Office of the Caranta Building Saciety.

The Directors of the Toronto Building Society beg to present their Eighth Annual Report, and in so doing have to congratulate their fellow Shareholders upon the advance made during the past year towards bringing the Society to a close.

On the 31st. January, 1853, the period to which the last statement brings the affairs of the Society, there were 310 shares unborrowed standing on the books. At the same date this year the number was reduced to 175, 13 having been loaned and 122 purchased, and during the present month, since the books were made up for the statement herewith submitted, 24 additional shares have been purchased leaving only 151 to pay off, and showing that more than half the liabilities of the Society existing on the 31st January, 1853, have been liquidated from that date to the present.

This is a very gratifying result of the past year's business; but in estimating the probabilities for the future, it must be borne in mind that the income of the Society has been considerably diminished by the number of shares purchased and cancelled. This decrease amounts to about £108 per month, or £1296 for the year; another fact must also be taken into account, viz.: That the sum of about £650 has been received during the past year from parties who have cancelled their securities for borrowed shares and retired from the Society, and £1036 from parties indebted to the Society for balances of property sold, &c. These two sums, making together £1686, form no part of the regular income of the Society, and the only sum now due, apart from the instalments, interest, &c., is that of £330 mentioned in the annexed statement.

The members will observe how very small the bonus account appears this year. There have been only 13 shares loaned during the year, and none since the month of April. These shares were loaned at very low rates of bonus, so that the Directors (although paying a premium that forms a handsome profit npon the ivestment) have found by careful calculations, that it was best for the interests of the Society to apply the funds almost exclusively to the purchase of the shares; and in doing this they have found great advantage resulting from the adoption of the plan of fixing what they deemed a just and liberal rate to pay for them, and allowing parties to sell without waiting for the monthly meetings to compete for the funds.

The Directors have much pleasure in stating that all the property formerly held by the Society has been sold without any material loss, and that all the securities now held for re-payment of the loans, interest, &c. are perfectly sound, and the Solicitor, under instructions from the Board, is pressing for immediate settlement of all arrears.

The Directors cannot close their Report without giving expression to their very high appreciation of the services of the Secretary. They feel that the present most satisfactory condition of the Society's affairs is mainly to be attributed to his constant attention and well directed exertions on behalf of the Society.

CHAS. BERCZY,

President.

TORONTO, 27th February, 1854.

STATEMENT

Of the Funds and Effects of the TORONTO BUILDING SOCIETY, 31st January, 1854.

STOCK.	£	8.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	APPLICATION OF FUNDS.	£	s.	d.
nstalments received to 31st January, 1853nstalments received to 31st January, 1854	34532 4467			38999	12	9				Mortgages on 571 borrowed shares Due to Society for property sold	57100 330		0 0
Less refunded on 122 shares purchased by the Society " allowed on 30 borrowed shares cancelled	5114 1235			6349	0	0	32650	19	9	Iron Safe	45 818	4	
PROFITS.							32000	14	J	Cash on hand	25	8	0
Amount of Profits, 31st January, 1853. Bonuses on 13 shares loaned this year. Interest received this year. Fines received this year. Management Fees received this year. Transfer Fees received this year.	177 275	5 5 11	0 3 21 10½	30132	14	5							
Less paid Directors per Vote of Annual Meeting. " " late Secretary's Salary to April " " present Secretary's Salary " " Expenses, Rent Auditors, &c " allowed on 122 shares purchased by the Society " " 30 borrowed shares redeemed and cancelled (including £23 18 9 at debit profit and loss) " Paid Bank Interest on Discounts	59 168 75 3321	2	9 0 1										
	777 11			4464	14	4	25668	0	1				
							£58318	12	10		£58318	3 12	10
Funds realized as above				1966	. 0	10	58318	12	10				
			129	13	13 1½	1433	_						
90 Instalments of 10s. each on 746 shares, would be							£59752						
							£26182	8	6	1 2			

£26,182 8s. 6\frac{1}{2}d., applied pro rata upon 746 Shares, is equal to a premium on each of £35 1s. 11\frac{1}{2}d.

W. B. PHIPPS, Secretary & Treasurer.

TORONTO, February 21st, 1853.

We have examined the Books and Statements upon which the foregoing is founded, and hereby certify that they are correct.

J. W. BRENT,
H. THOMPSON,

Audito Rs.

TORONTO, 28th February, 1854,