Sir Francis Hincks. One of Canada's greatest men, though h was not a Canadian born, has just passed away.. Sir Francis Hineks was a man of advanced age, and under natural order could not have been with us many years longer. But though he has not in recent years appeared in parliament or on the platform, recent contributions of his to the press show that he still retained an inter. est in public questions and a firm grasp of political points. It shocks us to those present: A. G. Ramsay, president out statesmen has been suddenly cut short by the accident of smallpox. This is something that ought not to have happened We say no more, except this, that in all probability the sacrifice of the life of Sir Francis Hincks will so affect public opinion as to save the lives of thousands afterwards.

a liberal in politics; and that of no doubtful kind. Let us condense this by C. Taylor, J. W. Marling, J. L. Irwin, H. tory blood in his whole body. To a certainty he never showed it in Canada, even though he did take office under Sir John A. Macdonald. His acceptance of the office did not make a tory of Sir Francis, but it made the government of which he was a member more liberal than it would otherwise have been. In other words, his

tion of the 25 cent "shinplasters" was a master stroke—it did the business at the time, and that most effectually. And other difficulties he might have solved, but he difficulties he might have solved, but he did not happen to be there at the time. He was one of the clearest-headed men that ever lived—a perfect terror to depu. tations coming to the finance department with strong designs but weak reasons in support. His cross-examination used to be very trying, and the way that important deputations used to "wilt" under it was "a caution." He had a way of putting the points, and few there were that could meet him on "points." Did he carry this habit of his-of cool, clear, hard reasoning—into the chamber of the privy council? If he did, we can imagine. It is quite conceivable that, but for his remarkable strength in facts and logic in the dominion cabinet. He was a man most difficult to reply to, as many who struck Sir John this way, in the privy

We shall not soon look upon his like again for clear intellect and real ability. Peace to his ashes.

history, so it has been said. What is meant is that quiet and peaceful progress to the last four periods of five years have some historical experiences, not of defeat, indeed, but of very active and vigorous attack upon its position. That soon passed away, however, and for thirty odd years back the company may be said to have had no history—that is, no history of the checkered and variegated kind. Its subsequent record has been one of success uninterrupted, each year showing an advance on the year before. To prove this it may suffice to quote Mr. Ramsay's statement of profits for the last four periods of five years each: meant is that quiet and peaceful progress the occasion of a qui

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Five years ending with 1870 1875	911,110	
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two things-steady progress, and progress "by leaps and bounds." The combination is a difficult one, we should fancy, but the Canada Life has made it. To the insured an interesting feature in it all is that they participate in the profits aforesaid, which they will not fail to consider.

bottom-it is what makes it solvent and for re-election. sure for all demands. As for rates charged, the public must judge for themselves. Along with other companies, British, Canadian, and American together, the Canada Life is in the open market. In life assurance business, and in fire business as well, there is no protection; here the free traders have it all their own way.

Mr. Ramsay is to be congratulated on his success as a builder. He is neither architect, stonemason, bricklayer nor carpenter; but he has built up the greatest financial institution of its kind in Canada.

The business outlook is improving daily. The stock market is bullish in London and New York, the bank surpluses are declining (the money is being put into business), the iron trade is looking up, and, best of all, a feeling of confidence is manifesting itself all round.

The Montreal council deliberately allowed the question of race to settle the appoint ment of city medical officer some months
ago—a capable English tongued doctor was
beaten by a French speaking rival of no
By profits of Mutual branch—cash
By profits of Mutual branch—diminution of premiums 1.....
By dividen son stock
By annuties experience. As soon as the change was made the death rate began to increase under the regime of the other the disease had been stamped out in a few weeks each time it broke out.

Sir Charles Dilke is fortunate in this respect at least-that his friends don't go back on him. They back him instead, and that most conspicuously. Immediately following the publication of the scandal his promised bride cabled from India that Life Assurance Company, as at 30th April their approaching marriage should be 1885: announced forthwith. And now his Chelsea constituents have resolved to Chelsea constituents have resolved to \$11,844.86.

accept his denial and support him in the Mortgages on real estate—value in coming election. He will be elected.

