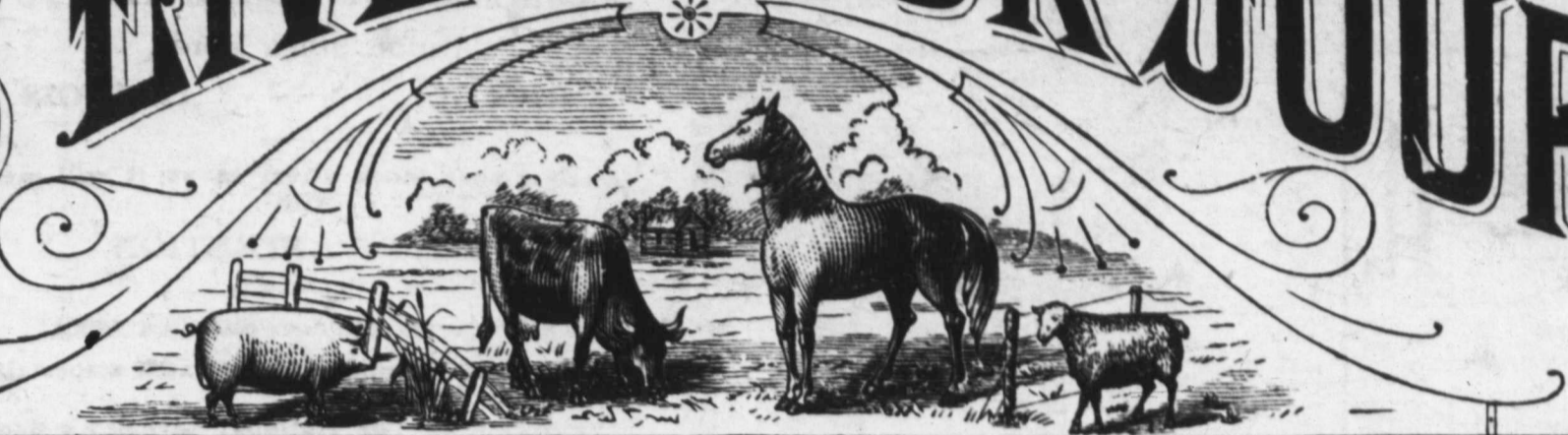


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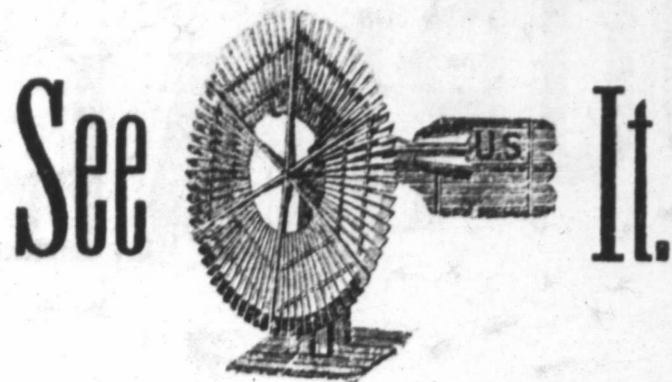
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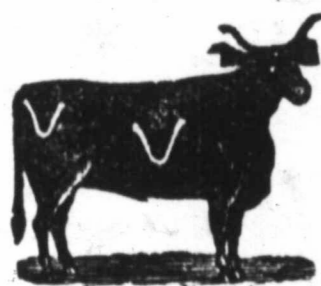
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Steer Buyers Paying Fair Prices.  
Holiday Sports.

LOST VALLEY, TEX, Dec 23, 1890.  
Editor Texas Live Stock Journal:  
Since my last we have had some steer  
buyers in this county, who have bought  
most of the steers that were for sale, at  
reasonably fair prices. Cattle never  
did better on the range in December  
than they are doing now in this coun-  
try, or at least for many years past.

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on the 13th instant it failed to show up  
here. What do you suppose was the  
cause? We take the Daily Gazette here  
and fail to see about 10 per cent of the  
number that should come. We would  
feel very grateful if some one whose  
business it is would look up the leak  
and stop it.

We are getting ready for Christmas  
in our usual way out here, to-wit, train-  
ing ourselves, horses and hounds for a  
grand wolf hunt. For a number of  
years we have been spending the holi-  
days in this kind of exciting sport, hav-  
ing lots of sport and hard running. We  
were out this morning to give the dogs  
a little exercise and caught a fine gray  
wolf. The grand chase is set for Satur-  
day, the 27th, at which there will be  
lots of hounds, men, boys and horses,  
and much sport is anticipated. We  
have some fine hounds in this section,  
some that we flatter ourselves are hard  
to beat for speed and endurance.

J. C. L.

One of Many.

MERIDIAN, TEX., Dec. 22, 1890.  
Editor Texas Live Stock Journal:  
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**MARKETS BY WIRE.**

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**CHICAGO.**

UNION STOCK YARDS, Ill., Dec. 26.—General cattle market better. Light receipts. Quality Texans poor. Sixty steers, \$2.10@3; cows, \$1.50@2.

**KANSAS CITY.**

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 26, 1890. Special to Texas Live Stock Journal: Receipts of cattle the past week, 18,966 head and 234 head of calves, 109 head less cattle than last week. Receipts for 1890 to date show 1,436,477 head, an increase over the same time last year of 331,091 head. Calves received this year to date, 76,173 head.

The receipts of grass range cattle for the week past have been light and of a common kind. The market up to Wednesday on this kind was slow and weak, when they sold freer and a shade stronger. Thin grass Texas steers weighing 846 to 996 pounds sold for \$2.25@3.40; cows, \$1.40@1.80. The quality of corn-fed Texas steers offered has been common to medium; prices, quality considered, strong and 10@15c higher. Medium fleshed 986 to 1158-pound steers sold for \$3.40@3.75.

Evans-Snyder-Buel company sold range cattle as follows: J. W. Kokernot & Co., 255 steers, 967 lbs, \$2.35; L. C. Railey, 20 steers, 996 lbs, \$2.25; 75 do, 814 lbs, \$2.25; G. W. Thompson, 19 steers, 1008 lbs, \$2; 181 cows, 794 lbs, \$1.40; 30 steers, 846 lbs, \$2.4; 35 do, 816 lbs, \$2.35; 30 do, 780 lbs, \$2.40; 124 do, 830 lbs, \$2.35; 35 do, 839 lbs, \$2.30; 60 do, 760 lbs, \$2; J. W. Holt, 13 cows, 800 lbs, \$1.35; 15 do, 660 lbs, \$1.50; Jas. Scully, 56 steers, 910 lbs, \$2.10; 30 do, 692 lbs, \$1.90; DuBois & Wentworth, 264 steers, 920 lbs, \$2.15; Dolores Land

and Cattle company, 57 steers, 885 lbs, \$2.05; 87 cows, 743 lbs, \$1.35; Dudley Tom, 23 cows, 770 lbs, \$1.35; J. W. Kokernot & Co., 111 cows, 784 lbs, \$1.80; 162 steers, 902 lbs, \$2.35; Hansford Land and Cattle company, 134 steers, 974 lbs, \$2.40; 13 do, 1396 lbs, \$2.30; 25 do, 1124 lbs, \$2.50.

**SAN ANTONIO.**

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 26.—Receipts liberal, but demand active for choice fat cattle at the following quotations: Choice fat steers, three-year-olds and up, \$14@18 per head; choice fat cows, \$12@13 per head; good fat cows, \$10@12 per head. There is no demand for thin cows, and they can only be sold at very low prices. Fat yearlings, \$6@7.50 per head; fat calves, \$4@6 per head.

Goats in light receipt and active demand at 75c@1.50 per head for the best fat animals.

Muttons in moderate demand for best fat animals at \$2@2.50 per head.

Hogs in good demand; receipts fair. Fat light-weights, 3@3½c per pound; heavy fat, 3¼@4½c per pound. No sale for thin hogs.

**CHICAGO MARKET LETTER.**

U. S. YARDS, CHICAGO, ILL., }  
Dec. 22, 1890. }  
Regular Correspondence Texas Live Stock Journal.

There are several causes for the present depressed state of the live stock market. Farmers and feeders continue their liquidation simply because live stock can be sold for cash even if prices are low, and when once sold the drain on the valuable corn supply ceases. The slaughterers are undoubtedly making money at the current prices for live stock and manufactured products, but their cellars are liberally full of stocks which cannot be converted into cash as fast as made unless at greater sacrifices than they are willing to make, and the cost of making and holding these stocks is very heavy, especially on the late money market.

The holiday season and the unusually warm weather also has a good deal to do with prevailing dullness. There has been very little cold weather this winter so far. This fact makes feeding less expensive for both man and beast and so is about as broad as it is long.

The present stocks of provisions of all kinds are about four times as large as ever before at this season of the year. That is the only reason why packers do not scramble over one another to get stock at present prices.

The week opened with cattle selling at \$3.75@4.75 for fair to fancy 1150 to 1275-lb steers, while common to good 1300 to 1500-lb cattle sold at \$3.50@4.50. Fancy beefs \$5@5.40. The light and medium weight cattle of good quality were in much better demand than the heavier kinds.

