323,000	169,000
" 14-21	463,000	325,000	138,000
" 21-31	641,000	536,000	105,000
	$6,236,000	$5,113,000	$1,023,000

MONTREAL STREET RY.

Week ending.	1898.	1897.	Increase.
Feb. 21	$29,184	$25,773	$3,411
28	29,403	25,853	3,550
Mar. 7	26,294	22,364	3,929
14	25,656	21,800	3,856
21	26,634	22,479	4,154
28	25,112	22,556	2,556
Apl. 5	17,708	16,084	1,624

TORONTO STREET RY.

Week ending.	1898.	1897.	Increase.
Feb. 21	$23,144	$18,878	$4,266
28	23,612	20,244	3,368
Mar. 7	21,796	18,184	3,612
14	20,747	17,752	2,995
21	20,856	17,248	3,608
28	19,979	17,147	2,832
Apl. 5	10,093	8,502	1,591