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#### NORTHERN ASSURANCE COMPANY.

The salient points of the report of the Northern Assurance Company, presented to the shareholders at the annual meeting recently, are summarized below. In the fire department the net premiums during 1907 amounted to £1,268,468, an increase of £40,510 in comparison with those of the previous year. The net losses were £622,876, equal to 49.10 per cent., and the total expenses of management (including commission) were £444,053, or say 35 per cent. The result is that, after reserving 50 per cent, of the premiums to cover liabilities under current policies, a profit was earned of £181,284. The company does no life or accident business in £181,284. Čanada.

The Balance of Profit and Loss Account amounts to The Balance of Profit and Loss Account amounts to £286,995, out of which the directors propose: To add £100,000 to the Fire Reserve Fund (which will then amount to £900,000); to transfer £5,000 to the Employers' Liability Fund and £5,000 to the General Accident Fund; to pay a further dividend of £2 and a bonus of 105. per share (in addition to the installment of shareholders' life bonus) on account of the year 1907; absorbing £185,000, and leaving £101,995 to be carried forward to the year 1908. The total Accumulated Funds of the Company on the 31st December amounted to £7,089,229.

Wallace, Ont., \$50,000 telephone debentures have been bid for by the following brokers:—McKenzie & Company, \$46,065; National Trust Company, \$47,430; Bank of Ottawa, \$47,805; W. C. Brent, \$43,829; Brouse, Mitchell & Company, \$45,226; Emilius Jarvis & Company, \$47,555.

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