

gle fire, to make good the loss thereby sustained, (a single fire being understood to be a fire beginning in one house and damaging or destroying one or more houses) and should such sum be insufficient to make good such loss, then the deficiency shall be made up out of the interest arising out of the funds, and should this still prove inadequate, the residue shall be paid out of the deposits, and be again replaced agreeably to the 20th art. annually; and if it should ever happen that a loss occasioned by a single fire shall amount to more than the company's whole stock, in that case the several sufferers insured in this office, shall receive, towards making good their respective losses, a just and proportionable dividend of the said whole stock only, according to the sums by them respectively insured; previous to which distribution the directors shall call a special meeting of the society, for the purpose of giving an opportunity to those who think proper to remove their deposits.—Art. 14. That the directors, for the time being, shall, with all convenient expedition after any loss shall be sustained, settle a rate of contribution, and set up the same in their public offices, and publish it in one or more of the public newspapers, and in such other manner as they shall think fit; and such rates shall be settled and approved by a major part at least of the directors, at two successive weekly meetings; and all and every the members of this society respectively, shall be obliged to pay into the hands of the treasurer, his, her and their proportionable parts and shares of all and every such rate and rates, within thirty days next after such publication of the same respectively, as aforesaid, and in default of such payment, he, she and they, and every of them, making such default, shall forfeit double the said rates, and neglecting to pay the said forfeitures, ten days more, shall or may, by the directors for the time being, be excluded and debarred all benefit and advantages of his, her and their insurance and insurances respectively, and from all his, her and their right to and interest in the stock of the society, and shall, notwithstanding, be liable to the payment of the said rates, pursuant to his, her or their covenants and engagements in these presents contained and expressed—Art. 15. In case any member or members of this society shall assign or transfer his, her or their policies, such assignments or transfers shall be brought to the office, and be entered within four weeks after such assignment or transfer, and on default thereof, the benefit of such transferred insurance shall be lost, and all persons to whom transfers are made, before the same are entered, shall sign and execute these presents; provided nevertheless, that such assignments or transfers may be admitted to be entered after the expiration of the said four weeks, if the directors shall allow thereof, and not otherwise, and in that case the benefit of insurance shall not be lost.—Art. 16. That all and every the members of this society, who shall sustain any loss or damage by fire, shall give immediate notice thereof to the directors, or to the clerk of the society, at their office, to the end, that the directors, their officers or agents, may view, enquire into and examine the same.—Art. 17. That the directors