The Directors have pleasure in reporting that all the borrowers have duly paid up their instalments and interest.

An important branch of the business of this Company ponsists in making loans to persons who desire to acquire homes of their own, instead of paying rent, such loans being repayable in equal monthly or other periodic instalments. The borrower becomes a member of the Company, and participates in the profits equally with the mere investor; and the shares he takes to cover the amount of his loan come to par value in about eight years, when his mortgage is released. A modification of this may in some cases be made, making the loan extend over a greater number of years and the periodic instalments less in proportion. While the borrower lives there is usually little difficulty in paying his instalments-these instalments being little more than what he would pay as rent to a landlord for a similar house; but in case of his death difficulty is apt to arise. The husband's income ceases, and the widow and children, probably unprovided for, would be wholly unable to keep up the number of the instalments necessary to obtain a full discharge of the mortgage. The instalments ceasing, the Company would be under the painful necessity of protecting their other members by foreclosing upon the widow's home, and selling the property for the amount due. To provide against such a contingency, the Company is about perfecting arrangements by which, upon the demise of the natural provider before par value of the shares or other term agreed upon is reached and the debt on the home thus extinguished, the remainder of the debt will be assumed should the borrower so elect, and the widow and children or other legal representatives endowed with a free, unencumbered homestead. Mr. Pettegrew, the manager, has already obtained interim copyright in this direction, and absolute copyright will be secured by him as soon as the arrangements referred to are perfected.

The Directors are satisfied from the experiment made during the past year that a successful, safe and profitable business, both to the investor and the borrower, can be conducted by this Company, with headquarters at the Capital of the Dominion.

The books, vouchers and securities of the Company have been carefully examined by the Auditors, Messrs. Larmonth and Garland, whose report is appended. The Directors desire to bear testimony to the thoroughness those gentlemen have evinced in the performance of their duties.

McLEOD STEWART, President.

FIRST ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT

THE DOMINION INVESTMENT, LOAN & SAVINGS COMPANY

At 31st December, 1887.

RECEIPTS.	DISBURSEMENTS.
On Stock	On Loans \$13,666 6 Expenses 748 5 Withdrawn 74 5 Interest on withdrawal 3 Cash on hand 1,505 3
\$16,025 93	\$16,025 9
ASSETS.	LIABILITIES.
Loans in force	Permanent Stock taken, 205 shares
\$29,709 75	~ \$29,709 7

OTTAWA, 16th January, 1888.