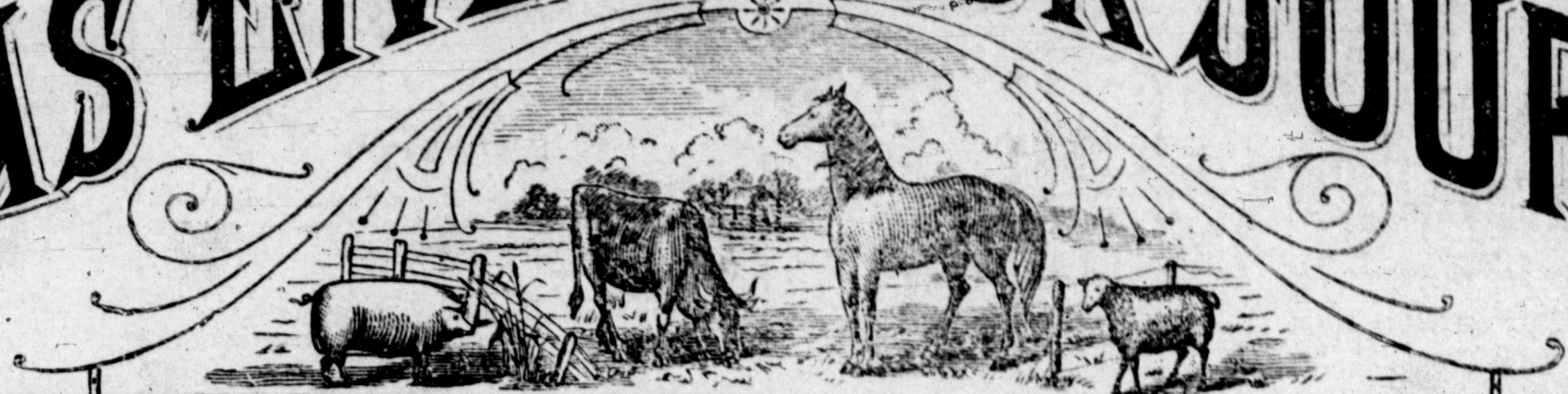


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Latest Reports by Wire From the Market Centers.

CHICAGO.

Special to the Live Stock Journal.

CHICAGO, ILL., Nov. 4, '87.

Market stronger.

Representative sales of Texas stock:

BY JAMES H. CAMPBELL & CO.

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ST. LOUIS.

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ST. LOUIS, Nov. 4.—The market to-day was slow and prices lower.

Sheep slow and unchanged. No Texans in to-day.

Sales to-day as follows:

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KANSAS CITY.

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KANSAS CITY, Nov. 4.—Official receipts of cattle first three days of week 14,468 head, an increase of 3693 head over same time first week.

Receipts of hogs heavy; bulk selling at \$4.15@4.20.

Sheep receipts moderate; offerings common; choice natives selling at \$2.00@3.25 per hundred; common \$1.25@1.75.

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NEW ORLEANS.

Special to the Live Stock Journal.

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 4.—Market glutted with common to choice bees and cows, with prices low. Calves and yearlings in fair supply, demand good and prices stronger.

QUOTATIONS.—Choice fat bees 24 to 3 cents; common, to fair 13 to 24 cents; good cows \$10@15; calves \$5.00@8.50; yearlings \$7.00@11; fat cornfed hogs 5 to 5 1/2 cents; good fat sheep \$2 00@3.00 each.

GALVESTON.

[Reported by Z. T. Winfree & Co.] CATTLE—Choice bees 2@2 1/2c, inferior 1 1/2@1 3/4; cows choice \$12@15; common to fair \$8@11; calves choice 2@2 1/2c, inferior \$2@4.

SHEEP—Choice 2 1/2@3c; common to fair 2@2 1/2c.

Hogs—Corn-fed 5 1/2@6c; range hogs, 3 1/2@4 1/2c.

Stock in pens, Tuesday, Nov. 4, '87: Cows and bees 63; calves and yearlings 178; sheep 595; hogs none.

Market fairly stocked with cattle; sheep badly overstocked. Calves overstocked. No hogs on market, and considerable inquiry for same. Choice cattle (especially smooth fat bees) in fairly active demand. Inferior cattle, calves and sheep very dull.

SAN ANTONIO.

Local beef market is steady, with a shade better feeling, but no appreciable change can be looked for until there is a change in the Northern markets, as all shipping stock are directly affected by those prices, and the local demand is not enough to warrant any heavy shipments here.

CATTLE—Steers, shippers, \$1.75@1.90; butchers, \$13@16 per head; cows, fat, from \$10@14; light, at \$8@11. Yearlings, \$5@6.50. Calves, \$4@5.

SHEEP—Muttons, \$1.65@1.90.

FORT WORTH.

CATTLE—Steers, 2 cents for good fat steers; cows 1 1/2c; calves sell at \$4@6 each.

Hogs—3/4 to 4c per lb.; not much demand.

SHEEP—From 2@2 1/2c according to quality.

Indian Territory stockmen have purchased 2500 steers, twos, for next spring delivery at \$11 around, picking them in Hill and Johnson counties.

ST. LOUIS MARKET LETTER.

The Same Old Tale—Poor Stock Glutting the Market, and Good Beef in Demand.

EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL., Nov. 1, 1887.

It is a pity indeed to see so many Texas and Indian cows coming in and bringing such low prices, namely from \$1.25 to \$1.50 per 100 lbs, with the bulk of sales going at \$1.30 per 100 lbs.

To-day I accosted several commission salesmen for particulars concerning some large transfers of cows and their stock. They refused details. "No sir," said they, "our customers are ashamed of the price, and do not care to parade their poverty." My answer was that they were doing too much of it, and that between private terms and no announcements, our market was making but a poor show. They admitted the force of my argument but begged to be excused from going into details. This is, Mr. Editor, the St. Louis style of reporting cattle transactions.

Well, to return to the cattle market. We had fair runs of Texas and range cattle every day in the week. Yesterday we received 4000 head of Texas and Indians, and to-day 3500 head. Many of the holders were not satisfied with the prices offered and shipped to Chicago and the East. One thing is

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certain, they will not get any more money in Chicago or Buffalo than here.

We have plenty of buyers on hand, and they all want stock. They want good butcher and shipping steers, not thin stockers, mixed stuff and poor cows. This is just what the receipts consist of at present, and from all appearances that is the kind that will keep coming in until snow flies.

One thing is certain, if range cattle would cease coming in, the supply would be mighty small, as but few other grades come in. Buyers are disappointed in not finding fat cattle, and pick out the tops of what is offered, which is the best they can do under the circumstances. Good steers of 900 lbs and over are wanted, and would readily command decent figures. Range cattle of such description could easily command \$3.00 per 100 lbs. There are many transfers of Texas cattle of 800 to 900 lbs and over at \$2.40 to \$2.60 per 100 lbs, but they are not fat, not even fleshy. This explains the many transfers at the range. The cattle coming in may be classed as poor to medium, with occasional lots of decent stock. The range in extremes is from \$1.20 to \$3.10 per 100 lbs. Texas bulls bring from \$1.25 to \$1.65 per 100 lbs.

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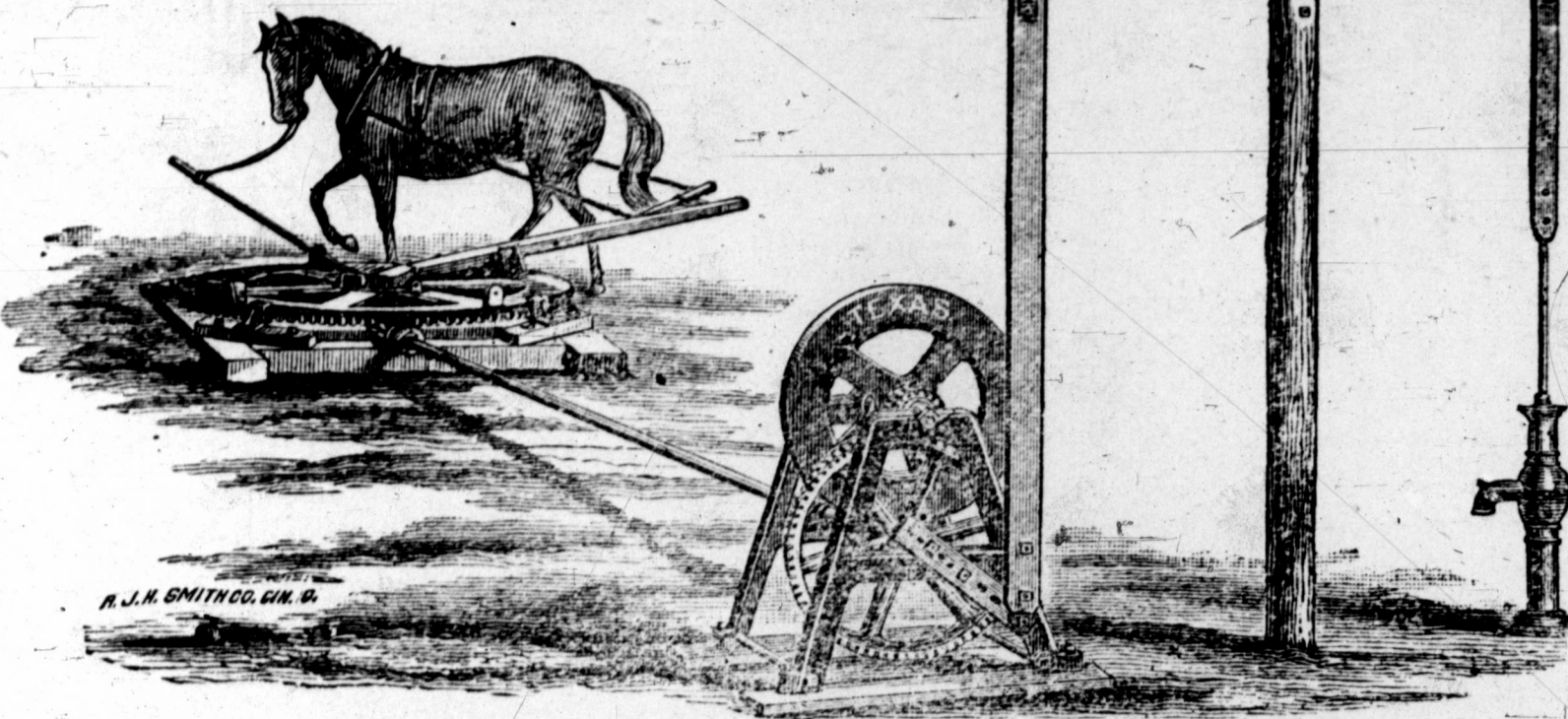
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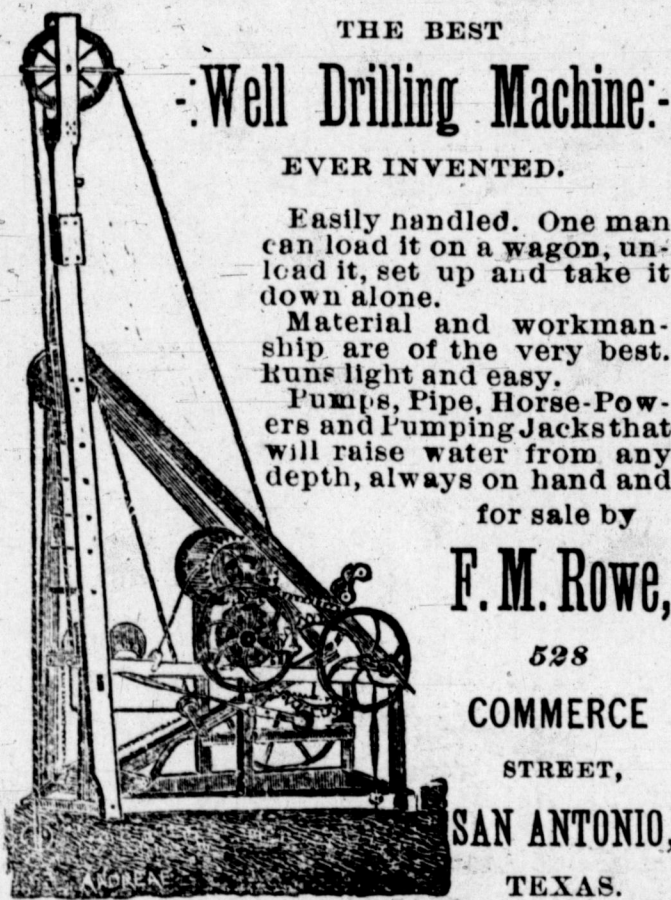
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SAN ANTONIO.

