The Standard Life Assurance Co.

Eightieth Annual General Meeting of Proprietors.

Held within the Company's Office at Edinburgh on 10th May, 1906.

THE DIRECTORS beg to announce to the Proprietors the results of the business transacted during the year and during the Quinquennium ended 15th November, 1905, and to submit the Statements connected therewith in terms of the Company's Acts of Parliament. The following are the principal results of the Company's operations during the year under review :--AMOUNT OF ASSURANCES PROPOSED during the year, 7608 Proposals for . \$16,469,955 AMOUNT OF ASSURANCES accepted during the year, for which 6248 Policies \$12,677,040 were issued for 881,265 Of this amount there was reassured with other Offices \$11,795,775 Leaving net amount of New Assurances for the year CORRESPONDING PREMIUM REVENUE on New Policies during the year \$514,920 1905-Annual Premiums 112,120 Single Premiums \$627,040 76,950 Less Premiums on amount reassured \$550,090 Leaving net Premiums on New Business CLAIMS BY DEATH arose during the year under 1032 Policies (after deducting Re-\$2,633,570 assurances) for 585,860 With Bonus Additions amounting to the further sum of \$3,219,430 CLAIMS under MATURED ENDOWMENTS and ENDOWMENT ASSUR-\$528,995 ANCES arose under 256 Policies for 58,330 With Bonus Additions amounting to 587,325 \$3,806,755 TOTAL CLAIMS \$144,500,825 THE SUBSISTING ASSURANCES as at 15th November, 1905, amounted to exclusive of Bonus Additions, the number of Policies being 61,178, giving an average of \$2360 per Policy \$8,594,475 Of the above there was reassured with other Offices \$507,820 As PURCHASE PRICE OF ANNUITIES, the sum of was received. \$566,580 ANNUITIES were paid amounting to \$7,323,885 THE REVENUE for the year was of which \$4,995,790 was derived from Premiums and \$2,328,095 from interest on investments, the increase during the year having been \$131,740 from the former, and \$35,980 from the latter, in all \$167,720. \$57,872,780 THE TOTAL ASSETS, as shown in the Balance Sheet, amount to 953,315 From which deduct current Liabilities

LEAVING TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDS \$56,919,465

During the quinquennium the new business put upon the Company's Books has amounted to \$58,750,000, or an average of \$11,750,000 for each individual year, figures which compare favourably with those of all the quinquennial periods which preceded it.

Claims by death keep within the expectation of the tables by which the Company's calculations have been made. Owing to the popularity of the Endowment Assurance system, the item Endowments and Endowment Assurances matured tends to increase, but as such policies all result favourably to the Company, the increase is not to be regretted.

It is interesting to note that the total sum paid away by the Company since its foundation exceeds Twenty-four Millions Sterling.

Expenses.—The Directors are glad to be able to report a slight decrease in the ratio of expenses to premium income for the year. This question continues to engage their most careful consideration, and every effort is being made to effect further reductions.

It must be kept in view. however, that the ratio of expenses to premium income is necessarily greater in the case of a Company such as THE STANDARD, having a number of recently established Branches doing a large new business, than in the case of a Company whose business has as a whole been longer established. LEONARD W. DICKSON, Manager.

D. M. McCOUN, Manager for Canada

Edinburgh, 10th May, 1906.