

## Twenty-Fourth Annual Meeting OF THE London Life Insurance Company.

The twenty-fourth annual meeting of the shareholders and policyholders of the London Life Insurance Company was held at the company's office, London, Ont., on Thursday, the second day of March, 1899.

There were present: The president, Mr. John McClary, in the chair; the vice-president, Mr. A. O. Jeffery; J. G. Richter, manager and secretary; W. F. Bullen, Wm. Bowman, T. H. Smallman, A. S. Emery, J. E. Jeffery, Geo. F. Jewell, of London; Judge Bell, Chatham; G. M. Harrison, Glencoe, and others.

The notice calling the meeting was read by the secretary, after which the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed, and the directors' report and financial statement for the year ending Dec. 31, 1898, submitted as follows:

### TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT.

The directors of the company beg to submit annual report and duly audited financial statement for year ending Dec. 31, 1898.

During the year, 12,204 applications for insurance, amounting to \$1,553,593, were accepted and policies issued therefor.

The net premium and interest receipts of the year were respectively \$206,514.72 and \$34,667.78, or a total of \$241,182.50,

being an increase of \$25,082.84 over the previous year.

The sum of \$58,700.08 was paid for death claims, and \$6,980.06 for surrendered policies and cash profits, making a total of \$65,680.14 paid to policyholders or their heirs during the year.

The insurance in force on the company's books at the close of the year after deducting all re-insurances, amounted to \$5,210,519.28, under 2,332 "Ordinary" and 34,094 "Industrial," or a total of 36,326 policies, an increase of 3,638 policies for insurance of \$478,018 for the year.

The assets of the company, exclusive of uncalculated but subscribed capital, amount to \$770,038.58; an increase of \$91,861.80 for the year. The interest and other payments falling due during the year were in the main satisfactorily met. No losses in respect of investments were incurred during the year, and no real estate came into the company's possession by foreclosure or otherwise.

The liabilities of the company under existing policies, and in all other respects, have been provided for in the most ample manner, the whole amounting to \$700,750.16. The surplus security to policyholders, exclusive of uncalculated but subscribed capital, is therefore \$69,288.42, and after deducting paid-up capital, there remains a net surplus, over all liabilities and capital, of \$19,288.42. JOHN MCCLARY, President.

### TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE LONDON LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, FOR YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1898.

Net Invested Assets, Dec. 31st, 1897, brought forward.....\$646,558.49

#### RECEIPTS.

Interest on investments.....\$34,667.78

Ordinary premiums, \$61,103.28, less Re-ins. Prem., \$201.60.....60,901.68

Industrial premiums.....145,613.04

.....\$241,182.50

.....\$887,737.99

#### DISBURSEMENTS.

Cash profits paid policyholders.....\$4,149.25

Paid for surrendered policies.....2,830.88

"Ordinary" claims paid.....26,549.06

"Industrial" claims paid.....32,150.93

Dividends to shareholders.....4,250.00

Salaries—"Ordinary," including all H. O. salaries.....9,967.84

Commissions—"Ordinary".....8,876.44

Salaries—"Industrial".....16,725.00

Commissions—"Industrial".....33,488.05

All other expenses.....15,273.28

.....\$164,260.75

Net Invested Assets, December 31st, 1898.....\$733,477.24

#### ASSETS AS FOLLOWS:

Cash in office and banks.....\$6,828.44

Loans on stocks.....4,630.97

Loans on policies.....42,408.55

Loan companies' stocks.....82,520.00

Bonds and debentures.....105,681.50

Mortgages on real estate.....490,905.02

Real estate.....502.75

.....\$733,477.24

#### Additional Assets:

Premiums in course of collection, net.....\$738.00

Premium notes.....2,230.00

Deferred premiums, net.....11,620.44

Interest due and accrued.....21,972.96

.....\$36,561.34

Total Assets, December 31st, 1898.....\$770,038.58

#### To Cover Liabilities as follows:

Total reserve on policies in force.....\$670,254.06

Less Re-ins. reserve.....2,206.85

.....\$668,047.21

Shareholders' special account.....14,657.73

Accumulating profits.....9,327.25

Claims accrued.....4,905.40

Contingent fund.....3,500.00

Advance premiums.....312.57

.....\$700,750.16

Surplus Security to Policyholders.....\$9,288.42

Capital Paid Up.....50,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities and Capital.....19,288.42

To the Shareholders of the London Life Insurance Company:

Gentlemen.—I hereby certify that I have completed a careful audit of the books and accounts of the London Life Insurance Company for the year ending Dec. 31, 1898, and find the same correct and in accordance with the above statement, the reserve fund, and all other liabilities being fully provided for. I have examined the securities and find them in order, and the books of the company are well and neatly kept.

GEO. F. JEWELL, F. C. A., Auditor.