The sheep are doing fairly well but are not making very good prices, considering the largely increased cost of

mutton making this winter. A lot of 134-lb black faced Western sheep fed on screenings sold at \$4.95 per cwt.

Not since 1879 have hogs sold so low as they have lately and the slaughter of pigs continues. Some hogs are coming on account of disease in the neighborhood, but there are more coming because there is too little corn in the neighborhood.

Texas cattle are selling low just now in sympathy with the low prices for thin old cows, but after all the prices are not so bad considering the very poor quality of the stock. Sales: Fair to good Texas cows, \$1.75@2; inferior, \$1.15@1.50; bulls, \$1.15@1.75; steers, \$2@3. A. C. HALLIWELL.

**ST. LOUIS MARKET LETTER.**

NATIONAL STOCK YARDS, ILL., Dec. 23, 1890.—The market for fat Texas beefs is fully as high as last week, but quality of receipts is not as good as earlier in the season. Some pony-built Indian beefs sold up to \$3.25 per 100 pounds, and good Indian cows at \$2.05 per 100 pounds. Bulk of Texas steers coming forward are selling at \$2.25@2.60; cows, \$1.50@1.75. Very few hogs coming forward the past week.

HAPS.

**Money and Credit.**

The cause of the present scarcity of money is often asked, when in reality it is not a scarcity in money, but a want of confidence that is causing all the late troubles in the commercial world.

The following timely and well-written article, clipped from the St. Louis Trade and Traffic, gives a correct statement of the situation, its causes, etc.:

The almost universal demand for more money, and the several bills offered in congress to meet it, do not so much indicate that money has suddenly grown scarce as that business relations have been strained to a point where nothing but actual money will satisfy them. It is always difficult to unravel the complexities of an internal traffic so large and varied as ours, but if they could be exposed it is probable we would find that the present trouble is not so much a scarcity of money as a scarcity of credit. There is as much money in the country to-day as there was twelve months ago—indeed, there is \$50,000,000 more, while the volume of business going on is probably no greater; money, therefore, is no scarcer now than it was then. But the large mass of business transactions in any one day are conducted, not in coin or currency, but in checks, drafts, notes and open accounts, all representing credits, and the amount of credit, or rather the condition of credit, in the country is a matter of more importance than the amount of money. One hundred solvent business men, mutually known to each other, will buy and sell to one another in a day to the amount of \$1,000,000 without as much as \$100 in money passing from hand to hand, and when the checks representing the day's transactions are sifted in the banks, only \$10,000 in money will be required to adjust the balances. But let it be suspected that ten of those business men have met with heavy losses in speculations, and that twenty others are on their paper for considerable sums, and the chain of credit is at once broken. Distrust takes the place of confidence, credits no longer do the work, and every transaction must be

made in money. Money may be scarce or it may not, but the sudden demand for twice, thrice or ten times as much as was needed before presses so severely on the supply that the value of it for the time is greatly increased, and those who most need it fail to get it.

It is impossible in a prosperous country of vast extent like ours—where the chief product of one section is grain, of another section cattle, of another cotton, of another tobacco, of another coal, of another metal, of another petroleum, of another manufacturer's, and whose internal traffic consists in the interchange of these great staples and a hundred other less important articles—it is impossible to conduct this traffic without an intricate system of credits; and it is impossible, too, that the promising enterprises in mining, manufacturing, building, farming and railroad extension presented in a thriving country shall not beget strained credits—a wider and thinner system of trust than prudence warrants. So long as the system remains unsuspected money is plentiful enough, because no one wants it, but when the suspicion creeps in that credit has been stretched beyond reasonable limits a chill of distrust takes the place of confidence and money instantly becomes scarce, because everybody wants it. The supply of credit is cut short, and this imposes on the stock of money in the country three times its proper share of work. The man whose credit is impaired finds that his paper is no longer accepted, and he must therefore replace it with actual money; a hundred others are in the same difficulty, and so there are a hundred men needing money who did not need it before. There is not money to go around. The supply in the country might be doubled and still there would not be enough, because credit is gone, and credit must be re-established before the current of business can resume its usual course.

L. N. Murphy, a painter, died a short time ago at Kansas City, of glanders. A week before Murphy's horse died of glanders. During its illness Murphy cared for the animal, washing out the sores, unmindful of the risk he incurred. A few days before the death of the horse Murphy ran a splinter under the nail of one of his fingers, causing a sore, but he continued to care for the horse until its death. Four days afterward the first symptoms of glanders appeared on him in the form of ugly eruptions on his arms, especially near the elbow. The disease continued to progress for nine days, until at the time of his death there were fully a dozen of the loathsome sores on his arms. This is the second authenticated instance of where a man contracted glanders and died.

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Cold weather is here now, and if you have delayed thus long do not delay a day longer in making your stock quarters warm and comfortable for winter. Every dollar so invested will pay a nice return in increased product and decreased expense for food.

Notwithstanding the heavy decline in the rent of farm lands in England, it is more difficult to find tenants than ever before. Hop and arable farms are the most difficult to let, even at half their former rent; good grazing farms will let when the rentals are considerably lowered.

Sudden and severe pruning, such as the lopping off of large limbs or the taking away of an undue quantity of wood in a single season, is apt to ruin the ensuing fruit crop, because it forces so much sap into the buds which remain that they grow coarse, sappy, and even if blossoms appear on them, the fruit will not set.

The effect of long manure depends much upon the manner of its application and upon the season. If plowed under and followed by a dry season the crop may be damaged; whereas, if the same manure had been spread on top after the crop had been planted, the crop would have been better and would have withstood the drouth better.

We might well take a lesson from France in the matter and methods of agricultural education. In that country there are 28,000 primary and elementary schools, and in each of them gardening is practically taught. A small garden is attached to each, and under the care of a capable master the pupils are instructed in the first principles of horticulture.

Plowing by steam is one of the methods by which the cost of producing wheat, and possibly other agricultural staples, will be eventually reduced wherever large, level areas of land will permit the employment of such methods. In the Walla Walla valley and elsewhere it is now somewhat practiced, and the cost of plowing is reduced from \$2 to 40 cents per acre.

**Sorghum Sugar.**—Dr. Wiley, chemist of the agricultural department at Washington, related the disastrous experiences in regard to the sorghum sugar manufacture. He stated that "notwithstanding this fatality, thorough and exhaustive studies of the sorghum plant are now in progress." It has been thought that this expensive study and experimenting had all been gone through in previous years, but it seems as if the public money at disposal for this hopeless purpose is still flowing from the plethoric treasury. In view of the fact that there is no established manufacture of sorghum

sugar in the world, but that two-thirds of the world's sugar is made from the sugar beet, this hopeful enterprise might be taken up and the hopeless sorghum pursuit abandoned. — New York Times.

If you want the young heifer to develop into a good milker, feed well and milk carefully from the beginning. Do not expect as much nor as rich milk from a young animal as from one that is fully matured; and even if the result should be a little below your expectations at first, let that be all the more reason for trying what can be accomplished by intelligent management.

Where horses and cows are kept in the same stable they should have stalls well apart from each other, with space for free circulation of air between. From even the cleanest horse stable there is usually a strong odor of ammonia, which will affect the milk if the cows are compelled to continually breathe it. Spare no pains to promote the purity of the surroundings if you wish to make good butter of good keeping quality.

An Iowa farmer, writing the Journal of Agriculture, says: The expectation of large or average yields of corn per acre is fast fading away, as corn gathering is nearing the end. Many farmers who expected—by the appearance of their corn fields—60 or 70 bushels per acre, have to content themselves with 30 or 35 per acre. In several of the counties they will not raise the average above 20 bushels per acre. Corn is worth here at present from 40 to 45 cents per bushel.

A new product from Kansas is being placed on the market and is called Jerusalem corn. The first came from near the city of Jerusalem. The corn is said to make an excellent crop in the dryer portion of the western part of the state, and the dryer the season the better. A man living near Eden says that his crop of six acres threshed out twenty-three bushels to the acre, and in weight it equals thirty bushels. Another "dry" farmer in Eastern Colorado, from one and one-half acres, had a yield of forty bushels.—Exchange.

Barns filled with hay and grain, although invaluable in their way, are not the essential requisites for success in winter dairying. There must be a cheaper food, one more like the green grasses. The system of ensilage makes summer foods practically continuous throughout the year. The ease with which this food is digested makes it valuable. It is a laxative and a stimulant to the appetite. In point of economy it excels for feeding cows, as more pounds of nutriment can be grown to the acre than of most any other crop, and with the silo for preserving it we are able to keep more stock with greater profit than by the old methods.

There is no danger of animals taking too much salt if they have free access to it at all times, but if they are denied it for a long period salt hunger may lead to excess when suddenly permitted the opportunity of indulgence. Salt is an essential constituent of the blood, and because many of the common foods of cattle are lacking in it this essential must be artificially supplied. As this amount varies in different foods, as well as in those grown from different soils, we can have no guide to the exact quantity that an animal needs, but it must be left to them. The only correct method is to give them constantly the opportunity of satisfying the natural needs of the system. This can best be done by having rock or lump salt where it is handy of access in the pasture.