Whenever there are festering sores, blotches, pimples and boils appearing, it indicates an extremely bad condition of the blood which should be speedily cleaned by that best of all medicines Burdock Blood Bitters.

DANADA

HAT IT COMES TO AFTER THIRTY-EIGHT YEARS' PROGRESS.

Premier Life Company of Canada How Success Waits Upon Good Man-agement—A Clear Statement by Presi-dent Ramsay—Figures That Tell the

The annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Canada Life Assurance Company was held yesterday afternoon in he board room. Following is a full list of ear that the life of one of Canada's great- F. W. Gates, vice-president; R. Hills, secretary; Dr. Billings, Adam Brown, W. F. Burton, Campbell Ferrie, Wm, Hendrie, W. F. Findlay, James H. Mills, George S. Papps, John Riddell, John Stuart, Thomas Swinyard, George A. Young, of Hamilton; Hon. Justice Burton, Col. Gzowski, of Toronto ; George A. Coz, of Peterboro ; Sir Francis Hincks was a reformer and Dr. Kerr, of Galt; Henry Yates, Brantford ; D. Kidd, W. A. Morrow, F. O'Connor, D. Lowrey, D. H. MacGarvey, J. D. Henderson, W. L. Hutton, G. A. Cox, J. L. White, P. Laferriere, R. H. Haycook, D. A. Breakenridge, J. S. Lou-den, H. Maxwell, F. W. Stone, Dr. Mac-donald, Dr. Mullin.

The Annual Reports. The minutes of the last annual meeting having been read and confirmed, the va-

REPORT BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. The deceased statesmen was by all odds the ablest public financier that Canada ever saw. His solution of the silver difficulty of many years ago by the introduction of the silver difficulty of many years ago by the introduction of the silver difficulty of many years ago by the introduction of the silver difficulty of many years ago by the introduction of the silver difficulty of many years ago by the introduction of the silver difficulty of many years ago by the introduction of the silver difficulty of many years ago by the introduction of the silver difficulty of many years ago by the introduction of the silver difficulty of many years ago by the introduction of the silver difficulty of many years ago by the introduction of the silver difficulty of the company continues to increase, and that the operations of the silver difficulty of the company continues to increase, and that the operations of the silver difficulty of the company continues to increase, and that the operations of the silver difficulty of the company continues to increase, and that the operations of the silver difficulty of the company continues to increase, and that the operations of the silver difficulty of the company continues to increase, and that the operations of the silver difficulty of the company continues to increase, and that the operations of the silver difficulty of th

Others, amounting to \$372 500 upon 192 lives, being deemed ineligible by the directors, were declined, and 154 applications for \$265,505 were not carried out. The total business in force at the close of the year was \$34 890,225.71, including bonus additions, upon 14.877 lives, unde 18,713 policies, and two annuities for \$645

per year.
The income of the past year was \$1,336, The income of the past year was \$1,330,680.58, and the total expenditure including death claims having been \$6.32.781.36, the assets were increased by the sum of \$703.899.22, making the total essets of the company amount to \$7.044.940.20, exclusive of the uncalled capital of \$875,000.

The claims by dea hs of persons assured amounted to \$311.862.68, under 166 additionally the sum of \$7.040. policies upon 137 lives, while the sum inticipated and provided for was \$477,933. policies upon As the profits arising during the passive years fall now to be divided, it may be ned that while during the earlie years of the company the share of these which was allotted to policy hold rs was

75 per cent., the large extension of the business, and its remarkable prosperity, enabled the directors in 1880 to increase that share to 90 per cent. from 1875, and they are now much gravified by being again able to add to the advantages of policy holders, by a further increase of their share The Canada Life.

The people are happiest who have no istory, so it has been said. What is

As upon former occasions, prospective, or intermediate profits at the rate of 1½ or intermediate profits at the rate of 1½. per cent per annum for each year, from April 30 last, will be allowed to policies

April 30 last, will be allowed to policies becoming claims before the next division of profits in 1890, where the profits are taken by way of bonus, and where taken otherwise, the equivalent of a bonus at that rate will be allowed.

