

PREMIUMS RECEIVED AND LOSSES PAID IN CANADA, 1869-1891.

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
1889.....	5,588,016	2,876,211	51.47
1890.....	5,836,071	3,266,567	55.97
1891.....	6,168,716	3,905,697	63.31
Total ..	92,006,787	63,783,116	69.32

Total amounts received and paid.

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

COMPANIES.	Premiums Received.	Losses Paid.	Percentage of Losses to Premiums.
	\$	\$	
Canadian companies.....	26,088,616	18,689,605	71.64
British ..	58,340,768	40,083,277	68.71
United States companies	7,577,403	5,010,234	66.12
Total ..	92,006,787	63,783,116	69.32

If the year of the fire in St. John, N.B., had been excluded, the average percentage of loss would have been 62.66.

Fire insurance business, 1891.

981. The next statement shows the business done by the several companies during the year 1891 :—