intervals of several years, cannot be too highly appreciated by the policy-holders. It will also be interesting to them, and to the shareholders, to observe the handsome surplus of \$49,278.97 held by the Association at the end of the first year of the second quinquennium.

The auditors have continued to check, in a most thorough manner, each month the various transactions involving the receipt or payment of money. The actuary's report, and the report of a special committee of the Board appointed to examine the securities, will be found appended to this report.

Two half yearly dividends, at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum, have been paid to the shareholders for the past year, which, with the bonus of 2 per cent., makes the dividend equal to 10 per cent. per annum. The profits of the year again warrant the payment of a bonus of 2 per cent., which has been declared and will be paid to the shareholders on the first of May.

In addition to what has already been said, the steady progress made by the Association will be observed from the following statement of the assets at the close of each year, the paid. up capital remaining the same :-

At the	end o	f 1st	yea	ı <b>r</b>	<b>\$100.952</b>	63
"	**	2nd	٠.,		118,293	69
"	**	3rd	"	****************	162,283	
"	**	4th	"	***************************************	223,474	
44	**	5th	"	** ** **********	289,209	
"	"	6th	"		369,870	

All branches of the business have had the close attention of your Directors. The insured lives have been selected with care, to which is doubtless owing the fact that the death rate continues low; while the investments have been made with the utmost prudence.

Under the provisions of the Act of Incorporation all the Directors retire, but all are eligible for re-election.

W. P. HOWLAND, President.

J. K. MACDONALD, Managing Director.

## CASH ACCOUNT-1877.

## DR.

Dr.						
1876. Dec. 31. To Cash on hand and in banks \$ 11,793 17						
1877 Dec. 31 " for premiums						
\$194,105 32 CR.						
Dec. 81. By Expenses for year						
" half-yearly annuity paid						

cash in banks .....

cash on hand......

## BALANCE SHEET. Liabilities.

Dec. 31, 1877. To Assurance Fund, on the Hm. Institute of Actuaries' Mortality and 4½ per cent. (including bonus ad-

re-insured ..... - **\$250.601** 99 2,026 23 4.917 00 4,032 00 3,804 45 Total liabilities to policy-holders ..... To amount of paid-up stock, being 10 per cent. on subscribed capital of \$500,000 To amount held to cover the cost of col-\$265,381 67 50,000 00

lecting the premiums outstanding and deferred on Dec. 31st, 1877

To half year's dividend on stock, payable 1st Jan 1878 3.210 30 2,000 00 To surplus 49,278 97 \$369.870 94

Assets.

Dec. 31st 1877

By debentures (market value, \$109,879 50) By loans on stock
By Government 5 per cent. stock (par \$3,500), (cost)
By loans on page 1 5,250 00 \$3,500), (cost) .... By loans on policies .... 5.497 50 By sundry accounts
By bills receivable. By furniture
By death claim, re-assured (not yet due) 294 89 By death claim, re-assured (not yet due)
By cash on hand.
By cash in banks.
By premiums in course of collection (reserve thereon included in liabilities)
By quarterly and half-yearly premium on
existing policies due subsequent to
December 31, 1877 (reserve thereon included in liabilities) 610 00 20.726 05

11,376 92 507 00 6.266 31 \$369,870 94

J. K. MACDONALD.

Managing Director.

We have examined the books of account, securities, and vouchers representing the cash account and investment account, also the securities represented in the balance sheets of assets. and hereby certify to the correctness of the same; and find the books, securities, and vouchers in a most satisfactory and clear condition.

ALFRED J. MASON, Auditors. JOHN N. LAKE. Toronto, April 3rd, 1878.

Toronto, March 18, 1878.

To the Board of Directors of the Confederation Life Association:

We, the Special Committee of your board, charged with the examination of the securities representing the investments of the Association

on the 31st, December, 1877, beg to report:

That we have examined each mortgage, debenture, certificate, and Government stock, each loan on the security of stock as collateral and find the same correct, and kept safely and orderly.

safe loans.

87,130 21

12,331 74 80 94

Total .....\$314,779 02 And that these, in our opinion, are good and

WM. ELLIOT, E. Hooper, Committee.

W. H. BEATTY, Toronto, April 4, 1878.

I hereby certify that having computed the value of the risks of the Confederation Life Association, as stated below, upon the basis of the Institute of Actuaries Life Tables, and interest at the rate of four and one half per cent. only, I find the liability thereunder as followsas at date of 31st Dec., 1877:

Present Value or Reserve.

. \$250,601 99 2.026.23

CHARLES CARIMAEL,

Actuary.

The Trustees beg to report-

That they hold Government stock and deposit to the amount of four thousand one hundred dollars, covering a total liability, under 114 policies, of \$3.640.37.

W. P. HOWLAND. WM. MCMASTER, Trustees. J. K. MACDONALD,

The report and statements which I have now read and placed in your hands are so full, and the statements of the affairs of the Company are so simple and clear, that it will be unnecessary for me to detain you with any lengthened remarks of my own. In carrying on the work of the Company during the past year we have had to contend with a state of commercial depression which all admit to have been unparallelled in this country. We have also had to contend, not only with active competition, but in some cases with hostile attacks upon the system and management of the Company.

Our able and indefatigable manager has proved himself capable of contending with these difficulties, and of proving to the satisfaction of the public that the system adopted by this Company is such as entitles it to receive their confidence and support.

Our operations for the past year, both as regards the amount of the former business that has been carried on and the amount of new business which has been obtained, under the circumstances, I think are highly satisfactory to all concerned, and the plan that the Board has for supervising in carrying on these operations has tully realized all the expectations which they had formed of it. It is of the utmost importance in the arrangements of a company of this kind that a careful scrutiny shall be had of the applications that are made for insurance, and I think we have a committee that acts in this matter who are possessed of special qualifications for their duty, and the result to the Company so far is one that proves the good judgment and care that they have exercised in doing their part of the business. And the Committee that has charge of the agencies of the Company, have, I think, shown equally good judgment in the performance of their duty. Our investments are each year becoming a more important branch of the Company's business. This is entrusted to the Finance Committee, of which I am Chairman, and to which I give especial attention; and I may say that, so far, not not a shilling of the money belonging to the Company has been lost, and I do not think any loss whatever can occur upon the large amount which the company has now invested. I hope that we shall have the pleasure of hearing an expression of opinion from some of our policyholders and agents, so many of whom I am happy to see present. If any further information is required I shall be happy to furnish it. I beg to move the adoption of the report.

W. S. Lee, Esq., said he thought that so much information and so full a report need not call for any further remarks. He thought the reper annum, taking account of the net premiums port a most excellent one, and one that they