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GLANDERS is reported among the horses of many of the Northern states, and great care should be used in importing horses into Texas.

THE horse shipments of Chicago for the week ending October 27th were 894. Those of San Antonio for the corresponding time were 1079, or 175 more than at Chicago.

THE chronic growler is now predicting a cactus-famine. At the proposed rate of feeding he says it will be exhausted in a very few years. A cactus famine! did you ever?

THE per cent. commission instead of the per capita, is agitating the ranchman of the Southwest somewhat. The claim for the former has a sense of justice about it that is undeniable.

AND now comes the scientific Yankee farmer and says that cactus as a feed is equal to green corn fodder and beets, and superior to the Yankee stand-by, the pumpkin and turnips. How would it do to send them a few ship-loads of cactus a week? But cactus fattened beeves would be better.

SOUTHWEST Texas is not swelling the stream of cattle pouring into Chicago just now to any great extent. There is plenty of grass down here to hold till the flood has passed, and then you will find us on hand with \$4 per hundred pound grass steers, and prickly pear and cottonseed-fed steers at \$5.

COMPLAINTS continue of the doings of commission men in San Antonio. The remedy lies with the ranchmen. Let them place their stock with one firm only and hold it to a strict account for its sale. There are good commission men here, but they can do nothing if you place your stock with every Tom, Dick and Harry.

WHY have not some of our wide-awake Southwest Texas rancheros thought of it, and fed up a thoroughbred Shorthorn or other beef breeds on cactus and cottonseed, and shown him at one of this fall's fat stock shows? A premium on such a steer would be a big card for this section of country, and give the feeder a national reputation. Let the next fall's fat stock shows have some of our "Carothers" beeves on show.

THE Fort Davis News has this pleasant paragraph: "One of our most valued exchanges is the TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL. Every stockman having his interests at heart will patronize this journal, as it is an able one and devoted especially to stock. Their special edition for October is an exceptionally elegant one, giving an exhaustive and minute description of the Panhandle. It also contains many fine illustrations of Fort Worth and Panhandle ranches."

HORNS AND HOOF.

C. C. Lewis of San Antonio, who has a ranch in Mexico, opposite Haymond, reports the sale of 600 head of stock cattle for \$10.60 per head. Also that he has recently made some good sales of beef steers. He says they are worth more on the other side than they are here.

Dr. Bolton is buying cattle for the Mexican Mormon colony. He recently bought 1100 head at Marfa, and when he has delivered them, will return for some 1500 more. There does not seem to be any reasonable objection to letting Mormons eat any of our Texas beef, providing them pay a good price for it.

Hi Millett passed through to the ranch in La Salle county, from a visit to their big stock farm in Ellsworth county, Kansas, and says this country beats that this year.

F. O. Skidmore is up from his ranch in Bee county, and steps high, as his place is to be the junction of the Collins branch of the S. A. & A. P. railway, the grading having begun this week.

Ed Corkill, the Kerr and Duval counties ranchman, is here from Realitos, Duval county, but says he is not one of those who has received letters wanting a ransom or his life.

J. M. Mathis was in the city last week, en route to Austin. He has

moved from Victoria to his ranch, Charco, Goliad county. He says no reasonable man should want better grass and winter prospects than there are in his section of country. He will feed 600 head of steers for the early spring market, using corn, hay, cottonseed, and cactus.

Pearsall News:—For more than four months past there has not been a week that from one to ten car-loads of cattle or horses have not been shipped from this point to some place north to market. We venture the assertion that Pearsall has shipped as many fat cattle to market, and twice as many horses, as any other town in West Texas this year.

G. F. Compton of Taylor was a guest at the Southern this week.

B. F. Dalington is again with us. Ben seems to like the air of the Alamo city.

Capt. A. C. Jones of Beeville passed through this week, going home from several months absence in Virginia and other Eastern states.

J. W. Watters, who has been pasturing a bunch of 300 steers in Williamson county, is going to move them back to his ranch in Maverick county. He will drive from Taylor to San Antonio, because he can do it cheaper than pay the railroad rates.

Capt. W. W. Wallace of Uvalde says that they have plenty of grass, water and fat cattle in that section, and need only better prices for their stock to make them happy.

Alonzo Millett of Kansas City, of Millett Brothers, extensive rancheros of LaSalle county, Texas, and Ellsworth, Kansas, is here en route to the ranch in LaSalle county.

It is reported that the large ranch firm at Haymond, Buchel county, of Brown Bros. has changed to W. B. Brown & Son, C. W. Brown retiring. W. B. Brown lives in California, where he occupies a prominent position among the business men, and the ranch will be under the immediate supervision of his son.

Cotulla Ledger:—Dr. A. E. Carothers has just put up 600 head of spayed cows to fatten on prickly pear and cottonseed meal, and will put them on the market as soon as they are fat enough. His experiment in fattening beef cattle on this diet has been a great blessing to the stockmen all over Texas. There will be thousands of cattle fattened by this process in Southern Texas this winter. Many small stock owners will pen and fatten together, ordering the cottonseed meal in car lots.

Sol. West of West Bros., prominent rancheros of the lower country, astonished his many friends by his visit to this city last week. His are like angels' visits, few and far between.

Dr. C. W. Littleton, Labette county, Kansas, who, it will be remembered, bought feeders in this market last spring, has been recently marketing some of them in Chicago.

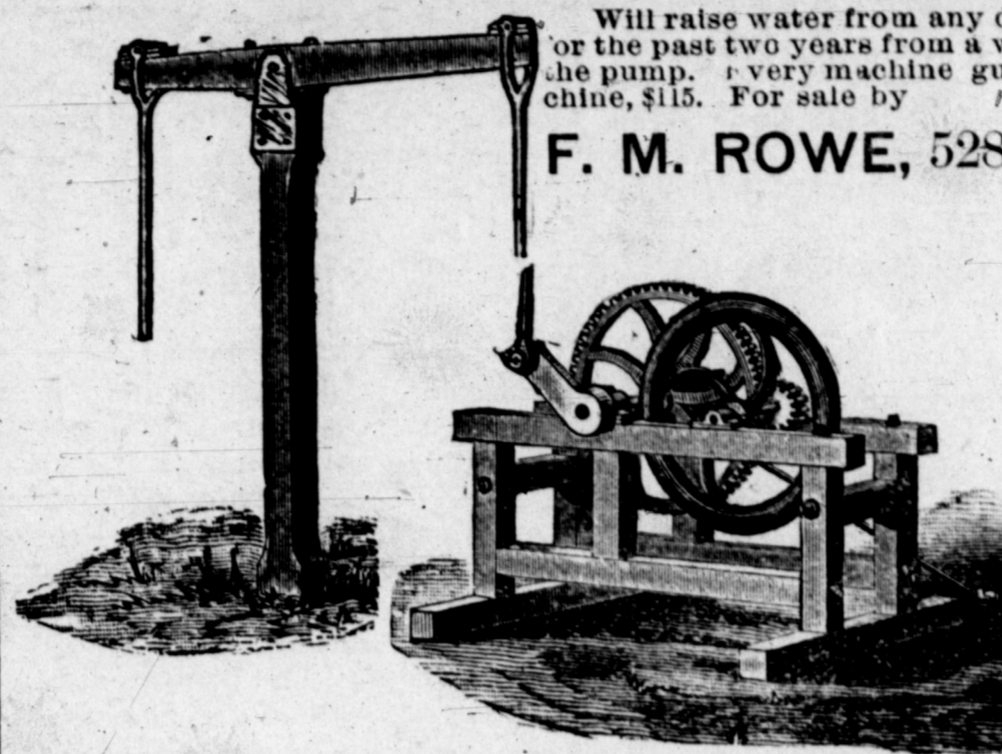
The Union Stock Yards, J. L. Hickman & Co., has three car-loads of fine Hereford and Polled Angus bulls and heifers for sale. This is the largest lot of this class of cattle that has ever before been offered for sale here.

Nic Dunn of Nueces county passed through on his return home from Chicago, where he had been with seven car-loads of cattle.

The Sunset road is unable to get enough stock cars at this point to meet the demand for stock shipments.

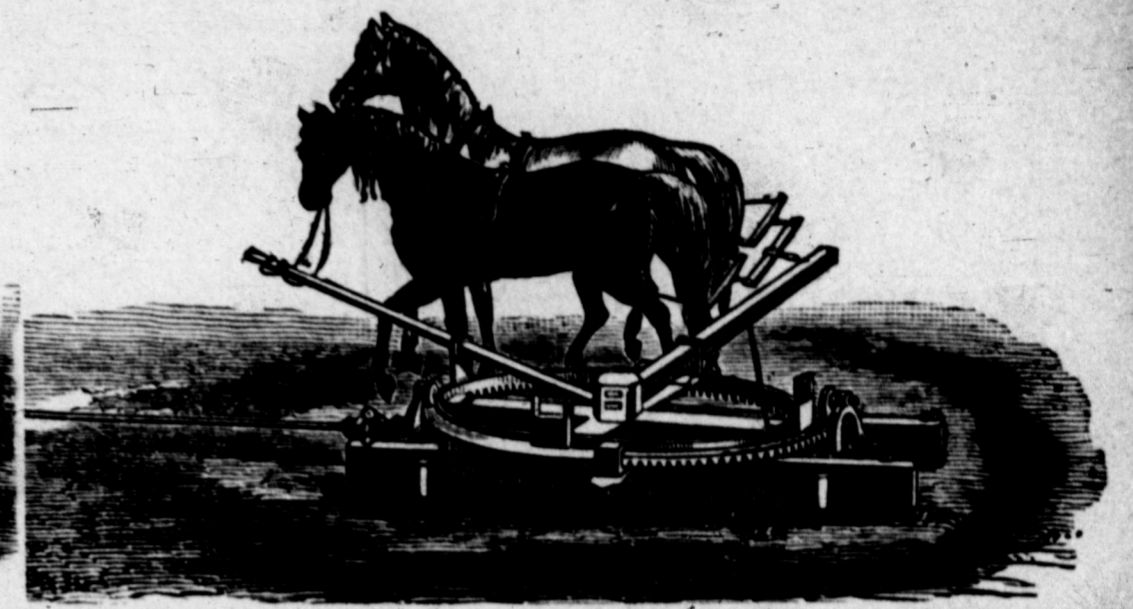
John J. Young has just returned from a trip to the ranch in Hidalgo county, bringing up a couple of car-loads of stock for this market. He reports the accidental killing of a young Mexican lady on an adjoining ranch by the premature discharge of a gun by one of a party who were hunting the Mexican bandits that infest that region just now.

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THE WOOL SACK.

Thos. O. Murphey of Fort Davis is down visiting friends and selling his wool. He reports stock looking well in that section with fine prospects for the winter.

Sabinal Canyon correspondent of the Uvalde News:—Most of our wool men have finished shearing. This week the bulk of the wool goes to town to be sold. The pecan crop is yielding better than was anticipated. What little money our citizens handle this winter must come from proceeds of wool, pecans and cane seed.

S. J. Arnold passed through the city on his way home from a visit to his former residence in Henderson, and took in the Dallas fair, which he says is just immense. Mr. Arnold has not sheared his Angora goats this fall, the price of mohair not warranting it, and has not yet disposed of his wool, believing it to be as yet on the up grade.

What's the price of wool? is the greeting of wool men nowadays.

Ed Robertson passed through to his home in Williamson county last week, having been down on the Texas-Mexican railway.

J. C. McFarland passed through to take his run on the G., C. & S. F., having been home in Boerne looking after his beautiful Angora goats.

There is more figuring around and less wool buying this season than was ever before known on this market.

Vint James has returned from St. Louis, where he sold 1100 head of muttons, but wishes he had been a few weeks earlier. He took in the Dallas fair on his return, and speaks in glowing terms of its success.

Henry Burns returned from New Orleans on Tuesday, where he had a bunch of muttons, and reports the market badly off. He says that Mr. Bennett of Pearsall was there with 470 head, which he had to leave, there being no sale.

Philip Palmer of Kinney county reports the sale of his wool, 142 bags, at 15½ cents. It was stored in a warehouse here, and sold by owner.

Chas Montague, Bandera, reports the sale of his clip of 12 bags at 15½ cents. It was sold on the plaza on Wednesday.

