the nut-brown curls back from the

child's flushed face, "I should think

you would be very pleased. They were your neighbors when you were

"Yes," replied the little girl, frown-

est ones, make me think of those stiff

"A wh-at!" cried Mrs. Corliss.

vited them."

daughter?"

"She's a Tom-boy, mamma always

you go South again-so I suppose your

"Hush child, don't talk so loud," en-

every one says she is, he groans, and

understand, and his face grows so

To Be Continued.

TORONTO'S WIRES.

They Would Reach to South Africa, Fence

The length of wire used in th

transaction of Toronto's rapid transit

and despatch business is sufficient to

run a cable of our own around th

world, with a branch line to th

to follow the route of the first Cana-

dian contingent to South Africa, and

return, make a fence around the whole

of the Transvaal and Orange River

to hang all the Boers captured dur-

If all the electric wires in Toron-

bined length would reach a distance

placed roughly at 13,500 miles, while

Companies require nearly 8000 miles

of wire for the transmission of light

Railway uses only 205 miles in the op-

eration of the 85 miles of trolley road

in the city. The Toronto Fire Depart-

ment about 45 miles. A force of over

Colonel Kekewich, during the siege

of Kimberley, was approached by a

private who asked, "Colonel, when do

Colonel, "did you join the army mere-

soldier, but he still lives.

Pope Leo XIII. has now outlived all

ly to get something to eat?" "Well,

in the Rebel States and Hang the

down in Florida, were they not?"

### SUFFERING WOMEN.

A MESSAGE OF HOPE TO THE WEAK AND DEPRESSED.

A Grateful Woman Tells of Her Release From the Agontes That Afflict Her Sex After Three Doctors Had Falled to Help

The amount of suffering borne by women throughout the country, can never be estimated. Silently, almost hopelessly, they endure from day to was marrying Rex for love; she had day afflictions that can only fall to the lot of women. The following her heart. story of the suffering and release of Mrs. Charles Hoeg, of Southampton, heard approaching foot steps and the N.S., ought to bring hope and health rippling of girlish laughter. and happiness to other sufferers. Mrs. Hoeg says:-"For nine out of the self to think," she said to herself, thirty-two years of my life I have drawing hastily back behind the thick suffered as no woman, unless she has screen of leaves until they should been similarly afflicted, can imagine I pass. She did not feel in the humor could suffer and yet have lived. Three just then to listen to Miss Raynor's weeks out of four I would be unable chatter or pretty Grace Alden's gos- flowers the depths of a passionate around she scarcely notices me, and I soon reported to the doctor that he to move about and, indeed, at no sip. time was really fit to attend to my "Of course every one has a right to household duties. I consulted physi- their own opinion," Grace was saying, cians-three of the most skilful doc- with a toss of her pretty-nut-brown tors in the county of Cumberland curls, "and I, for one, do not believe at different times had charge of my he cares for her one whit." case. These all agreed in their diag- "It is certainly very strange," renosis, but the treatment varied, and sponded Miss Raynor, thoughtfully. while at times I would experience "Every one can see she is certainly some relief, at no time was there any in love with Rex; but I am afraid it awaiting him on the rose-covered ter- and think kindly of her." hope given me of a permanent cure. is quite a one-sided affair." Many a night when I went to bed I "Yes," said Grace, laughing shyly, would have been glad if death had "a very one-sided affair. Why, have come before morning. I never had you ever noticed them together-how much faith in proprietary medicines, Pluma watches his face and seems to but at one time I took a half dozen live on his smiles? And as for Rex, bottles of a blood-making compound he always seems to be looking over dark, passionate eyes and the welcome a sorry enough time of it all your af- pain." that was highly recommended. This, her head into the distance, as though, that trembled on her scarlet lips. | ter life. What put it into your head like anything else, failed to help me, he saw something there far more in-There seemed to be not a particle of teresting than the face of his brideblood in my body. My face was ab- to-be. That doesn't look much like solutely colorless, and my appetite love or a contented lover." time he had been regarded as a hope- quietly back behind the overhangless consumptive, and his cure ing alder branches that skirted the through Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, determined me to try them. I had not taken two boxes before I began to feel better, and grew confident of a cure. I kept on taking the pills, all alders!" the time feeling new blood in my veins, activity returning to my limbs, and the feeling of depression gradually wearing away. To many women it may seem incredible that the mere making of new blood in my veins could restore to a healthy condition misplaced internal organs, but this has been my happy experience. My as healthy a woman as there is in

not from the grave." Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are especieradicate those troubles which make the lives of so many women, old and prostration speedily yield to this and wrapper printed in red ink, at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50, and may be had of druggists, or direct by mail from Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Brockville, Ont.

