# STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE

The seventy-third annual general meeting of the company was held at Edinburgh on Tuesday, the 25th April, 1899. A. R. C. Pitman, Esq., W.S., in the chair. The results communicated in the report:

Amount of assurances accepted during the year 1898 (for which 4,937 policies were issued).

Premiums on new policies issued.

Premiums or prigo of 192 new annutries...

Claims by dest under 1,013 policies during the year 1898, inclusive of bonus additions. Jaims under endowment assurances ratured during the year 1898, 64 policies, inclusive of homes additions.
Subsisting assurances at 15th November 1898.
Annual revenue.

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5,686,058 44,678,682 14,209,000 FIRST SCHEDULE. Revenue account of The Standard Life Assurance Company, for the year from 16th November, 1897, to 15th November, 1898. Prepared in accordance with "The Life Assurance Companies' Act;" 33 and 34 Victoria, Cap. 61.

ance premiums).
Consideration for annuities granted.
Interest and dividends.
Fines and Fees. 3,992,222 80 \$ 48,653,444 44

3,449.442 82

Burrendors.
Annuities.
Lommission
Expenses of Management.
Dividend and bonus to shareholders. neome tax. mount of funds at the end of the year, '5th November, 1898, as per second schedule. 43,749,992 85

SECOND SCHEDULE. Balance sheet of The Standard Life Assurance Company, on 15th November, 1898 Prepared on the basis of valuation of 1895, in accordance with "The Life Assurance Companies' Act," 33 and 34 Victoria, Cap. 61.

48,653,444 44

2,154,475 89

431,682 15

Total funds as per first schedule....... \$43,749,993 85 llaims under policies admitted, but not paid.

Pridends to proprietors (due at and prior to 15th November) outstanding\*.

Annuities outstanding\*.

Staff deposit fund.

Sums deposited with the company..... 815,705,67 hand. \$44,678,681 83

ASSETS.

Mortgages on property within the United
Kingdom..... Investments—

Stock of Scottish chartered banks......

Stock of Scottish chartered banks......
Company's shares.
Ground reuts and feu-duties.
Life-rents and reversions purchased.
Loans upon personal security, with policies of assurance, repsyable by instalments.

Agents' balances in course of collection.
Premiums outstanding in course of collection. 

726,935 50 317 00 Deed and receipt stamps in hand...... \$44.678,681 83

\*Note. -These items are included in the corresponding tems in the first schedule.

A. R. C. PITMAN, Chairman, W. J. DUNDAS, Director, J. H. DAVIDSON, Director, SPENCER C. THOMSON,

Manager and Actuary.

Edinburgh, 19th April, 1899.

EXTRACTS FROM THE REPORT.

Ilt will be seen from the above ffig ares that the progress of the company goes on uninterruptedly. The new policiess issued, and the amounts assured under them, exceed those of any previous year.

The amount received for the purchase of annuities is also greater than ever previously reported. The sums paid in death claims are considerably in excess of the corresponding amounts for the previous year, but the death rates are still well within the expectations on which the several tables of premiums are based

Notwithstanding this greater outgo, the total funds have largely increased during the year, and now aggregate considerably more than \$44,500,00.

While not neglecting the important home connections, the consolidation of the agencies outside the United Kingsom goes on steadily, and the company are beginning to reap the fruits of the policy of careful extension which they have been working out steadily for many years past

lor many years past.
In view of the company's expansion and of the large amount of work-both responsible and routine — now conequently falling upon the members of he board at the head office, the direclors think it desirable to increase the aumbers on the board through the adlition of another member.

The company have now already assed the middle period towards anther investigation and division of pro-its, and, although the rate of interest on the invested funds has necessarily allen of late years—a circumstance which cannot be without its effect—the joard have, thus far, every reason to jope that the final results of the quinjuennium will be satisfactory to all

The rebuilding of the company's pre-pieses in Edinburgh is progressing sat-ifactorily, and the board hope that he next annual general meeting of he company may be held within the pard room of the new office.

In moving the adoption of the report, hich was unanimously carried, the hairman, Mr. A.R.C. Pitman, said it as very gratifying to know that the aw business of the year had, for the rst time in the history of the com-iny, exceeded ten millions of dollars, ad from year to year it was growing

showing no signs of standing still. He also referred to the very satisfactory and sound condition of the company, which gave it a very high standing, while its investments were of the safest character.

The appointment of Mr. William Younger as an additional director was approved of.

SPENCER C. THOMSON, Manager. Montreal:

W. M. RAMSAY. Manager for Canada.

J. HUTTON BALFOUR. Secretary. Secretary

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Italian Invention That Will Obviate Col-

Helons and Other Marine Disasters. Prof. Russo d'Asar, an Italian, has devised a telephone to indicate the approach and direction of unseen vessels at sea as far away as five miles. His instruments have been tried with complete success, according to the Lega Navale, on the warships at Genoa and Spezia. The general receiver, which is Immersed in the water either at the bow or at the stern of a vessel, consists of two greatly flattened cones, separated by a broad ring. The outer edge of the ring has eighteen receivers

edge of the ring has eighteen receivers connecting with microphones, and each joined to one of eighteen divisions of a dial on deck, nine for port and nine for starboard.

When the receiver for the point northeast to port, for instance, marks the sound from a passing vessel, a white disk shuts off the corresponding with microphones, and each joined to one of eighteen divisions of a dial on deck, nine for port and nine for starboard.

When the receiver for the point northeast to port, for instance, marks the sound from a passing vessel, a white disk shuts off the corresponding compartment on the dial. The look-compartment on the dial. The look-compartment on the dial. If the sound becomes more intense and the disk remains in place, it is a sign that the vessel is still approaching from that direction. If the sound grows fainter and the disk disappears and then should off the north worth and then shuts off the north-north-east compartment, say, the direction taken by the other vessel can be deter-mined. If the apparatus can work at a distance of five miles, it ought to make collisions in logs or at night inexcusable, and as the sound of waves breaking on the rocks is transmitted just as easily, it should give warning at least of danger from land near at

#### Failure and Success.

It is often, all the little things that constitute the wide difference between success and failure. Some men, earnest in purpose, capable in many ways, seem unable to discern the import of minor, nevertheless important elements, and neglect in consequence to grasp the opportunities that if accepted would carry them on to victory. would carry them on to victory. In the same way people are imposed upon by mercenary druggists, who, to gain an additional profit, practise the dis-honest method of substitution. Call-ing for Putnam's Painless Corn Ex-tractor, they accept some worthless flesh-eating substitute, only to be disappointed or suffer injury. Putnam's Corn Cure is the only reliable one

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So you want to marry my daughter? said the old gentleman. W-W-Well, I w-wouldn't exactly say that, replied the diffident man, b-b-but she wants to m-marry me. Otherwise we n-n-never would have been engaged.

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Passenger-Indeed! Who is he? Conductor-He's the train dispatch-

"Pharaoh 100." Payne, of Granby, Que' Qiger Manufacturer.

Tiepass Teddy-Wake up, Harry; de barns on fire. Handout Harry-B'ame dese careless farmers. Dey re allers leavin a lot o' hay around where a feller's apt to drop sparks from his

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