London, Ont., Feb. 14, 1899.

The president, Mr. John McClary,

In rising to move the adoption of the report, said:

Gentlemen.—The directors' report, and the accompanying financial statement, which have just been submitted, are, as usual, so full and clear as not to require much, if anything, by way of explanation. The results of the year show that steady and substantial progress has been made in the business of the company, and the new business of the year was somewhat in excess of the new business of the previous year, and the net increase of business in force at the close of the year shows the substantial gain of nearly 10 per cent over the business in force at the end of the previous year. The net premium and interest receipts also show an increase over the like receipts of the previous year of over 11 per cent, and the assets of the company have increased over 13 per cent, as compared with the assets at end of 1897.

In the matter of disbursements, the amount paid policyholders or heirs would naturally be expected to increase somewhat from year to year, in the case of a growing company. Owing, however, to a number of policies becoming claims the past year in the "ordinary" branch being for larger amounts than the average of the policies in force in that branch, the aggregate claims of the year in that branch have been somewhat abnormal as compared with the average claims of previous years. That the Company's financial position has not been materially affected by this occurrence is a practical demonstration of its financial soundness and favorable earning power.

The liabilities of the Company have, as heretofore, been provided for in the most ample manner. All of the Company's industrial policies, and a considerable proportion of its ordinary business as well, having been valued upon a one-half per cent more stringent interest basis than the government standard. Had the liabilities been made up on a less stringent basis than has been done, the surplus over all liabilities and capital would naturally appear much larger than as shown on the Company's basis.

With these remarks I beg to move the adoption of the report.

The vice-president, Mr. A. O. Jeffery, in seconding the motion to adopt the report said:

I desire to add a few observations to those made by the president.

The reserve held for security of policyholders, and which has now reached \$670,254.06, is approximately \$326,835 to the "industrial" business, and \$343,419.06 to the "ordinary" business; the amount added last year being \$60,

## AMUSEMENTS AT THE GRAND

Uncle Tom in Town Today—One of the Greatest of American Plays, "Shore Acres" Monday Night—Jolly Fanny Rice Tuesday, and the Hermanns on Friday Night.

### UNCLE TOM'S ANNUAL VISIT.

"Uncle Tom's Cabin" is in the city today, pleasing a large matinee house. The parade this morning was witnessed by large crowds. Another performance will be given this evening. Stetson has a fine company, and an excellent performance is given.

### "SHORE ACRES."



Scene from "Shore Acres."

That dramatized poem of American home life, "Shore Acres," that has justly won the lavish praise of all the discerning lovers of the drama in this country, still continues to bask in the favor of the public, and its drawing powers show no signs of diminution. Its long life, a proof of its great value, has been one series of triumph, and all are now willing to admit that this New England idyl is the greatest pastoral play in the English language. Mr. Hall Caine, the author of "The Christian," long ago said it was the work of a genius, and predicted its overwhelming success in London. Anyone who can enjoy one of James Whitcomb Riley's or Eugene Field's poems will find "Shore Acres," a genuine treat, and both these great poets commended Mr. Herne's worthy artistic achievement. She is the embodiment of grace and humor, and she brings out the fine points of the comedy with such marked precision as to inspire continuous and incessant laughter in her audiences. Miss Rice will present her popular, successful operatic comedy, "At the French Hall" on her appearance here on Tuesday evening.

### JOLLY FANNY RICE ON TUESDAY.

Fanny Rice is not an ephemeral star, glimmering fitfully in the theatrical firmament, but one whose reputation is solidly established, and rests securely upon a foundation of worthy artistic achievements. She is the embodiment of grace and humor, and she brings out the fine points of the comedy with such marked precision as to inspire continuous and incessant laughter in her audiences. Miss Rice will present her popular, successful operatic comedy, "At the French Hall" on her appearance here on Tuesday evening.

### THE HERMANNS.



Adelaide Hermann.

Adelaide and Leon Hermann come to the Grand shortly in their magnificent exhibition of magic. The critical theater-goers of the United States have long since indorsed the magnificent work of the Hermanns, and it is safe to say that as entertainers in magic and illusions their standard is absolutely secure as being the foremost purveyors of this style of entertainment on the American stage. Aside from sleight-of-hand and illusions, Mme. Hermann will give a series of her new and bewildering dances that have earned for her a reputation second to none. Novelties in magic are as essential to success as in the field of the drama, and it is probably to this one fact that the Hermanns always present something new and startling, that much of their phenomenal success is due.

### "AND THE GREATEST OF THESE IS CHARITY."



Fanny Rice has an intimate friend in Buffalo to whom she has been warmly attached since her school-days. The lady in question, although highly educated and refined, is inclined to be economical to the verge of penuriousness. Having no family connections, and possessing a small competency.

