

An Act to amend and extend the Acts relating to Mutual Fire Insurance Companies in Upper Canada.

WHEREAS it is expedient to extend the provisions of the late Preamble.  
Province of Upper Canada, passed in the sixth year of the Reign 6 W. 4, c. 1E.  
of His Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled, "*An Act to author-  
ize the establishment of Mutual Fire Insurance in Upper Canada,*" and  
of the Acts amending the same, so as to provide for the more speedy  
and certain payment of losses incurred, by enabling Mutual Insurance  
Companies to possess a *guaranteed* capital, to assume such corporate  
name as the Directors may deem expedient, and to collect premiums in  
full, in cash, in certain cases: Therefore Her Majesty, &c., enacts as  
follows:

I. Any Mutual Fire Insurance Company formed under the Acts above Any Mutual  
cited shall have power to raise by subscription of its members or some Insurance  
of them, on the admission of new members, not being persons assured Company may  
by the Company, or by loan, or otherwise, a *guarantee* capital of any raise a *guar-  
anteed*  
sum not exceeding *five hundred thousand dollars*, which *guarantee* capital, not to  
capital shall belong to such Company, and be liable for all the losses, exceed \$500,  
debts, and expenses of the Company; and subscribers of such capital 000.  
stock shall in respect thereof have such rights as the Directors of the  
Company shall declare and fix by a By-law to be passed before such  
capital shall be raised, and which shall not thereafter be repealed or  
altered without the consent of the holders of such capital, unless such  
capital be paid off in the manner hereinafter provided.

II. Any such Company shall have power to adopt, by a By-law passed Company  
in the usual manner, any corporate name which the Directors may deem may adopt  
expedient, but such corporate name shall not thereafter be changed so a new corpo-  
long as the Company shall subsist. rate name.

III. Any such Company shall have power to create from the surplus Company may  
profits of the Company, from year to year, a Reserve Fund, for the pur- create a  
pose of paying off the guarantee capital, after which its affairs and Reserve Fund  
and pay off  
property shall revert to and be vested in the parties insured, as the sole guaranteed  
members of the Company. capital.

IV. Any such Company shall have power to collect premiums in cash May take  
for insurance for terms not longer than one year, and such portion of premiums in  
of the premium notes as the Directors may consider equitable and necessary cash.  
on all insurances for terms longer than one year.