

don Insurance Company had been of an extraordinary description, but they must attribute that progress not only to the force of events, but to the care and attention paid by the Board of Management.

Mr. MOSS seconded the motion, which was carried.

The CHAIRMAN acknowledged the compliment paid to him and his brother directors. He remarked that the Directors were using the best means in their humble power to carry out the concern in all its integrity, —with uprightness and honour, both as regarded the proprietors and the assured. They had never resisted payment of any claim without having ample and full grounds for so doing. In continuing their services, the Directors would do all in their power to promote the prosperity of this great concern. (Applause.)

Mr. A. P. FLETCHER moved that the retiring directors—Messrs. Gilmour, Haigh, Littledale, Marriott, Parker, Swainson, and Tobin—be re-elected.

Mr. C. J. CORBALLY seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

On the motion of Mr. W. EARLE, seconded by Mr. MARRIOTT, thanks were voted to the various local Boards of Directors at home and abroad.

The CHAIRMAN proposed a vote of thanks to their respected Secretary, Mr. Boulton. An experience of twenty years as a member of the Board of Directors enabled him to speak of the services of Mr. Boulton, who he believed was the main spoke of the prosperity of the concern. (Applause.) He would not in their Secretary's presence enter at large into a description of his particular merits; he was active—he (the chairman) told him sometimes that he was a little sanguine—he was active, industrious, and, he believed, as honourable as any gentleman in Liverpool.

The proposition was carried by acclamation.

Mr. BOULT acknowledged the compliment in a suitable manner, and concluded by saying he trusted he should always be found worthy of the trust reposed in him.

In reply to a question,

The CHAIRMAN replied that the loss sustained by the Company by the London fire was only from £40,000 to £43,000.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Chairman, and the meeting broke up.

GEORGE GRANT, *Chairman.*

SWINTON BOULT, *Secretary.*