

The policies issued in the Mercantile and Manufacturers' Branches, which were closed on 1st January, 1875, are gradually approaching expiration by lapse of time, and it will be necessary at the end of the present year, entirely to absorb them in the General Branch in order to provide funds for the payment of their losses. The Live Stock Branch has already been practically extinguished, and its policies are fast running out; and your Board, after the experience of five years, are convinced that it has brought no strength to the Company. They have, therefore, advised our agents to transfer their services in that department to another Company exclusively devoted to that class of insurance, and heartily trust that it may meet with encouragement and prosperity.

Some further changes in the law affecting Mutual Insurance Companies have been enacted in the Ontario Legislature within the past two months, the chief effect of which will be to impose a license fee on Companies not possessing a Dominion charter, or licensed under the Dominion law; and further, to require such Companies to deposit one-fourth of their cash-system premiums for the preceding year in the Ontario Treasury, by way of security to cash policy-holders.

Under the statute of 1873, we are entitled to issue, this year, cash system policies representing premiums to the amount of nearly \$100,000, and your Board propose to avail themselves of the privilege by issuing policies on what is called the "cash mutual" system, by which part payment is accepted in cash, and the balance in the shape of the usual undertaking; a system which has already been tried elsewhere and found to be very popular.

It is your right to elect to-day four Directors in place of those retiring by rotation, viz: Messrs. D. Thurston, R. L. Denison, H. Rowse, and T. Bowles, all of whom are eligible for re-election; also to nominate such gentlemen as you may think fit to the position of Honorary Directors.

(Signed) C. E. CHADWICK,
President.
S. THOMPSON,
Managing Director.

Toronto, Feb. 21, 1876.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DEC., 1875.

Receipts.	
Cash in hand and in bank, Jan. 1, 1875	\$ 2,359 13
Premiums received, after deducting agents' commissions	77,701 79
Guarantee stock received	8,445 00
Bills receivable	11,281 91
Bills payable	1,829 95
Interest received	503 01
Sundries	255 16
	<u>\$102,375 95</u>
Expenditures.	
Fire and live stock claims occurring in 1874	\$ 22,466 19
Fire and live stock claims occurring in 1875	40,698 28
Re insurance	2,491 13
Division court costs	936 34
Expenses of management, including Directors' fees, salaries, printing, advertising, stationery, rent and taxes, legal expenses, expenses adjusting claims, etc.	21,085 22
Interest on bills payable and guarantee stock	7,903 69
Returned premiums	5,037 12
Cash in hand and in bank, 31st December, 1875	1,757 98
	<u>\$102,375 95</u>

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, 31ST DECEMBER, 1875.

Assets.	
Cash in hand and in Agents' hands ..	\$ 5,787 67
Short-date notes for cash premiums ..	3,315 67
Assessments due on expired Policies	\$ 9,836 76
Less doubtful	4,918 38
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Division Court Costs in good suits ..	973 97
Sundries	6,084 47
Premium notes	\$256,413 94
Less paid	63,413 75
	<u>192,982 19</u>
	<u>\$214,062 35</u>
Liabilities.	
Bills payable, including claims not matured, and paper under discount	\$61,207 79
Claims since settled and unsettled ..	11,000 00
Sundries	2,069 37
	<u>\$74,277 16</u>
Guarantee Stock	35,025 52
Balance of Assets over all Liabilities, Dec. 31, 1875	104,759 67
	<u>\$214,062 35</u>

After the report had been read, C. E. Chadwick, Esq., in moving its adoption, said that it gratified him exceedingly to be able to state that the Company occupied to-day a position considerably stronger than at any former period of its existence, notwithstanding the very large amount of losses it had sustained, losses, however, not larger in proportion than had fallen to the lot of other companies, with whose affairs he was more or less intimate. The amount of property covered by its policies was nearly a million dollars greater than last year, a proof that it was not losing, but rather gaining largely in public estimation. It was, in fact, he believed, in as good a position as any other company in Ontario, which was no doubt attributable to the unwearied attention given by the management to its interests.

