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The Transfer Books will be closed from February 19th to 29th, 1908, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board.

JAMES MASON,

General Manager.

Toronto, January 22nd, 1908.

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Then, as the sound of martial music reached her ears her face brightened. "Oh, I love to hear the band," she cried.

"Yes, and don't the men look nice in their pretty uniforms? Oh, I forgot!" Amy reddened uncomfortably. To think of watching a parade without any eyes to watch it with!

She wondered if she could not lend hers to the blind girl.

A little cavalcade of tramping horses led the way. "There's the governor!" Amy cried. "He's on a gray horse. The people are cheering him, and he's bowing. He's looking right at us; wave your handkerchief."

The blind girl fluttered her handkerchief, and her face was aglow.

"Here comes a band," Amy went on. "The men have all got red uniforms. And the one who marches in the front, you know he wears a black cap that must be two feet high. It makes him look like a giant."

"How funny!" laughed the blind girl. "I should think his neck would ache to wear it."

Then the soldiers came into view, and Amy had a busy time describing the ranks of uniformed men, the beautiful banners they carried, and the officers splendid in gold braid and brass buttons. It was a long parade, but it was over at last, and the big crowd began to melt away and disappear as mysteriously as the dew vanishes in the sunshine.

"Now, I'm going to walk home with you, Amy said. "I'll feel better if I see you safely to your own door. Wasn't it a nice parade?"

"The loveliest that ever was," cried the blind girl with enthusiasm. "It was as good as seeing it to have you tell me about it."

And Amy wondered why she had lived so many years before she had found a chance to lend her eyes to one who lacked them.

DAN RICE AND HIS BEAR.

A circus had come to town, and boys of ten were wild with excitement over the show. As boys will, they tried practising some of the feats which they saw represented upon the showbills.

One of them succeeded so well that he attracted the attention of one of the managers who was in need of just such a boy. When the circus left town the child was missing from his home. He had been stolen, and had now to undergo a severe training for the life into which he had been forced.

For ten years his poor parents heard nothing of him. Then he wrote to them telling them that he was winning fame under the assumed name of Dan Rice. He had been very fond of animal pets from early boyhood. Now, he developed great courage, skill and patience in training wild animals. His talent made him so valuable to the company that he rose rapidly. When he reached manhood he soon owned a part of the menagerie.

Among those belonging to his partner was a female bear, an unusually fine specimen. But she was very fierce, despite all the efforts which her owner had made to tame her. He tried again and again to win her good-will, but failed. At last he gave up in despair, pronouncing her untameable.

Dan Rice had not been unobservant, and now proposed trying her himself. His partner replied: "Go ahead, if you succeed you may have

The North American Life Assurance Company

Held its Annual Meeting at its Home Office, in Toronto, on Thursday, the 30th day of January, 1908. The President, Mr. John L. Blaikie, was appointed Chairman, and the Managing Director, Mr. L. Goldman, Secretary, when the following report of the business of the Company for the year ended December 31st, 1907, was submitted:—

New Business The policies issued for the year, together with those revived, amounted to the sum of \$4,622,635.00, being greater than the new business transacted for the previous year.

Saving in Expenses The business has continued to be conducted on a conservative basis, resulting in a further reduction in the ratio of expenses to premium income of over two per cent. This percentage of reduction has resulted in a material saving in expenses of \$26,918.17, as compared with 1906.

Cash Income The cash income for the year from premiums, interest, etc., was \$1,815,097.69, showing the satisfactory increase for the year of \$68,553.69.

Payments to Policyholders The amount paid on policyholders' account was \$607,347.44, and of this amount the sum of \$266,825.95 represents payments for dividends, matured endowments, and investment policies.

Assets The assets increased during the year by the sum of \$936,811.63, and now amount to \$8,735,876.08.

Net Surplus Increased After making ample provision for all liabilities, including the special Contingent Fund of \$155,173.35 to provide for the temporary depreciation in the value of debentures, bonds and stocks, and paying the sum of \$97,304.79 for dividends to policyholders during the year, there was an addition made to the net surplus, which now amounts to \$673,556.04, the year's work from every standpoint being highly satisfactory.

Assets Safely Invested The assets of the Company continue to be, as heretofore, invested in the best class of securities; a detailed list of these will be published with the Annual Report for distribution.

Monthly Audit A monthly examination of the books of the Company was made by the Auditors, and at the close of the year they made a thorough scrutiny of all the securities held by the Company. In addition to the examination of the securities by the Auditors, a committee of the Board, consisting of two Directors, made an independent audit each quarter.

The Officers, Field Representatives and Office Staff deserve to be commended for their efficiency and diligence.

L. GOLDMAN,
Managing Director.

J. L. BLAIKIE,
President.

The Annual Report showing marked proofs of the solid position of the Company and containing a list of the securities held, and also those upon which the Company has made collateral loans, will be sent in due course to each policyholder.

her." Rice lost no time in beginning his efforts, which, ere long, were perfectly successful. He always carried in his pocket a lump of sugar, an apple, or something he knew she relished. "Sallie," as he called her, became very much attached to him. He could do anything with her that he chose.

A few months after winning his bear, Dan Rice became a Christian. He considered seriously the subject of his business. He thought prayerfully over it, and became convinced that he could not consistently continue with a circus. He sold out his interest, including Sallie, to whom he was strongly attached.