

## FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

## THE LONDON MUTUAL

FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA

For the Year Ending 31st December, 1904

## DIRECTORS' REPORT.

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS AND MEMBERS OF THE LONDON MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA:—

Your Directors have pleasure in presenting the Forty-fifth Annual Report and Balance Sheet of the Company, for the year ending December 31, 1904.

It will be seen that the assets stand at \$755,707.33, an increase of \$18,910.78 over the amount shown at the close of the year ending December 31, 1903.

The Reinsurance Reserve, amounting to \$342,484.76, has been calculated on the basis of the pro rata unearned premium of all policies in force at December 31, 1904, both on cash and mutual systems.

Your Directors are pleased to report that notwithstanding the heavy loss on account of the Toronto conflagration, which happened on April 19 last, the Company met all

claims promptly, without having to sell a debenture, realize on a mortgage, call on extra capital, or borrow a dollar.

We have thought it well to carry forward the investment surplus account intact, it being the purpose of your Board to set aside in the future a substantial sum to provide a special conflagration fund.

There were issued during the year (including renewals) 33,270 policies, covering insurance to the amount of \$46,684,605.00, the gross amount at risk on the 31st of December, 1904, being \$80,367,962.00.

We have great pleasure in stating that the office and field staffs have performed their duties in a thoroughly satisfactory and efficient manner.

Three Directors, viz., James Gunn, D. Brown and H. Waddington, now retire, all being eligible for re-election. Respectfully submitted.

JOHN DRYDEN,

President.

Toronto, Feb. 20, 1905.

## INCOME.

Balance forward from 1903 . . . . .	\$156,705 04
Less 1903 dividend paid 20th Feb., 1904 . . . . .	2,500 00
	<u>\$154,205 04</u>
Net Premium income, 1904 . . . . .	535,071 26
Interest, rent, etc. . . . .	9,812 00
	<u>\$544,883 26</u>

**\$699,088 30**

## ASSETS.

Unassessed portion of premium notes . . . . .	\$380,123 70
Assessments levied due 1905 . . . . .	\$ 43,746 00
Less paid in advance . . . . .	114 73
	<u>\$ 43,631 27</u>
Agents' Balances . . . . .	31,061 06
Bills and Accounts receivable . . . . .	49 95
	<u>74,743 18</u>
Office Furniture, less 25 per cent. written off . . . . .	6,380 48
Office Premises . . . . .	16,000 00
	<u>22,380 48</u>
Bonds and Debentures . . . . .	124,223 33
Mortgage Loans . . . . .	58,450 00
Interest accrued . . . . .	1,888 88
Cash in Banks and on hand . . . . .	93,897 76
	<u>278,459 97</u>
	<u><b>\$755,707 33</b></u>

## OUTGO.

Net Losses, Dec. 31, 1904 . . . . .	\$402,904 13
Agents' Commission . . . . .	\$98,464 01
Salaries and Fees . . . . .	20,890 92
Taxes, printing and other expenses . . . . .	12,259 59
Inspection Charges . . . . .	8,307 89
	<u>\$139,922 41</u>

## BALANCE—

Cash on hand and in banks . . . . .	\$93,897 76
Debentures purchased . . . . .	4,260 69
Loaned on Mortgages . . . . .	25,700 00
Furniture purchased . . . . .	1,341 35
Agents' Balances . . . . .	31,061 96
	<u>\$156,261 76</u>

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## LIABILITIES.

TO THE PUBLIC—	
Losses not due . . . . .	7,420 83
Due for Reinsurance . . . . .	11,440 77
Sundry Accounts due . . . . .	293 00
Reinsurance Reserve . . . . .	342,484 76
	<u>\$361,639 36</u>
TO THE SHAREHOLDERS AND MEMBERS—	
Capital Stock . . . . .	17,500 00
Investment surplus account . . . . .	11,982 60
Surplus over all liabilities . . . . .	364,585 28
	<u>\$394,067 97</u>

H. WADDINGTON, Managing Director. **\$755,707 33**

I have audited the books and accounts, and have verified the securities of the London Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Canada, and hereby certify to the accuracy of the above statements, which correctly set forth the position of the Company as on December 31, 1904.

Toronto, February 15, 1905.

W. H. CROSS, Auditor.

The Annual General Meeting of the Company was held at the Head Office on Monday, February 20, 1905. In addition to the Directors and officials, there were present Mr. Henry Blachford, of Montreal, Mr. L. J. McGhee, of Halifax, Mr. J. C. McCaig, of Richmond, Que., Mr. J. W. Durbrow, of New York, and Mr. W. H. Cross, of Toronto.

In moving the adoption of the report, the President spoke at length, paying a merited tribute of praise, particularly to the agents and field staff of the Company, largely to whose loyal efforts its operations had proved so successful over an extended period of years.

Particulars in detail were given as to the different conflagrations and the immense fire waste during the past year. The motion to adopt the report was seconded by Mr. George Gillies, Vice-President, who, in like manner paid tribute to the loyalty, efficiency and unanimity of action of both the office and agency forces.

Mr. H. Waddington was elected as Director to represent the policy-holders, and Messrs. James Gunn and Gideon Grant were elected to represent the shareholders.

Mr. W. H. Cross, F.C.A., was appointed Auditor of the Company.