D. Thurston, Esq., remarked that the amount of premium notes received had really reached nearly as high a figure as \$300,000, but the fact that they had rejected so large an amount as \$33,000 sufficiently showed the care taken to protect the interests of the members; and yet those rejected risks had been readily taken by other offices altogether felt to be too hazardous for this Company.

After other gentlemen had spoken briefly the report was adopted unanimously. Other formal business having been transacted, the meeting proceeded to the election by ballot of three Directors in place of those retiring, when Messrs. D. Thurston, of Toronto, R. L. Denison, of Dover Court, and T. Bowles, of Chinguacousy, were unanimously elected.

After the usual vote of thanks to the Directors and officers of the Company, the meeting adjourned. At a Board meeting held subsequently, C. E. Chadwick, Esq., and D. Thurston, Esq., were respectively elected President and Vice-President of the Company.

ONTARIO LOAN AND SAVINGS COMPANY.

The third annual meeting of this Company was held at the Office of the Company, Oshawa, on Wednesday 2nd Feb. The President, Hon. T. N. Gibbs, presented the following:

Report.

The Directors, in presenting this, their third Annual Report, have again to congratulate the shareholders upon the success which has attend-

ed the operations of the Company for the past year. The net earnings of the Company, after deducting salaries, interest and all other expenses of the year, were \$10,711.18, out of which two half yearly dividends at the rate of ten per cent. per annum were paid, leaving the balance \$3,731.14, which amount has been carried to rest account, which account now amounts to \$8,382.32, or equalling about nine per cent. of the paid up capital. New loans to the amount of \$63,419.13 were made during the year, and repayments on mortgages, \$23,715.82 were received. Great care has been exercised by your Directors in the selection of loans, which has been evidenced by the prompt payments on the mortgages held by the Company. Your Directors, after careful consideration, decided to open a Branch Office, at Whitby, which was opened for business on the 1st of December last, and the results have so far met the expectations of the Board. The Deposits in the Savings Department during the year were \$103,335.31; as compared with \$80,674.98 for 1874, showing an increase of \$22,665.23. The accounts of the year have been carefully audited and the securities valued. The Directors desire to express their entire approval of the manner in which the Secretary-Treasurer has discharged the duties devolving upon him. All of which is respectfully submitted.

THOS. N. GIBBS,
President.

RECEIPTS.

Balance of cash, January 1st, 1875 ..	\$ 52 71
Balance in Bank January, 1st, 1875	\$89 05
Less cheques not presented	174 55
Capital Stock	614 50
Repayment on Loans	37,884 13
Deposits received	17,299 25
Interest	103,335 21
Secretary's Commission	6,416 57
Bills payable, Balance of Discounts ..	201 66
	<u>7,000 00</u>
	<u>\$172,804 03</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

Loans on Mortgages	\$ 63,419 13
Deposits withdrawn	87,319 58
Interest paid	4,429 12
Dividends Nos. 4 and 5	6,979 76
Salaries and Expenses	2,766 74
Cash in Ontario Bank, Oshawa	2,034 63
Cash in Ontario Bank, Whitby	3,082 73
Cash on hand	2,772 34
	<u>\$172,804 03</u>

ASSETS.

Present value of Mortgages	\$174,999 54
Office furniture	\$909 11
Less 10 per cent	90 91
Cash in Ontario Bank, Oshawa	2,034 63
Cash in Ontario Bank, Whitby	3,082 73
Cash on hand	2,772 34
	<u>\$183,707 44</u>

LIABILITIES.

Rest account	\$ 4,651 18
Due Stock Holders	93,098 96
Due Depositors	59,226 16
Due Ontario Bank	23,000 00
Balance of Profits	3,731 14
	<u>\$183,707 44</u>

T. H. McMILLAN,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Oshawa, Feb. 2nd, 1876.

We hereby certify that the above statements contain a correct representation of the affairs of the Society, as shown by the books at December 31st, 1875. We have examined vouchers and find same correct.

JNO. B. HARRIS, }
G. H. GRIERSON } Auditors.