THEN HE HURRIED UP.

He was too modest to be a successful lover, and he had let forty years of his life go by without ever coming to an emotional point.

He was in love with a fair being of suitable age, but he would not tell her so, and though she knew it, she could not very well give him a hint on the situation.

away without a word. He was gone a long, long time, and

when he came back he found her still

I have come back after many years, through his mother's influence. he said to her, as he took her hand

in greeting. She had learned something in the years since she had seen him last. Well, for goodness' sake, Henry, she exclaimed fervidly, why don't you take cal little sob. "They are saying to pected him to do. them? I'm 35 now. How many more each other, 'He does not love me'-I, "This must be my answer, dear," he

years do you want? Then a great light shone upon him, and he did not wait for any more.

There is a curious little anecdote told of Victoria when about 12 years gardener hastened to help her up For Pluma Hurlhurst, after that and remarked, "That's slape, Miss." hour, the sunshine never had the same

## Heiress and Wife.

CHAPTER XXVIII .- Continued. She heard people speak of her approaching marriage as "a grand match"-she heard him spoken of as a wealthy Southerner, and she laughed a proud, happy, rippling laugh. She given him the deepest truest love of

Around a bend in the terrace she

"I cannot have five minutes to my-

"If you had seen him this mornsaw in the newspapers letters ing you might well say he did not look offending daisies he wore on his life, and ever so many things I can't of Dr. contented," replied Miss Raynor, nine mysteriously. "I was out for a mornyears of suffering and discourage- ing ramble, and, feeling a little tired, ment had made me too sceptical to I sat down on a moss-covered stone to like the slumbrous fire of a volcano; see any hope of relief, when doctors rest. Hearing the approaching clat- even your voice seems to have lost had failed to effect a cure. But at ter of horse's hoofs, I looked up and last I came across the story of a saw Rex Lyon coming leisurely down cure near home—that of Mr. Moses the road. I could not tell you what ten on it, but he could not tell what Boss, of Rodney. I knew that at one prompted me to do it, but I drew it was.

brook, admiring him all unseen." "this is almost too good to keep. Who would imagine dignified Miss Raynor tween you and me. What is it peeping admiringly at handsome Rex, screened by the shadows of the

"Now don't be ridiculous, Grace, or I shall be tempted not to tell you the ing. most interesting part," returned Miss Raynor, flushing hotly.

"Oh, that would be too cruel," cried Grace, who delighted in anything bordering on mystery. "Do tell it." "Well," continued Miss Raynor, dropping her voice to a lower key, "when he was quite opposite me, he suddenly stopped short and quickly pains have all left me, and I am now dismounted from his horse, and picked feel sure it is something which conup from the roadside a handful of wild flowers. this place. This health I owe to Dr.

"What in the world could he want with them?" cried Grace, incredulous- is on your mind?" Williams' Pink Pills, which have res-

cued me from a life of suffering, if with them!" echoed Miss "Why, he pressed them to his lips, murmuring passionate, lovally valuable to women. They build ing words over them. For one brief you must have been bling not to no- ectric and the Incandescent Light up the blood, restore the nerves, and instant his face was turned toward me, and I saw there were tears standon his face I shall never forget to my young, a burden. Palpitation of the dying day. There was such hopeheart, nervous headache and nervous less woe upon it-indeed one might have almost supposed by the expression of his face, he was waiting for wonderful medicine. These pills are his death-sentence to be pronounced sold only in boxes, the trade mark instead of a marriage ceremony, which was to give him the queenly heiress of Whitestone Hall for

> "Perhaps there is some hidden romance in the life of handsome Rex the world does not know of," suggest- return. Tell me that it is all false, ed Grace, sagely. "I hope not," replied Miss Raynor. you not, Rex? Tell me," she im-

"I would hate to be a rival of Pluma | plored. Hurlhurst's. I have often thought, as I watched her with Rex, it must be terrible to worship one person so madly. I have often thought Pluma's a thought my conduct could give rise you expect we are going to get some-

