

Mr. James Turner, the president, on taking the chair, requested the secretary to read the statutory notices calling the adjourned meeting, the minutes of the meeting of the 4th of April last, and the minutes of the last annual meeting, all of which were confirmed.

The secretary then read the report of the directors for the year ending 31st December, 1881, the financial statement being accepted as read.

Report.

The Board of Directors have to report another year of satisfactory and steady advancement in the affairs of the association.

Appended hereto will be found the usual statement of accounts, showing the revenue, disbursements, assets and liability.

The new policies issued during 1881 numbered 367, covering \$546,154 of insurance.

The total number in force on 31st December, 1881, numbered 1,265 policies for \$1,571,597 54.

The interest receipts for the year have again exceeded the claims by death.

The securities deposited with the Dominion Government have been further increased during the year, the amount on the 31st December being over \$100,000.

The progress during 1881 as compared with that of 1880 is noted under the following heads.

	1880.	1881.	Increase in 1881.
Total Revenue for the year.....	\$ 45,875 02	\$ 50,777 20	\$ 4,918 18
New business issued during year	463,000 00	564,154 00	78,154 00
Insurance in force at end of year	1,364,359 00	1,571,596 54	207,188 34
Guarantee deposit	90,788 83	101,000 00	10,211 67
Amount of assets..	172,434 97	187,635 17	15,200 20

In accordance with a resolution passed at the last annual meeting, your directors took the necessary steps to secure certain amendments to the charter of the association during the session of the Dominion Parliament just closed. The chief amendments are:

First, changing the name "The Mutual Life Association of Canada" to "The Life Association of Canada," this change being deemed desirable, seeing that the mutual principle in Life Insurance was frequently confounded with Mutual Fire companies and Assessment Benefit societies. Second,—The guarantee fund of the association, which heretofore was a contingent fund of \$50,000.00, has been changed to a permanent guarantee stock, and increased to \$200,000.00. The rate of interest paid to holders, which heretofore has been 7 per cent on the amount paid up, is now reduced to 6 per cent.

Power to increase the number of directors to 24 has also been granted to the Association. which number you are called upon to elect at this meeting, 8 of whom will fill office for three years, 8 for two years, and the balance of one year. The necessary by-laws with reference to the guarantee fund and the increase of directors have been passed by the Board.

Your present directors now retire, but are all eligible for re-election.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES TURNER,
President.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Amount of assets 31st December, 1880....	\$172,434 97
<i>Revenue Account.</i>	
Premiums	\$ 41,438 06
Interest and premiums on securities.....	9,339 14
	50,777 20
	\$223,212 17

Disbursement Account.

Death losses.....	7,423 16
Matured endowments..	3,300 00
Surrender values and interest.....	2,211 05
Interest on guarantee fund	1,812 70

Directors' fees.....	276 00
Physicians' fees.....	987 50
Head office salaries and rent	4,570 16
Travelling expenses..	1,416 20
General agents' salaries.....	2,750 00
Commission.....	4,199 10
Advertising, auditor's fees, printing and stationery.....	1,218 28
Taxes and general expenses	1,911 84
	31,577 00
Suspense account....	4 000 00
	\$187,635 17

Assets.

Municipal debentures and securities.....	140,244 30
Cash in banks, on hand and in transit (since received)	7,294 29
Interest accrued on investments.....	1,350 25
Policy credits, liens and loans.....	6,945 99
Loan on first mortgage	2,500 00
Premiums outstanding (re-serve fund on same included in liabilities)	14,589 34
Premiums deferred (re-serve fund on same included in liabilities)	11,301 23
Agents' ledger balances.....	1,990 49
All other items not included under foregoing heads.....	1,419 28
	\$187,635 17

Liability.

For re-insurance, re-serve fund on policies in force.....	141,082 00
For death claims in course of payment..	1,145 60
	\$142,227 60

JAMES TURNER, President.
DAVID BURKE, Manager.

President and Directors of the Life Association of Canada:

GENTLEMEN:

I have now the pleasure to report completion of the audit of the affairs of your Association for the year ending 31st December, 1881.

The books, vouchers, etc., have undergone a careful examination, and their accuracy has been verified.

The securities have also been examined, compared with ledger balances, and found correct.

The statements submitted herewith showing revenue, receipts and expenditure, also assets and liabilities, have been carefully checked and indicate the present financial position of the company as shown by the books.

Every facility has as usual been afforded by your manager and staff.

Respectfully submitted,

H. STEPHENS, auditor.

Hamilton, 3rd April, 1882.

The president in moving the adoption of the report, seconded by the vice-president, Mr. Alex Harvey, said:

Gentlemen: The statement of the affairs and report of the directors, now placed in your hands, being so complete it is not necessary for me to add much to a report so satisfactory, and which gives such strong evidences of the increasing popularity of the Association: During the last year we have extended our

operations in Manitoba and the Maritime Provinces.

Finding that the legitimate deductions for interest on death claims paid in advance of the 90 days allowed under the conditions of our policies, were occasionally a source of grievance, the directors by resolution adopted the policy of paying claims without such deductions, immediately upon being furnished with the necessary proofs of death and a legal discharge from the claimants.

The board have increased the deposit with the Department by a further sum of \$10,000.00, making over \$100,000.00 in the hands of the Government.

Acting upon your instructions at the last general meeting, the directors after careful consideration, have had the act of incorporation so amended, and in such a manner as I feel satisfied will strengthen the Association in public confidence.

The guarantee fund has been increased from \$50,000 to \$200,000. The directors in order to make the distribution of shares as general as possible, limited the individual subscription to \$5,000, and although there has been no regular canvass, about three quarters of the guarantee stock has already been subscribed. The directors delayed placing the balance of stock on the market in order to give policy holders this opportunity to become more thoroughly identified with the interests of the Association by becoming stockholders also.

The directors with pleasure, have again to express the greatest satisfaction with the way in which the Manager and the home office staff have attended to their respective duties, and also with the manner in which the canvassers and agents have pushed the interests of the Association during the past year.

The report was unanimously adopted.

Moved by Mr. I. B. McQuesten, seconded by Mr. W. Carey, that the thanks of the shareholders and policy holders are due, and are tendered to the retiring directors for their faithful services on behalf of the Association, and that they be paid \$2 each for each attendance at regular meetings during the past year. Carried.

The president in acknowledging the vote of thanks said: I thank you for the expression of your confidence, gentlemen. I feel that we have worked up the business of this Association to a very satisfactory position, but I must say that the result is almost entirely due to our manager, Mr. Burke, who has our confidence and we have his.

Mr. Edward Martin, Q.C., stated that before becoming a member of the association he had looked into the annual statements and charter, and was not only satisfied with its present position but had strong confidence in its future success.

The President stated that according to the amendments to the charter the association had now power to elect twenty-four directors, the old board being eligible for re-election. He thought it best that twelve should be elected from Hamilton, and twelve from outside points, hoping by this arrangement always to have a quorum of five to do business in the city.

The proposal was however to elect sixteen in the meantime, the remaining eight being filled up by the Board during the year as might seem desirable.

Moved by Mr. Mr. W. B. McMurich, seconded by Mr. W. F. Findlay, that Messrs. A. H. Hope and W. Carey be appointed scrutineers for the election of directors; and that when the space of three minutes shall have elapsed without a vote having been cast the ballot shall be declared closed. Carried.

The scrutineers reported the following board elected:

FOR TERM OF THREE YEARS. — Alexander Harvey, J. J. Mason, Anthony Copp, J. M. Gibson, Hamilton; and J. M. Buchan, Toronto.