

The Sun Life Assurance Company.

The last annual statement of the above Company has appeared in these columns. An examination of it will repay not only those who intend to make the necessary provision for their families by taking out their insurance policies, but also those who are interested in watching the rapid growth of Canadian institutions, of which the Sun Life furnishes a most remarkable instance. A Company that can increase the volume of its yearly earnings from \$141,000 to \$373,000 in six years, and after disbursing its death claims, matured endowments, &c., for the past year, add to its resources a cash surplus of \$143,360, is one that should be talked about, written up, and emulated. Depend upon it, the task of accomplishing such enviable results has been due to no commonplace management, and we are glad to see that due recognition of this fact was embodied in the President's remarks. What first brought the Sun Life to the notice of the *Trade Bulletin* and its readers was the highly honorable course which the Company pursued in the prompt settlement of the claim on the life of Mr. J. S. McLachlan for \$17,130.70, notwithstanding that of this amount the Citizens refused to pay a re-insurance policy of \$5,000, and are still contesting it. It was the action of the Sun Life in connection with the above case that led us to pay a high compliment to Mr. R. Macaulay, the managing director, and to recommend his Company to our readers as "the right kind in which to take their life risks." How far we were then astray, we are willing to leave to the judgment of our subscribers, after they have read the annual report of the Sun Life.

The rapid progress made by this Company may be seen from the following statement:—

LIFE ASSURANCE	
INCOME.	ASSETS.
1872. \$48,210.93	\$549,461.95
1873. 64,073.88	621,362.81
1874. 102,822.14	775,944.64
1875. 127,505.87	773,895.71
1876. 141,402.81	911,132.93
1877. 254,841.73	1,073,577.94
1878. 278,379.65	1,274,397.24
1879. 319,987.05	1,411,004.33
1880. 373,000.31	1,573,027.10

The above is an exceedingly creditable showing, and the fact should not be lost sight of, that the Sun Life is a Canadian company, investing all its funds in the Dominion, thus directly assisting the development of trade and commerce in all its branches. The marvellous prosperity attending its career is attested by the fact that within fourteen years it has risen from a comparatively obscure company, to one of the leading financial institutions of the Dominion, having at present a total effective business of \$12,428,158.07, of which \$9,413,358.07 is life insurance, and \$3,015,800 accident. In keeping with this extensive patronage, is the high character which the company enjoys for prompt settlements and honorable dealing, which is the best guarantee of security to the widow and orphan, claims being paid immediately after the receipt of satisfactory proof papers, without any delay of 60 or 90 days. This article would still be incomplete, were we to omit reference to the enviable rate of interest actually received on the gilt edge investments of this Company, namely, 6.08 per cent.—*The Montreal Trade Bulletin.*

News of the Week.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Edward Flavin, a clerk in the Moncton Sugar Refining Company, has disappeared from that town. It is reported that he is a defaulter to the extent of \$335.

The Union Line S. S. Company is preparing its boats for the river service. The David Weston, Acadia, and Soulages are being repaired and painted and will be ready when the last ice has passed through the narrows. The Star has changed hands, the negotiations being about completed, and will be run by Capt. Porter on the Washademoak route.—*Telegraph.*

Mr. Sturdee has been again returned as Mayor by acclamation for the City of Portland.

The Board of Education have decided to ask the Trustees of Schools throughout the Province, to set apart an arbor day in May or June in commemoration of the Queen's Jubilee.

The Rev. Ralph Brecken has been transferred to the New Brunswick conference from Nova Scotia; Rev. J. W. Wadman to the British Columbia conference from New Brunswick; and Rev. W. H. Edyevean from Newfoundland to the Nova Scotia conference.—*Methodist.*

The Election for the local legislature in Madawaska took place on Wednesday last and so far as can be learned at present, Mr. Nadeau is elected by a small majority over Levite Theriault.

The most remarkable feature of the late session of the Legislature, says the *Telegraph*, "was the entire absence of any organized opposition to the Government of the day, a state of things without a parallel in the past twenty years of our political history."

