

Employers' Liability Assurance Corporation, Ltd.

HAMILTON HOUSE, VICTORIA EMBANKMENT, LONDON, E.C.

DIRECTORS' REPORT, 1906.

The Directors submit to the Shareholders their Twenty-fifth Annual Report, together with the Audited Accounts to 31st December, 1905.

The premiums for the year are **\$3,591,270** against **\$3,193,685** for the year 1904, an increase of **\$400,585**.

The balance of this year's account is **\$3,115,610**. Out of this amount the Directors have already paid an interim dividend of 50 cents. per Share, and now recommend a further dividend of \$1.50 per Share (free of Income Tax), making together a dividend of 20 per cent. for the year on the Paid-up Capital. This will absorb \$150,000 leaving **\$2,965,610** to be carried forward.

The following Directors, Sir Wm. B. Forwood, Mr. L. Salomons and Mr. E. H. Llewellyn, retire, and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

In accordance with the resolution of the Shareholders, Messrs. Welton, Jones & Co. have audited the Accounts now submitted and offer themselves for re-election for the ensuing year.

By order of the Board,

S. STANLEY BROWN,

General Manager and Secretary.

15th February, 1906

REVENUE ACCOUNT. 1st January, 1904, to 31st December, 1905.

BALANCE OF LAST ACCOUNT—

As per last Report.....	\$2,641,600
Less Dividends for 1904	131,250
	<u>\$2,510,350</u>

REVENUE OF THE YEAR—

Premiums, less Bonus and Returns to the Assured and Reinsurance	\$3,594,270
Interest and Rents.....	154,795
Transfer Fees.....	170
Profit on Exchange.....	10,750
	<u>3,759,985</u>

REALIZED PROFITS ON INVESTMENTS

HAMILTON HOUSE REDEMPTION FUND	20,515
INVESTMENT :—	
Interest.....	1,005
	<u>\$6,291,855</u>

CHARGES AGAINST REVENUE OF THE YEAR—

Directors' and Auditors' Fees.....	\$ 25,525
Salaries and House Expenses.....	57,175
Rent and Rates.....	11,905
Taxes (Home & Foreign).....	72,760
Advertising.....	11,480
Books and Stationery.....	30,550
Legal Costs and Professional Fees.....	4,145
Branch and Agency Office Charges.....	22,290
Postage and Parcels.....	1,835
Travelling and Inspection.....	33,780

Total Expenses.....\$ 271,445

Commission and Losses paid and outstanding.....	2,893,155
Furniture and Repairs.....	10,510
Bad Debts.....	1,135

3,176,245

BALANCE OF THIS ACCOUNT..... 3,115,610

\$6,291,855

BALANCE SHEET. 31st December, 1905.

SHAREHOLDERS' CAPITAL—

75,000 Shares \$50 each **\$3,750,000**

TO CAPITAL CALLED UP—

75,000 Shares \$10 per share	\$750,000
Amounts due to other Companies.....	13,685
Outstanding Liabilities, including Commission.....	339,965
Branch and Agency Balances	940
RESERVES—	
For Outstanding Losses.....	\$950,055
Revenue Account Balance....	\$3,115,610
Less Interim Dividend, 1905....	37,500
	<u>3,078,110</u>
	<u>4,028,165</u>

\$5,132,755

BY INVESTMENTS—at Cost—

Bank of Ireland Stock	\$27,930
Colonial Government Securities	344,985
Foreign Government Securities	910,160
Foreign and Colonial Municipal Securities.....	751,445
Railway and other Debentures and Debenture Stocks.....	1,704,310
Preference and Ordinary Stocks and Shares.....	72,180
Hamilton House.....	\$335,120
Redemption Fund Investment.....	29,045
	<u>364,165</u>
Freehold Premises	22,020
Loans on Securities	32,375
	<u>\$4,229,570</u>
Branch and Agency Balances	568,995
Amounts due from other Companies	7,050
Outstanding Premiums	123,365
Interest and Rents Accrued	52,170
Cash at Bankers.....	\$151,450
In hand.....	160
	<u>151,610</u>

\$5,132,755

CLAUD J. HAMILTON, *Chairman.*

S. STANLEY BROWN, *General Manager and Secretary.*

In accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, 1900, we certify that all our requirements as Auditors have been complied with. We have to report to the Shareholders that we have audited the above Balance Sheet, and that, in our opinion such Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the State of the Corporation's affairs as shown by the books of the Corporation in London. The Securities and Books at Boston (U.S.A.) have been examined by Messrs. Deloitte, Dever, Griffiths & Co., who have reported to us thereon to our satisfaction.

15th February, 1906.

WELTON, JONES & CO., *Auditors.*