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## REPORT

OF THE

## PRESIDENT AND DIRECTORS

OF THE

## Mestern Assurance Company,

For the year ending the 30th November, 1857.

Your Directors, in giving their attention to the prosecution of the Company's business entrusted to them during the last year, have made it their anxious endeavour to conduct it with a due regard to those precautionary measures, which, from its nature, is at all times found to be so indispensably necessary.

From the statements which will be laid before you, they believe it will be seen, that as relates to the Fire Department, these endeavours have not been without some degree of success.

Throughout the Province, as you doubtless have not failed to remark, the casualties of the year in this branch have been more than usually numerous, and consequently drawing largely on the resources of the several Insurance Offices. As regards this Company, the losses have not to any very great extent exceeded the usual average.