"Do not speak so," cried Grace. "You horrify me. Whenever I see her face I am afraid those words will with doubt. be ringing in my ears-a perilous

rejoinder which Pluma white and as if it were made for kisses-that She was willing, because she had trembling behind the ivy vines, did Rex would have had to have been shot." The officer understood the not catch, and still discussing the af- something more than mortal man to joke, and replied: "All right, Colonarrived at that time of life when a fair, they moved on, leaving Pluma have resisted her pleading with sight el." The private, exhibiting no alarm woman is not nearly so hard to please and tears for his love, and refuse it, said: "Boil me a ham, cap'n, stew up with the truth, which she had hoped especially as she had every reason to er time, but he was stupid and went against hope was false. Rex, who expect it, as he had asked her to be a couple of chickens, bake two or three was so soon to be her husband, was his wife. There was such a look of pounds of potatoes, fetch a gallon o' certainly not her lover.

Every word those careless lips had looked as if he felt exceedingly un- A hearty meal was prepared for the uttered came back to her heart with comfortable.

coldness," she cried, with a hysteri- what she wanted and what she exwho have counted my triumphs by the said, holding her in a close embrace. score. I have revealed my love in In that brief instant she had torn every word, tone and glance, but I the daisies from the lapel of his coat

of age. It was on the occasion of a muring passionate, loving words over all remembrance from his heart of visit to Wentworth House, the seat them," she almost cried aloud in her the young girl for whose memory this of Earl Fitzwilliam. One morning as well as though she had witnessed wild blossoms on his breast. about the grounds, when an old were daisies, and she knew, too, why he missed them, and quickly unclasped lection of his stay in England. gardener who saw her about to de- he had kissed them so passionately. his arms from around her with a scend a sloping piece of lawn called She saw the sun shining on the trees, little cry. out, "Be careful, Miss, Its slape!" | the flower-beds were great squares "What's slape?" said the Princess, and and circles of color, the fountains the next moment measured her full sparkled in the sunlight, and restless length on the damp grass. The old butterflies flitted hither and thither. a sigh.

# CHARACTER IN MEDICINE.

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light, the flowers the same color, her ing, "but I don't like them one bit. face the same smile, or her heart the Bess and Gertie-that's the two eld-

same joyousness. Never did "good and evil" fight for pictures in the gay trailing dresses a human heart as they struggled in in the magazines. Eve is nice, but that hour in the heart of the beauti- she's a Tom-boy." ful, willful heiress. All the fire, the passion, and recklessness of her nature were aroused.

die!" she cried, vehemently. "The love I long for shall be mine. I brother thought of that when he inswear it, cost what it may!" She was almost terribly beautiful to behold, as that war of passion raged die; "it was Miss Pluma's doings."

She saw a cloud of dust arising in treated the old house-keeper; "she the distance. She knew it was Rex might hear you.' returning, but no bright flush rose to "I don't care," cried Birdie. 'I don't her cheek as she remembered what like her anyhow, and she knows it. flowers he had so rapturously caress- as honey to me, and calls me 'pretty ed-he had given a few rank wild little dear,' but when Rex isn't love which he had never shown to her, hate her-yes. I do. whom he had asked to be his wife. She watched him as he approached gether venomously, crying out the nearer and nearer, so handsome, so words in a shrill scream. graceful, so winning, one of his white

Pluma might have forgotten her aurst don't."

That sight froze the light in her was to once hear you, you would have slightest return of the trouble or believe I will have another. and came quickly forward to meet her, and then drew back with a start. "What is the matter, Pluma?" he die. "When I tell him how pretty lar in Nicolet.

asked, in wonder. "Nothing," she replied, keeping her says strange things about fatal eyes fastened as if fascinated on the beauty, which marred all his youn

"I left you an hour ago smiling and hard and so stern I am almost afraid happy. I find you white and worn. of him." There are strange lights in your eyes its tenderness. What is it, Pluma? She raised her dark, proud face to his. There was a strange story writ-