It is reported the N. G. Collins clip was sold at San Diego for 15½c. The colonel passed through town last week, but did not stop to say "howdy."

San Diego correspondence in Corpus Christi Caller:—The wool market opened lively this week and some heavy purchases were made. Messrs. Gueydan & Co. disposed of something over 400 bags, at prices ranging from 12½@15½c, Messrs. Hirsch and Murphy being the principal buyers. The N. G. Collins clip of 205 bags was bought by Mr. J. T. Murphy and brought 15½ cents. Money is beginning to circulate and business men are correspondingly

happy. There are a few large clips yet unsold, but next week will probably close the season's transactions. The condition of the wool is good, with few exceptions, and prices here have averaged above San Antonio market.

Horse Breaking by Machinery.

Some five years ago Mr. C. F. Shedd, while in the Northwest, saw much of range horse breaking and conceived the idea of doing away with all the danger, worry and imperfect execution of the horse breaking in practice on ranches, and with range horses. After over four years of constant study and experiment he has perfected a system that is bound to work a complete revolution in the handling of wild horses. In the first place he starts out with the idea that to break a horse most successfully you must become his complete master and at the same time gain his confidence and friendship. With a wild range horse this is very difficult, as you cannot even get near to him under the old system without roping him and frightening him and often inflicting serious injury. Mr. Shedd has but to get his horse into a corral or pen and all danger—running, jumping or kicking—is past. He is passed into a chute where he is halted in spite of all he can do, and then by some ingeniously arranged movable partitions he is forced into his place in the sweeps extending from an elevated circular revolving platform. Here he is harnessed, so completely that he cannot jump, kick, lie down or hold back, and must go along when the platform revolves, by other broken horses. This is his first lesson, in which he is taught that he has a master who is kind but firm. Around the inner edge of the circular building, the center of which is the platform, are stalls so arranged that you can get to both sides of the without any danger to yourself, and here he is taught how to eat and other stable etiquette. After learning these rudiments he is hitched into a cart made especially for the purpose, where he is taught how to behave in the street, till he becomes a useful and respectable member of horse society, fit to serve the most timid of the human family.

Mr. Shedd has just completed his second apparatus in San Antonio, the first being in Kansas City, and of the scores of old ranchmen and horse handlers generally who have seen it, not one has been found who has not pronounced it thoroughly practical. It does not worry and fret the animal, thereby often injuring his constitution for life, nor does it spoil him, and in no way is the life and limb of the breaker endangered. Everything about the system is covered by letters patent, including the stalls, breaking cart, harness, etc.

This will work a great revolution in Southwest Texas, and in all other range countries by enabling them to turn out well broken horses, which will be safe, and thereby add at least 25 per cent. to the intrinsic value of the same. Mr. Shedd proposes to introduce his appliances wherever there are wild horses.

Pecan Market.

The pecan market of San Antonio is falling off visibly, owing to exhaustion of stock. It will fall far short of that of two years ago, but still holds San Antonio as the first pecan market from first hands in the world. It is calculated that by the middle of this month, November, the nuts will be all in the hands of dealers. Prices are from 4½ @6c per pound, according to size and quality.

"I Cure Fits."

This heading is a familiar sight to most newspaper readers, as it has appeared regularly in the best publications for many years past. Dr. H. G. Root of 183 Pearl street, New York, has a world-wide reputation as a successful specialist in this distressing disease, and has no doubt cured more cases than all other doctors combined. As an evidence of good faith the doctor sends a free sample bottle of his remedy to all sufferers who write for it, if they give their express and post-office address.

Miles City Stock Grower:—John I. Zook and Jim Davis, who are with the Rosebud beef herd which was to be shipped from Rosebud this week, arrived in Miles Friday morning. They have experienced a hard time during the recent cold snap, but they stand right with the herd, which, on the start, were fine beef, but have run down in weight and are in too exhausted condition to ship, so they will be held near Rosebud for about ten days.

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DALLAS.

DALLAS DOTS.

W. M. Hogsett, a leading stock farmer near Evans Point, was in Dallas attending the fair. He mingled business with pleasure while here and invested in a fine jack for which he paid \$900. He was asked by the JOURNAL man why he did not import from Missouri and other states where jacks are so plentiful and thus get the advantage of prices which are so much below the rates current in Texas. He readily explained that the acclimation fever was an effectual barrier against such an arrangement. That experience and observation had warned him in times past. He would prefer paying \$200 or even \$300 more for a good animal that was acclimated than to run the risk of bringing him in the state himself. Mr. Hogsett is a breeder of Norman horses and is an old Texan, too.

The Cattle Interest.

VINEYARD, TEXAS, Oct. 24, 1887.

Editor Texas Live Stock Journal:

What fools these (cow) mortals be! "It is not wealth, nor rank, nor state, but 'get up and get' that makes men great."

In every paper a man sees nowadays there is one or more articles on "What Makes Cattle so Low." It seems as though the question is asked and pondered on by almost all classes of business men. Now if the editor of the JOURNAL will allow me space I will try and set forth some points and see how far I miss the mark.

We will commence back on September 1st, 1883. I have circulars issued by the old firms of Irons & Cassidy and Scruggs & Cassidy, giving sales of every day in that month, and the lowest prices we find quoted for grass Texas is \$3.50 per hundred, and the highest \$4.30, with the average receipts about 800 per day at the National Yards, East St. Louis. Taking the average weight and average price paid at that time, Texas steers were selling for \$32.50 per head, while to-day the cry is that they are bringing from \$2.00 or \$2.50, or about \$18 per head. Now the question is, what is causing this? Well, now, let's see.

We do not find a single Texas cow, calf, heifer, yearling or two-year-old quoted in that whole month's sale; nothing but good straight 800 to 1000 lb cattle, and receipts were light of course. We find the heaviest receipts for that month on the fifth, being 2200, and the lightest on the 21st, being only 280 head.

What caused the light receipts and good prices? The cause was simply this: Every man who could borrow a dollar at from 2½ to 3 per cent. per month was buying all these yearlings, twos, cows and calves, at whatever price was demanded, taking owners' count for them, and in many instances where \$20 was the stipulated price they actually cost the purchaser \$30. It was not only on the ranges this was going on, but men in the Eastern and Northern states were buying all the stock cattle there and shipping them to the ranges.

What was the result?

It was this: It cut the beef supply down until it was not equal to the demand, consequently prices went "away up."

What caused the downfall? Well, in the first place the ranges had been filled to overflowing, and there seemed to be nowhere to locate any more. Texas was full, the Indian Territory was full, and they were going into Mexico by thousands. Then the gentle voice of the banker was heard all over the land, "Your notes to us are due and unpaid." Well, these cattle kings (on paper) went to the banks and said, Here, we will renew this note; and then the cashier looks kinder

lonesome like and says, We cannot do that; you must pay. Then these cattle kings (on paper) start out to sell enough cattle, or borrow from some other bank sufficient money to pay these notes, but these other banks inform them that they hold notes against three-fourths of the cowmen in their section, and cannot loan another dollar on cattle. So when they went to find buyers it was this way: We will buy your cattle on time but cannot pay cash, for we cannot borrow any more money. Then the slaughter commenced. Men began to sell for less than they gave to try to save their credit, but it was of no use. Bankers said the money must come regardless of consequences, so all kinds of cattle were thrown on the market: Everything fit for beef was shipped to market, and stock cattle were sold regardless of prices. Then the order was given to "march on, double-quick" from the Territory, and thousands more were thrown on the markets. Then the hard winter came three years ago to dishearten new beginners; and finally the shutting off of the trail cattle North, and the result was we were left with the "bag to hold" and nothing to fill it with. For the past year we have had no other alternative but the beef markets east. We overloaded ourselves at enormous prices, and assumed large debts, and now we unload ourselves at a price just as far in the extreme the other way.

Now to help the matter we set back and give Armour, Swift, Hammond & Co. "down the country" for not making high prices for our beef, when every sensible man knows that "self interest and self preservation" are the first laws of nature.

Haven't you forgotten how you sold 5000 cattle, range delivery, when you only owned 4000? Now isn't it natural for the Big Four to get their beef cheap as possible?

Do not understand that I take sides with the Big Four; far from it; but I do say men are the biggest fools on earth. Just let an industry of any kind go down and the men who are interested in it almost invariably lay the blame on some one else. We are the ones who have brought cattle to the prices they are. Some one will say, "No we are not; it is the bankers." Well, we admit the banks are doing a bad job now in forcing cattle on the market to pay debts with, but in the first place were we compelled to borrow their money? No. But now we are indebted to them we think they ought to carry us over the "stormy billows," then when we landed on terra firma we could return the favor with gratitude.

But what fools these (banker) mortals be!

They loan money in large sums to us when everything is at fever heat, and what we are dealing in is 20 per cent. above its actual value; but when that same business is in a shape to pay a larger per cent on the investment than ever before they say "we would like to accommodate you, but money is very close, and it will be impossible to carry you any further, so you must pay up regardless of the sacrifices you are compelled to make."

I have written this article from an impartial standpoint, and while it is not very eloquently written, I assure you I only claim due consideration. My aim was to set forth my argument in a plain, impartial way. I will further say that our wishes for better times and higher prices are being realized as fast as the wheels of time and freight cars revolve, for just that fast we are getting our surplus of old cows and trashy stuff off our hands, and paying our debts. When this is done and all this cheap stuff cut off the market, beef will go up high, for there is but very little good beef going on the market at present, and there is a strong demand for all that does go. In fact we never had a stronger demand for beef. Cut all trashy stuff off the market, and put on nothing but good beef, and prices will advance

\$2.50 per hundred in ten days. So when we curtail our stock to one-half and give them proper treatment, sending them to market fat and matured, then and not till then will we receive profits equivalent to the investment. Respectfully, W. C. ROGERS.

A New and Fatal Contagious Disease.

Farm and Home.

An outbreak of disease which proved to be strongylus micrurus has carried off a dozen calves and young stock belonging to N. L. Varney of Bristol, Addison county, Vt., and on Friday, October 7, the rest of the herd of 40 head were slaughtered at the order of the state cattle commission, who quarantined the farm. The trouble is caused by a parasite named strongylus micrurus which gains access to the pulmonary tissues and bronchial tubes. Dr Cutting gave an excellent report on this disease in the Vermont agricultural report for 1885-6. He found the parasites about sedge roots in wet ground, and the fact that the disease appears to be more frequent in wet seasons than in dry lends authority to his opinion that the parasite is first taken into the system in the feed gathered on wet ground.

The disease is singularly contagious, because these minute worms may be expelled by the breath or discharged from the nose and mouth, and getting upon the grass or hay, the stock feeding upon the same is at once contaminated. There appears to be no known remedy. The disease is akin to strongylus filaria, the parasite which infests the lungs of sheep, and strongylus elongatus is equally fatal in the hog. Other varieties of this parasite have been found in the lungs of the human family, and strongylus lombriz thrives in the fourth stomach of the sheep, doing great destruction at some seasons in the Southwest. It is presumed by some authorities that a parasite which causes the gapes in poultry is closely allied to strongylus. Numerous instances are on record of widespread ravages of this disease, attesting its epidemic and contagious character.

The only proper treatment is to immediately isolate all affected cattle, kill them and destroy the carcasses by burning. If they have contaminated the pastures, such pastures should not be occupied by stock for several months and probably a whole season would be best, as the time required for the development of this parasite is not known. All barns and stables that have been contaminated should be most thoroughly cleaned, and carbolic acid used freely as a wash on the stanchions about the feeding places and watering troughs to kill any of the parasites that may remain. If affected stock have had free access to a hay stock or mow, the outer portion of the same should be removed and burned.

Merchant Tailors.

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San Antonio Horse Market.

The trade has been quite dull the past week, compared with previous week, but was a little better than it was last year at this time. The trade in the North is about at an end, and

that of the Southern Gulf and Atlantic states was never very large in horses, the demand from that section being principally for mules, for which it is yet a little too early. As usual, poor in flesh are hard to get rid of, and really fat horses are much scarcer than they should be, considering the good pastures generally; but those having fat stock and plenty of grass are disposed to hold till the season next year.

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Texas improved mares, 14 to 15 hands.	30@40
American carriage horses, 15½ to 16½	75@200
Saddle horses, good, 13 to 14½ hands.	20@28
Saddle horses, poor, 13 to 14½ hands.	15@22
Unbroke horses, 13 to 14½ hands.	16@25
Weaned, unbranded colts.	4 50@ 6
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Mules improved, 13½ to 14 hands.	40@60
Yearling mule colts, improved.	25@30
Two-year mule colts, improved.	30@40
Yearling mule colts, Mexican.	15@20
Two-year mule colts, Mexican.	20@30

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THE CLIP.

