

## PREMIUMS RECEIVED AND LOSSES PAID IN CANADA, 1869-1888.

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER	Premiums received.	Losses paid.	Percentage of Losses to Premiums.
	\$	\$	
1869.....	1,785,539	1,027,720	57·56
1870.....	1,916,779	1,624,837	84·77
1871.....	2,321,716	1,549,199	66·73
1872.....	2,628,710	1,909,975	72·66
1873.....	2,968,416	1,682,184	56·67
1874.....	3,522,303	1,926,159	54·68
1875.....	3,594,764	2,563,531	71·31
1876.....	3,708,006	2,867,295	77·33
1877.....	3,764,005	8,490,919	225·58
1878.....	3,368,430	1,822,674	54·11
1879.....	3,227,488	2,145,198	66·47
1880.....	3,479,577	1,666,578	47·90
1881.....	3,827,116	3,169,824	82·83
1882.....	4,229,706	2,664,986	63·01
1883.....	4,624,741	2,920,228	63·14
1884.....	4,980,128	3,245,323	65·16
1885.....	4,852,460	2,679,287	55·22
1886.....	4,932,335	3,301,388	66·93
1887.....	5,244,502	3,403,514	64·90
1888.....	5,437,263	3,073,822	56·53
Total.....	74,413,984	53,734,641	72·21

785. The total amounts for the whole period were divided among the companies according to their nationalities, as follow :—

Amounts received and paid by Companies.

COMPANIES.	Premiums received.	Losses paid.	Percentage of Losses to Premiums.
	\$	\$	
Canadian Companies.....	22,386,048	16,334,024	72·97
British ".....	46,108,832	33,332,022	72·29
American ".....	5,919,104	4,068,595	68·74
Total.....	74,413,984	53,734,641	72·21

If the year of the fire in St. John had been excluded, the average percentage of loss would have been 64·04.

786. The next statement shows the business done by the several companies during the year 1888 :—

Fire insurance business, 1888.