

PROPOSED ENGLISH TARIFF RULE.

It is learned from London that the Fire Offices Committee has promulgated the following proposed rule for consideration:—

"No proposals for new insurances on tariff risks are to be accepted through any broker who has not given the office an undertaking in writing, in the form required by the Fire Offices' Committee, that he has not placed and will not place any part of such insurances, either directly or indirectly with any company, society, individual or individuals, corporate or incorporate, carrying on the business of insurance, against fire in the United Kingdom, whether direct or by re-insurance, except at tariff rates, and subject to all tariff regulations applicable thereto, including the limitation of commission."

The form of undertaking for the broker's signature is as follows:—

"I (or we) undertake and agree with the Insurance Company that I (or we) have not placed, and will not place, either directly or indirectly, any part of the insurances on with any company, society, individual or individuals, corporate or incorporate, carrying on the business of insurance against fire in the United Kingdom, except at tariff rates, and subject to all tariff regulations applicable thereto, including the limitation of commission."

"Signed"

NOTES AND ITEMS.

Louisville underwriters are very angry because at the recent election all the men of the fire brigade were off duty working for their party. We could name another city where political influences detract from the usefulness of the fire brigade.

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