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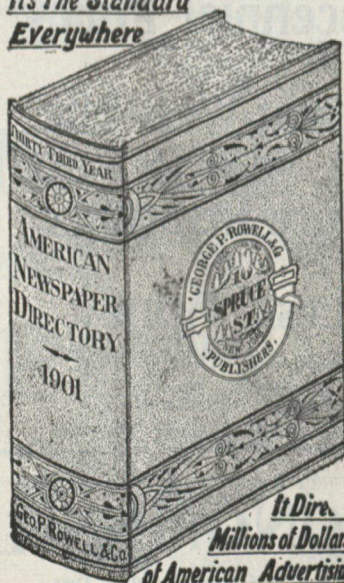
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Hides and Skins.—Receipts of hides are fully up to average, but the demand is on the light side, and some talk exists of a small reduction in price. For lamb-skins, the demand is good at unchanged prices. Calfskins are somewhat dull. Tallow is about steady.

Live Stock.—A better demand sprang up at the local cattle market this week, though not sufficiently so to affect prices. The offerings of export cattle were neither large nor of good quality, though plenty of space is vacant. There was a slightly better feeling for butchers' cattle. Receipts of stockers and feeders were light, though the enquiry was fairly brisk.

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