Mr. Gardner emigration agent here, has received advice that four young lads, from the Wellington Farm School, Midlothian, sailed on the 30th ult, by the Allan line, from Glasgow for St. John. The boys names and ages are: James Carlin, 18; James Keegan, 18; John Sharp, 19; Archibald Chambers, 19. The last named has had charge of a large steam boiler and engine in a boot factory, and the three others are well up in farm work and cattle management. They are all recommended as industrious and trustworthy. Mr. Gardner will be pleased to receive applications for these lads.

The Sun of Saturday said "A telegram was received here yesterday announcing the death of Blair Botsford, warden of the Dorchester penitentiary. Mr. Botsford, who had not enjoyed good health for some time, had been in New York several weeks. Some of his relatives were present when he passed away."

The Botsfords are an old family, the grandfather of the deceased having been a U. E. loyalist, formerly of Newton, Conn., and speaker of the first assembly elected after New Brunswick was constituted a separate province. The deceased was the youngest son of late Hon. Wm. Botsford, one of the supreme court judges, and at one time speaker of the house of assembly. Blair Botsford was born at Sackville, where he was educated. He was in business early in life, having an interest in a saw mill at Pugwash N. S. When quite a young man he was appointed Sheriff of Westmoreland County, a position he held for about twenty years. He resigned the shrievalty to accept the office of warden of the Dorchester Penitentiary, a position he filled most acceptably. He married a Miss Cogswell of Sackville, who with several children survive him. W. M. Botsford of this city is a son of the deceased. Mr. Botsford was one of a family of sons, many of whom have held high positions in the provinces. His brothers were Hazen Botsford, at one time speaker of the assembly, Hon. A. E. Botsford of Sackville, a member of the senate of Canada; Bliss Botsford of Moncton, county court judge, and Geo. Botsford of Fredericton, clerk of the legislative council, the late Chipman Botsford, who practiced law in Restigouche county, and Dr. LeBaron Botsford of this city. The deceased was about 67 years of age. He was a man of many fine qualities, a warm friend, a good citizen and generally respected by all who knew him. It was believed from recent reports from New York that his health was improving, and his sudden death caused much surprise.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Messrs. Matheson, Harley & Co., Halifax dry goods, have assigned to Thos. Bayne and J. S. Maclean, the latter representing the English creditors. Their liabilities were set down at \$34,000; assets, nominally the same.

There was shipped last Thursday from Pictou and New Glasgow, N. S., to Bangor, Me., a car load of 20 horses valued at \$2,200.

At a recent meeting of the Halifax city council the recorder was instructed to prepare a list for the present session of the Nova Scotia legislature to confer on female voters the right to vote at elections.

OTHER PROVINCES.

It was announced in the Ontario Legislature on Tuesday night that the session would close on Saturday, 16th.

The Dominion government have decided to take extensive precautions to prevent the threatened introduction of Asiatic cholera into the Dominion the coming summer.

John Craster, the manager of Wellington Farm School, writes that he has sent lads out to Canada every year for the last 15 years, chiefly to Montreal, Toronto and Belleville; in all about 120.

The public accounts of Prince Edward Island just laid before the house, show a deficit for the year of over \$70,000, and a total debt of \$150,000. The legislature has been asked to vote \$300,000 for the construction of a subway or tunnel across the southeast side of the Hillsboro river.

Sir George Stephen, who has just returned to Canada from a six months' sojourn in England, was interviewed it is said, on his arrival in Montreal by a *Gazette* reporter. As regards a subsidy from the Imperial government for a line of mail steamers between Vancouver and the East, Sir George said the matter was under consideration, but so long

as the present political excitement continues in England the government could not attend to what might be called an outside matter. He had every reason, however, to believe that the British authorities were fully alive to the importance of the route and that it was to England's interest to eventually grant a subsidy. After emphatically denying that the C. P. R. had any intention of applying for a further grant from the Canadian parliament at its coming session, Sir George said the Canadian Pacific had enough to do without undertaking a steamship service on the Atlantic. He suggested, however, that to compete successfully for the trans-Atlantic business, the vessels between Canada and England ought to be as good as between New York and England.