**Labor-Saving Machinery.**

Since the introduction and perfecting of the self-binding harvester there has been no single improvement or invention in the way of agricultural machinery that has been important enough to attract wide attention. It is true that necessity is the mother of invention, and the rapid increase of the wheat product compelled speedier methods of

handling the harvest than had before been dreamed of. Having caught up with that demand, the ingenuity of inventors has apparently lain dormant, because there has been no sufficient inducement for exercising it. So long as we were confronted by the cry of "over-production," only made possible by the use of modern machinery, there was little need of increasing the facilities for still greater production. Now we seem to be entering on a new era, looking to the extension of our capacity for handling three great crops, and in its development inventors will play an important part.

The first of these crops for which we need better harvesting facilities is corn; not for the grain alone, but for fodder—either dry or as ensilage. The old laborious method of cutting by hand will be superseded by a machine that will cut and bind into bundles of such dimensions as can be easily handled, and husking will give way to threshing, so that the grain will be separated at once from the ear as well as from the stalk. This will be in the right line of progress, enabling one man's labor to count for as much at harvest as it does at planting or during cultivation.

The second line in which inventors are working is to enable us to extend the area for the cultivation of fiber plants—hemp, flax and ramie—by providing machinery for separating the fiber from the stalk. Hemp culture would increase rapidly, and there would be vastly more profit in it if it were not for the labor and expense of "breaking" by hand.

The third line in which machinery is aiming to take the place of human labor is in the cotton field. Success here seems almost attained, as there has recently been exhibited at Memphis a bale of cotton picked by a machine which is claimed to have performed the work of fifteen hands. The consumption of cotton throughout the world bids fair to increase largely in the near future, and the larger portion of the new demand must be met by America. The use of machinery in harvesting the crop will be compelled, and cotton-growing will be relieved from its present greatest item of expense.

**Rotation in Crops.**

Under the above heading a correspondent of Colman's Rural World says:

I have had some practical experience this year of the value of rotation of crops. On my own farm I have a regular system of rotation; wheat, clover and corn; and corn is never planted more than two years in succession. This year twenty acres were rented from a neighbor, just as good or better land than my own, but had been in corn four or five years. The yield is thirty or thirty-five bushels of inferior corn, while mine with just the same cultivation will average fifty bushels or more of good solid corn. At present prices of corn here—40 cents per bushel—the difference in value of the two crops would be \$6 per acre, and in five more years of the same kind of farming there would be a difference of one-half. It is certainly a matter of surprise that intelligent farmers should so neglect their own interests; it does not pay.

**Early Maturity.**

Farmers generally have settled down upon the belief that the best profit in hog raising is found by feeding only to one year of age, or a little less, getting a weight in that time of from 220 to 250 pounds. All the weight made above this is procured at a constantly increasing cost per pound, so much greater at times as to result in actual loss. Well-finished young hogs of medium weight are becoming more and more popular in the markets and are commanding the best prices. These facts having been demonstrated by ample experiment and experience, cattlemen are now turning their attention in the same direction and asking whether a two or two-and-a-half-year-old steer, weighing

1000 to 1100 pounds, cannot be turned off at a better net profit than if kept until four years old and brought up to a weight of 1200 to 1300 pounds. Some good lots of young steers, well fed, have been recently sold at the former of these ages and weights, and have brought good prices. We all admit that the older an animal gets the more it costs to put on flesh, and if, as is the case with hogs, beef cattle can be put into shape earlier, so as to command the highest market price per pound, cattlemen will readily adopt the policy of turning them off earlier. As free range diminishes, the business of cattle growing will become more expensive and will demand a larger investment of capital per head, so that stock growers will readily welcome any innovation which will enable them to turn their money more rapidly than they can now do.

**A Six Pound Turnip.**

Of the many fine samples of turnips brought to town this season, Col. R. H. Overall presented the largest. There are 100 bushels of turnips in his patch that will weigh over four pounds each. He brought in one Saturday last which, after being pulled for more than a week, weighed 6 pounds and measured 2 feet 4 inches around. It was smooth, even and crisp as a young spring turnip. The land on which this crop was produced has been in cultivation ten years and never received an ounce of fertilizer.—Coleman Voice.

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**Cattle Department.**

A stockman from the Pecks country says the cattle are in fine condition, although there are not one-half as many to-day as there were two years ago.—San Angelo Standard.

The German steamer Cassius arrived in Aberdeen on Saturday night with a draft of cattle from Montreal, and the master reported having experienced a gale of exceptional severity during the passage. On the voyage 136 cattle were lost, and on arriving at Aberdeen eight others were slaughtered.—Mark Lane Express.

Everywhere there seems to be a feeling that the early spring will develop a brighter outlook for the cattle industry. This feeling is so strong that quite a number of conservative men have bought feeders on the markets recently with the view of ripening them on present high-priced corn. Many others will have to do this same thing if the spring and early summer supplies equal the demand for corn-fed beef.—Western Tennessee Stock Journal.

The Beaver line steamer Lake Superior, from Montreal, says the Mark Lane Express, shipped 417 head of cattle and 266 sheep for Liverpool. Out of this number only one sheep died on the voyage; the rest of the beasts were landed in good condition. The steamer Serica arrived at Dundee on Sunday, from Montreal, with 635 head of cattle. She experienced very stormy weather and on several occasions her decks were swept by heavy seas and the cattle fittings were carried away. Only sixteen cattle were lost, however.

An English paper gives an account of a remarkable growth in a Shorthorn calf. The animal went to the butcher at eighteen weeks old, and weighed when dressed, without head and feet, 525 pounds. It was the first calf of a dairy Shorthorn, and that must be an extraordinarily good milker, for it is stated that, except during the last three weeks of its existence, when it had a handful of meal daily, the calf derived the whole of its nourishment from its dam, being suckled morning and night in the ordinary manner. It is estimated that this calf must have put on something like two pounds a day of dressed meat from the time it was born.

A correspondent of the New Mexico Stock Grower, writing from Huachuca, Arizona, says: "The duty of \$10 per head on Mexican cattle went into effect the first part of October; so the sale of this class of steers to the California buyers, who were the principal customers of Sonora, has ceased. For several years Mexican cattle have been imported into this section of the United States only in a very limited measure, and have offered no serious competition with our cattle, so the effect of the duty has been regarded by our ranchmen with comparative indifference. The Sonora steer, however, has long been used by the California buyer as a most valuable animal to 'bear' prices with, and it is truly a pathetic incident in the passage of current events that these two old friends must now part company, probably to never meet again."

**Young Steers for Profit.**

It is but a few years ago that it was the general understanding that an animal must be 4 years old or more before he was fitted for the butcher and for the consumer. Prof. Sanborn showed that a pound of growth could be made on less food and at far less cost on a growing animal than on an old one; in fact, that it was a law of growth that the younger the animal the greater the growth per day and the less food per day called for. He further showed to the satisfaction of all feeders that the growth of steers the third year and later on did not pay its way. The Chicago Fat Stock show soon adopted the then remarkable plan of offering no prizes on beef cattle so old as 4 years, thus taking the ground that there should be no encouragement given to

keeping steers up to that age. Growers soon caught up with this idea and came to accept the action as wise and proper.

A still further advance in the same direction is now noted. So early as 1887 Prof. Sanborn raised a protest against 3-year-olds at the fat stock shows, and for the same reason that obtained with the 4-year-old class, and through his influence all steers above thirty-six months old were barred from the Kansas City show, of which he was secretary. Now the Chicago show announces that "after 1890 no place will be provided in the classification for fat cattle over thirty-six months old."—Prairie Farmer.

**Eighteen Hundred Pounds at Thirty Months.**

George M. Casey of Henry county, Missouri, recently shipped to Chicago sixty-nine head of Shorthorns, 2 years old, of his own raising and feeding. There were a few of them full-bloods, but the most of them were high grades. Their feed had been in the winter, clover and timothy hay and shelled corn; in summer, orchard grass, clover and blue grass. Their average weight was close to 1800 pounds, and their appearance and touch indicated that they were fully ripe. They sold in the Chicago market close at 6 cents and were sent across the water for the Christmas tables of our English cousins. Chicago stock yard men pronounce them the finest bunch of cattle offered in that market. They were close to thirty months old.

**Transfers of Jersey Cattle.**

The following is a complete list of the transfers of Jersey cattle to Texans, as reported by the American Jersey Cattle club, No. 1 Broadway, New York, for the week ending December 16, 1890:

**BULLS.**

- Eric Thorne, 26,440, S. C. Bell to A. W. Burroughs, Victoria, Tex.
- Joe Bown, 24,987, J. C. Hart to J. P. Beamer, Kellyville, Tex.
- Regent St. Lambert, 25,459, W. B. Montgomery to L. Blanton, Austin, Tex.

