The losses of the samthe two years were:—	e companies during			
	1871.	1872.		
Claims paid	\$212,461	263,339		

Claims in suspense... 1,500 Claims resisted..... 13,100

Totals...... \$226,805 * 311,341

an increase of loss of not far from 373 per Amount of receipts over losses, cent. \$30,902. The receipts of the Mutual Fire Company

during the two years were:-

In 1872.....\$43,858 " 1871......\$58,072 34.214 Decrease Or rather more than 43 4|5 per cent.

The losses of the same company during the same two years were: 1871. 1872 Claims paid..... \$55,048 41,556 Claims in suspense..... 4,000 Claims resisted...... 900 None.

Claims resisted...... 1,600 Totals 59,948 a decrease of loss of 28 per cent. 43,156 Receipts over losses \$702.

The following statement shows the business of all the Fire Insurance Companies doing business in Canada for the last four years :-

FIRE INSURANCE COMPARISON FOR FOUR YEARS.

	1869.	1870.	1871.	1872.
Premiums	164,475,621 1,448 991,003 115,519	\$ 1,834,334 166,508,708 1,957 1,640,426 299,314 48,461	\$ 2,342 385 230,753,891 2,161 1,577,615 140,905 39,022	\$ 2,610,361 251,725,940 2,661 1,909,364 359,826 68,600

The following is a statement of the Inland Marine Insurance in the Dominion in 1872 as compiled from the Official returns :-

INLAND MARINE INSURANCE 1872.

Companies' Names.	Pre- miums.	No. of Policies.	Amount of New Policies.	Amount at Risk.	Claims paid.	Claims in suspense.
CANADIAN: British American Provincial Western	\$ 130,693 85,852 119,569	3,892 2,185	\$ 13,387,569 9,417,843		\$ 77,641 89,116 58,024	\$ 31,281 20,723

No British or American Companies are returned as doing Inland Marine Business.

No. of Policies issued in Canada 7,601.