

The Canadian department of the Company, has, in a period of about four years, produced \$10,400,000.00 of insurance in force, yielding an annual premium income of nearly \$450,000. The Company has also placed on deposit with the Dominion Government \$600,000, in first-class securities for the benefit of Canadian policy-holders. The new building of the Company, of which a cut will be found in this work, and which is expected to be finished in March, 1889, will be the finest and most substantial building in Canada, and will be an ornament to Place D'Armes Square, costing as it will, when completed about \$600,000.00. The building will have a frontage of seventy-three feet on Place D'Armes Square and 115 feet on St. James Street. It will be eight stories in height, besides basement and cellar, and will be surmounted by a clock tower, three stories high. The height of the building will be 112 feet from the sidewalk and the clock tower will rise forty feet more, being 152 feet. The basement is constructed of Thousand Island granite and the upper parts of Scotch red sand-stone, especially imported for this purpose and dressed in this city. The forms of architecture will be Italian renaissance, constructed in the most substantial manner, and will be thoroughly fire-proof, the floors and partitions being constructed between iron in such a manner that every room in itself will be absolutely a fire-proof vault. The building will have accommodation for 120 offices each of which being provided with every modern convenience, electric light in every office, the light being produced in the building itself. There will be ornamental iron staircases and marble floors in all the corridors, the building will be heated throughout by steam in winter, and three elevators will be in use for the accommodation of tenants and callers. There will be also a newly-invented patent letter shoot in every office, so that letters can be deposited in the receiving box on the ground floor without the trouble of the tenant leaving his office. There will also be a telegraph office in the building from which messages can be sent to any part of the world without delay. From this brief outline it will be seen that the new building of the New York Life Insurance Company will be the best appointed and most substantial in Canada, and equal to any of its size on the Continent of America. The architects of the building are Messrs. Babb, Cook & Willard, of 55 Broadway, New York, and the work is being constructed under the immediate superintendanc of Mr. G. E. Walters. The contractors for the building, are Messrs. Simpson & Peel, who do the carpenter work, and let the rest of the work to sub-contractors, as follows:—Bricklaying, T. Peel, stone-mason work, Peter Lyall, iron work, E. Chanteloup, Thousand Island granite, Stuart Forsyth.

Mr. David Burke, the General Manager of the Company for Canada, is a gentleman well-known in underwriting circles as well as by the public generally and is held in the highest estimation by all who know him, and under his management the Canadian Department of the Company is assured of success.

**Imperial Fire Insurance Company, of London, Eng.,** W. H. RINTOUL, PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, HOSPITAL STREET.—Among the most prominent, substantial and old-established fire insurance companies doing business in Canada, the Imperial Fire Insurance Company, of London, England, holds a deservedly high place. Established in London in 1803, it has had a long, honorable and successful career and has steadily gained its way to public recognition and influence throughout the British Empire. The Canadian business of the Company was established in 1864, when Mr. W. H. Rintoul, became agent and has ever since represented the Company with honor to himself and profit to the Company. The Company has a subscribed capital of £1,200,000, paid up capital of £300,000, and the total invested funds are over £1,550,000. This shows that the Imperial Fire Insurance Company, of London, is in a flourishing and substantial condition. Another proof of this is the beautiful Canadian head office now under process of construction on Place d'Armes Square, and which is expected to be ready for occupancy on the 1st April, 1889. The construction of the building is under the superintendence of Mr. C. W.

Clinton, of New York, seen from the cut. It will harmonize with the building, further increase the height. The frontage of iron and other materials will be of three stories, second of Ionic, and have dormer windows, fitting in a pointed tower. It will be of iron frame, a new principle of fire-resistance in the centre of the building, containing two elevators, will be attached to the entrance hall will be besides wainscotted in the hall, of course, occupying the whole, ing will be fitted up with heating, while facilities for another in the building on each floor, letter boxes for the post office work, Mr. Peter L. Ives; elevators, Mr. Ives' office will be of the latest, extending rapidly to the under the able and efficient management of the Company his

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BUILDINGS, ST. JAMES STREET. This stage of existence, sequences which were stricken down by disaster, effective, and it is the enjoyment of his life, loved ones such as his wife, Life Assurance Company, successful and honest, in the year 1825, it is a strict business principle, well as its economic value, \$33,000,000, with a Government at Ottawa, amount of claims paid, dollars. The Company's reputation. The Company the finest architecture, well as a credit to