"It-it is nothing. The day is warm, and I am tired, that is all." "You are not like the same Pluma who kissed me when I was going "Oh, dear!" cried Grace, merrily, away," he persisted. "Since I left this house something has come be-Pluma?" She looked up to him with a proud North Pole. It would be long enough

gesture that was infinitely charm-"Is anything likely to come be tween us?" she asked. "No: not that I know of," he ans-

wered, growing more and more puz-"Then why imagine it?" she asked "Because you are so changed, Pluma," he said. "I shall never perhaps ! know the cause of your strange man- to were strung together their com- man. ner toward me, but I shall always cerns myself. You look at me as of over 24,000 miles. Of this the "Helthough you were questioning me," he lo Girl" controls more than one half, "I wish you would tell me what the Bell Telephone Co.'s mileage being

"I do not suppose it could make the least difference," she answered, pas- the telegraph companies use 3000 sionately. "Yes, I will tell you, what miles between them. The Toronto Eltice long ago. Have you not noticed how every one watches us with a peing in his eyes, and there was a look culiar smile on their lips as we come among them; and how their voices and power, while the Toronto Street sink to a whisper lest we should overhear what they say? What is commented upon by my very guests, and the people all about us? Listen, then, it is this; Rex Lyon does not love ment's signal boxes require 80 miles the woman he has asked to be his wife. of wire, and the Police Patrol Depart-The frosts of Iceland could not be colder than his manner toward her; They say, too, that I have given you 200 men is employed constantly keepthe truest and deepest love of my ing the various lines in repair and heart, and have received nothing in erecting new lines throughout the my darling, You do care for me, do

> "Good heavens!" cried Rex. almost speechless in consternation; "do they dare say such things? I never to one reproach, one unkind thought." thing to eat?" "Eat!" exclaimed the "Tell me you do care for me, Rex," she cried. "I have been almost mad

There was something in the lovely that's about the size of it." "Here," face, in the tender, pleading eyes, and calling an officer, "give this man MENT. Miss Raynor made some laughing quivering, scarlet mouth, that looked something to eat and then have him unutterable love on her face it fairly beer and load yer guns. With such in-Her keen judgment had told her bewildered him. The passion in her ducements the man that wouldn't be long ago all this had come about voice startled him. What was he to do with this impetuous girl? Rex willing to die is a blitherjn' idjot."

He took her in his arms and kissed "Even my guests are noticing his her mechanically; he knew that was

can not awaken one sentiment in his with her white, jeweled fingers, tossed them to the earth, and stamped her When she remembered the words, dainty feet upon them, wishing in the Queen Victoria on one of her visits fierce, angry passion. She knew just handsome lover of hers wore these

Stooping down he instantly recovered his crushed treasure and lifted them reverently in his hand with

"I cannot say that I admire your taste, Rex," she said, with a short, hard laugh, that somehow grated harshly on her lover's ears. "The conservatories are blooming with rare and odorous flowers, yet you choose these obnoxious plants; they are no more or less than a species of weeds. Never wear them again, Rex-I despise them-throw them away, and I will gather you a rare bouquet of white hyacinths and starry jasmine

and golden-rod bells." The intense quiver in her voice pained him, and he saw her face wore the palor or death, and her eyes were gleaming like restless fire.

"I will not wear them certainly if you dislike them, 'Pluma," he said, gravely, "but I do not care to replace them by any others; daisies are the sweetest flowers on earth for me." He did not fasten them on his coat again, but transferred them to his breast-pocket. She bit her scarlet

lips in impotent rage. In the very moment of her supreme triumph and happiness he had unrier between them.

CHAPTER XXIX.

"I do think it is a perfect shame

#### a low hassock, at her feet, and laying down her crutch beside her—"it is "Why," said Mrs. Corliss, smoothing

the Sick Speaks.

Pills, and the Results Prove His Wisdom in so Doing. Nicolet, Que., Mar. 25 .- Special .- Dr.

said; she romps, and has no manners." cases of Kidney Disease cured by "I will make him love me or I will "They will be your neighbors when Dodd's Kidney Pills, which are very striking testimonials to the merit of this great medicine. The subjects are "He never dreamed of it," cried Bir- Mr. Caleb Rivard and Mr. Joseph is 357, which is less that that of any

Mr. Rivard suffered from incontinence of the urine day and night. He will be made up of 386 members. was so worried by the discharge of urine at night, that he purchased Kidney Pills. He bought some and tirely disappeared. Birdie clinched her little hands to-Mr. Hamel writes of his case:-