UNITED STATES.

Over 6000 carpenters are on a strike in Chicago.

Recently at Preston, Iowa, a mob stormed the jail at Corning, took therefrom, J. H. McKenzie, who murdered his tenant named Riggs, and hung him.

The Maine Legislature has changed the policy of its law relating to the punishment for murder three times in eleven years. At the recent session it abolished capital punishment.

A bomb was exploded under a street car in Paterson, N. J., recently, but no one was hurt. This is the third attempt to blow up street cars in Paterson.

It is announced that Mr. Beecher, before his death, largely contributed to the preparation of a biography of himself, which is soon to be completed by Lyman Abbott. Dr. Halliday, Mr. Beecher's assistant pastor, also participated in the work. The book will therefore be somewhat in the nature of an autobiography.

Fire broke out in the triangular building, corner of Milk street and post office square, Boston, on Wednesday. In an hour, however, the fire was under control. Wright & Potter, who are the state printers, lose about \$70,000; insured for \$75,000 or \$80,000. O. J. Rand & Co. lose on stock \$15,000; insured \$7,000. G. R. Paul & Co. carried a stock worth \$30,000, which is probably damaged to the amount of \$5,000 or \$6,000; insured for \$20,000. The other losses bring the total up to about \$125,000.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

Repeated earthquakes have occurred at Aden.

Speaker Peel, of the British House of Commons, is suffering from varicose veins in his legs, occasioned, the doctors say, by long sittings of the house.

At a conference of rich millers at Glasgow, yesterday, a resolution was adopted demanding that a duty be imposed upon foreign flour.

It is expected that 70,000 troops will be present at the Jubilee review at Aldershot, and the Queen has signified her intention of being present.

The steamer City of Peking, has arrived at San Francisco from Hong Kong with eleven hundred Chinamen on board. Some of them have small-pox and the steamer has been quarantined.

Professor Tyndall has resigned the professorship of natural philosophy in the Royal Institution, a position he has held since 1853.

Terrible distress prevails in the Cantons of St. Gall and Appingell in consequence of the closing of the embroidery factories. There have been numerous cases of bankruptcy.

At a meeting in London of the creditors of Stewart Bros., timber and slate merchants, ship owners, etc., whose failure was recently announced, it was shown that the firm's liabilities amounted to \$750,000, while the available assets are \$525,000 besides a number of items unestimated. The debtors being unable to make any immediate proposal they were declared bankrupt.

LITERARY NOTES.

The March Pansy opens with a capital story for boys, written by Pansy herself, followed by another for girls, "Fretting Lettie." The leading stories possess unusual interest, while the sketch of Remarkable Women (Queen Victoria) with portrait and picture of the Queen's home in the Scottish Highlands, the poem for recitation, combining counsel with history, the shorter stories, sketches and verse, make up a good number. Illustrated, \$1.00 per year. D. Lothrop & Co., Boston.

An extremely entertaining article, appropos of the labor troubles, will be issued in the April *Harper's* entitled "How Workingmen Live in Europe and America." The writer, Lee Meriwether, for a year adopted the workman's blouse and mingled and lived with the laborers of nearly every State in Europe from Gibraltar to the

Bosphorus and from the Mediterranean to the Baltic, and then pursued the same practical study in this country. Mr. Meriwether tells the habits of life, the wages, and the household economy of the various classes of workingmen in Italy, Switzerland, Germany, Belgium, France, England, and the United States. He relates how the Italian peasant and fruit venders enjoy their light occupations as the reward of years of self-denial at home, where they live on the refuse of rich men's kitchens; how the Swiss families flourish at watch-making on small wages; how the Germans spend twice as much for beer as for rent, and yet an entire family of seven lives on three hundred dollars a year; how the English operatives, receiving higher wages and better living than their brothers on the Continent, are the most dissatisfied of European laborers; how the mistaken ideas of our working women lead them to prefer the overcrowded factory life, with its poor wages and excessive strains, to the easier duties of domestic service, in which the demand far exceeds the supply; and how the American housewife wastes enough food to supply an entire family in Europe. Resulting from the experience which has given the writer his materials for this article, there has recently appeared from the same pen a curious book entitled "How to see Europe on Fifty Cents a Day."

