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EUROPEAN ASSURANCE SOCIETY.

The following list of thirty three offices absorbed by the European is from a most useful pamphlet called the *Insurance Register*, by a fellow of the Statistical Society:

Title of Extinct Company	Founded	Ceased to exist	No. of years' dur'n
Athenæum	1851	1856	5
British Nation	1854	1865	11
British Commercial	1820	1860	40
British Provident	1850	1852	9
Anglo-Australian	1853	1858	5
Diadem	1854	1857	3
English and Irish Church	1853	1861	8
Engineers and Masonic	1848	1858	10
Age	1851	1856	5
Tontine	1846	1849	3
Universal Provident	1849	1855	6
Householders and General	1852	1858	6
English Widows' Fund	1847	1860	13
Commercial (formerly English and Cambrian)	1850	1858	8
General Indemnity	1853	1857	4
London Equitable	1855	1863	8
London and Provincial Provident	1854	1861	7
Phoenix	1848	1860	12
Catholic, Law and General	1846	1857	11
Waterloo	1851	1862	11
Life Assurance Treasury	1855	1861	6
Magnet	1854	1860	6
National Assurance & Investment, alias Bank of Deposit	1844	1861	17
Wellington	1853	1863	10
European (No. 1)	1819	1858	39
India and London	1846	1860	14
Industrial and General	1849	1854	5
Prince of Wales	1851	1857	6
Professional	1847	1861	14
Royal, Naval, Military and East India	1837	1866	29
United Life and Guarantee	1849	1854	5
United Mutual Mining	1849	1857	8
United Service and General	1850	1857	7

Railway News.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.—Traffic for week ending September 24, 1869.

Passengers	60,306 07
Freight	38,380 10
Mails and Sundries	2,197 33
Total Receipts for week	\$100,883 50
Corresponding week, 1868	103,683 82
Decrease	\$2,800 32

FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC, AND VICE VERSA.—The all-rail route between the two Oceans has now been perfected by the completion of the Western Pacific Railroad link between Sacramento and San Francisco. Hitherto the journey has been made between these two places by water. The inconveniences of transfer which have been suffered at Sacramento are now at an end, and freight and passengers can go between the two oceans without transfer from the Main Railway system.

HANDSOME PRESENT.—Mr. Thomas Swinyard, the general manager of the Great Western Railway had the honor of being presented, by His Royal Highness Prince Arthur, with a very valuable scarf-pin of exquisite beauty. Its design is a horse shoe, surmounted by a crown, having the monogram of His Royal Highness, "A. W." in the centre. The nails in the horse-shoe, are composed

of diamonds and emeralds. The crown is ornamented with a ruby and emeralds, and the monogram "A. W." is composed entirely of diamonds.

RAILWAY TRAFFIC RETURNS FOR THE MONTH AUGUST, 1869.

Miles 1868	Miles 1869	Total 1868	Total 1869
331	351	290,017	291,468
95	95	6,890	7,504
97	97	39,148	64,251
56	56	28,294	26,439
22	22	5,506	5,576
86	86	14,115	15,339
54	54	7,474	8,103
12	12	1,301	1,385
107	107	8,650	8,737
108	108	16,351	16,952
918	927	384,005	405,814

Freight	Mails and Sundries	Passengers	Total
110,931	9,368	131,169	251,468
5,914	970	7,350	7,504
55,183	877	10,191	64,251
22,261	247	3,831	26,439
5,503	73	73	5,576
10,025	178	5,136	15,339
2,305	563	5,235	8,103
886	886	489	1,385
6,400	38	2,300	8,737
7,291	755	8,996	16,952
224,038	12,906	168,760	405,814

RAILWAYS.

No Returns.

Real Estate.

RECENT SALES IN TORONTO.

The following were among the sales made by J. W. G. Whitney, real estate agent:

- Part of a water lot on the Esplanade, at \$3,900 cash.
- A row of three brick stores on York Street, north of King Street.
- Sherbourne Street, south of Wilton Crescent, two lots, 50 feet each, at \$13 per foot, on time.
- Sherbourne Street, north of the Crescent, 100 feet, at \$12, on time.
- Pembroke Street, south of Wilton Crescent, four lots of 50 feet each, at \$12 per foot, on terms of credit.
- Sales by H. L. Hime, agent.—Three houses and store and dwelling, corner Hayter and Elizabeth Streets, for \$5,000
- Three lots on Parliament Street, east side, for \$9 per foot.

