

are exceptionally light and fair prices are obtained for special sizes. Manufacturers of general hardware are, we learn, maintaining prices and appear to be fairly busy.

HIDES AND SKINS.—Little or no change in the condition of this market is to be noted. Business keeps quiet and prices, if anything a shade easier. There are not many sheepskins offering these days, but there is demand for all brought to market. We quote \$1.15 to \$1.30. Calfskins are dull and unchanged and tallow moves slowly at 2c. for rough, and 4 to 4½c. for rendered.

LEATHER.—March closed with no serious accumulations of stock, unless it be in light and medium harness which has not moved off quite so well as is desirable. In other particulars a fair average amount has changed hands with prices, in some instances, rather weaker. Although there is no material change still it is thought that parties buying large lots could, in most cases, do a shade better than our list quotations. On the whole business has been fairly good, although remittances are tardy and there are numerous complaints from

special localities. The snow blockade, doubtless, has much to do with this, notably in northern and north-east sections of the province. From all that we can learn the outlook is quite satisfactory. Purchasers are only buying for absolute requirements and the stocks held by consumers are said to be very small. The slightest movement towards an improvement of trade would, it is thought, soon absorb the surplus held in first hands. Observant dealers think it well to advise tanners not to be too anxious to place their goods on the market at present, as it does not require much foresight to see the wisdom of holding off for a month or two at most. Such a course will, at all events, have a tendency to keep

prices at present points, while the forcing on the market of any surplus they may have, would bring about a contrary effect. "Don't, therefore," said a leading dealer, "let the tan-

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New Assurance, 1886.... 111,540,203.00

Total Income, 1886..... 19,873,733.19

Premium Income, 1886.. 16,272,154.62

IMPROVEMENT DURING THE YEAR

Increase of Prem. Income..\$2,810,475.40

Increase of Surplus. (Four per cent. basis) 2,493,636.63

Increase of Assets..... 8,957,085.26

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W. ALEXANDER, - - Secretary.

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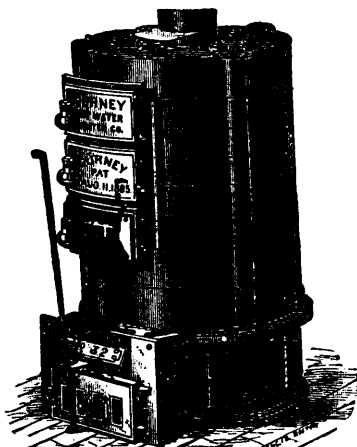
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