The share of the profits allotted to stockholders is 6.66 per cent., or \$90,030.94, out of which a bonus at the rate of \$25 per share is dealered. The directors who retire by rotation at the present time are Messrs. F. Wolferstan

Thomas, Montreal; the Rev. Canon Innes, London; the Hon. Donald McInnes, Hamthe company's business is really its rock

Gates, Hamilton, all of whom are eligible

for re-election.

A. G. RAMSAY, President.
R. HILLS, Secretary.

The Canadian Life Assurance Company,
Hamilton, Ont., Aug. 13, 1885. Statement of Receipts and Payments of the Canada Life Assurance Company for the thirty-eighth year, ending April 30,

" Fines...
" Interest earned on investments, and profits on sale of debentures, etc...
Add. difference between market value and cost value of bank stock at April, 30, 1885...... 360.502 8

PAYMENTS By expense account.

By written off agency balances.

By written off real estate, company's head offices and branches.

By lien on half-credit policy written off

\$ 632,781 36 6.559,372 29 \$7,192,153 65

A. G. RAMSAY, President.
R. HILLS, Secretary.
Audited and approved, JAMES SYDNEY
CR. CKER. CROCKER.
The Canada Life Assurance Company,
Hamilton, Aug. 6, 1885.

General Abstract of the assets and liabilities of the Canada

Cash on hand \$22,54, and in bank ures-value in account: Yillage
Harbor of Montreal
Ontario government subsidy
Canadian Pa ificland grant bonds.
Loan companies
Bank stocks

stock.
Gas companies stocks.
Loans on policies.
Loans on stocks, etc.
Real estate, head effices and branches.
Liens on half credit policies in force.
Ground rents (present value).
Office furniture.

pense account, including advances to agents and others on Cash in agents' and other hands, including receipts held by them for premiums which have since been accounted for laft-yearly and quarterly premiums secured on policies and payable within hine months.

Deduct 10 per cent. for cost of col-lection. Accrued interest on debentures, LIABILITIES. apital stock paid up..... ASSURANCE FUNDS.

only
Death claims not fully due or for
which claimsnts had not presented perfect discharges at
30th April, 1886, nearly all since

Balance of unpaid profits.

Special profit reserve for mini-mum policies to April 30, 1880) Mutual branch surplus profit re-serve, 1880...... teserve required to meet all annuity obligations

ASSURANCE AND ANNUITY FUNDS.

ASSURANCE AND ANNUITY FUNDS

R. HILLS. Secretary. Audited and approved, Jas. Sydney Crocker. Auditor. The Canada Life Assurance Company, Hamilton, 6th Aug. 1885.

REPORT BY SHEPPARD HOMANS, OF NEW ORK, CONSULTING ACTUARY. Having calculated the reserves required to cover the risks and declared profits of the Canada Life Assurance Company upon the basis of the mortality table of the institute of actuaries of Great Britain, and institute of actuaries of Great Britain, and interest at 4½ per centum per annum, the table and interest prescribed by the government of Canada, the following are the reserves as at April 30, 1885:

Policies outstand ... \$33,543,240 01 \$4,547,579 00 not \$9 50 and assurance of \$45.14 Bonus additions ... 1,346,985 70 Annual profit reductions ... 7,398 67 5.523 00

.... \$5,274,707 00 Total liability.... Respectfully submitted, SHEPPARD HOMANS Consulting Lotuary, New York, July 10, 1886 REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INVESTMENTS We hereby certify that we have carefully examined and passed in detail the several securities specified in the "General Abstract of the Assets and Liabilities to 30th April last," and find the same to be correct, and have also verified the balance of cash.

DENNIS MOORE. F. W. GATES. WM. HENDRIE. JOHN STUART. Canada Life Assurance Company's Offices

Hamilton, 5th August, 1885. AUDITOR'S REPORT, 1885. To the President, Vice-President and Directors of the Canada Life Assurance Company.

audit of the several books of account of the Canada Life Assurance Company for the financial year ending 30th April last, and ound them to be correct and satisfac found them to be correct and satisfactory.
The several receipts and payments were
duly voushed and regularly recorded, and
the cash balances agree with the bankers'
statements at the above date, after deducting the outstanding cheques as noted n the ledger.