**COWS AND HEIFERS.**

- Ada Scott, 67,690, R. Litsey to A. S. Edmondson, Galveston, Tex.
- Annie H. Pogis, 63,561, W. B. Montgomery to Mrs. A. H. Terrell, Austin, Tex.
- Annie L. Lambert, 67,053, W. B. Montgomery to Mrs. T. A. Thomson, Austin, Tex.
- April Princess, 67,017, W. B. Montgomery to Mrs. A. H. Terrell, Austin, Tex.
- Azu Princess, 67,052, W. B. Montgomery to A. W. Terrell, Austin, Tex.
- Crinoline St. Lambert, 67,530, W. B. Montgomery to A. W. Terrell, Austin, Tex.
- Dairy C. Pogis, 67,255, W. B. Montgomery to A. W. Terrell, Austin, Tex.
- Forest Q. Pogis, 63,567, W. B. Montgomery to A. W. Terrell, Austin, Tex.
- Gilded Princess M., 62,013, W. B. Montgomery to A. W. Terrell, Austin, Tex.
- Julia E. Royal, 63,562, W. B. Montgomery to A. W. Terrell, Austin, Tex.
- Little Dot B., 63,927, J. T. Henderson to S. Lemly, Texarkana, Tex.
- Maggie C. Princess, 62,014, W. B. Montgomery to A. W. Terrell, Austin, Tex.
- Maggie M. Pogis, 63,564, W. B. Montgomery to Mrs. A. H. Terrell, Austin, Tex.
- Miss B. Pogis, 63,563, W. B. Montgomery to Texas State Agricultural and Mechanical college, College Station, Tex.
- Nilla Lambert, 67,254, W. B. Montgomery to A. W. Terrell, Austin, Tex.
- Pogis Kitty C., 67,529, W. B. Montgomery to A. W. Terrell, Austin, Tex.
- Ralpheia Kitty, 63,557, W. B. Montgomery to A. W. Terrell, Austin, Tex.
- Ralpheia Wallace, 63,555, W. B. Montgomery to A. W. Terrell, Austin, Tex.
- Regent's Amy, 38,600, D. W. Clay-

well to D. H. Trent, Goldthwaite, Tex. Valerie Pogis, 63,560, W. B. Montgomery to A. W. Terrell, Austin, Tex. Venna's Zeka, 2d. 49,654, J. T. Henderson to S. Lemly, Texarkana, Tex.

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**Enough for Glory.**

Texas Stockman.

The first thing that George Loving did on resuming the management of the Fort Worth LIVE STOCK JOURNAL, was to jump the subscription price from \$1.50 to \$3 a year. Friend Loving doubtless decided that he has had enough of the newspaper business for glory alone.

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Decatur News.

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## SAN ANTONIO.

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 26, 1890.

Editor Texas Live Stock Journal.

Mr. Fred Ilgner, the well-known wool-grower of Val Verde county, who is passing the holidays in this city, reports his flocks in excellent condition for winter, though he says a generous rainfall would be appreciated in his section.

There is great indignation expressed in this city at the horrible assassination of Messrs. F. M. Wilkins and C. S. Walton at Langtry on the 19th instant. Both of the victims are well known in this city, where they have many warm friends. Mr. Wilkins was formerly from Peabody, Mass., and was of the firm of Wilkins Bros. & Co., at Langtry, where they have large landed and live stock interests. Mr. C. S. Walton was a cowboy on the Wilkins ranch and formerly resided at Del Rio. He also was well known here and in other portions of Texas as a brave, capable and conscientious man. The assassins were undoubtedly two Mexicans, who are now doubtless safe on the southern shore of the Rio Bravo del Norte.

Mr. Charles E. Hicks, proprietor of the Hicks Horse and Carriage Repository, in this city, who recently made a chattel mortgage of his property to secure his creditors, states that his assets are in good condition and he expects to pay out all right as soon as the present stringency in the money market is removed. Mr. Hicks for several years has been engaged in importing improved northern bred horses to this market, and has done a very large business, but was caught, like many others, by the financial freeze-out at a time when his assets consisted more of stock than ready cash.

Mr. William G. Hughes, the Kendall county woolgrower, was in the city on Wednesday, rushing about the toy shops with the air of a man who was dodging the police. He was only purchasing a full supply of Christmas gifts, however, and had time to say that the rain is doing immense benefit to the agricultural and live stock interests in Kendall county and that the farmers and stockmen are prosperous and happy and his flocks are especially fat and in excellent condition; but doesn't he talk about the coyotes, though!

Stockmen who have just arrived from the southern counties talk big over the improved prospects in their section as the result of the rain. "Let her come all she wants to," shouted one enthusiastic stockman. "We can stand lots of it, and God knows we needed it bad enough. But we are all right now. Merry Christmas? Of course it is, and a happy new year is coming right after it, and don't you forget that, either."

The Texas Stockman and Farmer joyfully announces: "According to a time-honored custom of this office, there will be no paper next week." Brother Claridge and the fat boy don't propose to allow any servile business commonalities to interfere with their digestion of that Christmas turkey, mince pie, etc.

Secretary Dickinson of the International Fair Association is winning golden opinions among the stockmen here, as well as among all other classes of our citizens by the strong horse sense he is showing in his work, and the large amount of work he is doing for the benefit of all Texas, as well as this portion of it. His office now resembles a bee hive, except that there are no drones in his hive and he has no time limits to his labors. One thing can be relied on: No supercilious dude will have charge of the live stock department under his management, but practical stockmen, who have the confidence of the stockmen, will be at the front when the proper time arrives for their services to be employed.

Mr. H. O. Skinner, who is very popular in this section of Texas, has been appointed general agent of the Street

Stable Car company for Southern Texas, with headquarters in this city. His friends here, and he has only friends here, think the right man has got it this time, sure.

The Boerne Post says: We learn that a gentleman, having his ranch on the Guadalupe river, because of the depredations of wild animals has sold out, finding it impossible to cope with his losses. Mr. Robinson, having his ranch on the Fredricksburg road, has also sold out for the same reason, and we hear of others who are determined to sell out. Kendall county, like Bander county, will soon not have a sheepman within its bounds.

The Union Stock Yards company has been reorganized and one discordant element eliminated. Work on the yards is progressing rapidly and, with a large addition to the number of workmen employed, it is expected that the long-promised opening of the yards will occur early during the coming year. The stock has all been subscribed and ample funds are in the treasury of the company, with a strong financial backing ready for use in case it is needed.

## The Horse Market.

The horse market was very dull and uneventful last week both buyers and sellers holding off presumably on account of the unsatisfactory condition of the money market coupled with the continuance of dry weather. Since the last of October until the beginning of last week there had been no active demand for good fat stock, but last week that ceased. Several bunches of good fat horses and mares arrived here but the buyers would not operate and the stock was driven to near-by pastures to wait until the buyers were ready for them. This week opened with a rush of buyers after stock and on Monday good sales were made, but Tuesday's rain quieted the trading and although some trades have been made since, yet the Christmas celebrations have been given the most attention. Well, the rain has come and that is a blessing which overbalances all else and will lead to more and better receipts in the near future.

The receipts of horse stock and mules by rail during the past week amounted to 207 head, against 153 head during the previous week, and 1055 head during the corresponding week last year. The receipts on hoof last week were larger than those of the previous week but did not equal those of the corresponding week last year.

The shipments of horse stock and mules by rail during the past week amounted to 488 head, against 414 head during the corresponding week last year. Last week's shipments by rail were to the following points outside of Texas: Eola, Houma, New Orleans and Shreveport, La.; Hargriston, Miss.; Fort Deposit, Montgomery and Selma, Ala., and Memphis, Tenn. Since January 1 there has been a decrease in the shipments by rail of horses, mares and mules from this point amounting to 14,471 head as compared with the totals of the corresponding time last year.

The following tabulated statements show the receipts and shipments of live stock by rail at San Antonio since January 1 and during the corresponding time last year:

## LIVE STOCK RECEIPTS BY RAIL.

	Since Jan. 1.	Same time last year.
Horses and mules.....	26,157	33,484
Cattle.....	14,979	14,485
Calves.....	1,874	608
Sheep and goats.....	30,578	34,157
Bucks.....	2,950	5,028
Hogs.....	4,342	2,340
Bulls.....	134	323
Jennetts.....	535	158
Jacks.....	37	24
Stallions.....	55	43

## LIVE STOCK SHIPMENTS BY RAIL.

	Since Jan. 1.	Same time last year.
Horses and mules.....	31,175	45,646
Cattle.....	20,965	17,783
Calves.....	3,793	1,037
Sheep and goats.....	34,179	34,003
Bucks.....	2,245	3,723
Hogs.....	2,300	839
Bulls.....	256	111
Jennetts.....	176	274
Jacks.....	66	14
Stallions.....	68	33

The following quotations rule in this market:

Scrub and poor mares, 12 to 13½ hands. \$ 8@ 12
Scrub, fair conditioned, 12 to 13½ hands. 12@ 16
Medium mares, 13 to 14 hands, fat. 17@ 25
Medium mares, 13 to 14 hands, thin. 13@ 17
Yearling fillies, branded. 6@ 8
Yearling fillies, unbranded. 8@ 10
Two-year-old fillies, branded. 10@ 15
Two-year-old fillies, unbranded. 15@ 20
Texas improved mares, 14 to 15 hands. 22@ 50
American carriage horses, 15½ to 16½. 75@ 200
Saddle horses, good, 13 to 14½ hands. 22@ 42
Saddle horses, poor, 13 to 14½ hands. 18@ 25
Unbroken horses, 13 to 14½ hands. 17@ 23
Weaned, unbranded colts. 7@ 10
Mules, Mexican, 10 to 12½ hands. 18@ 25
Mules, improved, 13½ to 14½ hands. 35@ 50
Yearling mule colts, improved. 18@ 22
Two-year mule colts, improved. 30@ 40
Yearling mule colts, Mexican. 12@ 15
Two-year mule colts, Mexican. 18@ 20

## The Cattle Market.

While receipts have been liberal during the past week, yet there has been an active demand for choice fat cattle which has kept the market firm at quotations. The rain is expected to have the effect of helping the trashy stock out of the way, since there is no reason to sacrifice them in order to save stock water. In ordinary times this market is pretty evenly balanced by the law of supply and demand, and good prices are realized for good fat stock. It is only when stock water becomes scarce that the thin scrubs are crowded on the market and prices are unduly depressed.