"I suffered with Kidney Disease for the Georgia Legislature. three or four years so bad that I "Birdie," cried Mrs. Corliss, "you hands carelessly resting on the spirit- must not say such hard, cruel things. would have to lay off work two or ed animal's proudly arched, glossy I have heard you say, over and over three days every week. I was con- apportionment of 1892, consists of 213 neck, and with the other raising his again, you liked Mr. Hurlhurst, and tinually sick, and was forced to walk hat from his brown curls in true you must remember Pluma is his like an old man, being all bent with courtly cavalier fashion to her, as he daughter, and she is to be your bro- the pain. I had lost all my energy. saw her standing there, apparently ther's wife. You must learn to speak I heard of Dodd's Kidney Pills. Af- of Deputies of Brazil has 212 memter I had taken a few doses, I was bers. "I never shall like her," cried Birdie, delighted to find myself improving. He looked so handsome and lovable defiantly, "and I am sure Mr. Hurl- Thus encouraged, I continued, and after the third box my trouble had grievance had she not at that mom- "Birdie!" ejaculated the good lady entirely disappeared. I could stand ent espied, fastened to the lapel of in a fright, dropping her scissors and and walk upright without any pain other piece of cake, Cousin John. his coat, a cluster of golden-headed spools in consternation; "let me warn or stiffness whatever. This is over six you not to talk so again; if Miss Pluma months ago, and I have not had the ready had two; but it's so good I

These cures have caused quite a He leaped lightly from the saddle, Mr. Hurthurst did not like his own sensation in this neighborhood, as she'd bet you'd make a pig of yourboth gentlemen are well known. self! "Oh. lots of things," answered Bir- Dodd's Kidney Pills are very popu-

FRIENDLY WARNING

A popular doctor tells this story of a bright boy, his own, who has reached the mature age of nine, after an early career marked by many wild and mischievous pranks.

His restless nature has made him something of a torment to his teacher at times, and one afternoon not long ago she kept him after the others were dismissed, and had a serious talk with him. Perhaps she was a little afraid that her admonitions were falling on stony ground. Anyway, she finally said:

I certainly will have to ask your father to come and see me. Don't you do it, said the boy. The teacher thought she had made an impression. Yes, she repeated, I must send for

your father. You better not, said the boy. Why not? inquired the teacher. Cause he charges \$2 a visit, said Colony, and still have enough wire the scamp.

> POINTED SAYINGS. He who fears God need never fear

You cannot do God's work with the born of the approval of conscience. Christianity is to the Christless as

the science of optics to the blind. Charity draws from an exhaustless fountain; the more it gives, the more it has to give. It is hopeless consulting the compass of conscience when you lay the STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, \ ss. loadstone of lust beside it.

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the distinguished persons who a few years ago were his contemporaries, yesterday with a bissickle that had It is now nearly sixty years since the holler-injun rubber tires stuffed with Supreme Pontiff, who was then Papal wind. He let me try hissen, and mi, it Nuncio, at the Belgian Court, met run like a kushen. He told me you sell injun rubber just the same as hissen. Mine is all iron wheels. Do "He pressed them to his lips, mur- depths of her soul she could crush out to her uncle, King Leopold. He after- you punch the holler hole through the wards visited England, and was pre- injun rubber oer will I have to do it myself? How do you stick the ends sented to the Queen and the Prince together after you get it done. If Consort. The Pope, though now in his your injun rubber is all ready will it after a rainy night she was running him herself, that those wild flowers As Rex looked down into her face ninetieth year, retains a vivid recolcome any cheaper empty? I can get ants. all the wind I want hare. 

#### PARLIAMENTS OF THE WORLD.

British House of Commons Has the Largest Body of Law-Makers. The largest parliamentary body of lawmakers is the British House of Commons, the membership of which

An Honest and Earnest Friend of is 670. The French Chamber of Deputies, representing a constituency numerically smaller than the British He Tells His Patients to Use Dodd's Kidney Commons, has a membership of 584, the Italian Parliament 508, the Hungarian House of Representatives 453, the Spanish Cortes 431, the Austrian W. Smith, of this place, reports two Reichsrath. 425, and the German Reichstag, the smallest of the European Parliaments, 397.

