1322. Eight companies did business on the assessment plan in 1892, five Canadian and three United States, having at the end of the year \$43,905,575 in force, being an increase of \$1,552,672. The amount of policies taken during the year was \$10,740,475. The amount of insurance terminated by surrender and lapse was \$9,360,743, being \$196.15 for every \$1,000 of current risk. The amount terminated by death was \$410,835, or \$8.61 for every \$1,000 risk. The total terminations amounted to 91 per cent of the amount of the new business.

1323. Accident insurance business was transacted by 9 companies, viz., 5 Canadian, 3 British and 1 United States, and guarantee business by 3 companies, 1 Canadian, 1 British and 1 United States. The business done in 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891 and 1892 was:—

ACCIDENT.	1888.	1889.	1890.	1891.	1892.		
Premiums received	249,048	278,755	295,553	313,177	317,643		
Amount insured	38,078,066	43,735,729	40,215,565	50,279,155			
Paid for claims	112,022	127,156	97,339	127,274	152,485		
GUARANTEE.							
Premiums received	62,549	68,549	66,540	68,698	66,384		
Amount guaranteed		10,721,160	10,996,950	11,242,875			
Paid for claims	22,589	17,835	24,802	12,255	13,046		

1324. Plate glass insurance was transacted by 3 companies, I Canadian, I British and I United States. The premiums received during the year were \$39,466, and the losses incurred \$15,678. One company and one firm transact this class of business on the system of replacement, instead of paying the value of the glass broken, and their returns do not show either the insurance effected during the year or the amount in force at the end.

1325. At the close of 1892 there were 94 companies under the supervision of the Superintendent of Insurance. They were engaged in business as follow:—

Doing	life insurance		 	* 14		21 10 10	 	. 40
66	" assessment plan		 		4. •			7
66	fire insurance			 				37
66	inland marine insurance.		 					8
"	ocean marine " .		 					. 2
66	accident						 	. 6
66	guarantee							0
66	steam boiler ".						s.	2
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66	credit indemnity insurar	ice.	 				 	. 1
66	burglary guarantee insur							