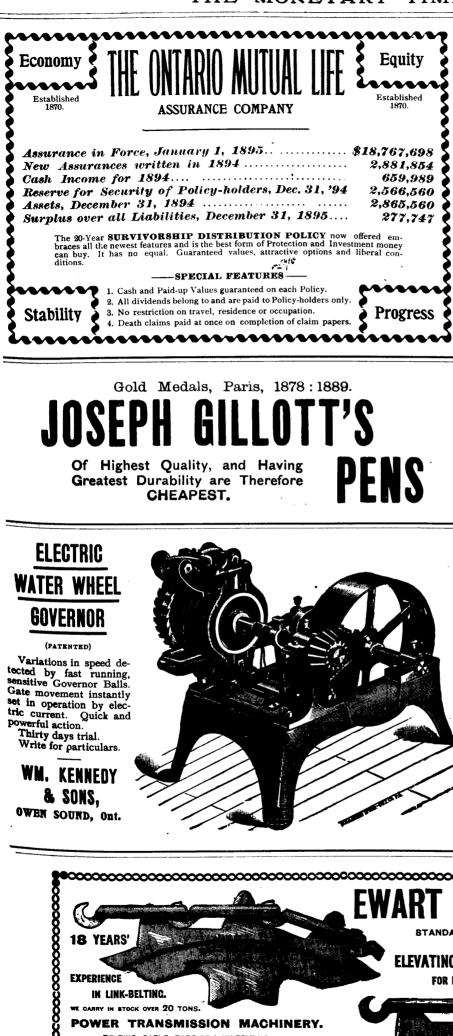
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be paid are more frequent. Raccoon are in fair request at 50 to 70c.; muskrats, 5 to 7c.; skunk, 40 to 90c.; marten is weakening from the high prices that have been paid, the demand no longer keeping up; 90c. to \$1.40 would perhaps be more like the figure; beaver is not bought here by the pound, but by the skin, and equal to \$2.50 per lb. is about the going rate here; mink, 75c. to \$1.50; red fox, \$1 to 1.50; cross fox, \$3 to 5; bear, \$10 to 20; otter, \$8 to 12; lynx, \$1.50 tc 2; fisher, \$5 to 6

GRAIN.—The wheat market is dull and slow. Prices have declined in sympathy with markets abroad, and as compared with last week are 2c. per bushel lower. Deliveries in Ontario began to increase with the cold weather, and would probably have continued if it had not been for a thaw. Manitoba wheat is steady and unchanged. Shipments have fallen off with the close of navigation. Barley is quiet and steady and in good demand for local malting purposes. Peas are dull and easy, at a decline of 1c. per bushel. Receipts of oats have been large and prices are off 1c. per bushel. Rye is firm and unchanged. Buckwheat is lower 2c. per bush. and at the decline there is some little enquiry for export. Corn is dull at 40c. per bushel.

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GROCERIES.—The holiday demand for fruits and nuts is good. Prices are on much the same basis as last year. Figs are plentiful, ranging in price from $8\frac{1}{2}$ to 16c. per lb. New French prunes, 4's, have arrived, and are quoted at 5c.; Valencia raisins are not in abundant supply this year, as we have previously noted, and prices are firm. We quote: Off stalk, $4\frac{1}{4}$ c.; fine off stalk, $4\frac{3}{4}$ to 5c.; selected, $6\frac{1}{4}$ to $6\frac{1}{4}$ c.; layers, $6\frac{3}{4}$ to 7c. These prices, and especially selected, are much higher than those of a year ago. New Sicily filberts are selling at 9 to 10c. Grenoble walnuts are quoted lower at 13c. In sugars there has been nothing of interest to report. Teas in the local market are quiet, and attract little attention. Canned peas are very firm, and prices have advanced to 90 to 95c.; supplies are in small compass, and holders find peas good stock. Canned mackerel is quoted slightly higher at \$1.15 to 1.20. Noble's crown, lobster, tall tins, xx and xxx, are quoted \$1.90 to \$2.

HIDES AND SKINS. - There has been no improvement in the situation this week, and events have rather weakened the market than added strength to it. Prices remain unchanged. Dealers continue to pay $5\frac{1}{2}c$. to butchers for green hides; there has been a movement on the part of dealers to reduce this price to 5c, but as yet this has not been done, although it is quite probable that the first of the month will witness a decline of $\frac{1}{2}c$. The last sales of cured of which we have definite knowledge were made at $6\frac{3}{4}c$, but we are told that selected have been increasing, and the quality is up to the usual standard of October, November and December the markets of November, 1894 and 1895. Quotations at the undermentioned dates were:

Cows, green	Nov. 3	30, 1894. cents.		28, 1895. cents.
Steers	4	**		**
Cured and inspecte	d41	••	$\frac{5\frac{1}{3}}{6\frac{3}{4}}$	"
Sheepskins	$5\overline{0}$	"	75	