The present membership of the United States House of Representatives, of the European law-making bodies, and the next House of Representatives

In large American States the gen-Miss Raynor had said of the wild When Rex is around she is as sweet from Dr. Smith a rubber instrument eral tendency is to limit the memberto protect his bed. Dr. Smith advised ship of the Legislature, so that it shall not be unwieldly, though there was quite cured. The trouble had en- are 250 members of the lower house of the Massachusetts Legislature and 184 members of the lower house of

The Canadian Parliament, under the members. The Boule of Greece consists of 207 members and the Chamber

THAT BOY AGAIN. CALVERT'S Mrs. Bilkins, sweetly-Do have an-Cousin John-Why, really, Ive al-Little Johnnie, excitedly.-Ma's winner! Ma's a winner! She said

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The President having taken the chair, on motion Mr. W. H. Riddell. Secretary of the Company, acted as Secretary of the meeting, and at the request of the President, read the

DIRECTORS' REPORT. Your Directors have pleasure in submitting their report, together with the financial statement duly audited for the year ended December 31st, 1900. We are glad to inform you that the business of the year has been eminently satisfactory. and that it exceeds any former year, except in respect to new business, which is somewhat

The Surplus earnings were sufficient to enable a continuance of the liberal distribution to olicyholders as heretofore. The interest earnings were again, as for some years past largely in excess of all the death claims that arose within the year, continued confidence of policyholders in the stability of the Company and its management, Applications to the amount of \$4,32,345 were received, and policies for \$4,304,183 were issued, all of which except \$28,500 were secured within the Dominion. The amount of business actually paid for in 1900 was \$4,671,712 being the largest amount of insurance placed in Canada by a Canadian Company. Your Directors believe that it is advisable to confine the Company's operations to Canada, where proper supervision can be exercised, and business secured at a

The number of Polici s in force was 20,336, assuring \$29,521.076.58, on which the reserve is \$4,837,733.68, based on our own standard, Actuaries 4 per cent. for all business to January 1st. 1900, and Hm. 31 per cent, thereafter The Premium Income was \$927,845.10; Interest Income, \$222,100.03; Annuity Premiums. \$21,999.82; total, \$1,171,914.95 or an increase of \$120,512.28 over the income in 1899. The amount paid to Policyholders was \$431,565.50; and of this amount the large sum of \$214,112.23 was paid to hving Policyholders. The Death claims paid were \$217,453.27; Matured Endowments \$78,300; Purchased Policies, \$49,543.17; Surplus or Dividends paid to Policyholders The Surplus over all liabilities on the Company's standard is \$310,349,30, and on the Govern

The active demand for money has kept the Company's funds well employed during the I cured a horse of a bad swelling er in metals succeeded in drawing a of overdue interest at Dec. 31 last was \$5,874.86. The Manager, Officers and Staff continue to disci the Board and in the best interests of the Company. You will be called upon to elect four Directors in the place of B. M. Britton, K.J., M.P., Francis C. Bruce, M.P., J. Kerr Fisken and Geo. A. Somerville, whose term of office has expired, but all of whom are eligible for re-election.

R. MELVIN, ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS FOR 1900, Interest, annuities, etc..... Payment to policyholders for death claims, endowments, profits, etc...... 431,565 All other payments..... Two million shot and shell, weighing 20,000 tons, is the average annual in 20,000 tons, is the average annual Reserve, 4 and 31 per cent.....

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS. It affords me, gentlemen, great pleasure to place before you the annual report and financial statement for the year ending Dec 31st, 1900. The business, as the report shows, has been entirely satisfactory and with one exception, that of 1899, exceeds in volume of new business any previous year in our history, the amount issued being \$4,304, 183.00, and the amount taken \$4,671,712, which I believe to be somewhat in excess of that said to have been secured by any other native life Company, all of which, with the exception of \$28,500 written in Newfoundland, was obtained within the Dominion. It is somewhat less than for 1899, but the business of all Canadian Companies was apportant for that year, owing to the increase of rates which took place in January last. To avoid this increase there was a perfect rush of intending insurers to get their applications in before the increase took place. And here allow me to say that for the ten years ending Dec. 1900, we added to our assurance in force \$15,810,276 of which sum \$10,208,599 was added during the last five years. I mention this, that you may know the great progress the Company is making and the esteem and confidence in which it is held by the assuring public-a confidence we believe well founded and which will increase as time goes on It shall be our aim to deserve this confidence by being, if possible sill more devoted to the interests of the policyholders in the fature than we have been in the past.