Chicago Wool Journal:—The treasury department has decided that worsted waste resembling garnetted thread waste and carbonated waste is subject to duty as scoured wool, and not as wool waste. Wool on East India wool skins, called marwhar, is held to be dutiable at the rate of 24c per lb.

Chicago Wool Journal:—The average period of the sheep is 149 to 150 days. The Southdown goes 144 days only, as a rule, and the Merino 150 days. This difference has been widely observed. Parturition may take place in the ewe from the 145th to the 160th day. The male lambs occupy the longer period. In my own flock, consisting of natives, with half-bred and thoroughbred Cotswolds, in five years' record, the periods were remarkably regular with those sheep whose time of service was accurately noted, and these were nearly all of a flock of from fifty to seventy. The shortest time on record is 148 days, and the longest 156 days. In 1870, of sixty-five lambs thirty-five were dropped on the 150th day. One ewe brought a pair of very large lambs on the 156th day; but this was a case of difficult parturition, as the ewe was very weak and required assistance. M. Magne mentions 429 cases in which the periods were from 144 to 156 days; and of these, 329 were from 147 to 151 days, while only three went as long as 156 days. The sheep, therefore, has a more regular period of gestation than the larger animals.—[Prof. Brown, in the Veterinarian.

Field and Farm:—"Sheep raising in a moderate way," remarked Mr. Cary Culver of the Little Thompson stock farm, "pays me better than anything else on my farm. They cost me but very little to keep, since they glean most of their living where the feed would otherwise go to waste. They cost me nothing for a herder, since they have learned to come home of nights and go into their safe quarters, away from the reach of wolves and dogs. I think a good Shropshire ewe will earn in wool and lambs—you see they generally have two a year—from seven to ten dollars. That beats a cow all to death, and beats my best Percheron mares 100 per cent. on the money invested in them. I am aware that a big flock of sheep would not be so profitable, but the farmer should only keep so many as he can take care of without extra trouble or expense."

Rural Home:—All experienced flockmasters concur in the opinion that sheep fed with perfect regularity as to the time and amount, will be better on rather inferior keep, than on the best food but without the regularity.

The wool trade East continues very much as in Texas. There is actually no change in tone, prices or feeling. Prices remain the same.

The JOURNAL has received a copy of the special wool report by the chief of the bureau of statistics and regards the compilation as very valuable information.

Farmers who want to feed a few muttons for market can do no better than club together and buy a large band of wethers, then divide up amongst themselves.

A great deal of wool is in the warehouses at Ballinger, but the reports are that no sales have been made. Owners are hoping for better prices.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, Nov. 2.—Columbus Delano, president of the National Wool Growers' association, and David Harpster, president of the Ohio Wool Growers' association, to-day, in pursuance of a request made at the St. Louis meeting, appointed the following committee on the part of the wool-growers to confer with a similar committee on the part of Eastern manufacturers, with a view to harmony and the protection of their interests: William Lawrence, Belle Fontaine, Ohio; John McDowell, Washington, Penn; A. E.

Shepherd, Marathon, Tex.; Y. H. Wallace, Fayette, Mo.; George L. Converse, Columbus, Ohio. The call prepared requests the officers of the National Wool Growers' association to meet in Washington the first Monday in December next.

On the 3rd inst. Mr. C. B. Walker shipped two pure bred Angora billies to Mr. H. M. Taylor of Osceola, Florida, at \$25 each, and 3 to Mr. W. P. Pattillo of Atlanta, Ga.; price of buck \$50, nannie and kid \$25. Mr. Walker reports his goats in very good condition.

San Antonio Wool Market.

The wool market is slowly opening, but every sale made seems to be with a labored effort. Concessions so far have been most on the part of the buyers, but sellers are possibly a little weaker in their views than they were a week ago. It is certain that full prices are paid here, according to published Boston reports, but if the reports from the lower counties are true, prices here are not in keeping with those there, and should be at least from 1 to 2 cents per pounds higher. The best price received here so far was for the Kearney & Richardson clip of 113 bags, from Dimmitt county, which went for 16½ cents. It has been held all along for 17 cents. The total amount sold here this season will not yet reach 2000 bags, and some 14,000 are yet in stock. Several commission merchants have not yet let a pound go. Among the representative sales are:

Ed. Kotula—A. M. Reid, Uvalde, 49 bags, 15½c; Nussle, Uvalde, 68 bags, 14½c; J. F. Slevin, Del Rio, 57 bags, 15½c; M. B. Braggins, Kimble county, 20 bags, 14½c; McKee Bros., La Salle, 21 bags, 13c; Kearney & Richardson, Dimmitt county, 116 bags, 16½c; Chas. Montague, Bandera county, 12 bags, sold on the plaza, 15½c.

Quotations can be made at 14 cents for early shearing; prime 15 cents for medium early shearing, and 16@17 cents for late sheared light mediums.

Dairymen Make no Money.

Texas dairy men, farmers and butter-makers complain that they are not making money. The reason is because they do not use the best dairy appliances. Farmers of Missouri and Illinois do make money from dairy products and receive only half the prices Texas dairymen obtain. The nearest firm to Texas carrying all the latest improved dairy goods in large stock is H. McK. Wilson & Co. of 112 N. Second street, St. Louis. This firm will send catalogue and make prices on anything in the dairy-goods line.

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"REINS AND WHIP" is the title of a handsome monthly that comes from Philadelphia, devoted to sporting. Readers of the STOCK JOURNAL can get a sample copy for 20 cents, and see that it is easily worth the subscription price of \$2.

It is reported that the Dunkards are negotiating for a great body of land in the Panhandle to colonize, and that they will move there by the thousands if they can get certain concessions. The Dunkards, or Dunkers, are a religious sect, and number about 200,000 persons. They are quiet, peaceable and industrious, and would make a good class of pioneers.

WHEN such conservative and cautious papers as the American Agriculturist and the Breeders' Gazette concur in the opinion that a period of beef scarcity is close upon us, it may be accepted as an almost accomplished fact. They cannot disregard the unimpeachable evidence of common sense. The latest date assigned for the reaction in the cattle business is 1889. We think it will be powerfully felt next spring and summer, for the expectation of a scarcity is stiffening prices now.

Fences, Gates and Bridges.

The O. Judd company, publishers of the American Agriculturist, 750 Broadway, New York, have recently issued a very complete work, price \$1, entitled as above. It is nicely illustrated with 300 wood-cuts and shows every description of fence, gate, bridge or culvert. To farmers such a work is worth considerable money.

Inoculation for Texas Fever.

Dr. F. S. Billings, connected with the Nebraska State University, writes to Gov. Ross of this state:

"DEAR SIR: I have forwarded to your address at Austin several papers showing my work on the cattle diseases in Texas—fever—the germ of which I have discovered. We have had four head of cattle that have stood inoculation and now have no value to us except as beef, but they may teach a lesson that would be of great value to Texas cattle interests. The cattle cost us \$100. I propose that you buy them, as well as two natives that have recovered from the natural diseases and four healthy cows from

here that will cost \$25 each, and take the whole lot and send them to the most dangerous locality in your state for Northern cattle. If the inoculated ones do not become ill and others do, then you have at once a valuable means at your command to prevent losing Northern cattle destined for importation in any part of Texas. They can be bought and inoculated here and in thirty days or so be ready to go to any part of Texas without danger of disease. I think you can appreciate the value of this question to your cattle interests, and that we can thus place material at your command for a very small outlay that would cost you thousands before you could get into position to have made the same kind of experiments. Be assured we are only working for scientific facts, and have no desire to do anything more than keeping our funds as intact as possible for use in future experiments. The question has such practical relations to Texas cattle interests that you should have no trouble in raising the small amount from among your wealthy cattlemen, as there is no appropriation for such expenditure."

The STOCK JOURNAL has heretofore expressed a doubt of the efficacy of protecting against Texas fever by such methods. It is well known by all who know anything about Texas fever that it cannot be communicated by cattle that have it themselves. Only the well and apparently healthy cattle communicate the disease to strange herds, and these diseased cattle are harmless to others brought in contact with them.

The only good that Dr. Billings' inoculation cure can do, if it proves to be what he claims for it, is to protect fine stock brought to this state against the acclimation fevers; and it is not positively known that this is the same as the so-called Texas fever.

No Overproduction of Beef.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

J. M. Day, better known as "Doc," president of the Day Land and Cattle company of Greer county, Texas, spoke at length on the low market. "The trouble is not overproduction," said he; "but it arises from a desire on the part of the cattle owners to settle with the banks. This occurs about once in five years. The banks needed money during the past year, and a demand was made on the cattlemen. As a result large numbers of unripe cattle were put on the market, and it became glutted for the time being. But this will all be remedied, and next year prices will soar again."

"Throw Physic to the Dogs"

when it is the old-fashioned blue-mass, blue pill sort, and insist on using Dr. Pierce's "Pleasant Purgative Pellets," a modern medical luxury, being small, sugar-coated granules, containing the active principles of certain roots and herbs, and which will be found to contain as much cathartic power as any of the old-fashioned, larger pills, without the latter's violent, drastic effects. The pellets operate thoroughly but harmlessly, establishing a permanently healthy action of the stomach and bowels, and as an anti-bilious remedy are unequalled.

Big Springs Pantagraph:—Land Classifier Suratt, who has been classifying the school lands of this and Martin county, has completed his work, and is now making his report to Land Commissioner Hall for this county. It is understood that the land of this country will, in the main, be classified as agricultural. Mr. Suratt says that while the climate may be too dry for agricultural pursuits, he is not classifying the climate but the land. It is understood that this county will get a splendid report as to the fertility of its soil—about which there can be no question.

Consolidated Cattle-Growers Association.

The Consolidated Cattle Growers' association of the United States assembled in annual convention at Coates' opera-house, Kansas City, last Monday. There was a little over 100 delegates present, but they came from nearly every state and territory in the Union. Hon. Lafayette Fant of Illinois was elected permanent chairman. Col. Norman J. Colman, commissioner of agriculture, was introduced. He began by saying that the cattle industry of the country, representing \$1,200,000,000, was under a cloud of misfortune at present, but he was satisfied that the population of the country is increasing far more rapidly than the beef supply, and that this circumstance would rectify the matter. He then proceeded to read a semi-official statement of work in his department in fighting pleuro-pneumonia. After summarizing the appropriations and authority given by congress to the bureau for the purpose of exterminating the plague, Mr. Colman said he had prepared a series of rules and regulations which he had sent to the governments of the various states and territories with a request that they co-operate in the observation of them. Thirty-one states and territories had responded and promised their assistance. I had also submitted to the state legislatures an act providing for state co-operation. This bill had become law in Rhode Island, Vermont, New York and Illinois. From January 1 to October 15 of the present year the inspector of the bureau of animal industry had examined 1265 herds, containing 92,632 head of cattle. Of these, 478 herds, containing 6956 cattle, were placed in special quarantine, and 1209 were found to be diseased. This did not include the Chicago quarantine. Mr. Colman, in saying the disease had been extirpated from Cook county, Ill., remarked that the quarantine would be removed about December 1. Continuing, he said Maryland and New York have been the worst hotbeds of disease. For years it has existed in Maryland and defied all attempts to extirpate it. The cities of New York, Brooklyn, Baltimore, and their suburbs have been for forty years plague spots, and hence the disease has spread to other parts of the country, but in Indiana we now have things under control. In conclusion the commissioner said: "I have not alluded to the fact that the disease has been stamped out in Missouri, where one Illinois bull coming into the state at Fulton caused a quarantine against the whole state, and a loss to the cattlemen of \$1,000,000. I have not alluded to the fact that it has been stamped out in Kentucky, where the amount of loss is \$2,000,000. It has been estimated that cattle disease in the past forty-five years has cost Great Britain \$500,000,000. Yet it exists there to-day in almost as bad a form as it ever did. They have strong laws, but they leave the execution of them to the local authorities. The disease needs heroic treatment. In Scotland it is so bad to-day that upon my recommendation this country has quarantined all cattle. [Applause]. It has been my ambition to see the disease wiped out, and within a year and a half I expect to have this ambition gratified. And I will say it will be a wise idea to quarantine against all Europe."

Among other resolutions adopted was one denouncing the oleomargarine law.