## Goats and Muttons.

Goats are in light receipt and the demand is more active, but prices remain unchanged. Muttons are scarce and in limited demand at previous quotations:

## Hogs.

The weather during the past week has been favorable to an increased demand for hogs and liberal receipts have been taken at full prices. All that is needed is cold weather now to create an active demand for heavy fat hogs that will tax the resources of this section to the state to supply. GOULD.

## A General Blooded Stock Farm.

FORT WORTH, TEX., Dec. 22, 1890.

Editor Texas Live Stock Journal.

Knowing from experience in advertising in the TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL that it reaches every section of the United States and is read by thousands of the shrewdest stockmen in Texas, I beg to offer a suggestion, calling attention to the necessity of a universal fancy blooded stock farm for Texas. I am aware of the fact that there are many breeders of certain lines of fancy stock in different parts of the state, but I know of no stock farm covering the whole line of blooded stock. H. B. Sanborn comes nearer the mark than anyone I know of, and specimens of his stock are found all over the state.

To make a farm of this kind popular and profitable it should be in the hands of experienced fancy stock breeders, who will form a joint stock company with a capital of say \$500,000. The stock could be paid as follows: Say one-third in cash, with which to buy and improve about 10,000 acres of land, such land to be in convenient proximity to some of the great railroad centers in Texas. The particular place, of course, would be left to a majority of the stockholders, but should be directly on some line of railroad leading to such railroad center. The balance or two-thirds of the stock might be paid in live stock, such as blooded stallions and mares of different breeds, blooded jacks and jennets, cattle, sheep, goats, hogs and fowls. By locating directly on the line of railroad and building stables, sheds and lots close up to the road, stock could be kept in such a position as to be on exhibition for every train passing in the day time. The fine exhibit would attract a great deal of attention, and passengers would talk about it long after they had seen it. Again, when it became known that any kind of domestic animal or fowl could be had at this place breeders would flock there to make selections, and others would keep the place well supplied with fine stock for sale on commission. Another source of great revenue would be the breeding of these fancy horses to fine

native mares, which could be served at the farm and kept there until in foal. Of course, samples of the best stock would be kept on hand at the greatest stock center, to be inspected by purchasers before visiting the farm. Such a farm as this would be a big thing for Texas and a bigger thing for the stockmen. There is within a radius of twenty miles of Fort Worth several excellent locations for such a breeding farm, and now that Fort Worth has the best stock yards and the best packing house in the state, why can't we get up a universal blooded stock company on the plan proposed? As I am now engaged in raising horses and mules on a small scale I would like to hear from the leading stockmen of the state and registered stock breeders everywhere in the Union. Many fine stock breeders have a surplus, a part of which they might be willing to put into a company of this kind. I think the stock of the company should be well distributed over the Union, and by requiring only enough cash to buy and improve the land and furnish a small current expense fund for one year, I see no reason why great good will not come from such an enterprise and profit to the stockholders as well. I will be glad to hear from stockmen on the subject. S. O. MOODIE.

## Experience with Lump-Jaw.

LAMPASAS, TEX., Dec. 21, 1890

Editor Texas Live Stock Journal:

It is of interest to all stockmen to study the common diseases of cattle, their causes and, if possible, a remedy. I will give you an account of a slight discovery in connection with and my experience with big or lump-jaw in cattle.

In the last four years from a herd of 2000 steers, I have killed fifteen affected with big jaw, after experimenting with each one in every way known to me, to-wit: Cutting out, corrosive sublimate, arsenic and, lastly (no determined result), red hot irons. I have not saved one, and now believe the treatments all too barbarous for the chances of success.

As to my discovery as the cause of big jaw; in at least one instance, the other day we roped a small affected steer to try burning with irons. When roped he bucked and bawled, choked and coughed, and I saw him eject a wad—some fresh grass, rotten flesh, a piece of sheet iron, near three inches square, but of irregular and jagged shape. The iron, grass and flesh were wadded together. I examined the cavity between his jawbone and lip, whence it came. The case in question was a perfect case of big or lump-jaw. There was an outward knot the size of a hen's egg. The upper jaw was much enlarged, both inside and outside. This steer had been noticed in this condition for over a month. I have heard it suggested that the disease originates from cattle chewing bones. I will add prickly pear to the list, but I believe it is also contagious as far as other cattle are concerned, by running, as it does monthly, onto the grass and going to the teeth of other cattle. I have noticed that the faster or quicker I kill them the less new cases. I would not pasture one for \$20 a year. They never get fat after once being poor. There should be a heavy penalty for transferring or transporting one.

Upon a recent dark, rainy night I had ten bunches of cattle to stampede from my 16,000-acre pasture and go through ten different places in an eight and one-half mile fence. One bunch crossed the lane into an adjoining pasture, making two breaks of from 100 to 400 yards each. Most of the cattle returned inside, as they were in a very long lane. (Some one must have been fire hunting or stealing hogs, and have traveled upon the inside. Yours, B. R. RUSSELL.

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**Miscellaneous.**

Even his worst enemies admit now that Sitting Bull is a good Indian.

About \$700,000,000 in cash is tucked away in the various vaults of the United States treasury at Washington.

Rats will keep out of the way of pine tar. Pour it into their holes and daub the posts of the granaries with it.

The eastern people are now thoroughly disgusted with their weather prophets who foretold a mild winter.

There were employed about 48,000 census enumerators for this year's United States census, and the average pay was about \$74 a piece.

The Somerville Journal says: "Not every woman knows enough to make a mince pie, and not every husband knows enough not to eat any of it after it is made."

According to estimates of the state board of agriculture the area seeded to winter wheat in Illinois this season is 1,850,000 acres, against 1,705,458 acres in 1889.

The grip and lung and throat troubles are said to be taking hold of the Indian ghost dancers, owing to the exposure and hardship endured during the performance.

A party of Mexicans arrived at Kansas City to study pork packing and cognate manufactures, intending later on to engage in those industries in their own country.

The Farmers' Alliance which was recently in session at Ocala, Fla., has decided to issue a call for a national convention, and to this end will meet at Cincinnati, Feb. 23, 1891.

Quite a number of the JOURNAL's delinquent subscribers have paid up during the past few weeks. There are, however, a great many still in arrears, all of whom are respectfully invited to pay up.

High prices for good animals are not confined to any class. Imported dogs have cost \$1000. Three buff Cochins fowls sold at New York last February for \$100, and an Oxford Down ram sold a few years ago for \$5000.

The will of the late Daniel B. Faverweather, a millionaire leather merchant of New York city, bequeaths over \$2,000,000 to various educational institutions; among these Adelbert college, of Cleveland, receives \$50,000.

According to the New York World, the three richest men in the United States to-day are John D. Rockefeller, William W. Astor and Jay Gould. The two former rated only at \$125,000,000 each, while the latter is credited with a round \$100,000,000.

South Dakota is making a novel bid for increased population by calling attention to the fact that it furnishes the best facilities for divorce of any place in the United States. Ninety days' residence in the state is all that is necessary.

The work of the Crow commission was successfully concluded at the Crow agency on the 19th, the Indians selling to the government nearly 2,000,000 acres of the western side of their reservation. Consideration, \$946,000. The Crows are quiet and take no interest in the Messiah craze.

Improvement goes on in all branches. Even the bee-keepers now know how to cross and improve their stock. There are almost as many varieties of bees as there are of cattle. Over seventy-five breeds of fowls are now bred to a standard of points.

Branching out heavily into outside and comparatively unknown business has caused many of the current business troubles. There is nothing like a shoemaker "sticking to his last" and being content to make good shoes without trying to also run the jewelry business.

Pateman Bros., the large wholesale grocers of Fort Worth, made an assignment a few days ago.

Luke Short and Charley Wright, two well-known gamblers of Fort Worth, engaged in a shooting affray Tuesday night. Short was seriously wounded and Wright has a broken wrist.

In the extreme southwest corner of Louisiana lies the largest producing farm in the world, measuring 100 miles north and south and 25 miles east and west. It is owned and operated by a syndicate of northern capitalists. The 1,500,000 acres of the tract were purchased in 1883 from the state of Louisiana and from the United States government.

About six years ago, says the Chicago Evening Post, H. E. Houghton and his wife removed from Wisconsin to Spokane Falls, Wash. The husband, who was a lawyer, began the practice of his profession. Mrs. Houghton had \$100 of her own, which she invested judiciously, and, when she sold out at a profit, reinvested until from that beginning she has made \$500,000. Her favorite investments are in coal and mineral lands.