The debentures, mortgages and other

The depentures, mortgages and other securities were examined by me in detail.

They correspond with the schedules of the same herewith presented, and their amounts agree with the several totals of the investeent funds as represented in the ledger for the above date.

The statements of "assets and liabilities"

and of "receipts and payments" for the year have also been carefully examined with the ledger entries, and are certified as

I remain, gentlemen,
Yours very faithfully,
JAS. SYDNEY CROCKER, Canada Life Assurance Company's Offices Hamilton, 7th August, 1885.

The President's Address. The President's Address.

The report of the directors was moved by the president. Mr. Ramsay said: In moving the adoption of the directors' report, I would say that the present annual meeting is one of greater importance than the usual annual one, for it is the occasion of a quinquennial investigation of the whole of the affairs of the company, when these and its liabilities and its assets are subjected to a more critical and fuller valuation and investigation than are valuation and investigation than are valuation and investigation than are afforded upon ordinary occasions, even by the very careful annual audit which is made. The directors are glad, upon such an interesting occasion, to be able to place before the meeting the very full and ample accounts and statements now submitted, proving, as these so clearly do, the thoroughly sound and prosperous condition of the company.

The amount of the past year's new business has, as the directors' report states, largely exceeded that of any previous year. The new premium addition to the income of the year was \$149.428, or 24 times as much as it was 20 years ago, in 1865, when it amounted to only \$6,212. The assurances in force reach nearly \$35,000,000, and the magnitude of that \$35,000,000, and the magnitude of amount of business will be appreciated when I mention that it is equivalent to about \$8 per head of the whole population about \$8 per head of the whole population of Canada. Such favorable results have been very largely attained by the aid of the excellent officers and agents by which the company is served. I have great pleasure in acknowledging the board's satisfaction with their services; and as we have to day the happiness of seeing some of these representatives present as one of these representatives present at our annual meeting I am glad to avail myself of the opportunity to speak of them as I have done. Many of them have been engaged in the service of the Canada Life for a great many years; some I am happy VENUE MOUSE.

to remember over a quarter of a century, and I hope they, as well as those of more recent connection with us, may long nontinue in its service.

The rapidly increasing income of the company, which was last year \$1,336,681, makes it not always easy to at once find sufficient and secure investments for that, and for the constant employment of the other assets, already amounting to over \$7,000,000. But the policy of our company being to look for perfectly safe security, rather than high interest, we hope, by the very moderate rates which we require, to continue to attract the best class of business to our company.

ness to our company.

Losses by death last year were more numerous and larger than they had before been, but they were still greatly under what had been expected and provided for. Of the 137 deaths alluded to in the report, I may mention that a more than usually large number occurred from sudden and args number occasions accidental causes.

The amount of the profits of the past five years which falls now to be divided is \$1,350,464 28; and I may say that had it now to be compared to the past of the past five rate of \$1,350,464 28; and I may say that had to not been for the somewhat low rate of interest which has prevailed for the past few years, that sum would have been even very considerably larger.

As it will interest you to compare the profits of the last five years with those of former similar periods, I may state that

517.748 744.896 1,350,464 With that anxious desire to promote the interests and advantages of assurers which has at all times characterized this company, the directors have increased the share of profits to policy holders to 93.33 per cent., and have declared to them a bonus addition of 25 per cent. 45.687 00

and have declared to them a bonus addition of 2\(\frac{3}{2}\) per cent. per annum to policies payable at death only, whose profits are taken by way of bodus, and equivalent profit allowances in cases where otherwise payable, or where the profits are otherwise taken. After making full provision for that bonus, and for the full special reserve of \(\frac{5}{167},582\) on account of the anticipated profits upon policies upon the minimum system at the present time, as well as for the special profit reserve of 1880 for policies of that system (\(\frac{5}{43},761\)), and for the Mutual Branch Serplus Profit reserve of 1880 (\(\frac{5}{22},752,90\)), there is left a balance, or further surplus reserve for that branch

1880 (\$22,752.90), there is left a balance, or further surplus reserve for that branch amounting to \$49,870.34.