On the third and last day of the convention a lively debate was had over a resolution relating to pleuro-pneumonia. It recited the fact of the existence of pleuro-pneumonia and other contagious diseases in Europe, particularly in Great Britain, and declared that sound public policy demands that for the present the importation of cattle shall be suspended, and that the secretary of the treasury be so notified, and urged, on behalf of the association, to take prompt action in accordance with the above suggestion. L. R. Hastings of Illinois opposed the resolution. It

invited retaliation and was unjust to the stock breeders who desired to import and cultivate new breeds. H. Hines of Michigan took a similar stand and urged the convention to think well before adopting such a measure. Mr. Pearson of Illinois on behalf of the committee on resolutions stated emphatically that although England had not been very lenient in her quarantine measures against the United States there was no spirit of revenge or retaliation in the resolution. He said the disease was firmly rooted in Europe, and that action was necessary as a matter of safety. Ex-Governor Hadley of New Mexico, Mr. Coffin of Iowa, Mr. Gadsden of Pennsylvania and others urged the adoption of the resolution, some of the speakers treating with contempt the suggestion by the opponents of the resolution that other countries would adopt adverse measures in regard to our cattle. Mr. Gadsden thought action by this government would spur on the other countries to more energetic efforts to rid themselves of the disease, which, unless these resolutions passed, would be a menace to the cattle interests of this country. Ex-Governor Hadley coincided with these views, and declared if England wants our cattle she will buy them, and if she don't want them she will not. The resolutions were finally adopted by a large majority.

At 10:30 the convention adjourned sine die. Afterwards a business meeting of the association was held. The treasurer's report showed the association is in a flourishing condition. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year; President, W. A. Towers; vice-presidents, Elmer Washburn, H. E. Alvord and Azel Ames; secretary, H. H. Sanders; treasurer, J. Clay, Jr.; executive committee, J. T. Brush, Adam Carl, Thomas Sturgis, F. C. Stevens, Isaac Pryor, T. Alex Seth, James Ballentine, William Leggett, W. A. Paxton, Thomas B. Price, George M. Simpson and L. N. Scofield. The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, it has come to the knowledge of this convention that almost irreparable financial embarrassment has resulted to some members of this association through the action of the President in ordering the removal of all cattle from the Cheyenne and Arapahoe Indian country under peculiarly severe terms, and feeling that the situation was not fully understood by him at the time said order was made, therefore,

Resolved, that if, upon investigation of the matter, it be found as alleged by the lessees, that they were occupying the land in good faith and under at least, as they supposed, color of the law, and were not guilty of any offense for which they should suffer, we deem it but just that proper compensation should be made by congress to them for their losses.

Complimentary Notice.

The Plymouth Rock Pants company, whose advertisement appears in this paper every other issue, are furnishing their friends and patrons, through the Davis Advertising agency, Boston, a very handsome lithograph, entitled "Landing of the Pilgrims on the Plymouth Rock." This picture has above it in bold characters, "FOR TEN CENTS we will mail to any address this picture safely packed and our package of 20 samples of cloth and self measurement blanks; or for 6 cents we will mail this picture alone or sample package alone of the famous Plymouth Rock \$3 pants." Address, Plymouth Rock Pants Co. 18 Summer street, Boston, Mass.

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We solicit subscriptions to the TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL at \$1.50 per annum. If this item is marked please consider it an invitation to examine the paper. If you consider it worth the money, please send a postal note.

FORT WORTH NOTES.

Mr. J. D. Grant of Dallas, Southwestern agent of the Queen and Crescent route, was in the city on Monday and exhibited a new live stock tariff of great interest to shippers to Eastern and Southern states. Mr. Grant informs the JOURNAL that Mr. I. Hardy, assistant general freight agent, Vicksburg, Miss., is giving close attention to Texas business and will see that all stock is moved over their lines in good time and properly handled in transit.

Mr. E. S. Perryman of Perryman & Marshall of Crafton, Wise county, has advertised in the For Sale Column seven Kentucky stallions. These good animals are offered for sale or for exchange.

Messrs. Dulany, Wilson & Maupin of Fort Worth quote horse stock as follows: North Texas mares 14½ hands, \$30 to \$35; fancy fat North Texas mares 14½ hands and above, \$40 to \$45; common saddle ponies \$25 to \$30; good saddle ponies \$30 to \$45; good buggy horses \$75 to \$125.

Captain T. P. Martin of Littlejohn & Martin, Fort Worth, has returned from a trip to Llano and Mason counties. Captain Martin reports a representative of Morris & Rogers of Big Springs having purchased 3000 steers at \$7, \$10, \$13 to \$15 respectively for one, two, three and four-year-olds. The cattle are to be delivered on the Morris ranch for the prices given.

Captain J. P. Alexander, secretary of the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Bureau of Fort Worth, has compiled an amount of valuable information about Texas and published the same for free distribution. It is in the shape of a folder and will be sent on application to the bureau.

At Dallas, Texas, on last Saturday Mr. F. M. Houts of Hereford Ranch, Wise county, received the two most important cattle premiums awarded. The first for best bull, any age or breed, was taken by Mr. Houts' famous Hereford bull Harkaway; the second was for best herd of pure-bred cattle, Texas raised, and taken for Mr. Houts by the same Harkaway bull and four heifers. Mr. Houts also received the premium for best lot of six fat cattle with six grade Hereford steers of his raising. Mr. Houts has on his ranch one hundred and fifty Hereford bulls for sale. All are of his own raising and sired by such bulls as he exhibited at Dallas.

Upon an early order, Price, Maupin & Co. of Fort Worth can sell one or two car-loads of high-grade Shorthorn heifers away below the market price. Office at Mansion hotel.

Two young men aged 18 respectively want work on stock ranch. Three years experience. Address Taylor & Wrightson, Cleburne.

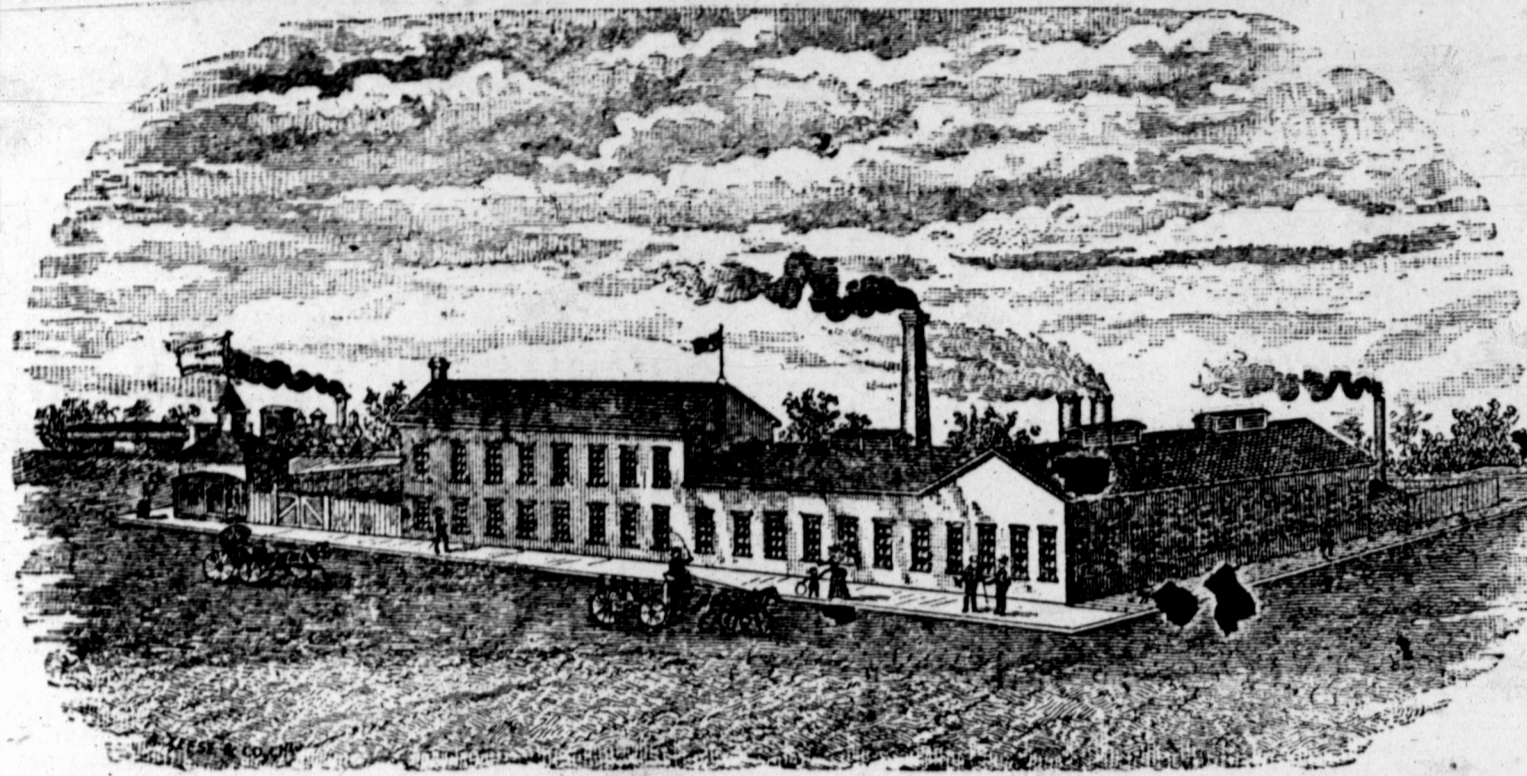
Messrs. Drum & Baker, nurserymen and florists of Tarrant county have opened an establishment one block below the Commercial club, on Main street, Fort Worth, and are making a permanent and elegant display. The JOURNAL is pleased to note this enterprise on the part of Messrs. Drum & Baker as one at once beneficial and ornamental to the city. The establishment is worth a visit by anyone coming to Fort Worth.

Pat Stevens, who spent the summer running a branding outfit for the Capitol XII ranch, came to town and paid his respects to the JOURNAL. He reports cattle on the ranch doing well, and the outfit running smoothly under the new management. Having recent-

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ly been on the ranges of Jim Newman, west of the syndicate, and the Running Water ranch of Slaughter & Morrison, he says that cattle on both these ranches are in extremely good condition.

Mr. F. E. King of Caldwell, Texas, bought a jack of Messrs. Polk Bros. last Thursday.

Mr. H. H. Campbell, superintendent of the Matador ranch, says that everything is lovely on the ranch, cattle are doing well and the low price of cattle is the only trouble to contend with. Mr. Campbell was in town during the week.

Mr. George B. Loving, founder of the JOURNAL, came to town from El Paso on Thursday, and gives a very good account of the Western country.

Messrs. B. H. & M. C. Campbell of Wichita, Kansas, were in the city, and went south for feeders.

Mr. Mac Stewart, late manager of the Chicago & Texas Cattle company, passed through the Fort, bound for Camp Clark, Nebraska, but says he will be down again in the spring.

Mr. D. P. Ives of D. P. Ives & Co., Boston, was in town on a trip through the state. He is very largely interested in loans on Texas properties.

Mr. O. W. Crawford of Kansas City, who is also interested in Texas dirt, was in town and went to New Orleans, to return in a few days.

Ranchmen are beginning to leave their cattle in the hands of the ranch managers for the winter; several arriving in town during the past week.

A local paper, noting the arrival of Mr. Geo. S. Taylor of Hunter, Evans & Co., says he is interested in cotton. Mr. Taylor would feel very well if the beef he is after was worth cotton price, or 8 cents per pound. Texas cattle, not cotton, is Mr. Taylor's interest in Texas.

Mr. C. T. Herring is down from the Comanche reservation and reports favorably as to the condition of range and cattle.

Jno. S. Andrews returned from the Clarendon district and says cattle look well, but all ranges are not in extraordinary fine winter condition.

Mr. W. A. Garner, manager of the JOURNAL, was in attendance at the Kansas City meeting.

Mr. R. H. Sellers, a prominent real estate man, has returned to Fort Worth.

Mr. A. Mackay, secretary, and Mr. Halley, director of the Matador company, are in the city, having recently visited the ranch.

Mr. L. H. Stein of Fort Worth is killing something he calls Canada mutton. He purchased 57 head of South-downs of Mr. Foote of Johnson county, the weights running from 127 to 150 pounds. Such mutton is worth 3 cents per pound, and is the best killed in

Fort Worth for a long time. None of the sheep were over one year old.

Mr. L. H. Stein reports the beef market dull; hogs scarce and high; mutton selling up to 24c.

