

THE LATE MR. WM. J. WITHALL.

It has again become the melancholy duty of *Sunshine* to record the death of one of the Directors of the Company, Mr. Withall having passed away toward the close of January. In the issue of *Sunshine* for September, 1896, there was published a biographical sketch of Mr. Withall with the portrait here republished, and it is necessary now simply to print the following resolution:

Extract from the Minutes of the Board of Directors of The Sun Life Assurance Co. of Canada, of date January 28th, 1898.

Resolved, that the Members of this Board place on record their sense of profound sorrow and personal loss in the death of their greatly esteemed friend and colleague, William J. Withall, Esq. Having been one of the original subscribing Shareholders at the time of its organization in 1881, and having been one of its Directors since March, 1884, he has been identified very closely with its history, and his wise counsels, sterling character and kindly presence will be very much missed at our meetings. His memory will be one of the cherished inheritances of the Company.

The Directors respectfully extend to Mrs. Withall their sincere sympathy in her affliction.

INDUSTRIAL ASSURANCE.

Industrial assurance has become one of the wonders of the age. The period of its active development in this country dates back only twenty-one years, yet the capabilities of the accretion of diminutive payments—five and ten cents a week—would be incredible were not the demonstration constantly placed before us. We have striking illustrations in nature of the immense possibilities of aggregation; we see them in the coral reefs, in the guano deposits, in the stalactites of limestone caves, in the terrace of the Yellowstone Park. But these aggregations represent the tedious and prolonged process of ages. Here in the upbuilding of the industrial structure, we have from small and slow beginnings height and breadth and magnitude that seem more like answer to the potential summons of Aladdin's lamp than the evolution of practical business management. What it has wrought in such a brief period along the lines of thrift and saving, what it is doing from day to day in

the alleviation of sorrow and misery in the homes of the poor and lowly, the children of toil and privation, we shall never know; we can only faintly conjecture. It is hard to realize that in this wonderful business more than seven million policies are in force, that in its work of benefaction it is paying out fifteen millions of dollars annually, and that it gives employment to more than thirty thousand agents.—*Baltimore Underwriter.*

Referring to the above extracts we would take the opportunity of drawing attention to the Thrift Policies issued by the SUN LIFE OF CANADA, which have so many points of superiority over the ordinary Industrial policy, although they may be had for amounts and at rates of premium which bring them within the means of every wage-earner. They may be had on Life, Limited Life, and Endowment plans, and are in every case guaranteed contracts with no feature of uncertainty.

"Don't"...*Nixon Waterman...Some Home-Made Poems.*

I might have just the mostest fun

If 'twasn't for a word,

I think the very worstest one

'At ever I have heard.

I wish 'at it 'u'd go away,

But I'm afraid it won't;

I s'pose 'at it'll always stay—

That awful word of "don't."

It's "don't you make a bit of noise,"

And "don't go out-of-door;"

And "don't you spread your stock of toys

About the parlor floor;"

And "don't you dare play in the dust;"

And "don't you tease the cat;"

And "don't you get your clothing mussed";

And "don't" do this and that.

It seems to me I've never found

A thing I'd like to do

But that there's some one else around

'At's got a "don't" or two.

And Sunday—'at's the day 'at "don't"

Is worst of all the seven.

Oh, goodness! but I hope there won't

Be any don'ts in heaven!