**Carl Lumholtz.**

The celebrated explorer, tells of his extraordinary adventures in the wilds of Australia in several articles which he has written for the Youth's Companion.

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Mrs. Waldo (of Boston): "I have a letter from your Uncle James, Penelope, who wants us to spend the summer on his farm." Penelope (dubiously): "Is there any society in the neighborhood?" Mrs. Waldo: "I've heard him speak of the Holsteins and Guernseys. I presume they are pleasant people."

**Annual Election of Union Stock Yards Company.**

The Fort Worth Union Stock Yards company held its annual election of officers on the 22d in the Exchange hotel. All the stock was represented. The election resulted in the choice of M. G. Ellis, president; E. B. Harrold, vice-president; G. B. Paxson, secretary and treasurer, and J. F. Butz, superintendent. The following board of directors were elected: M. G. Ellis, John R. Hoxie, R. H. Sellers, E. B. Harrold, A. T. Byers, J. J. Frey, J. P. Smith, C. O. Wheeler, J. L. Williams.

**Medium Weight For the Farm.**

While the heavy draft horse has its place in certain lines of work, its place is rarely on the farm. For general farm work, which covers a very large range, the medium weight horse will always be found more serviceable. The place for the heavy draft horse is usually in the cities, hauling drays, brewery wagons, express wagons, &c. A horse weighing 1050 to 1200 pounds will be found heavy enough for almost any work that he may be called upon to perform upon the farm. Besides this he will answer to draw the business wagon or carriage to town at a fair road gait, and not be worn out in consequence of the trip. These points should be considered in buying or breeding horses for farm use. A farmer who can not afford to keep both his heavy team and light driver should consider these points. No work wears more severely on a horse than does that of hauling street cars over the cobble paving of city streets. A few years will wear out the best of horses at this work. The horses selected for it usually range from 1000 to 1200 pounds. A 1600-pound horse would wear out in a few months. If these lighter horses can pull the heavy cars they certainly can haul the farm wagons and carts, the mowing machines and the plow. The medium weight will live longer and prove more profitable than the little animals that are too light to pull a heavy load, or the large ones that are too heavy to trot without injuring the feet.

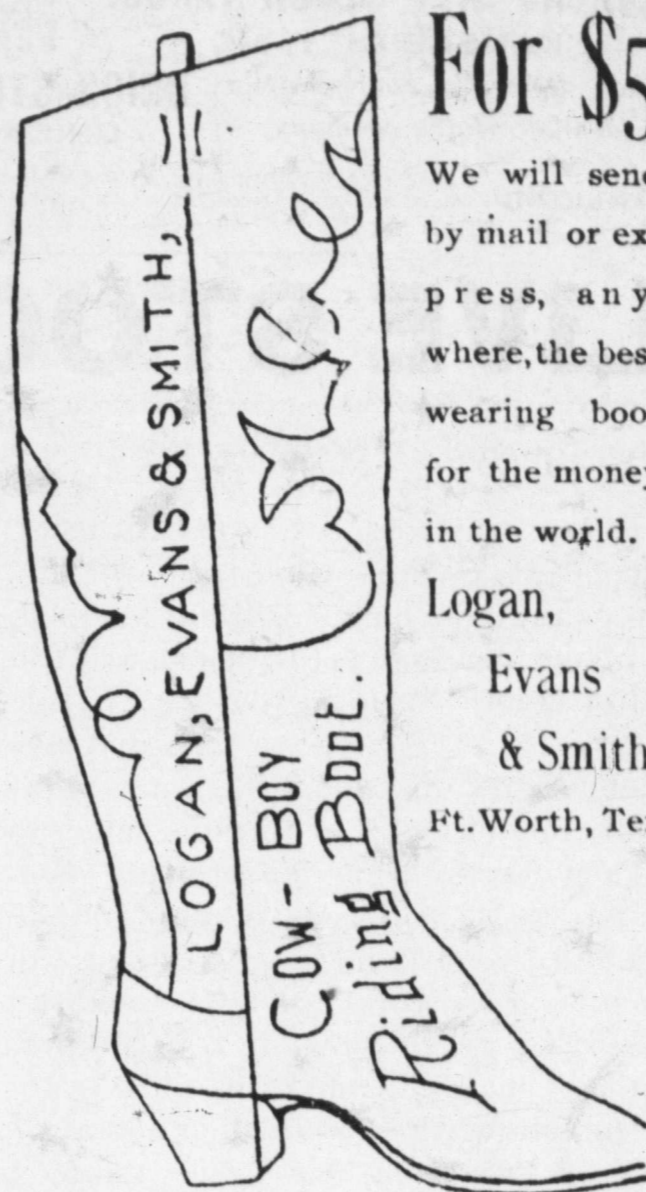
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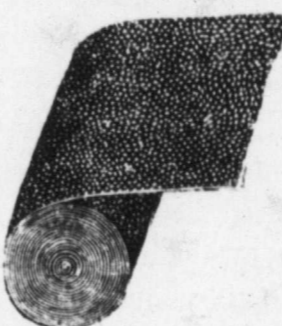
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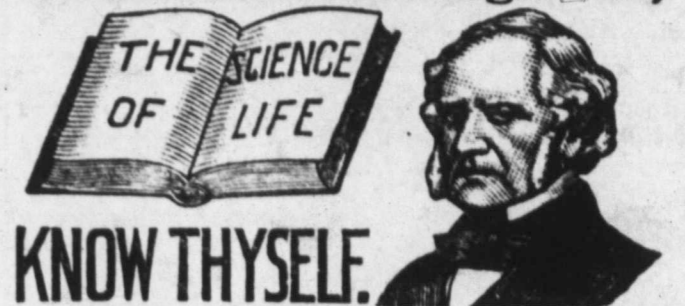
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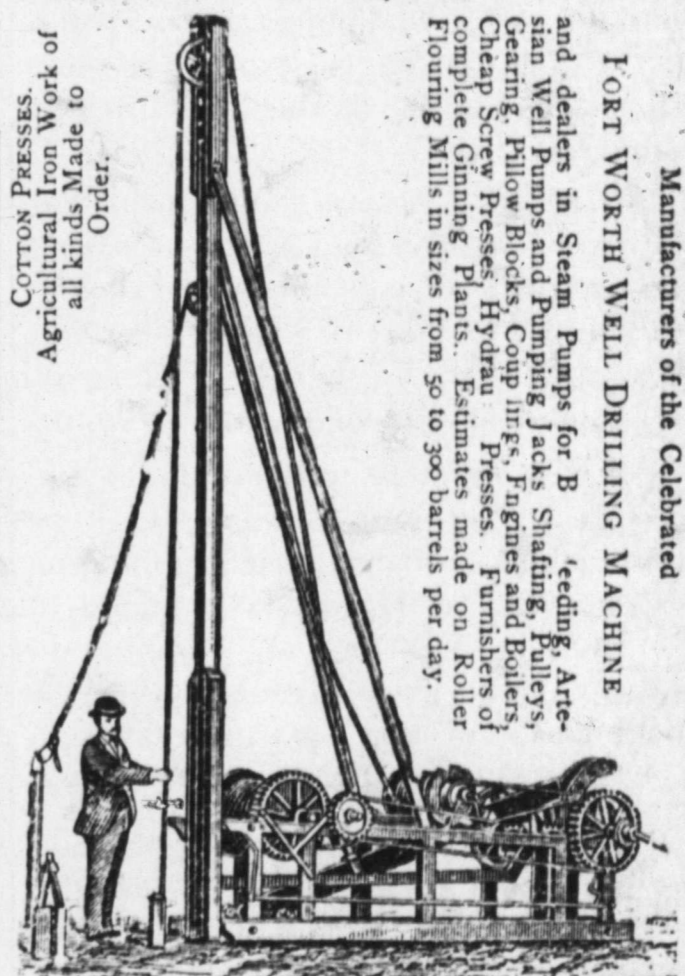
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A CONVENTION of New Mexico stockmen has been called to meet in Santa Fe on January 7. The object is to invoke such legislation on the part of the territorial legislature as the stock interest demands.

THE STOCK JOURNAL subscription list continues to grow, but there are yet a great many stockmen and stock farmers who ought to take the paper; in fact, they can't well afford to be without it, and should send in their names at once.

FORT WORTH is without doubt the live stock center of Texas. Her location, easy access by rail, packing houses, Union stock yards, etc., etc., added to her natural location, all combine to make her the great center of the live stock traffic of the Lone Star state, a fact that even her rivals will not deny.

THE JOURNAL asks those of its readers interested in fine stock to carefully read the communication of Capt. S. O. Moodie, of this city. A blooded stock farm, where all kinds of thoroughbred stock could be bred, taken care of and properly handled, would be a great convenience to the farmers and stockmen of Texas and would no doubt prove a profitable investment to its owners.

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## LIVE STOCK COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

The Journal Wishes its Readers a Happy New Year.