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she established herself in the retail millinery business, where, by practicing the economy previously referred to, she has built up a thriving trade, which she serves from a handsomely-fitted shop in one of the busiest thoroughfares. Miss Rice never visits Buffalo without spending considerable of her time with her old schoolmate, and during her engagement there last season they were much together. On the occasion in question Miss Rice called at her friend's establishment and found the latter behind the counter displaying some goods to a prospective purchaser, and, not wishing to interrupt, Miss Rice ensconced herself in a comfortable chair at the open door. It was a beautiful autumn day, and the street was crowded with handsomely-gowned women. While seated there a miserable, poorly-clad woman, with a child in her arms, timidly entered the shop, and, with a sad, expectant look, gazed at the counter, and asked, "Miss Rice, will you please give me a quarter?" The latter, not wishing to appear uncharitable in the presence of her customer, and at the same time thinking it would be funny to play a practical joke on her old schoolfellow, directed the beggar to Miss Rice, saying: "I can do nothing for you. There is the proprietress; you must ask her." The unfortunate woman approached the actress, who, quick as thought, redirected the woman to the counter, remarking at the same time in loud, distinct tones: "Give this poor woman a dollar out of the cash drawer." Imagine the effect on a woman who valued a dollar as the ordinary mortal does a hundred, but she was "hoist with her own petard," and, compromised with a quarter. She doesn't joke with Fanny Rice any more.

### COMES WELL RECOMMENDED.

It is not often that an American play has such noted sponsors as "Shore Acres" had when it was first presented to the public. Among the eminent players who recommended Mr. Herne's work are Messrs. Henry Irving, Wilson Barrett, John Hare, Wm. Terriss, and all of the American artists. Among the literary men who have written of the play's worth are Messrs. William Dean Howells, Hall Caine, Hamlin Garland, Wallace Brown, James Whitcomb Riley and the late Eugene Field. Mr. Field had always been a warm admirer of Mr. Herne's work, and only a short time before his death he entertained the actor-dramatist at his home in Chicago. Mr. Riley has written a poem about the play, and Mr. Bruce, another well-known poet and lecturer, thinks "Shore Acres" is the greatest native work yet produced. A fine scenic production of "Shore Acres" will be given at the Grand on Monday evening.

### SHORT BUT PITHY.

Is Miss Linsey's Indorsement of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

They Cured Her of Female Weakness and Headache, When Other Medicines Were Without Effect—Her Cure Began When She Started Using Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Quebec, P. Q., March 17.—A very short, pithy and weighty statement is given for publication by Miss Linsey, of this city. This statement, made and signed in the presence of witnesses, carries a message of hope, and encouragement to the vast majority of women, for nine of every ten women are sufferers from one or other of the long train of its known popularly as Female Troubles.

To those, to them all, without exception, Miss Linsey's statement proves that there is, in Dodd's Kidney Pills, a positive and permanent cure for the diseases that rob life of all its pleasures and joys.

Miss Linsey writes: "I have been a great sufferer from Female Weakness and Headache. I suffered all the tortures attendant upon these diseases, and could get no relief, though I tried many different kinds of remedies. Some time ago I began using Dodd's Kidney Pills, and my complete cure began at the same time. I am now strong and well in every way, thanks to Dodd's Kidney Pills."

Weak, pale, nervous women, whose lives are a continual round of suffering, need look no further for a cure. If they will use Dodd's Kidney Pills, they are sure of complete restoration to vigorous health.

Dodd's Kidney Pills strengthen the kidneys, and the Urinary Organs, and bring health, strength and vitality to weak, defective organs. No Kidney Disease can exist when Dodd's Kidney Pills are used.

Dodd's Kidney Pills are sold by all druggists, at 50 cents a box, six boxes \$2.50, or sent, on receipt of price, by The Dodd's Medicine Company, Limited, Toronto.

### JOTTINGS FROM NEAR-BY PLACES.

#### CENTRALIA.

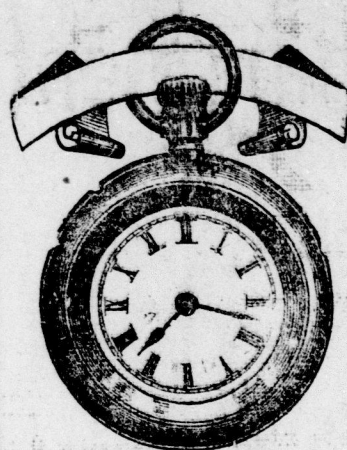
Centralia, March 17.—The revival services in the Methodist Church, Centralia, continue with unabated interest. Mr. S. Grigg is ably assisting the pastor, Rev. S. Salton, and already nearly 40 have been to the altar of prayer as seekers of salvation. Mr. Grigg will stay another week in the good work. Next Sunday the Rev. W. Ball, of Kirkton, will preach missionary sermons in this church, and on the following Wednesday night the Rev. D. K. McKenzie, returned missionary from Japan, will lecture and exhibit 100 views illustrating life, scenery and customs of Japan—mostly colored views.