The *Brooklyn Magazine* has become the American Magazine, and will endeavour to fill a larger place in the literary world. The Prospect says,—"In addition to sketches of travel, society, character and adventure, biographical portraits of eminent men and women, and serial and short stories, the earlier numbers of the Magazine will contain articles on special industries or professional careers, by the most successful men in their respective fields." * * * Another prominent feature will be the "American Pulpit," a department of articles upon methods of practical Christian usefulness (especially written for this Magazine), by the most thoughtful and instructive divines, whom we invite to our pages without regard to denomination or place of residence.

The attractive themes and live issues of the day will receive attention in the editorial department.

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The *Homiletic Review* for April opens with an article on the use of the M.S. in the Pulpit by Dr. Wm. M. Taylor. Dr. Pentecost has a paper on the burning question, "How shall our Cities be Evangelized?" Dr. C. S. Robinson writes on "The Best Methods of Getting Church Members to Work." But the paper likely to attract wide attention are analysis of the qualities of Dr. Talmage as a preacher, by an eminent Professor of Homiletics. While some may incline to think it rather severe, yet its kindly spirit, and its keen analysis, will be conceded. The Sermons—eight in all—are by such eminent preachers as Dr. Palmer, of New Orleans, Dr. Bersier, of Paris, Dr. Reed, of Brooklyn, and Dr. Matthews, of London. The other departments are full of thought on scores of subjects of interest to the ministry. The number is quite on a par with the preceding numbers of this year. Published by Funk & Wagnalls, 18 and 20 Astor Place, New York. \$3.00 per year: 30 cents per single number.

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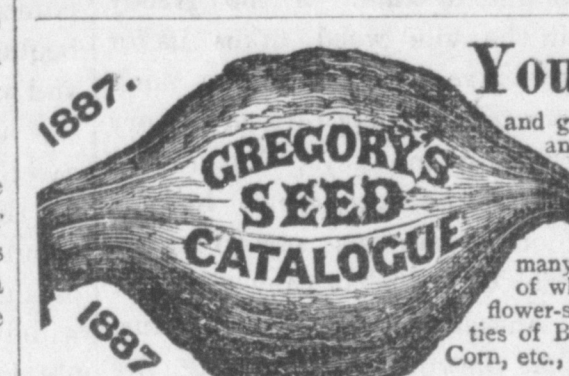
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Sausages, "	" 0.08 " 0.10
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Turkeys, per lb.,	" 0.11 " 0.12
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Buckwheat, per cwt.,	" 1.20 " 1.40
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Mutton, "	" 0.05 " 0.06
Pork, "	" 0.07 " 0.07
Butter, "	" 0.18 " 0.22
Roll, "	" 0.23 " 0.25
Lard, "	" 0.12 " 0.13
Turkeys, "	" 0.14 " 0.15
Chickens, per pair,	" 0.40 " 0.55
Geese, each, "	" 0.70 " 0.80
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" kidneys, "	" 1.75 " 0.00
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Beets, "	" 0.70 " 0.80
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" grey, "	" 0.10 " 0.11
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CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS.
THE examinations for entrance into the Civil Service of Canada will commence on Tuesday, the 10th day of May next, at 9 a. m., and will be held at the usual places, viz: Halifax, N. S., St. John, N. B., Charlottetown, P. E. I., Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa, Kingston, Toronto, Hamilton, London, Winnipeg, and Victoria, B. C.
Applications for forms of admission will be received by the undersigned until the 15th day of April, and will later, and must be returned duly executed by the 25th idem, after which date the rolls must necessarily be closed.

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