

business qualities, and in addition has a great deal of experience in the working of the Association, having been for years in the same office with Bro. GORDON, during which time he assisted him in the work.

We have to congratulate the Association on the small death rate for the past year, there having only been five deaths in Class A.; four of the policies were paid by assessments, the fifth from surplus accruing from assessments. In Class B. there were three deaths; all these claims were paid by assessments.

The total claims paid since last Annual Meeting amount to

EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS,

as follows:

Death claims, Class A	\$6,000
" " Class B.....	2,000

One thousand of above Class B. was paid after Books were made up, Drafts having been issued immediately prior thereto.

Three of your Directors retire this year, viz: R. CARNOVSKY, R. GAGE and DR. JAS. MCCAMMON, all of whom are eligible for re-election.

The vacancy caused by Bro. KING's appointment as Secretary, was filled by the appointment of Bro. W. B. LITTLE.

The membership of the Association on 30th December, 1883, is as follows:

CLASS A.

Number of members last report	1,164
Number of members accepted to date.....	360
Total.....	1,524
Less number of members died.....	5
Less number forfeited and withdrawn.....	51
Present membership of Class A.....	1,468

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