The cash profits now declared average over 30 per cent. of the whole premiums paid to the company during the last five years. Such a result cannot fail to afford satisfaction to all interested in our company, although it will not, I dare say, be so to those who have been predicting that our past liberal scale of profits could not be maintained, and that policy holders upon our minimum system especially, with upon our minimum system especially, with whose terms they have not been able to compete, would not only receive no profit increase upon their policies, but would find them actually reduced. Perhaps the past erroneous prophecies of these gentle men may make them more careful in their

future predictions.

As our wish is that everybody should As our wish is that everybody should share our confidence in the company, and as we feel sure that the more fully its affairs and position are known and understood the more fully they will be satisfied of its soundness and stability, I shall be very glad to give any other information or details which may be desired. I beg to move the adoption of the report.

the report.

Mr. F. W. Gates, vice-president, seconded the adoption of the report. In his remarks he referred to the increase of the company's business in the past five years as marvellous. He commended the action taken by the board in the cases of volunteer action holders whe did service for their policy holders whe did service for their country in the Northwest. The question had been frequently asked, "Will you charge the usual war extra?" He was proud to say that the board had taken a broad, liberal and patriotic view, and decided not only to cover the volunteer policyholders withant any extra premium, but also to take any other volunteers on

but also to take any other volunteers on the same terms.

Mr. Yates made various inquiries rela-tive to the accounts and position of the company, all of which were satisfactorily replied to by the president.

Mr. Adam Brown moved, and Mr. J. H. Mills seconded, a vote of thanks to the directors for their attention to the interests of the appropriate the past year.

directors for their attention to the interests of the company during the past year.

Dr. Billings moved, and Mr. Yates seconded, a vote of thanks to the managers of the various branches of the company, and to the local and general agents.

Mr. Justice Burton moved, and Col. Gzowski seconded, a vote of thanks to the officers of the company. fficers of the company.

All the resolutions were unanimously

Mr. Wm. Hendrie moved, seconded by Mr. Thos. Swinyard, that John Riddell and Geo. A. Young be scrutineers of votes for the election of directors in room of those retiring. Carried.

The voting being finished, the scrutineers reported the unanimous re-election of the following gentlemen for the ensuing four

F. Wolferstan Thomas, Montreal. Rev. Canen Innes, London. Hon. D. McInnes, Hamilton. George Hague, Montreal. F. W. Gates, Hamilton.

The meeting then adjourned.
Immediately after the adjournment the directors met and unanimously reelected Mr. Ramsay president and Mr. Gates vice-

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the death of his brother Edwin Edgar ascended the throne. The young king possessed talents re, while his deep-blue eyes, fair skin and golden locks combined to form one o the finest types of Saxton beauty.

BY HABRY SPENCE.

As brave on the field of battle as he was gracious and affable in his speech and maners, he grew dally in the favor of his

of England to seek wives among the daughters of the rulers of neighboring provinces; they generally took them from among their own people, and were not re. stricted even to the highest in rank among

There was not one of the nobility who had marriageable daughters but who was emulous of the honor of being father-inclaw to his king, while there were but few among the fair maidens of his court who did not look with an eye of favor upon their young and handsome prince, each secretly cherishing the hepe that she might be the favored fair one destined to

be queen of England.

But the king looked with an eye But the king looked with an eye of indifference upon them all. Not one among the fair aspirants had power to touch his heart.

At last reports reached the king of the extraordinary beauty and accomplishments of Elfrida, daughter of Olgar, Earl of Devonshire, which fired his imagination, and he determined, if report spoke truly to propose, without delay, for her hand. Unwilling to trust to hearsay, King Edgar resolved to send, secretly, his favorite, Athelwold; enjoining him to height, the color of her hair, eyes, and skin and the general form and expression of her features.

her features.