The present excitement on account of the failure of the Albert Life Insurance Office, and the peculiar position of the European, whose operations were suspended in Canada last year; and the melancholy position in which their constituents are placed by these failures, induces us to call particular attention to the Royal Insurance notices, dated Liverpool, 2nd October, 1869. As there is reason to believe that many persons are desirous of transferring their interests to an Office of undoubted resources, although in doing so they would have to pay some additional premium, according to their present ages, the agents of the Royal are prepared to make such arrangements with any person who may desire to enter into them. 9-3t

Royal Insurance Company.

LIVERPOOL, 2nd Oct., 1869.

SECURITY SHOULD BE THE FIRST CONSIDERATION IN INSURANCE TRANSACTIONS.

The Directors of the Royal Insurance Company have the pleasure of supplying the following information to the public, as evidence of the ample security they afford to their assurers:—

THE CAPITAL

of the Company, available for the purpose of meeting any unusual calamity happening to the Assured, is

TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

The amount actually paid up is £288,495. This, with the Accumulated Funds in Hand, makes the invested resources of the Company upwards of ONE MILLION SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND POUNDS, which amount is invested as follows:—

INVESTED FUNDS OF THE ROYAL INSURANCE Co. 30TH JUNE, 1869.

Real Property owned by the Company	£219,571 11 2
Mortgages on Freehold Property	33,500 0 0
£30,000 Reduced 3 per cent. Consols	28,085 1 3
India Government 5 per cent. Debentures	100,000 0 0
English Railway Debenture Bonds	59,090 17 7
First-class English Railway Preference and Guaranteed Stocks	335,476 11 11
Loans to Local Authorities of various towns in Great Britain, who have obtained the sanction of the Secretary of State to borrow the amounts	145,500 12 6
Bonds of the Mersey Docks and Harbor Board	62,341 14 8
Bonds of the British and Irish Magnetic Telegraph Co.	10,000 0 0
Bonds of the Liverpool Corporation	5,160 0 0
United States Government Stocks	101,330 7 10
Canada Bonds and Canada Dominion Stock	31,106 11 6
Short Loans on first-class English Dividend-paying Stocks with margins, from 25 to 50 per cent. on market values	477,195 0 0
Loans on security of Life Policies	63,938 8 5
Total	£1,672,356 16 11

The above is a complete list of the investments of the Company at the date specified, in addition to which the funds are still further increased, by amounts constantly varying, at different periods, in the hands of the Bankers and the Company's Agents. At 31st Dec., 1868, these stood at £168,089 2 0

For the satisfaction of the Public, the whole of the Securities belonging to the Company are annually submitted to the careful scrutiny of two independent Auditors, and the following is an Extract from their Report to the last Annual Meeting:—

"The whole of your Books have been Audited—every Document, every Account, every Voucher, your Bank-book, and every Security—all have been most carefully kept, and there is not one doubtful Security in the whole."

The Accumulations of the Life Department,

After payment of Losses, Annuities and Expenses of every description, have been as follows:—

Funds in hand at the last Quinquennial Valuation, 31st Dec., 1864	£621,434 15 5
Added to 31st December, 1865	103,146 7 3
" " " 1866	124,165 7 5
" " " 1867	128,583 5 10
" " " 1868	144,945 12 2

Total Accumulation of the Life Department on 31st Dec., 1868, exclusive of Shareholders' Capital.....£1,123,275 8 1

The Directors also think it desirable to state that THE BUSINESS OF THE ROYAL HAS NEVER BEEN AMALGAMATED WITH THAT OF ANY OTHER COMPANY,

And that the Liability of its Shareholders is Unlimited.

F. H. HEWARD, ESQ.,
Manager, Toronto.

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SETTLEMENT OF PETERBOROUGH COUNTY.—

MEETING AT HALIBURTON.—A public meeting was held at Haliburton, in the county of Peterborough, at which were present the President of the Canadian Land and Emigration Company, Mr. Gurney one of the directors, and Mr. C. J. Blomfield, the Manager and Secretary. All these gentlemen spoke of the desirability of establishing better means of communication with the settlement. The proposed wooden railway from Peterborough to Haliburton was referred to. Mr. Kenneway, the president, assured the meeting that every effort would be made to give encouragement to the project. Mr. Gurney spoke in high terms of the