

Having thus fully proved the charges made against the collector and surveyor your committee claims it to be still in the interests of the mercantile community that they be removed, and recommend that the Board of Trade press this demand on the Government.

**The Disallowance Meeting.**

The meeting held in Trinity Hall, on Friday evening last, was a remarkable one in many respects. It was most remarkable in point of unity. It is a rare occurrence to find such a large and promiscuous gathering of men, influenced by such singleness of purpose and oneness of sentiment, met together to discuss any public question or line of policy. It is doubtful if ever before such a gathering took place in Winnipeg. If the large and crowded hall had been canvassed, there could not have been found a corporal's guard opposed to the spirit which animated the assemblage, at least unless there were some present who were pecuniarily interested in an opposite way. If such there were they held their peace. The gathering was also remarkable for the calm, quiet earnestness, but firm determination, which characterized every word and action. There was an entire absence of the blatant oratory and loud talk of the political demagogue and professional agitator. If any of this stripe were present they must have occupied seats in the back rows, for they were not observed, and were perhaps over-awed by the feeling that they were out of their element among such a representative gathering of intelligent, professional and business men as filled the hall. Any reference to party politics was studiously avoided, and the different speakers worded their remarks in a calm and dignified manner. Not one harsh word was said either against the policy of the Dominion Government, or against the course pursued by the C.P.R. Company. But beyond this, in every sentence of each speaker and every fresh outburst of applause in the audience, could be traced a firm determination, the one predominating sentiment pervading the assemblage. There was no disposition to refer to acts of the past, apparently unjust to this country. The present only was considered, and it was the unanimous opinion, that the time had now arrived, when the further disallowance of Manitoba railway charters would be an injustice to this province which could not be tolerated. It was shown by the speakers, that at no time in the history of the country were we so much in need of railway competition as at the present; and that a continuation of the policy of disallowance would be most jeopardising to our interests. The legal aspects of the case was elucidated by Mr. R. W. Jameson and Mr. F. B. Robertson. It was shown, contrary to the popular belief, and in accordance with statements of leading members of the Government, that the agreement between the Government of Canada and the C.P.R. Company, did not demand the disallowance by the former, of railway charters granted by the Legislature of Manitoba; but the Government have the power, bestowed by the North America Act, to disallow any Act passed by a provincial legislature, when such act is considered detrimental to the

country as a whole. Although the legal power of the Government was recognized, it was the unanimous feeling of the meeting, that the people of this province should not quietly submit to a domination so unjust to their best interests and which would not be forced by the Government upon any other provinces in the Dominion but Manitoba. The resolution praying the Governor-General to disallow the charter of the Manitoba Central Railway Co., was passed amidst cheers, and a committee of fifty was appointed to wait upon the Local Legislature and ask for a similar resolution from that body.

**Manitoba.**

The Neepawa Register wants the officials of the municipalities in that district to bring suit to see whether the Northwest Land Co. cannot be compelled to pay taxes.

According to the new Winnipeg market by-law hucksters are to be allowed to purchase from farmers after 10 o'clock instead of 12 o'clock as formerly, and the fee is reduced to five cents for single teams and ten cents for double teams. The fee for weighing hay has been reduced to ten cents and the same for measuring wood. Heretofore twenty-five cents was charged.

A very fine flouring mill is that of Gile's on the Shell River at Assessippi. So excellent is the water power that the mill can run all winter. The flour is made by the roller system. The large and costly saw mill at the mouth of the river was erected at a cost of about \$50,000 and is one of the most complete mills in the Northwest. Mr. Mitchell has a large force of men in the spruce woods of the Fort Pelly country getting out saw logs. — *Birtle Observer.*

**STATEMENT**

**THE MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW YORK.**

RICHARD A. McCURDY, PRESIDENT.

For the year ending December 31st, 1885.

**ASSETS, \$108,908,967.51.**

**INSURANCE AND ANNUITY ACCOUNT.**

	No.	Amount.		No.	Amount.
Policies and Annuities in force, Jan. 1st, 1885.....	114,865	\$951,815,941 07	Policies and Annuities in force, Jan. 1st, 1886.....	120,052	\$308,981,441 30
Risks Assumed.....	14,334	46,607,139 16	Risks Terminated.....	8,247	29,341,638 87
	129,199	\$998,423,080 23		129,199	\$338,323,080 23

Dr.

**REVENUE ACCOUNT.**

Cr.

To Balance from last account.....	\$97,009,913 08	By paid to Policy-Holders:	
" Premiums.....	14,768,901 93	Endowments and Purchased	
" Interests and Rents.....	5,446,032 35	Insurance.....	\$5,270,116 34
		Dividends and Annuities.....	3,211,900 00
		Deceased Lives.....	5,929,033 56
			14,402,049 90
		" Other Disbursements:	
		Commissions and Contributions.....	1,228,679 54
		Taxes.....	206,650 50
		Expenses.....	991,954 14
			2,427,284 48
		" Premium on Stocks and Bonds Purchased.....	469,882 87
		" Balance to new account.....	99,865,644 11
	\$117,224,867 36		\$117,224,867 36

Dr.

**BALANCE SHEET.**

Cr.

To Reserve for policies in force or terminated.....	\$103,846,223 00	By Bonds Secured by Mortgages on Real Estate.....	\$49,228,930 16
" Premiums received in advance.....	50,080 73	" United States and other Bonds.....	39,366,104 00
" Surplus at four per cent.....	5,012,633 78	" Loans on Collaterals.....	3,856,500 00
		" Real Estate.....	10,992,720 45
		" Cash in Banks and Trust Companies at interest.....	2,619,643 21
		" Interest accrued.....	1,217,329 85
		" Premiums deferred and in transit.....	1,438,189 55
		" Sundries.....	180,550 20
	\$108,908,967 51		\$108,908,967 51

I have carefully examined the foregoing statement and find the same to be correct.

A. N. WATERHOUSE, Auditor.

From the Surplus above stated a Dividend will be appointed as usual.

New York, January 20, 1886.

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