Also, to note if she be of haughty,
gentle desposition, and if her accomplis
ments and manner were such as to
honor to his choice, and to the exalt
station to which her marriage to his

station to which her marriage to he would raise her.

Promising strict fidelity and obedienc Athelwold departed.

This man, though base and unprinciple had obtained a strong ascendancy over thing, who had conferred upon him vario offices of trust and honor, and which repaid by the blackest ingratitude.

He had no sooner seen Elfrida the such an impression did her grace a beauty have upon him, that, forgetful the duty he owed his royal master, he termined to win her for himself.

He returned to the king, informing he that he found Elfrida to be quite ordina both in person and manners, unfitted, both in person and manners, unfi

every respect, to be his queen.

King Edgar was greatly disappoin but placing implicit faith in the integ of his favorite, relinguished all idea making her his wife. of his tavorite, the making her his wife.

As soon as he could do so with exciting suspicion, Athelwold informed king "that in spite of Elfrida's laci personal charms, her birth and for made her a very desirable wife for him. The unsuspecting king, with his u kindness and indulgence, not only his consent, but wrote a letter of remendation to the parents of Elfrida, winduced them to give him the hand of describer.

daughter.

But Athelwold had little of the ement he had anticipated.

He dared not present his wife at or take her to any place where she whe likely to meet the king less he a discover his perfidy.

So he carried his beautiful young to a lonely castle in the heart of a forest, which, though it joined one king's own domains was seldom, if visited by him.

This was a bitter disappointme Elfrida. She had little love for Athe marrying him in obedierse to her pewishes; still she had looked forward marriage as a pleasant change fro seeluded life she had led in her facestle, the earl and counters of Devo

wishes; still also have an arrisge as a pleasant change from secluded life she had led in her focastle, the sarl and countess of Devo being so advanced in years as to is cused from attendance at court.

She knew that her husband held office, and had anticipated, with the ness natural to youth, the pomp and nificence that would surround her. Bat Athelwold refused to allow he accompany him; giving as his the profligacy of the court, especial of King Edgar's, whom he represent a licentious tyrant, who knew no his despotic will.

Young and confiding, Elfrida implicitly her husband's statemer far from being desirous of throwing in the way of such a man, we too glad to avoid him.

She rarely saw her husband, the held making his attendance uking indispensable, and when she jeslous, exacting temper made his anything but agreeable.

She was an expert horsewoman, chief amusement was riding, in vindulged nearly every pleasant day.

One day she went out unatten by the old servant, who usuall panied her. Attracted by so flowers of unusual beauty, she from her horse to gather them.

As she did so she was startle crackling of bushes, and on looh wild boar burst from a neighborit and with open mouth made its wattoward her.

She had scarcely time to

soward her.

She had scarcely time to ranger, when she heard the whit javelin, evidently impelled by and vigorous arm, for, whirling round, it descended with territhe head of the brute, not only the skull, but pinning it to the A moment later a horsem from the shadow of a tree near form was remarkable for its rastrength and symmetry.

He wore nothing that could rank, being clothed in a simple dress of green, but his look had the air of one born to aut accustomed to its exercise.

As soon as the stranger saw doffed his plumed cap, and per she had great difficulty in rest horse, which had become unthrough tright, sprang from assist her.

After subduing the high sph he assisted her to remount, indicate belonging to the king. "It is some leagues, Sir K Lady Fifrida, casting a look of gratitude upon her brave pres whom thou hast saved frodeath is Lady Athelweld. nearly dusk, I pray thee achospitality for the night. Castle is but a few rods distating Edgar, for it was he, blended surprise and admirat lovely face.

"Art thou Elfrida, wife of Art tho She had scarcely time to

lovely face.
"Art thou Elfrida, wife o and daughter of the Earl of "I am. My lord is absent, or he would join me in The king courteously dinevertheless, accompanied he

young and lovely," he said and gloomy looking buildin before them. "The court of ar more fitting for such as not hope some day to see the "Ged forbid!" ejaculated shuddering, as she thought stories related by her husbe the king. "Nothing could