I am credibly informed that some agents of competing Companies have been stating that our policyholders are liable to assessment at any time the Board may feel it necessary to assess them. I regret this, because it is absolutely untrue, and if such agents know anything of the principles of life insurance they must know it to be untrue. The policies of The Mutual Life of Canada are issued in consideration of a certain stipulated sum, called annual prematures besided on the most life and agents to be underested on the most life and agents of Canada are issued in consideration of a certain stipulated sum, called annual prematures besided on the most life agent and agents of Canada and accomplished and accomplished agents of Canada and accomplished agents of Canada and accomplished agents of Canada and accomplished agents agents of Canada and accomplished agents agents of Canada and accomplished agents agents and accomplished agents ag

Life of Canada are issued in consideration of a certain stipulated sum, called annual premiums, based on the mortality table any roved by the Government of Canada, and considered by the best actuaries in the world sufficient in themselves, with interest earnings on reserves, to meet all obligations incurred by this Company. The same requirement is made by the Government in respect of premiums and reserves of every Life Company in Canada, whether Stock or Mutual, whether Canadian, American or British.

The lapses and surrenders still continue to decrease in proportion to amount of business in force. This fact will be as pleasing to our agents and policyholders as it is to the Board, showing the value attached to our policies and expressive of confidence in the Company. The total number of Policies now in force is 20,336 amounting to \$29.521,076.53, an increase of \$2,575,635.00. We added to our income \$120,542.28; to our reserve \$513,653.04 and to our assets \$518,161.12. As the mean amount of insurance carried by the Company in 1900 was much greater than in 1899 so also the losses from deaths exceeded those of 1899, but fell much below the expectation, and were more than covered by interest earned on investments in the sum of \$11,518.07; the surplus earnings of the Company enabled us to pay the policyholders very handsome dividends, notwithstanding the fact, that owing to the change in the Company's name, we were called upon to spend a much larger amount in advertising, etc., than in former years, in addition to returnishing the new office at considerable cost. I may say here that we years, in addition to refurnishing the new office at considerable cost. I may say here that we never admit office furnishing as an asset in our financial statement. I am pleased to inform you that our money has been fully invested during the year at fair rates of interest, and that the interest has been unusually well met. In one Province in which we have \$237,690.00 invested, the interest due thereon, Dec. 31st, 1900, was only \$768.22 and of this sum only \$31.00 was unpaid Feb. 1st, 1901.

With regard to the change to a higher reserve, I need say very little, as all business in force up to Dec. 31st, 1900, is already on a 4 per cent. basis, Actuaries Table, and all business taken since that time on Hm. 31 per cent. Table. There was a small line of business in the office, January, 1900, which had been written up, but not passed by office, much of which had been canvassed for and promised on a 4 per cent basis, and which we accepted at the old rates, but placed it on a 3½ per cent. reserve. We have a considerable portion of business on that reserve and have not thought it advisable to do more till another year, as a larger outlay than usual was incurred in getting new literature, forms and stationary rendered necessary owing to the change in the Company's name. In conclusion I desire to thank the Agents for their zeal on behalf of the Company and to

state that no Company could have a more capable, zealous body of men or truer to the best interests of the Company than they have been. I would express the hope, that with the united exorts of our policyholders, the Board, the Agency and Office Staff, the first year of the new Century may be the banner year of the Company in all that is true and best in Life Assurance. This can only be done, and should only be done, on the merits of The Mutual Life of Canada, never on the demerits or supposed demerits of our neighbors. I have, therefore, great pleasure in moving the adoption of the report.

Messrs. B. M. Britton, K.C., M.P., F. C. Bruce, M.P., J. K. Fisken and Geo. were re-elected Directors of the Company for the ensuing term of three years.

The business of the day having been brought to a close, "God Save the King," was sung.

Mr. Burrows, of Belleville, leading, after which the meeting adjourned.

The Directors met subsequently and re-elected Mr. Robert Melvin, President; Mr. Alfred Hoskin, K.C., First Vice-President; and Mr. B. M. Britton, K.C., M.P., Second Vice-President of the Company for the ensuing year.

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Yours very truly,

H. Davis.

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