

SUMMARY OF THE ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1895. THE FOUNDER OF THE COMPANY.

The report for the year 1895 was in every respect satisfactory, as is made clear from the following summary:—

New Life Applications received during 1895.	\$9,822,905.03
Cash Income for year ending 31st Dec., 1895.	1,527,686.12
Increase over 1894.	154,089.52
Assets at 31st Dec., 1895.	5,365,770.53
Increase over 1894.	749,350.90
Reserve for Security of Policy-holders (according to Dominion Government Standard).	4,734,016.04
Increase over 1894.	670,080.42
Surplus over all Liabilities, except Capital (according to Dominion Government Standard).	535,944.23
Surplus over all Liabilities and Capital Stock (according to Dominion Government Standard.	473,444.33
Life Assurances in force 1st January, 1896.	34,754,840.25
Increase over previous year.	3,226,270.51

The rapid progress made by this Company may be seen from the following statement:—

Year.	Income.	Net assets, besides uncalled Capital	Life Assurance in force.
1872	\$ 48,210.93	\$ 96,461.95	\$ 1,064,350.00
1876	102,822.15	265,944.64	2,414,963.32
1880	141,402.81	473,632.83	3,897,139.11
1884	278,379.65	836,897.24	6,844,404.04
1888	525,273.58	1,536,816.21	11,931,316.21
1892	1,134,867.61	3,493,790.88	23,901,046.64
1894	1,373,596.60	4,616,419.63	31,528,569.74
1895	1,527,686.12	5,365,770.53	34,754,840.25

A Boston procession is a moving spectacle.

If a praying machine were invented, many would use it if it did not take too much time from business to wind it up.—*Texas Siftings.*

The late Mathew Hamilton Gault, M.P., through whose energy and enterprise the SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY was founded, was a native of Ireland. After a careful educational training at home he came out to Canada in his twenty-first year, and subsequently engaged in the insurance business in which he became so prominent a figure. He was for some years resident manager for Quebec of the British American Assurance Co.; chief agent for the Royal Insurance Co.; and agent of the Mutual Life of New York. On the withdrawal for a time of the latter Company he saw the opportunity of establishing a home Company, and the result of his efforts was the SUN, of which he was for some time Vice-President. Mr. Gault filled many other important positions, and held a high place in the community. In 1878, he was elected to represent Montreal West in the Dominion Parliament, and held the seat until his death in June, 1887.

Madge—"I'm in an awful fix." Ethel—"What is it, dear?" Madge—"Jack insists that I shall return the engagement ring, and for the life of me I can't tell which one it is."—*Brooklyn Life.*

A FOREIGN SECURITY.—"Do you know the count actually addresses her in public as his treasure?" "Treasure? His English is a little off. He means investment."—*Indianapolis Journal.*

"George," she screamed, "my neck!" "What's the matter?" "There's a pill-catter!"—"A what?" "A tapekiller." "What in the world do you mean?" "Oh, dear!" she moaned, as she clutched him frantically, "a kitterpaller! You know, George! A patterkiller!" "Oh!" said George, with evident relief; and he proceeded to brush the future butterfly away.

In public places the person least fitted to point out and explain points of interest is often the one who raises his voice above all the rest. Some visitors were strolling through an art gallery, and had passed between the long rows of statuary. "This," said the leader, with a waive of his hand toward a creation in plaster,— "this is Apollo; and that one over there is his wife Apollinaris."