Mr. John Parsons, of this place, has sold his cheese factory to the patrons of the new creamery to be started here this spring. Butter packing is going on here for the Klondike.

#### MOUNT BRYDGES.

Mount Brydges, March 17.—Last night was the crowning success of the great revival now going on in Mount Brydges Methodist Church, and the edifice was packed to the doors. It was a white service, introduced into Canada by Evangelist Wm. Mouli. The church was draped in white, and nearly everyone wore something white. The meeting commenced by a song service, led by Evangelist Brownlow and the choir, followed by an earnest address from Mr. Brownlow, illustrating three great facts—disease, the physician and the remedy. Leprosy was taken as the disease—a type of sin; Christ as the great physician, who alone can cure the disease; and salvation, through faith in Christ, as the only remedy for the disease. Bro. Brownlow is only a young man, but his earnest, faithful

# OAK HALL



## Saturday Children's Day

## BARGAINS FOR THE BOYS

Little Fancy Suits, \$2, regular \$3.  
100 Tweed Suits, \$1.50, regular \$2.  
100 Tweed Suits, \$1.75, regular \$2.50.  
Boys' 3-Piece Suits, \$2.75, regular \$3.50.  
Good Dark, All-Wool, Canadian Tweed, \$3, regular \$3.75.  
Fine All-Wool, Italian Lined, Silk Stitched, \$4, regular \$5.85.  
Light Fawn English Worsted, beautifully tailored, \$5, regular \$6.50.

One of Oak Hall's Celebrated Nickel-Plated Watches, good time-keepers, given with every purchase of \$10 and over.

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Bevel Gear, - - - - - \$75.  
Crescent Chain Bicycles, - - - - - \$50.

Dunlop tires, expanders in handle bars and seat posts. Rims have a beautiful rosewood finish, making altogether the most handsome wheel in the market.

Have also chain wheels at

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preaching and exhortation win many young men and help them to start for the kingdom.

Bro. Mouli followed with the text suitable for the occasion: "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." Perfect stillness reigned throughout the large congregation, during the eloquent discourse by the great evangelist, after which an appeal was made to the unsaved, and large numbers stood up all over the church, manifesting a desire to be on the Lord's side. The altar and front seats were thronged with seekers, and 60 or more professed to have been born into the kingdom, among them being a dozen or more young men of the village and vicinity. Mount Brydges never was so stirred as at this time. An outpouring of the holy spirit is looked for on Sunday next, when three services will be held in the church, besides the Sunday school in the basement.

Hushed is the conversation of men when money talks.

## SNEEZED

FOR 20 YEARS

And Was Distressed by Running at the Nose—Cured 18 Months Ago by Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure.

A peculiar case claimed our attention a few days since. The book-keeper of a well-known Toronto firm remarked that for twenty years he had been distressed by continuous sneezing when subjected to a slight draught, and this was always followed by excessive running at the nose for some days.

No treatment seemed to be at all effective, until about eighteen months ago he was recommended to try Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure, which, to his surprise, completely removed these distressing symptoms.

The cure seemed so remarkable and the remedy reached the seat of trouble so directly that this gentleman has recommended Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure to a great many people, who have found it a prompt and unfailing cure for catarrh. His wife is now being cured of La Grippe by the use of Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure, which, when used in conjunction with Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine is a perfect treatment for La Grippe. 25 cents, at all dealers, or Edmondson, Bates & Co., Toronto.

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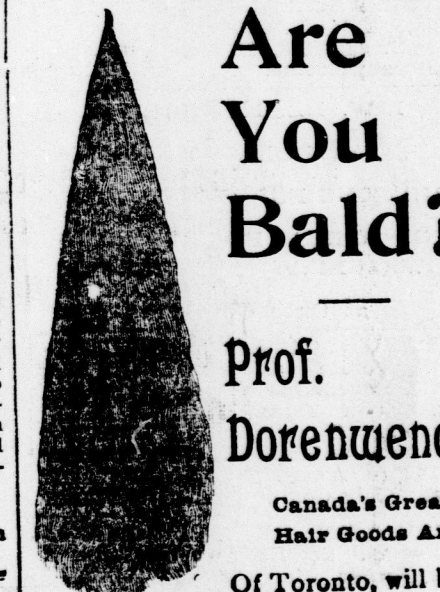
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Some poets are noted for their versatility and some for the obituary verses they turn out. Under William III. a tax was laid on burial.



Are You Bald?

Prof. Dorenwend,

Canada's Great Hair Goods Artist,

Of Toronto, will be at

Tecumseh House,

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Hair Goods Ladies' and Gents' Wigs,

Toupees, Bangs, Long Switches, etc.

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