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increase and prices still tending upwards; the best green have ranged from \$1.00 to 1.15, with country-lots of good quality usually sold at about 80 to 85c.

Hors. Very quiet and prices rather un-settled; the only movement has been in very for good yearlings, and 14 to 17c. for good to choice new. small lots, frequently single bales at 10 to 12c.

choice new.

Leather.—As usual just before the Christmas holidays business is very dull; manufacturers have quite sufficient stock on hand to go on with, and consequently no particularly active movement can be expected until the first of the year has been turned, when manufacturers will begin cutting again. The market this week has been utterly devoid of any special feature. Payments are on the whole satisfactory. etisfactory.

LIVE STOCK .- The open weather and unusually large supplies combined have had a disastrous effect on the sale of live stock at our Western yards. With a temperature so unusually mild, of course retail butchers buy unusually mild, of course retail butchers buy as little as they can possibly do with; so that stock has been left over and accumulated for a couple of weeks, indeed quotations were almost nominal from 14th to 17th, and farmers often willing to accept any offer to clear stuff off their hands. While this applied most forcibly to butchers' cattle, it was in a smaller degree true of everything on the market except calves, which are scarce and in demand except calves, which are scarce and in demand —if of good quality, not otherwise. American cattle early in the week were quoted in the London market one cent a pound higher and "in short supply."

Petroleum.-Prices at Petrolea yesterday were quoted at \$1.03, and in consequence figures have advanced here, and are at present very firm as follows:—Canadian refined oil, 16c.; carbon safety, 18c.; Canadian water white, 20c.; American water white, 25c.; photogene, 27c.

Provisions .- Have been rather quiet. Some Provisions.—Have been rather quiet. Some enquiry has been heard for trade-lots of selected dairy butter, and a few sales have been made about 16c., chiefly outside; other grades on the spot offered much in excess of the demand, with medium almost nominal at the defining, with medium and the second at 13 to 14c., and a very few sales of common at 10 to 11c., and once at 9c.; box lots of rolls abundant, but when choice and well-packed they have sold well at 15 to 16c., but inferior without buyers. Cheese quiet and steady at without buyers. Cheese quiet and steady as 10\frac{1}{4} to 11c. in small lots, but some trade-lots of summer make have changed hands at 9 to 9\frac{1}{4}c., with small lots held at 9\frac{1}{4} to 10c. Eggs—All offered have been wanted; fresh have seld in trade-lots at 21c., and pickled have been worth 16c., with dealers selling 1 to 2c. higher.

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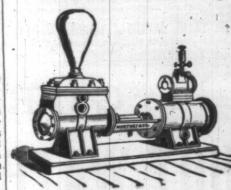
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Year.	Paid for Death Losses, Matured Endowments and Annuities.	Paid for Purchased and Surrendered Policies.	Paid for Dividends to Policyholders.	Payments to Policyholders.	Assets at End of Year (New York Report.)
1869 1869 1870 1871 1872 1873 1874 1875 1876 1876 1878 1878 1889 1881 1882 1884 1886 1884 1886 1886	\$ 855,035 953,063 1,183,379 1,186,714 1,346,969 1,672,936 1,392,021 1,538,479 1,920,021 1,730,558 1,710,559 2,155,713 1,907,923 1,955,745 1,730,429 2,117,637 2,372,375 2,372,375 2,072,538 2,141,132 2,297,908	\$ 434,570 621,723 1,598,489 1,906,189 1,387,509 1,727,751 2,081,899 1,315,545 1,105,423 1,118,438 716,980 366,152 284,009 223,199 224,267 305,177 313,066 299,806 352,506 309,433 301,588	\$ 408,620 662,232 746,307 704,138 1,062,031 621,393 803,872 590,570 620,790 560,805 622,978 513,068 507,086 500,535 506,244 022,229 530,015 547,289 552,920 575,094 591,563	\$1,608,225 2,437,018 3,508,175 3,797,031 3,706,498 3,922,013 3,894,892 5,453,594 5,453,594 5,950,517 8,034,933 2,699,018 2,679,479 2,460,940 2,781,838 2,990,728 3,119,472 2,978,924 3,025,656 4,044,052	\$10,415,300 13,327,456 14,816,782 76,103,384 17,008,185 18,446,579 20,429,864 21,822,202 23,194,556 24,030,578 25,003,438 26,403,441 26,886,259 28,018,029 29,017,935 29,082,003 30,439,508 31,463,988 32,550,688 33,743,030

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Year.	New Assurances.	Total Insurance in Force.	Total Premium Income.	Total Insurance in Force.	Premiums Received.	Paid for Death and Endowment
1882 1883 1884 1886 1896 1897	\$8,197,565 8,255,843 6,605,761 9,437,641 11,163,504 12,028,992 13,531,609	\$82,928,860 85,040,335 84,663,591 87,791,343 92,262,969 97,372,394 102,904,303	\$2,519,437 2,719,350 2,668,320 2,845,491 3,030,012 3,201,345 3,405,265	\$13,083,994 14,366,409 14,893,319 16,831,635 17,004,660 17,837,944 18,948,768	8,505,524 575,994 578,760 632,445 658,819 719,285 706,639	\$154,864 138,968 206,003 292,069 906,728 392,667 344,840 of \$1,000 o

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