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An eminent tradesman in London effected an assurance for £2000, and dying within the first year from inflammation arising from a cold, his widow and family were then put in possession of £2000.

A legal gentleman took out a policy of assurance for £1500 on his own life, and having caught a severe cold, ruptured a blood vessel during a paroxysm of coughing. This occurred after two annual payments only had been made, and his family received the £1500.

A still more striking instance of the uncertainty of life occurred in the case of a commercial gentleman, who for the benefit of his wife, to whom he had lately been married, made a proposal to an Assurance Company for a considerable sum; and, his health being good, the proposal was accepted, and the premium paid. He died of apoplexy during the first year, and the large sum insured thus fell to his widow.—(*Hand Book of Life Assurance*, 1842.)

Such facts as the foregoing, which are of constant occurrence, may be considered sufficient to place the utility of Life Assurance beyond question.

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