

## Insurance.

We continue from the Year Book of 1873 the Statistics of Life, Fire, and Marine Insurance in Canada, as they appear in the official Statistics laid before Parliament.

The following table shows the business of the Life Insurance Companies operating in Canada for five years:—

	1870.	1871.	1872.	1873.	1874.
Premiums.....	\$ 1,426,414	\$ 1,843,045	\$ 2,088,941	\$ 2,777,658	\$ 2,834,413
New Policies.....	6,938	7,891	11,403	12,748	12,978
Amount do.....	22,161,279	13,208,293	29,367,289	28,619,401	20,034,754
Total amount of Policies.....	41,453,917	45,469,769	61,365,441	77,500,856	85,714,327
Policies become claims.....	162	197	226	290	380
Amount of do.....	379,118	423,256	468,410	565,373	731,735
Claims paid.....	275,183	417,018	417,061	520,622	672,223
Do. in suspense.....	74,883	67,817	163,004	104,080	147,019

The per-centages of Life Insurance show an increase of premiums from 1873 of a little over 9 per cent. This increase is chiefly in the Canadian companies.

Canadian Companies in 1874.....	532,857
Do. in 1873.....	511,235
Increase (nearly 28 per cent.).....	141,622
British Companies in 1874.....	615,807
Do. in 1873.....	591,108
Increase.....	24,699
or a little over 3½ per cent.	
United States Companies in 1874.....	1,565,749
Do. in 1873.....	1,492,315
Increase.....	73,434
or nearly 5 per cent.	

The following table shows the business of Fire Insurance Companies operating in Canada for five years:—

	1870.	1871.	1872.	1873.	1874.
Premiums.....	\$ 1,894,934	\$ 2,742,285	\$ 2,610,311	\$ 3,567,575	\$ 3,543,332
Amount at risk.....	166,568,708	290,733,891	551,725,940	275,751,855	232,257,081
No. of Losses.....	1,057	2,761	2,661	2,771	2,915
Losses paid.....	3,610,428	1,577,615	1,900,961	1,638,617	1,928,463
Do. in suspense.....	259,314	140,105	359,876	108,001	139,122
Do. resisted.....	48,461	39,034	68,600	52,907	42,255

## COMPARISON FIRE INSURANCE—FIVE YEARS.

## FIRE INSURANCE—TOTALS.

Receipts 1874.....	\$3,524,332
1873.....	3,565,575
Decrease.....	41,243
or about 1 ¼-20 per cent.	
Losses 1874.....	\$2,160,739
1873.....	1,850,146
Increase.....	310,593
or 16 7-10 per cent.	
CANADIAN COMPANIES.	
Receipts 1874.....	\$1,453,781
1873.....	866,432
Increase.....	687,349
or about 79 2-5 per cent.	
Losses 1874.....	\$727,920
1873.....	577,780
Increase.....	150,040
or nearly 27 per cent.	