Before this issue of the JOURNAL reaches its readers, Christmas with its attendant enjoyments will have passed, but New Year's is yet to come, and the editor is loth to let such a fine opportunity for a chat with old and new friends go unheeded. Stockmen generally do not feel that there is much to rejoice over so far as business prosperity is to be considered, in view of the wretched conditions characterizing the markets for several years past and the apathy so conspicuous in all trading, but they may well adopt the philosophy of the fellow who lost his legs and arms in a railroad accident, and thanked providence that his head was left.

The JOURNAL is hopeful—nay, is as certain as it can be of anything not actually demonstrated—that there are much better times in store for its clientele. The facts justify it, the conditions proclaim it, and it must be so. Theories have been relegated to the past; experience now guides the ranchman and the stock-farmer. Surplus cattle are fast disappearing, and graded stock gradually taking the place of scrubs. Sheepmen have profited by past misfortunes, and are "getting down to their mutton" in practical guise. All along the line the renewal of confidence, and with it increased energy, is apparent to all who will study the situation, and the JOURNAL predicts that another New Year will find no class of people happier, more prosperous or more surely placed in the business world than intelligent, thoughtful stock raisers, whether they be small or large operators.

Feeling thus, the JOURNAL is disposed to be cheerful itself, and to advise its friends to hurry up and get into the same frame of mind. It will help you to do so. Live for the present and the future; let the past bury itself, with no thought from you save the valuable lessons learned and experience gained, which will serve to guard against disaster in the years to come.

This is in no sense a sermon; nor is it an assumption that every man in the live stock business has done nothing but wrestle with misfortune during the last five years. It is intended as a modest way of inducing the JOURNAL'S readers to begin the new year with revived hope and renewed confidence. So when New Year's morn'g comes, if you have wine and a glass handy, just pledge yourself and the JOURNAL one time. If you don't drink wine, smoke a cigar—a good one, mind you—and as the wreaths of smoke slowly ascend, let the pictures formed be cheerful and the first resolution framed be one to support the JOURNAL in its purpose of

helping largely in the work of replacing the live stock industry on its feet, fully and firmly.

Because the burden of this article is principally live stock, the farmers must not suppose that the JOURNAL is forgetful of them. The agricultural feature of the paper is new, but time will show that their interests have a friend at court, and that whatever of practical value the JOURNAL can get hold of shall be given them in weekly installments.

Now, with a hearty wish that 1891 will bring contentment and prosperity to every individual, the JOURNAL greets you with a happy New Year.

### The Financial Outlook.

As everybody has probably learned, money is "mighty tight;" in fact, it would not be very far wrong to say there is no money to be had at anything like ordinary conditions. Still there is plenty of it in the banks—more, perhaps, than at this season of the year in several years. Merchants generally are in better condition than they have been for a long time. They owe less and have more goods. It is true some are breaking whose conditions were supposed to be perfectly sound, but in most cases the assets exceed the liabilities and creditors will be small losers. The trouble seems to be due entirely to a want of confidence on the part of money lenders. In the North and East a better feeling has already set in, and money is easy. It requires some weeks for the effects of this change to manifest itself in the South, but upon every hand now one hears the remark that smoother times are close at hand. By the middle of January, if not sooner, it is believed money can be had easier and upon better terms in this portion of the country than for a long time in the past, and that a year of great prosperity is about to dawn.

### The Indian Situation.

So far as can be learned from newspaper reports, there is no material change in the Indian Messiah craze. Since the death of Sitting Bull there seems to have fallen a damper over the enthusiasm of a considerable number of the refractory bucks, and it is safe to say that if any fighting has to be done the number of Indians in arms will be much smaller than if he were alive to inspire them. His character as a "medicine man," or spiritual adviser, gave him great influence among his people—perhaps as much as could be wielded by a great chief. His refractory nature and sullen hatred of the whites made it impossible to expect anything but a bad example from him, and had he not been "removed" the probability of a general

uprising would have been greater than now exists. Should any considerable number of Indians enter what are known as the bad lands and resist government troops, it will be hard work to dislodge them on account of the dangerous character of the face of the country and the lack of knowledge of its intricacies. However, the severity of the climate will be greatly to the disadvantage of the savages, and sooner or later the inevitable will come. There have been no outbreaks nor any direct interference with stockmen, so far as the JOURNAL has been able to learn.

### Early Maturity.

Early maturity seems to be the popular idea among meat producers at this advanced age. It has been shown by actual experience that it is no longer necessary to keep a steer until he is four or five years old, but that with proper care the same result may be attained in half that time. In fact, it has been demonstrated that a young animal will take on flesh faster and at less cost than an older one. Geo. M. Casey, of Henry county, Mo., who is largely interested in range cattle in Texas, New Mexico and Arizona, recently marketed a lot of steers, two and a half years old, that weighed nearly 1800 pounds average. In the cattle department of this issue of the JOURNAL will be found the remarkable statement that a calf eighteen weeks old has been made to dress 525 pounds. These are exceptional instances, still they show what can and may be done. Enterprising beef producers are learning that the money is in early maturity. The same is also true of hogs and mutton sheep. These are now marketed to best advantage, when properly cared for, at from eight to twelve months of age. The advantages to be gained by maturing live stock early can, at least in a measure, be realized in Texas by keeping the young live stock in good, thrifty condition, which simply means feeding them through the winter and keeping them all the time in good flesh and good growing condition.

NOW THAT Sitting Bull has been sent to the "Happy Hunting Ground" it is to be hoped the Messiah craze will come to an end.

FARMERS and stock raisers should as far as possible keep out of debt. It is better to be patient and go slow, and be sure that what little you have is yours.

THE tendency seems to be altogether to mixed stock farming, which is the only sure and correct theory. No man should depend exclusively on either the farm or the live stock, but should give careful attention to both. This will insure him against the possibility of failure.

THE Messiah craze has also struck the negroes of Kansas City. A press dispatch says: "What was at first a source of amusement to Chief of Police Speers has become a matter of serious consideration. Early last week a number of colored men called upon the chief to ask permission to hold ghost dances, saying that they had a new Messiah who would lead them to a promised land. The chief granted their request and considered the whole matter a huge joke. The craze has, however, assumed the proportions of something more than a joke, and is now rapidly spreading among the more ignorant classes of colored people throughout the city."



**Sheep and Wool.**

There never was a ram intrinsically worth \$10,000, perhaps. But, nevertheless, one sold for \$15,750, a Merino, bred by John Cumming and sold to Thomas Cumming at Melbourne, Australia. Wonder if any such price will ever be realized again for a single sheep?

The Boston papers continue to publish a good deal about wool. But it is significant that they have very little to say editorially. It is because they see that, as usual, the highest prices were realized after the factories and buyers had gotten in hand the bulk of the wool grown for the fall market of '90.

Old John Randolph of Roanoke said he would walk a mile to kick a sheep. And there are lots of men in Texas who have felt as he did on the same subject. But the men who will walk ten miles out of their way to favor their sheep are the men who are going to have plethoric pocket books and satisfactory bank accounts in the near future.

The question has been asked a thousand times "What is the best remedy for grubs in the head?" And it might have been answered every time appropriately, "Grub in the stomach." Which is about the same thing as saying that fat sheep rarely, if ever, seriously suffer with grubs in the head. Which is a fact.

One sheep can infect a thousand with scab or ticks as well as fifty or a hundred can. One sheep that gets over or through the fence without being treated for those pests, may undo the whole work which cost a hundred dollars for labor and as much more for materials. If a single scab-spot is left undipped it becomes at once a new center of infection.

An exchange gravely announces that Colorado sheepmen have discovered that they have been keeping sheep in too large flocks for their best prosperity. Pray! how many have been running together? It might be of some interest to Texas sheepmen to know, by the experience of their Colorado brethren, just how many should be run in a single flock.

Texas flockmasters can grow and fatten sheep and send them as far east even as Boston cheaper than the New England farmer can. Hence it is that during the past year hundreds of trainloads of Texas raised and Texas fattened sheep have gone via Chicago and St. Louis to the eastern markets, where they have been sold at good prices. And in 1891 really good mutton sheep will be higher than they have been in 1890.

Just about a year ago a certain farmer, not a thousand miles from Fort Worth, paid \$2.50 per head for 100 American Merino two-year-olds. He put them in sheds, fed them \$40 worth of hay and grain and sold them in April last at \$4.50 per head. Here was a profit of \$160, which was not a poor showing considering the investment. Alfalfa and oats, or even good prairie hay and oats, put into mutton will fetch good prices.

The JOURNAL can well remember when to own sheep was considered small business in Texas. This was back in the seventies. Later sheepmen held their own with other stockmen. Then there was a general tumble, and all classes of stockmen went down together. The sheepmen have been the first to rally, however, and are now "on top," and they are going to stay high up if they will only heed the warning of the JOURNAL.

There are plenty of men in the sheep business who made big calculations when the McKinley bill was passed by congress. They rejoiced greatly that they were in the business of breeding sheep and growing wool and saw "millions in it." And now that the Democrats have made almost a clean sweep of the whole country, these same men have allowed their hearts to sink down

into their boots. They fancy that free trade is just ahead and in plain sight, and that it means ruin to them. This is a natural state of things, in view of the declarations of the political sensationalists. But the JOURNAL is willing now to go on record as predicting that those sheepmen are going to enjoy a year of great prosperity who in 1891 will look carefully after their interests.