Colonel Godwin, Colonel Young, S. B. Burnett and others are very much disposed to kick against 25 cents yardage for calves and yearlings. These gentlemen are fit subjects for a cattle pool or cattle trust, so that they can avoid such excessive charges of this character. It is bad enough for Texas cattle to pay yardage and commissions the same as domestic cattle, without having young calves classed as grown cattle at Chicago. The business will not stand such charges.

R. E. Maddox & Co. have on hand a nice car-load of 14-hand mules; also 40 to 50 grade Hereford bulls and 8 Galloways, all for sale cheap.

Colonel C. H. Higbee advertised for owner of some stock in his pasture, and the JOURNAL, with its usual enterprise, found for him two owners. This shows that the JOURNAL continues to be a first-class advertising medium.

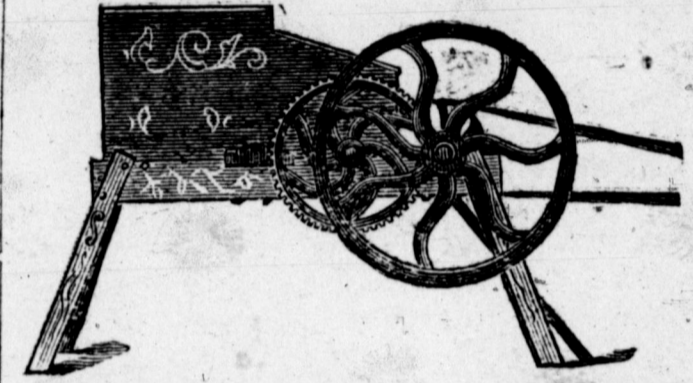
Mr. A. S. Nicholson reports good demand for good feeders at 2 cents. The buyers want fancy big steers and will not take anything else at the price.

The Fort Worth Union Stock Yards company will be fully organized on Monday next, and will include some of the prominent stock and business men of the city, and some men strong in railroad interests. The company will proceed at once to erect yards on the ground purchased.

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ROUND-UPS.

Banffshire, (Scotland) Journal:—The popular belief is that where a heifer and bull are twins, the heifer is a free martin. The Aberdeen-Angus cow Queen Mary of Altyre 5th 7037 was twin with a bull. She was bred by Sir Wm. G. Gordon Cumming, Bart., of Altyre, and was calved April 5, 1881. On March 14, 1883, she had a heifer calf, which was named Queen Mary of Altyre 6th 7038. She had no calf in 1884. On 1st January, 1885, she calved the bull Invermark 4745. In 1886, on February 2d, she had twin bull calves—Janus of Altyre 5434, Julian of Altyre 5456; while this year, on February 22d, she again gave birth to twins—a heifer calf, which has been named Queen Mary of Altyre 9th, and a bull calf, which has been steered.

Las Vegas Stock-Grower:—"Eighteen-seventy-three was a worse year than this for the cattlemen," said a leading stockman this week. "That was the year when the railroads demanded freight money in advance from beef shippers." It may be consoling to think and know that there have been worse seasons for cattle prices than the present of 1887, but what we all want to see is a turn of the tide and a slight advance in prices. There is no prospect of an improvement in market values until cold weather puts a stop to shipments from the range, and that means that Western ranchmen cannot expect to better present prices this year. It will require another year to tell the tale.

Southwest Sentinel:—Saturday last Dore Jones closed out what remained of the Texas herd of cattle belonging to Thompson, Tom & Campbell. This remnant consisted of about 400 head of yearlings, and they were taken by Eldridge Brothers of Montrose at \$10.50. Dore has a lot of horses on hand yet and always has "more cattle."

Comer Bros. of Tom Green county have leased 65 sections of school land from the state for five years at 4c per acre.

San Angelo Standard:—Rube Barber of Concho county passed through town last Monday with a herd of 2600 cattle in the OHD brand, bound for New Mexico.

Silver City (N. M.) Enterprise:—Deputy Sheriffs Belt and Cantley last week arrested Neal Bass at Lordsburg and turned him over to the sheriff of Uvalde county, Texas, where he is wanted on several charges, one of which is for jumping a bond of \$2000. There is said to be seven or eight indictments against him for cattle and sheep stealing. Neal Bass and his brother Dillard resided on the Gila river several years ago, and at one time were pretty well fixed. They sold out and left. Dillard started for Texas, but lost his money, about \$10,000, at Deming on faro. He is now supposed to be in Colorado. Neal is confident that he will get out of his present embarrassing situation without any serious difficulty.

Tascosa Pioneer:—The smoke of the construction train is in easy sight now down the valley, and from favored positions the construction train itself can be seen. The end of the track is barely a couple of miles out now, and by Monday night Tascosa will be a railroad town, connected by rail with other good towns around it. The pile drivers are finishing their work on the other side of the river, and will soon be ready, once the track is laid so that the material can be drawn up, for the commencement of work on the bridge over the river. This will doubtless be in the course of the incoming week.

Much question having been made as to whether the members of the Dodge City cowboy band, which has been in attendance at the Kansas City Exposition, were sure enough cowboys or not, they proposed to set the matter at rest

by giving an exhibition of their skill with the lasso on the fair grounds on Saturday, the 22nd. Mr. Beeson, the leader, in speaking of the matter, said that every member of his band were old cowboys who had spent the past ten years in the West and on the ranch. Said he: "I have boys in my band who can throw a steer over a horse." Mr. Beeson also said that the members of the band had contributed one hundred dollars and sent it to the City of Mexico for a fine sombrero, which they intended to present to President Cleveland upon the occasion of his visit to the Exposition building on the 18th, but owing to a delay in shipment it did not reach there in time. The boys are greatly disappointed over it, as it would have given them much pleasure to have had it here for the proposed presentation.

Silver City Enterprise:—The attachment levied on the interest of O. J. Wiren, in Nichol, Wiren & Jones' stock located in the lower Gila, has been withdrawn and the matter settled amicably. There are about 3000 head of cattle and 180 head of horses belonging to the firm on the range and there are claims amounting to \$36,000 against Wiren's half interest in them.

Macleod Gazette:—The Home Land and Cattle Company of Wood Mountain, a company composed of United States citizens, have driven the cattle they intended for this country into the Milk River country in consequence of the refusal of the Dominion government to give them concessions they desired with respect to duty.

To the Afflicted.

We call the attention of our readers to the advertisement of Dr. J. R. Pollock in this issue of the JOURNAL. To those who are afflicted with rectal troubles we can recommend the doctor as a specialist in that particular; he having effected some remarkable cures in cases which had become chronic. Dr. Pollock successfully treats consumption, bronchitis, catarrh, dyspepsia and all other chronic diseases with oxygen and electricity. Correspond with the doctor if you need the services of a reliable physician who can give the best of references.

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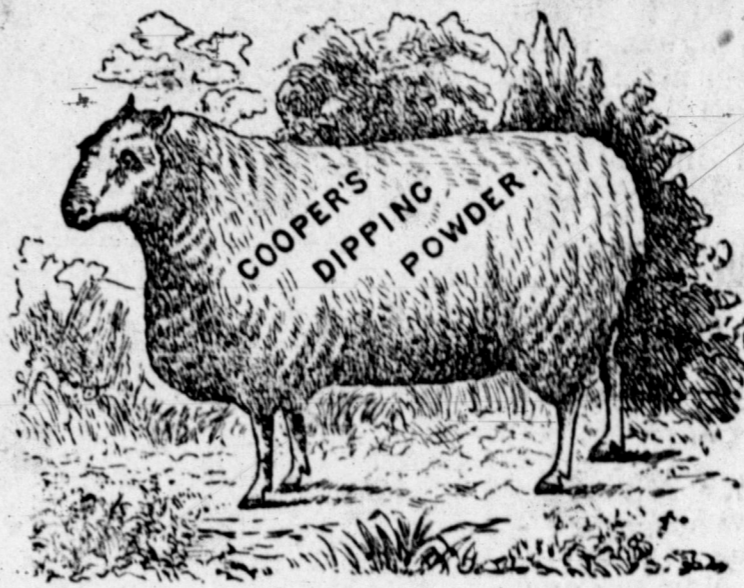
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Chicago Herald.

When the Armour Mission, up on 33d street, was started with its \$500,000 endowment, it was hard to decide just how to manage the religious end of it. Joseph Armour had directed in the will by which he gave it \$100,000 that it should be non-sectarian. Phil Armour, who added \$400,000 to the original fund, was altogether opposed to the mission being anything but a broad, humanitarian charity, with plenty of religion of course, but of that generic sort only which would be as acceptable to the Romanist as to the Methodist, and as agreeable to the Episcopalian as to the Baptist. The reverend gentleman who was finally selected to take charge of the religious welfare of the institution was given in general terms an idea of this purpose of the founders. One day he received a summons to come down to the office. He got there promptly and was beckoned over to the big packer's desk. Armour wheeled round in his chair a couple of times as if to select his vocabulary, looked the man of God over carefully, and then launched forth his own ideas of theology. "You're giving those youngsters too much grape and canister," he began slowly. "Hell fire and brimstone are all right for the old sinners, but the mission isn't for them. Now," he added, with the same emphasis he'd use to one of his office clerks, "I want you to change around and try another plan. If you don't you'll drive all those children away."

"When you begin your service in the morning," he said, "you can read a chapter from the Bible. Something short. Then have a little prayer, something short; not longer than that"—measuring off about a foot with his forefinger. "Then I want you to sing—sing a good many times," he repeated emphatically. "Then tell the story," he continued, "something with a point to it and a moral, but short. Then you can have another little prayer, but mind you no longer than that," holding up his hands about six inches apart this time.

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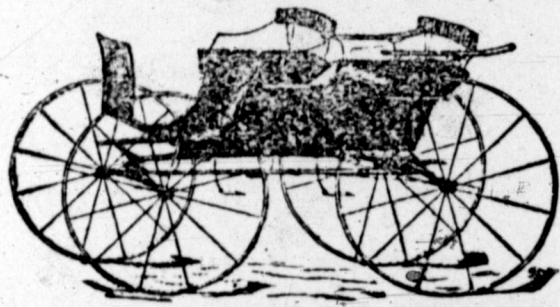
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AWARDS AT DALLAS.

Holsteins, Shorthorn Grades, Trotters, Etc.

On Thursday of last week, the third day of the cattle awards at the Texas State Fair and Dallas Exposition, the morning was devoted to grade Shorthorns and pure-bred Holstein cattle. The judges were Dr. A. A. Johnson of Dallas, Dr. J. R. Foster of Navasota, and Judge Dills of Sherman.

The first ring was for bulls, three years and over, and there were three entries. First premium was awarded to Gunter & Gunter.

Best bull 1 year and under 2, premium awarded E. R. Stiff, without competition.

Bull calf ring, first premium E. R. Stiff; second, Burgess & Estill.

The cow premium for 3-year-olds, also certificate, went to Messrs. Gunter.

Best heifer, 1 year and under 2, Mr. Gunter first, G. B. Paxton, Alvarado, second.

First and second premiums for bull calves went to Burgess & Estill.

Next, premium for one pure-bred bull and four grade females was taken by Gunter & Gunter, without opposition.

The Holsteins were next called for, and although the black and white cattle are not numerous in Texas, the display was very good. The premium for best bull 3 years old and under 4 brought three entries. Carlisle, property of Messrs. Lord & Howard of Bonham received first premium; Mr. K. M. VanZandt, jr., of Fort Worth received second.

Two-year-old bull under 3, first premium to Henson & Rathbone of Kansas; second to Lord & Howard.

Henson & Rathbone took first and second premiums for best bull under 2 years old, and the same for bull calves.

Henson & Rathbone also took first and second for best cow 3 years old and over.

Lord & Howard received first and second premiums for best heifer 2 years old and under 3.

Best heifer 1 year old and under 2, Henson & Rathbone first, A. B. Harlan second.

Best heifer calf, first, Lyles & Parmer; second, Henson & Rathbone.

Best herd, 1 bull and 4 heifers, Henson & Rathbone first, Lord & Howard second.

The premiums for grade Holsteins were then awarded and taken severally by W. M. Edwards, M. R. Howell, Lyles & Parmer and W. P. Howell.

Standard Trotters.

This class was one that the public manifested much interest in, and the awards were made by Thomas C. Foster, Capt. June Peak and Col. L. H. Fitzhugh. The first ring was for stallions 5 years old and over. The contestants were J. F. O'Connor's Reno Defiance, Martin Burdge's Henry Chief and Dr. Wiley's Ferdinand. Reno Defiance obtained the blue and Ferdinand the red ribbon. The first prize for the best stallion 4 years old and under 5 was given to George King's Claytonian Chief, and the second prize to Charles Kohlheir's H. V. Beunis.

