is now selling at 9 to 9½c., with little demand existing. Eggs are very scarce and command 16 to 17c. per dozen.

WOOL.—The season for fleece wool is about over. It has come into the market in excellent condition, but prices have been too high by about one cent per lb. Present quotations are correct. In pulled wools, prices have receded; notwithstanding the high price of Southdowns, fully two cents per lb., considerable quantities have been carried over from last season. Manufacturers are in a strong position at present, being able pretty much to dictate their own terms. We quote pulled combings 20c. per lb., super, 22 to 24c., and extras, 26 to 27c.

BRITISH MARKETS.

The monthly export iron and metal circular of Henderson & Glass, Liverpool, for July, 1890, says:

Iron.—The demand is better, and there is a feeling that the bottom is about reached. Orders are being placed with less hesitation, manufacturers adhering to their quotations. Demand for hoops and sheets are very good.

Tin.—Weaker, after advance of some £2 per ton.

Tinplates.—Firm, at better prices.

Zinc Sheets.—Strong market.

Copper.—Steady.

Pig Lead.—Market has considerably declined, but is inclined to again improve.

Linseed Oil.—Remains unchanged.

Freights.—The rate from Liverpool to Montreal is 12/6, and 10% per ton; and to Toronto, Hamilton and London, 7/6 to 10/ per ton more, and 10% primage according to classification. Tin and Canada Plates from South Wales 2/6 and 10% more.

Solid Progress & Good Results.

Persons insuring their lives should investigate the financial standing of a Company, the same as they would a Bank in which they intended to invest—not by the volume of business passing in and out, but by its financial record, its age, and its profit-paying results.

No Company in the U. S. has made as regular and solid dividend-paying progress, and increased its ANNUAL CASH DIVIDENDS to policy-holders for so many years past, without a retrograde step, as the

ÆTNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY,

of Hartford, Head Office for Canada, **9 Toronto Street, Toronto,** (Corner of Court Street).

We invite attention to the following unequalled showing of increases in all the important items of (1) Cash Profits paid on Life Policies issued in 1873. (2) Same on 20-year Endowments. (3) Assets to each $100 of Liabilities. (4) Total accumulated Fund. (5) Ætna's Insurance in force in Canada. (6) Cash Paid the Assured on Policies issued in Canada:—

YEAR Ending Jan. 1st.	1 PROFITS Paid upon $10,000 Life.	2 PAID Upon $10,000 20-year Endow.	3 ASSETS per $100 of Liabilities.	4 TOTAL Accumulated Funds.	5 ÆTNA'S Insur. in force in Canada.	6 LOSSES Cashed in Canada.
1874	$35.67	$36.30	$106.38	$19,204,787	$8,474,000	$71,616
1875	38.66	38.20	108.93	20,657,604	8,941,479	66,790
1876	41.14	48.20	111.94	22,092,734	8,967,672	95,941
1877	51.46	65.20	113.18	23,290,601	8,098,233	73,324
1878	54.11	72 40	115.88	24,034,178	8,211,316	50,683
1879	59.70	84 70	116.66	25,120,804	8,760,189	117,315
1880	62.53	92.50	118.10	25,656,195	9,269,325	117,246
1881	65.46	100.70	118.92	26,403,440	10,324,868	124,325
1882	68.47	109.20	119.32	27,655,886	11,370,008	10[illegible],750
1883	71.55	118.10	120.18	28,402,[illegible]	13,093,994	154,864
1884	74.71	122.50	120.30	29,080,555	14,366,409	188,968
1885	77.93	137.30	120.70	29,771,230	14,893,319	206,003
1886	81.20	147.60	120.42	30,562,261	15,851,635	292,069
1887	84.53	158.30	120.37	31,545,930	17,004,560	206,728
1888	87.92	169.60	120.74	32,620,677	17,837,244	282,667
1889	91.35	181.50	121.00	23,819,035	18,248,768	344 840
1890	94.84	193.90	120.20	34,805,819	18,251 860	364,163

COMPARISON.

Net Cost of $10,000 on the Ten-Payment Twenty-Year-Endowment Plan, age 42, issued in 1885, in Six different Companies, the Profits applied in reduction of Premiums:—

YEAR PAID.	ÆTNA LIFE.	MUTUAL BENEFIT.	PROV. LIFE & TRUST CO.	NEW ENGLAND.	BERKSHIRE.	NATIONAL VT.
1885	$731.10	$810.00	$767.00	$804.50	$824.00	$804.50
1886	703.10	697.70	767.00	715.90	824.00	804.50
1887	684.00	692.10	688.50	718.20	737.40	804.50
1888	672.10	684.10	681.50	701.40	732 40	804.50
1889	659.80	677.10	674.20	701.20	727.20	668.90
Total,	$3,450.10	$3,561.00	$3,578.20	$3 641.20	$3,845.00	$3,886.90
Saving in Ætna, so far, -		**$110.90**	**$128.10**	**$191.10**	**$394.90**	**$436.80**

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