EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Federal Life Assurance Company of Canada.

The eighteenth annual meeting of the shareholders of the Federal Life Assurance Company of Canada was held at the head office of the Company in Hamilton, on March 6, 1900. The managing director, David Dexter, presented the following reports and financial statement :

DIRECTORS' REPORT.

The directors have pleasure in submitting for the information and approval of the shareholders the following report of the business of the Company, together with a statement of receipts and disbursements for the year which closed on Dec. 31, 1899, and of the assets and liabilities on that date. New business consisted of eighteen hundred and fifty-seven applications for insurance, aggregating

\$2,639,700, of which seventeen hundred and ninety-five applications for \$2,497,900 were accepted; applications for \$141,800 having been rejected or held for further information.

Annuity premiums to the amount of \$4,003 were also received.

During the year, as in previous years, about 90 per cent of the new business of the Company was on its investment plans, showing that investment insurance still holds favor in comparison with other forms of investment-on which interest earnings are depreciating steadily. The feature of profit accumulations for a term of years is increasing in popularity.

The increasing prosperity of the country has extended its influence to life insurance, as indicated by the large increase in the premium income and assets of the Company.

The gross income of the Company shows a gratifying increase over previous years, and the addition of \$194,377.39 to the assets is especially noticeable, the total assets having risen to \$1,060,660.80, exclusive of guarantee capital.

The security for policyholders, including guarantee capital, amounted to \$1,669,660.80, and the liabilities for reserves and all outstanding claims, \$946,403.03-showing a surplus of \$723,257.77. Exclusive of uncalled guarantee capital, the surplus to policyholders was \$114,257.77.

Assurances for \$106,000 on forty-five lives became claims through death, of which amount the Company was re-insured for \$4,000. Including cash dividends and dividends applied to the reduction of premiums, \$21,460.52, with annuities, \$2,572.07, the total payments to policyholders amounted to \$125,454.89.

As foreshadowed in last report, the securing of the special act of incorporation from the Parliament of Canada has greatly increased our investments in the other provinces, much to the advantage of the Company.

The investments of the Company have been carefully managed, and have yielded results considerably above the average results of all companies doing business in Canada. Expenses have been kept within reasonable limits, while due effort has been made for new business. The chief officers and agents of the Company are entitled to much credit for their able representation of the Company's interest. The office staff have also proved faithful in the Company's service.

The accompanying certificate from the auditors vouches for the correctness of the statements submitted herewith. All accounts, securities and vouchers have been examined by them. JAMES H. BEATTY, President.

DAVID DEXTER, Managing Director.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

To the President and Directors of the Federal Life Assurance Company :

GENTLEMEN-We have made a careful audit of the books of your company for the year ending Dec. 31, 1899, and have certified to their correctness.

The securities have been inspected and compared with the ledger accounts and found to agree therewith.

The financial position of your company, as on Dec. 31, is indicated by the accompanying statement. Respectfully submitted. H. S. STEPHENS,

Hamilton, March 1, 1900

FINANCIAL STATEMENT, 1899.

SHERMAN E. TOWNSEND, Auditors. LIABILITIES. Premium income...... \$ 398,366 55 Reserve Fund

Interest and rents	Reserve rund\$ 924,263 03
\$ 440,289 14	Claims unadjusted. 22,140 00
Paid to policyholders for death claims, endow- ments, surrender values and profits	Surplus
Expenses, taxes, dividends and re-insurance pre- miums	\$ 1,060,660 80
Balance	SURPLUS.
\$ 440,289 14	
ASSETS 31st DECEMBER, 1899.	Guarantee capital\$ 609,000 00
Debentures and Bonds 94,072 84 Mortgages	Surplus security \$1,669,660 80
Loans secured by policy reserves220,541 69Cash in banks and other assets245,832 65	Policies were issued assuring \$2,497,900 00
\$ 1,060,560 80	Total assurance in force

The retiring directors were re-elected, and at a subsequent meeting of the Board Mr. Beatty was re-elected President, Lieut.-Col. Kerns and T. H. Macpherson, M.P., Vice-Presidents.