H. B. Sanborn's Primonte was given the first prize for the best stallion 3 years old and under 4, and George King's Hopeful Wilkes was given the second.

J. A. Edmonson's Disturbance took the premium for the best stallion 2 years old and under 3, and Col. C. C. Slaughter's Dynamite the certificate.

C. H. Davis' W. T. carried off the honors for the best stallion 1 year old and under 2. William Cain's colt Billy, out of Golden Measure, took the premium for the best horse colt foal, and Golden Measure and Billy together carried off the prize for the best mare with sucking colt.

Charles Kohlheir's Olivette took first money, and George Slaughter's Lula S. the second for the best filly 2 years old and under 3. Slaughter's Delia Dowey had no competition for the prize for

the best filly 1 year old and under 2. J. H. Calloway of Harrison county received the prize for the best mare foal.

The Polled Cattle.

On Friday the ring was invaded by the polled breeds. Messrs. J. N. Finch of Corsicana, E. N. Heatt of Kentucky and W. R. Cole of Dallas were selected as judges.

Best bull 3 years old and over, first premium Frank Field; second C. F. Estill.

Best bull 1 year and under 2, William Little first premium, without competition.

Best heifer 1 year old and under 2, William Little first; ditto second.

Grade premiums were awarded C. F. Estill in all classes, including the herd.

Judges on Jerseys were J. D. Gray, Dallas; K. M. VanZandt, jr., Fort Worth; and A. J. Blankenship, Navarro county.

Premiums: first to Dick Graves, second to B. B. Cannon.

Bull 2 years and under three, W. H. Hughes first, Martin Burdge second.

The premium for best bull 1 year and under 2 went to Mr. Burdge.

Bull calves: Both premiums to Wm. Baker; also both premiums for best cows 3 years old and over.

William Baker received the first prize, and Dick Graves the second for the best two heifers 2 years and under 3. Baker was awarded the premium for the best heifer 1 year old and under 2, and Harlan & Parmer's Lutie Johnson the second. Harlan & Parmer received both premiums for the best heifer under 1 year. William Baker received the prize for the best herd of 1 bull and 5 females.

For Texas-raised thoroughbred Jerseys L. H. Durham's Don William was awarded the premium for the best bull 3 years old and over, and J. D. Gray's Bois d'Arc was given the prize for the best bull calf under 1 year old.

After this came the class of grade Jerseys. W. R. Moore received premium for best bull 3 years old and over, and L. H. Durham was given the prize for the best bull 2 years old and under 3. Ray Hardin had the best cow 3 years old and over, and Polk Bros. second best.

Horses.

The horse judges on Saturday were Mr. C. H. Davis of Pilot Point, Chas. Kohlheir of N. Vernon, Ind., and T. C. Foster of Navasota.

The thoroughbred class commenced with stallion 5 years old and over, and T. White's Prince Albert was given the first prize and Charles Haley's Havre the second. Joe Calloway received the first and second prizes for the best brood mare with sucking colt. Calloway's Mary Sue was given the prize for the best filly 2 years old and under 3. He also received the first and second prizes respectively in the show for the best mare foals.

The roadster class was judged by J. H. Dills, J. I. Rick and G. S. Huling. The stallion class for over 5 years brought to the front 16 entries, and they were very fine. J. F. O'Connor's Reno Defiance received the blue and J. N. Davis' Ferdinand the red ribbon. The ring for stallions 4 years old and under 5 was next. George King's Edwin Clay obtained first and J. M. Chism's Claytonian Chief second. H. B. Sanborn's Primonte received the first prize for the best stallion 3 years old and under 4, and C. H. Davis' J. J. R. the second. C. H. Davis' Abdallah was awarded first money for the best stallion 2 years and under 3, and Geo. Phillips' Dick Dewey second. C. Davis' W. T. received the first premium for stallions 1 year old and under 2, and Martin Burdge second.

Special Premiums, Horses Cattle and Beef.

On Saturday some very important premiums were awarded. For class twenty-three, all strains of horses designed especially for the road, Major J. B. Buck of McKinney, J. H. Dills of Sherman and J. J. Rick of East Dallas were the committee. The first ring

was for the best brood mare. W. J. Cains received first, M. M. Baker second.

The next contest was for the best filly 3 years old and under 4, to be shown in harness. Martin Burdge's young Coacher was given the blue and F. M. Crutcher's Dallas Maid the red ribbon.

There were four entries in the show for the best filly 2 years old and under 3, Ed Douglas' Laura, C. C. Slughter's Bonny, Charles Kohlhein's Olivette, J. S. Little's Flaxy Frizzle and Martin Burdge's Quaker Girl. Quaker Girl was awarded first money and Olivette second. J. A. Durrett's filly received the first prize and M. M. Smith's Nellie Defiance the second in the show for the best filly one year and under two. For the best mare foal M. M. Baker's colt received the premium.

Horses of all work, speed excluded, constituted the next class. The first ring was for stallions 5 years old and upward. M. T. White's Prince Albert received the first prize, and Wm. Hutchison's Peter Cooper the second. J. W. Sprawl's Prince was accorded the premium for the best stallion 4 years old and under five and W. F. Cooper's Sam Houston the certificate. Goble's Dom Pedro was adjudged the best stallion three years old and under four, and J. M. Taff's Denmark second best. In the show for the best stallion two years old and under three, C. H. Davis' Abdallah got first honors and Dr. Pardue's Black Hawk second. C. H. Davis' W. T. got the blue color and J. R. Burton's Robert E. Lee the red in the show for the best stallion 1 year and under 2, and W. J. Caine's George K received the prize for the best horse foal. T. J. Harrison's Belle got first prize for the best brood mare with sucking colt, and M. M. Baker's Queen second. Young Coacher received the first prize for the best filly 3 years and under 4, and M. M. Baker's Mollie the second. Burdge's Quaker Girl carried away the blue ribbon in the show for the best filly 2 years and under 3, and E. E. Douglass' Laura the red. William Myers' Lula received the first money and T. J. Harrison's Fancy second in the ring for the best mare foal.

The display in the ring for the best bull of any age or breed, grand sweepstakes, included Charles Newton's Shorthorn Duke, Gunter's Hereford Edward Success and Shorthorn Duke of Elm Flats, Henson & Rathbone's Holsteins Kansas, Shadeland Edgar and Aegis Prince, L. H. Dunham's Jersey Don William, Powell's Hereford Elijah, K. M. VanZandt's Holstein Sawtucket, Lord & Howard's Holstein Carlisle, Henry Warren's Col. Buster, and Caswell, Thomas & Hieatt's Shorthorn Woodford, Nussbaumer's Captain Jack, Burruss Bros.' Shorthorn Col. Judy, Amos Ford's Hereford Dick, Houts' Hereford Harkaway and Pierce & Hayter's Shorthorn Pierce Red. The committee were C. C. Slaughter, William Little and H. B. Sanborn, and they gave Houts' Harkaway the first prize and Thomas & Hieatt's Woodford second, and they requested that Henson & Rathbone's Kansas have honorable mention, as they were long in doubt as to whether to give him the second prize instead of giving it to Woodford.

The next show was for the best lot of six fat cattle, Texas bred. E. N. Hieatt, Charles Newton and William Little composed the committee. F. M. Houts entered half a dozen grade Herefords and Nussbaumer Brothers an equal number of grade Shorthorns. The first prize was given to Mr. Houts and the second to Nussbaumer.

The show for the best herd of thoroughbred cattle, Texas raised, was next entered into. J. G. Kirby, T. C. Shumaker and E. G. Bower were the committee. F. M. Houts' herd of Herefords, headed by Harkaway, was given first money, and Henry Warren's herd of Shorthorns, headed by Col. Buster, the second. Burruss Bros.' Col. Judy was given the special premium for the best thoroughbred bull to cross upon native stock.

Houts' Harkaway received the prize

for the best bull of any age or breed, Texas raised, exhibited by its owner. Nussbaumer Bros. received the special premium for the best fat beef, Texas raised.

Percheron-Normans, and Clydesdales.

The committee was composed of Dr. S. W. Moore of Grayson county, Col. Finch of Navarro and Burrell Stiff of Collin. The first ring was for stallions 5 years old and over. H. B. Sanborn of Grayson county entered Vermouth and Homer Smoots of Denton county entered Roguement. Vermouth was given the blue color. There was but one entry in the show for stallions 3 years old and under 4, the same being H. B. Sanborn's Peer. Sanborn's Orange was awarded the first prize for the best filly 2 years old and under 3.

The next class comprised grade Percheron-Normans and grade Clydesdales, and the first show in it was for stallions 5 years old and over. J. S. Bushong received first and second money. The second ring was for stallions 4 years old and under 5. Weathered's Snowflake was awarded the blue ribbon and Sprawl's Prince the red. In the contest for the best stallion 2 years old and under 3, Sanborn's Louis Napoleon received the blue color and Hercules, also the property of Mr. Sanborn, received the red. G. H. Wintrey's Charlie got first honors in the show for stallions 1 year old and under 2, and Sanborn's Alvarius second. Sanborn's mare Kit and colt Vermouth, Jr., took first premium for the best brood mare with sucking colt. E. E. Douglass received the premium for the best filly 2 years and under 3, and S. C. Chenoweth the certificate.

Trotting Prizes.

The next class on the programme was standard trotters, and the first ring was for the best mare showing two or more of her colts. C. C. Slaughter's Axie received the prize. For the best stallion showing four or more of his colts, J. H. Calloway's Heretog received the premium. Edward Byrd's Lady of the Lake got the money for the best filly 1 year old and under 2.

Roadsters were next taken up, and in the first ring, which was for the best mare showing two or more of her colts, C. C. Slaughter's Axie and progeny were the only entry.

Cattle.

In the cattle department the first show was for the best milch cow milked on the grounds, and Henson & Rathbone's Holstein cow, Nettie May, was awarded the prize.

William Little secured the prize for the best herd of Polled cattle.

The next ring was for the largest and best display of thoroughbred cattle shown by any county in the state. Gunter & Gunter entered a herd of Herefords and Shorthorns, and Henry Warren a herd of Shorthorns. The former received the first prize and the latter second.

Roadsters and Work Horses.

Mr. E. E. Douglas, B. Stiff, and E. H. Davis awarded premiums for roadsters and farm horses.

Elias Jackson received premium for best brood mare and two colts.

In the class for horses of all work Chas. Kohlhein received first and J. C. Chenoweth second premium.

Martin Burdge's Henry Chief received first premium, and M. M. Baker's Roland Shelby, second, for fastest walking stallion or mare.

Best single gelding, premium to Wm. Kohlhein.

Best buggy or carriage team, A. Y. Smith of Falls county.

Best family mare, J. W. Simpson.

Best family gelding, M. M. Ireland, first, E. G. Butcher, second.

Best mare under saddle, M. M. Baker.

Best stallion and four colts, J. F. O'Connor.

Jerseys.

Best herd of registered Jersey cattle owned in the state came next. The special premium of \$100 in this was

given by the American Jersey Cattle Club. James Arbuckle's herd, headed by the bull Valley Prince, was awarded the premium.

Sheep.

In the sheep department, Merino class, W. H. Parks of Morgan received the first prize for the best ram 4 years old and over. W. J. Crawford the second. Mr. Parks also received the prizes for the best ram 1 year old and under 2, and for the best ram of any age. In the long-wool class James Wetsel received the first prize for the best ram 2 years old and under 3, and Thomas & Hieatt of Kentucky the second. Thomas & Hieatt got the money for the best ewe 2 years old and over; for the best ewe one year old and under two, and for the best ram one year old and under two, while Wetsel got the prize for the best ram one year old and over. Thomas & Hieatt got first prize in the sweepstakes ring for the best lamb under one year of age, and Wetsel got second. Thomas & Hieatt also received the premium for the best ram of any age and the best ewe of any age. Wetsel received the special premium for the best Texas raised lamb under one year of age.

In the goat department McKenzie & McKenzie of Parker county got all the prizes without opposition.

Bermuda Grass in the South.

Breeder's Gazette.

