

LONDON & SCOTTISH ASSURANCE CORPORATION, LIMITED

Owing to the similiarity of the title of the London & Lancashire Life & General Assurance Association with that of the London & Lancashire Fire Insurance Co., which has in the past caused some confusion, the directors of the former, as already announced in these columns, entered into an agreement with the London & Lancashire Fire Insurance Co. whereby the London & Lancashire Life & General Assurance Association, has been changed to the London & Scottish Assurance Corporation, Limited. This name is a combination of its present title and that of its subsidiary company, now operating in Canada, the Scottish Metropolitan Assurance Company, Limited. The new title is much shorter, and will be found more convenient to use. The London & Scottish has, during the past several years, made very substantial progress; the total assets now exceed \$25,000,000. The directors have recently taken powers to carry on Marine Insurance, at the same time providing for greater development by increasing the capital of the Company to \$5,000,000, \$3,000,000 of which has been offered for subscription and duly subscribed for, \$600,000 being paid up thereunder.

SCOTTISH METROPOLITAN ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED

The Scottish Metropolitan Assurance Company, Limited, announce the appointment of Mr. C. E. Corbold as Manager of the Fire Department for the Canadian business of the Company.

Mr. Corbold gained his fire insurance experience in the Canadian branch of the Lancashire Insurance Company, under the late Mr. S. C. Duncan-Clark, entering that office as a junior. When the Fire Companies decided to adopt the system now in use, of specific rating, he was attached to the staff formed to try out the new system for Canada. Subsequently, Mr. Corbold joined the Ottawa Fire Insurance Company in the capacity of Assistant Manager, later becoming Manager. For the past seven years he has been Branch Manager for Ontario of the Canada National Fire Insurance Company.

The Scottish Metropolitan secured a Dominion license at the beginning of the year, and has been doing a Casualty business under the supervision of the management of the parent company, the London and Scottish Assurance Corporation, Limited.

The Board of Directors is composed of: Mr. Andrew J. Dawes, Director of the Merchants Bank of Canada, the Bell Telephone Company, etc.; Mr. E. C. Pratt, General Manager of the Molsons Bank, and Mr. D. C. Macarow, General Manager of the

Merchants Bank of Canada. Mr. Alexander Bissett is the Manager for Canada, and the Fire Department will have as its manager Mr. C. E. Corbold, and Mr. J. Upton Fletcher, Manager of the Casualty Branch.

The Scottish Metropolitan Assurance Company, Limited, was established in 1876, with Head Office in Edinburgh, Scotland, and the funds now exceed \$5,000,000. Some eight years ago the shares of the Company were purchased by the London and Scottish Assurance Corporation, Limited, formerly the London and Lancashire Life and General Assurance Association, Limited. The Scottish Metropolitan continues to write business in its own name under the ownership and backed by the parent Company.

MONTREAL INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

The annual business meeting of the Montreal Insurance Association, and the "Blue Goose" Association, was held on Wednesday evening in the Board Room of the C.F.U.A., Lt.-Col. Morris presiding.

Reports were read of the Association's activities during the past year, which, while showing a healthy growth in all departments, reflect especially the excellent development along the lines of educational work. Publication of the first issue of the "Journal" showed also a financial profit, and a start has been made to form a reference library.

The officers elected for the ensuing year are:—President, G. E. Moberly, Esq., Manager, Northern Assurance Co.; Vice-Presidents, W. S. Jopling, Esq., Manager Commercial Union Assce. Co., and Lewis Laing, Esq., Asst. Manager L. & L. & Globe Ins. Co.; Secretary, R. R. Martin, Atlas Assurance Co.; Treasurer, C. S. Scott, Phoenix of London.

The Associations are to be congratulated on securing for their chief officers, gentlemen of such high standing and acknowledged ability in the profession.

The series of weekly lectures will be resumed at an early date, and already papers have been promised by some eminent gentlemen on subjects of interest to fire insurance men.

The membership in the Fire Insurance Association is open to all employees of fire companies, and the meetings will be open not only to members, but to all others interested.

The meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the office-bearers of the past year, whose work has shown most encouraging results. The prospects for the coming session are bright; and it may not be too much to hope that in time Montreal shall have an insurance association embracing all branches of the business.