

# *Account of Purley on Thames*

## Insurance

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Insurance is about paying a small premium up front as a bet against a loss occurring. In days gone by losses were seen as caused by Acts of God and so the theory went then the people of God should recompense the person who suffered the loss. This became the basis for and someone in the church would issue a writ and

By the 19th century people would group together to support a fire brigade and receive a plaque which should be displayed on their building. In the event of a fire the Brigade would check that they had the appropriate plaque before attending to the fire. No plaque, no service.

By the 21st century national and international companies were offering insurance policies on almost anything that could cause a severe financial loss, usually with a minimum claim. The se policies could range from house, car, accident to insurance against getting sued.