The high place held by Bermuda grass in the estimation of a large number of intelligent and observing planters and stock-raisers in the South is well deserved. In the absence of chemical tests this fact proves its value, but such tests are not wanting. No higher proof of excellence is possible than the experience and observation of good farmers, and the concurrence of chemical analysis. When animals eat a forage plant with evident relish, maintain a healthy condition, and produce a maximum quantity of fine beef, mutton, or pork by feeding on it, its place among valuable grasses is assured. Bermuda meets these conditions fully. Nevertheless it is a fact that not a few men in the South who have it on their plantations and farms denounce it without stint as a nuisance. Not that it is lacking in nutrition, for this is not taken into account by such persons, but because of its tenacity in holding on when it obtains possession of the soil. On this account careless and indolent farmers may well deplore its presence, for it will persistently dispute with his crops the possession of his fields; yet those who understand its habits manage it without much difficulty. Turning the sod over at the right time of year, putting the land in good order for planting a crop, followed by thorough cultivation, embody the methods of keeping Bermuda under control.

Instead of being an objection, however, the writer found that in the judgment of the foremost planters this characteristic of tenacity is regarded as one of the highest recommendations which Bermuda possesses. These gentlemen say on that account especially it is an important factor in solving the problem of the reclamation of worn soils; that this plant, so roundly abused by some of their neighbors, is a bonanza in restoring lost fertility to exhausted lands; that in connection with others (in some respects similar) it opens the way to a better system in the cultivation of the soil than has hitherto prevailed on a majority of Southern plantations.

As stated in a former communication in these columns, evidences are multiplying which plainly show that live stock is surely coming to the fore in the Gulf states. Within the present decade great progress is manifest in this direction; and latterly the dairy industry has made rapid strides in Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana. The radical change in the system of labor in the Southern states since 1864 has necessarily brought about new adjustments and alignments in plantation

economy. The live-stock industry has grown in prominence of necessity, and with its growth the importance of forage cannot be overlooked. Bermuda is one of the main-stays of the Southern stock-raiser, and to emphasize a fact of great importance it is well to repeat that, while affording no inconsiderable part of the feed required for his animals, it is a great ameliorator and improver of his land.

Bermuda is a low-growing plant; the joints are short, with from two to four leaves to each joint. This accounts for the large yield of hay obtained from it and also its value for grazing. For hay it is mowed from three to five times a year, depending on the season. It grows in nearly every kind of soil and is a veritable "child of the sun," flourishing in the hottest temperature and during protracted dry weather. The yield is much greater than that of timothy, the hay is more nutritious, and the land better shaded and thereby improved. It sends its abundant fibrous roots in all directions, filling the soil with organic matter, preventing it from washing, and rendering material aid in filling up unsightly gullies. It is propagated by scattering pieces of its root stems on plowed ground, which easily catch and gradually take possession of the land. This mode of propagation is necessary in the states bordering on the Gulf from the fact that there Bermuda does not perfect its seed.

There is no higher authority on Southern grasses than Dr. D. L. Pharez of Mississippi. As a fitting conclusion to this article a paragraph is here reproduced from an address delivered by him at Jackson, in this state at a convention held last February. He said: "More than forty years ago, having previously studied this grass for a number of years, I transferred a quantity from the west bank of the Mississippi to my highland farm, and there it has been ever since. I have never had too much of it. After so long and intimate acquaintance with it, and after prolonged, patient study of other grasses in many latitudes, I am prepared to say that I know no other grass equal to it in value for both permanent pasture and hay. The more intelligent farmers of Mississippi and Louisiana have utilized it as hay and for pasture for more than half a century. I know commons which have supported through the whole year large numbers of cattle, horses, sheep, and swine for more than half a century without cultivating or renewing. The late Thomas Afflex, long a prosperous farmer of Mississippi and later of Texas, while farming in the former state made five tons of hay per acre of this grass. Dr. Ravenel, by aid of fertilizers on land near Charleston, obtained ten tons of hay per acre of this grass. All the present winter (1886-7) I have been feeding part of a crop of seven and one-half tons per acre harvested from unfertilized, long uncultivated, old creek bottom land, subject to occasional overflows of a few hours' duration. This was harvested by Mr. J. C. Rand, near the Mississippi Agricultural and Mechanical College. Such instances can be multiplied indefinitely." T. H. G.

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Highland Cattle for the West.

The Earl of Dunmore writes an interesting letter on this subject to the editor of the London Field, which we quote below:

Having received several letters from cattle breeders on the other side of the Atlantic, and not a few from breeders in our own country, asking my opinion as to the desirability of exporting West Highland cattle for the purpose of crossing with the native cattle in the high ranges of the Western and Northwestern ranches of the United States and Canada, I take the opportunity of answering them through the columns of your widely circulating journal, and they can take my opinion for what it is worth. Of course, when a person gives an opinion, he ought to be able to support it by personal experience. In this case I can only back mine by personal observation, as I have no knowledge of the cross ever having been tried; but, having spent a great deal of time in the United States and Canada, and especially the Western states and the great Northwest during the last twenty years, I have some little experience of the country and of its herds of cattle; and, having been an extensive breeder of cattle myself during that period, I may perhaps be permitted to speak, although doubtless many of your readers will disagree with me, most men considering their own breed of cattle the best.

My object in writing this letter is neither to puff up nor run down any particular breed, but simply to state, from personal observation, what breed I consider to be best suited to fulfil the requirements of the country I have referred to. As an old Shorthorn breeder, I hope I shall be acquitted of any intention of "going back" on my old favorites if I venture to say that the Shorthorn bull has not been a complete success in the wild and cold regions of the great Northwest—that is to say, that he is too soft and cannot stand the climate. Of the Polled-Angus I may say the same, although they are harder than the Shorthorn. Latterly Herefords have been very much in vogue. I assisted at the landing of eighty-six young bulls, last time in Quebec, whose destination was the Bow river district and the Eastern slopes of the Rocky mountains. How they stood the winters I never heard. I should imagine Polled-Angus would live where a Hereford would die. The only other breed which could suit these cold ranges is the West Highland, and it is of them I wish to speak. Of course everyone knows that they are later in coming to maturity than other breeds; but against that you have one great advantage, viz., that they are the most regular breeders of any tribe of cattle that I have ever had anything to do with or heard of, and I attribute that to the fact of their being less pampered than any other cattle.

With us in the Western Isles of Scotland, where the breed originally came from, the cattle are out summer and winter, and all calve out on the hill. I can safely say that in my fold, where I have had as many as 150 cows and their followers (which means their sucking calves, and their calves of the year previous, called with us "stirks"), my average yearly loss has not been 3 per cent., which in a large fold of some four or five hundred head of cattle is very small. January, February and March are pretty hard months for them, as they get no food beyond what they pick up on the hills where they are wintered. I have often seen them scraping away the snow to get at the grass; but, notwithstanding their being out all winter, they produce in April and May as strong and lusty looking calves as a man could wish to see, with lots of bone and tremendous thick coats. That, to my mind, is the coming breed for the great Northwestern ranges.

I remember riding Elk mountain ranch from Medicine Bow, on the Union Pacific railway in Colorado, with the owner of the ranch; I think the

month was April, and on our way up to the corral we passed two hundred and forty dead bodies of cattle, all Texans crossed with Shorthorns. They had all perished from the cold, and why? The cross was too delicate for such a high range. The Texan cattle, of which there are thousands and thousands on all these ranges, are very much wanting in hair; in fact, they are the ugliest brutes I ever saw. But give them the cross of a Highland bull, and he would transmit to his offspring the great and advantageous peculiarity of his race, which is hair. I do not believe there is a range in the United States or Canada where Highland cattle would not live all winter, and where the death rate among other breeds is enormous, and this owing entirely to their wonderful coats of hair, six inches long, which protect the whole of their bodies down to the knee. I do not pretend to say that the first cross would do it, but after a time the Highland blood would predominate, and would give to the product not only hair and constitution, but also regularity in breeding.

We never put a Highland heifer to the bull until she is three years old, but what we lose in time we gain in constitution and regularity of breeding; that, of course, means more calves, which, after all, is the aim and object of the breeder. I am certain that, as a rule, we put our Shorthorn heifers to the bull too young. In the palmy days of sensational prices many a man, to obtain the golden eggs, irretrievably ruined the goose that was to lay them.

The Highlanders are not great milkers, like some other breeds, but what milk they do give is immensely rich, and they rear splendid calves. Like other cattle that are bred wild, they will invariably "let down" twice the quantity of milk to their calves that they will to the dairymaid.

Another point in their favor is color. Thousands of breeding heifers change hands every year on the ranges, and several breeders complained of the piebald colors of some of the heifers sired by Polled-Angus bulls. They go for the color a great deal.

The Highlander, when used for crossing, almost invariably transmits his own color to his offspring, and on a range where the Texan cow would be loosely bred, and without any pretensions to gentle birth, the prepotency in the breeding would lie with the Highland bull, whose old blood would assert itself, and transmit all the advantages of color, hair, and constitution to its progeny.

I could quote from my private herd book several cases of cows who, after having had their first calf at four years old, continued every year to have a living calf, and sometimes twins, for eleven, twelve, thirteen, and sometimes up to fourteen years, and all the calves born on the hill.

Another excellent trait in their character is their extraordinary docility. Whoever saw a Highland bull with a ring through his nose? Wild as they are by habit of being always out on the hill, yet I never saw the bull yet on the hill that would not let you go up and handle him. The cows and heifers are equally gentle and tame.

—And now we come to an all-important point, and that is their beef. Any one who has ever tasted Highland beef will acknowledge that it is equal to any Aberdeen or Polled beef for richness, sweetness, and closeness in the grain, and that also should recommend them to breeders of native American cattle, whose beef is not of the best description, being very coarse in the fiber.

Having thus endeavored to show that the Highlanders are possessed of the following qualities—viz., fecundity, fertility, extreme hardiness, richness of milk, docility of character, and last and not least, rich and succulent beef producers—I will close this letter, hoping before long to hear that some of this beautiful breed have crossed the Atlantic for the purpose before mentioned.

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Sir:—I cannot truthfully (and I worship truth) call you "Dear Sir," for you are not dear to me—yet. Indeed, to comprehend your letter I have to bring to mind David, Solomon, Marc Antony and all the great heroes of antiquity,

"In wooing;
In seeking and pursuing
The light that lies
In woman's eyes."

I do believe myself, constitutionally, incapable of love except where I pity and protect, but consider it only requisite to the happiness of a woman when she marries a man, that she should respect, esteem, admire, honor,—and last though by no means least—be proud of her husband. "Biddy, me darlint"—pshaw! "my darling"—what bosh! wornout words they say, not correct style—now, but I ought to feel very highly complimented, very deeply grateful, under the circumstances; will cherish the sentiment expressed as a living fact, in my rather monotonous life. After all, what tame, stupid things letters are, never manifesting half we would have them. Always heard of "Love in a Cottage," but "piggy" was left out in the cold. However, I do thoroughly admire economy so commendable, humility so charming, for by the beatitudes, the meek "inherit the earth."

"My ship comes sailing in from sea,
And I am glad as glad can be.
I know full well in my ship's hold
Lie neither gorgeous silks nor gold;
But oh! I know my love loves me,
And I am glad as glad can be!"

As your letter testified, there was no contagion for you from my letter, of throbbing flushes of the poetical intermittent, and the sparkling originality of your style was deliciously resuscitating. O, believe me, I shall never be the one to exclaim, "My beautiful, wild dream (Irishman) depart!" Am confident we will recognize each other if we ever meet; anyhow, you'll see me in your dreams. "Dreams! Dreams! Dreams!" Love's young dream if you like, or the common snoring kind, I am not particular. The idea of you picturing yourself off at a wake and I left at home, frightened to death—haunted with creepy sensations of ghosts! Will have to "wake" you up on that subject. Oh, you must remember, I am of the present age. From your description of yourself I believe my admiration almost surpasses love at first sight—why, your bald head reminds me of Heaven, on account of "no parting there." Thanks! for your invitation to "the city boy the say."

"If I had but two little wings,
And were a little feathery bird,
To you I'd fly, my dear!
But thoughts like these are idle things
And I stay here."

Now the mischief of this is,—and just think of it! (you suggested this piece of mischief) I am determined to write the last letter, so don't waste your courtesy responding. I must always have the very last word. My head has ached so, for days (not my temper, I assure you) that I thought it was heading itself. But that "distracted globe," having come to a calm, I have endeavored to answer your letter. A very volcanic of a letter, yours was, to be sure! And I don't even feel ill used (that feeling of melancholy complacency) though it was evident—you needn't try to recant—that you expected me to drink all your hemlock without a work, and then (alas, poor Biddy!) to die and make no sign!

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