cultivation of habits of thrift and forethought, and to the accumulation of capital which otherwise would have been unprofitably frittered away; and when the number of persons and aggregate amount are considered, it would be difficult to overestimate the good which has in these respects been accomplished.

As a Borrowing medium, proposals have been made to the Society for 5,070 loans, of which 3,977 were completed, amounting in all to \$2,779,600,—the remainder having been withdrawn, or declined on account of insufficient security or defective title. About 2,500 of the loans made are still in process of gradual repayment, the balance having been entirely paid off, or closed by sale of the property. The per centage of the latter is very small, especially when it is borne in mind that many of the loans were made at a time of great inflation in the value of property, followed by several years of corresponding depression. In the earlier part of the period the rates obtained were high, but were, nevertheless, considered favourable as compared with other available sources. They have since been from time to time reduced, and the long and extensive experience of the wants and resources of the country acquired by the Directors, has enabled them to adopt such modes of repayment as will best suit the convenience and consult the interests of the largest class of borrowers, such as will bear favourable comparison, and can be unhesitatingly recommended. While a considerable portion of the loans has been made in Toronto and the neighbouring counties, applications have been entertained from all parts of the Province, and among other beneficial results of the Society's operations, which may safely be claimed, is that of introducing capital and bringing down the rate of interest in the more remote rural districts, where, being far removed from monetary centres, great hardships were frequently sustained.

It is much more agreeable to point to business actually transacted, and results successfully accomplished than to indulge in mere anticipation, but the Directors would nevertheless record their conviction that the usefulness and prosperity of the Society has been established upon an enduring basis,—that its claims to public appreciation were never so strong as at present, and that its future progress will be in no respect less satisfactory than its past career.

The Directors have to announce, that in consequence of intended absence from the city, one of the four retiring members of the Board, Robert Cassels, Esq , has signified his intention not to come forward for re-election.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. H. MASON,

Secretary & Treesurer.

JOSEPH D. RIDOUT,

President.

STATEMENT

Of the Funds and Effects of the Canada Permanent Building and Savings Society for the year ending December 31st, 1866.

GENERAL ABSTRACT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

| GENERAL LIABILITIES. | S | c, | ASSETS. | \$ | c. |
|--|----------------|--------------|--|------------|-----|
| Deposits and Interest thereon | 316,98 1,12 | 7 93 9 02 | Mortgages on Real Estate. Temporary Investments—Debentures and Stock. Unpaid Instalments on Investing Shares Office Fixtures and Furniture. Cask on hord | 10,662 | 98 |
| Payments in advance and Interest thereon Capital Stock | 135,24 | 1 63 | Cash on hand. \$157 90 " in Bank of Toronto. 37,641 36 " Montreal 37,874 17 | | 3 4 |
| | 909,71 | | 1 | | |
| Permanent Stock Reserve | 47,42 | | | | |
| Contingent Fund | 38,61 1.61 | 5 25 9 72 | | | |
| Thirteenth Dividend declared | 29,97 | | | | |
| 11 per cent. per annum, compounded half-yearly | 53,47 | 2 68 | | 757 | _ |
| * | 1,584,15 | 2 93 | | 81.534,189 | 2 9 |

J. HERBERT MASON. Secretary and Treasurer.

We the undersigned, has no been appointed Auditors for the Canada Permanent Building and Savinys-Society, beg to report, that we have carefully examined the Accounts for the war ending 31st December, 1866, and certify to the correctness of the above statements. We also have to express our entire satisfaction with the unmore is which the accounts are kipf, and our thanks are fully due to the Seerelary and Pressurer, and other affects in the establishment, for the restly assistance afforded us in the discharge of our duties.

TORONTO, 7th February, 1867.

HENRY PELLATT, E. GOLDSMITH,