After the Christmas holidays the JOURNAL is going to publish a series of articles, short but to the point, explaining just how lambing flocks should be handled to the best advantage, the purpose being to help the many new men in the business. The writer would have been profoundly grateful for timely suggestions on the subject when he was a beginner, and takes it for granted some one will be able and willing to profit by his experience.

Never laugh at the poor or the ignorant. But it is not easy to keep from it when being poor is the result of inexcusable ignorance. The "veterans" in the business of sheep breeding and wool growing who were rich in 1883 and poor in 1884, wouldn't now shut their eyes deliberately to the plain suggestions of common sense as they did years ago. And those in the same business now may keep a tighter grip on what they have if they will profit by the experience of their predecessors.

Commenting on Southdown mutton, a Western editor says: We can safely say that well-bred and well-fed yearling Southdowns, if properly dressed, will produce meat more pleasing to the palate, more easy of digestion, and more nutritious than the meat from any other animal, not even excepting venison and wild fowl, with all their reputed gamey, spicy flavor. Nor does it require that the pure-bred animal itself be slaughtered. The first cross with a pure Southdown will do wonders in the way of improving the quality of the mutton.

A noted sheep grower, who has had forty years experience and success, gives the following valuable "sheep points:" First, go into sheep and stay, and you will have success. For grain feed, give shelled corn, oats and ship stuff in equal parts. Salt once a week. Tar kept by them, with a little sulphur in the salt, will be good for their general health and aid in keeping off pests. Keep no sheep over six years, and never keep a scalawag. While lambing the ewes should be looked after three times daily. Keep the sheds dry and littered with straw. Do not let \$40 or \$50 scare you out of procuring a good buck.

"Gain is a good dog, but Holdfast is better." At least that is in substance what the old proverb declares. And when the lessons of the sheep and wool business from 1880 to 1885 are studied and considered it is not hard to believe the said proverb is true. If good judgment is exercised money can be made by flockmasters as fast now (legitimately) as in the years just prior to 1883. But, on the other hand, it is just as easy to lose money and sheep, too, now as then. Inattention to business is more disastrous in its results to men having money invested in sheep than to any other class of men known to the JOURNAL.

A subscriber writes to the JOURNAL as follows: "I have been going in for wool only, but some of my neighbors have been breeding rather with the view to raising mutton, and the past year they have done better than I have done. Which do you think is the best plan, to breed mutton sheep or to grow wool?" A question, by the by, that is difficult to answer. During the past year good muttons have sold well and wool has not been "up" to any very appreciable extent, though the prices have been fairly satisfactory. But next year the big money may be in wool rather than in muttons. On the whole the writer is inclined to believe that there is isn't much difference in the two branches of the sheep business. Though he believes it will be safer to go in for both mutton and wool. Peo-

ple must have mutton and they can't get on very well without wool. And it is comfortable to know that after all, a really No. 1 mutton sheep is not likely to yield a very poor quality of wool.

One of the leading mutton buyers of the state said recently that he had rather pay \$4 for muttons worth that money than to pay \$2 for smaller ones. He has had large experience as a shipper to the St. Louis and Chicago markets, and advises Texas sheepmen to go in for larger rams where mutton is the object. Will some reader of the JOURNAL who has tried it send us for publication some notes on this point? What would those who have been breeding to Spanish Merino rams only say if they could see that Lincoln ram that at Lincoln, England, weighed, not long since, 392 pounds, live weight, and when dressed yielded 260 pounds of meat?

**Col. Bentley Has Something to Say to Texas Flockmasters.**

Last week I had something to say to you in these columns on the subject of securing ranges for young flocks now, while you can do so without paying out a great deal of money. I trust you have been carefully considering my suggestions.

This week I desire to ask your attention to another matter in which you are just now interested, viz., the importance of having the legislature to convene in January next, to pass laws that will in fact be of some practical value to you in your business.

Several years since, as many of you remember, I was one of you, and several times from 1880 to 1885 I was appointed by you to assist at Austin in bringing your interests to the attention of the Texas legislature and at Washington City in interesting congress in your behalf. I shall not go into a discussion of what was done by those bodies, or left undone. But I learned one lesson, viz., that if men wish to secure certain legislation, there is but one way to do it and that is to ask for it and insist on it.

Theoretically, the people elect representatives to have laws in their interests passed. And having so elected their men, voters seem to think that they have nothing more to do but to keep still and watch for the laws to be passed. And when they are not passed they damn their representatives and swear they have been betrayed.

But the fact is, no one man, however wise or well-informed he may be, can understand or anticipate, the necessities of all his constituents. He may do his best, and yet he will fall far short of doing all that is expected of him. And when complaint is made he is ordinarily able to give a good excuse for his short comings by stating the fact that his constituents never informed him what legislation they needed.

But, if they will point out to him what they need and want and he neglects to protect their interests, he will deserve censure and ought to "catch it."

In a few days the Texas legislature will convene in Austin. You need several laws in your interests, and let me say to you now, that you need not expect those interests to be protected by appropriate legislation unless you point out specially what you need, and are importunate in your demands for it.

If you have already appointed committees to look after these matters, begin now and write to them, urging them to action. If you have not provided for such committees then begin now to write to your respective representatives, both in the senate and house of representatives, and make them understand what Texas flockmasters need and will expect of them.

And so in the matter of congressional legislation needed by you. Write and write often and plainly to your congressmen and make them understand precisely what you expect of them.

Then if these men fail you, you will be justifiable in "calling them to task," and if they will not do your will, you can and should do your best next time to retire them to the shades of private life.

H. L. BENTLEY.  
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## CATTLE AND CATTLEMEN.

John M. Shelton is wintering in Fort Worth.

Tom Stevens has gone to Mississippi on business.

Thorp Andrews is spending Christmas at his home in this city.

Fields & Vickery, Dallas, Texas, had two loads of cattle in St. Louis Monday.

Chicago opened up this week with 14,000 cattle; 2500 of them were Texans.

T. C. Andrews, the cattle broker of this city, will spend Christmas in Brownwood.

Winfield Scott has just returned from his pasture in the Indian Territory, and reports cattle in fine condition.

Capt. J. C. Lea and family, of Roswell, N. M., spent several days of the past week at the Pickwick hotel.

Ed Manning of the Fort Worth Investment Co., is spending the holidays at his old home in Albany, Texas.

Geo. T. Reynolds, the well known Albany cattleman, has moved to Oklahoma City where he has large banking interests.

Still no sales or trading in cattle. In fact, but little can be expected in that direction until a change for the better comes in money matters.

W. R. Moore of this city has just returned from Taylor county and reports Abilene on a boom and the country generally in good shape.

There were only two carloads of Texas cattle on the St. Louis market Tuesday. They were owned by H. M. Catlett, of Colorado City.

Col. H. L. Bentley, a prominent attorney and farmer of Abilene, passed through Fort Worth the first of the week en route to New York on legal business.

J. W. Freeland, a prosperous young cattleman of Cresson, Johnson county, was in Fort Worth this week. Mr. Freeland has a few hundred young steers for sale.

Stockmen and other friends of the JOURNAL are requested to call at its new office 406 Main street, nearly opposite Pickwick Hotel. You will always receive a cordial welcome.

Tony Day, the well-known Panhandle cattleman, was in Fort Worth this week. Mr. Day has disposed of his interest in the Panhandle and will make his home in the future at Baird, Texas.

Col. J. S. Godwin, of this city, is slowly recovering from the injuries received over a week ago by being run over by a wagon to which were hitched an unmanageable pair of mules.

W. P. Arnold, a cattleman of Bosque county, was in Fort Worth this week. He says cattle are doing well in his section and that the young steers will be as good next spring as ever before.

Each copy of the JOURNAL at present subscription price costs regular subscribers a little less than three cents. Read every line in it and see if you don't think it well worth the money.

At the recent sale in England of the Queen's premium fat cattle, several Hereford and Devon steers brought as much as \$200 each. 33 Devon bullocks averaged \$165 each. Pretty good prices for beef.

B. T. Leonard, an extensive cattle dealer of Palo Pinto county was in Fort Worth Wednesday. He says cattle are doing well in his locality, and that the country generally is in a prosperous condition.

M. L. Sikes, a prominent stockman of Christian, Palo Pinto county, was in Fort Worth Wednesday. In addition to owning a large herd of horses Mr. Sikes is also largely interested in cattle, both of which he says are doing well.

The Dallas News says: "Col. John Peter Moore, the vigorous young live stock agent of the Texas & Pacific, was in the city yesterday." The description doesn't exactly suit, but suppose this is our same John Peter.

Mr. Wright Rainey, a cattleman of Tom Green county, is in Fort Worth. He says that stock in Tom Green county is in fine condition, and everybody seems to be confident of better times in the near future.

J. M. Daugherty, of Abilene, was in Fort Worth Wednesday, returning from a trip to Chicago, St. Louis and other eastern points. He says the general opinion is that the market will be better and money more plentiful in January.

Col. L. R. Moore bought a real, live, full-blooded buffalo bull at the stock yards to-day, for which he paid the neat sum of \$500. Mr. Moore will breed him to some Galloway cows at his farm near Lee's Summit.—Kansas City Drovers' Telegram.

Wm. Hittson, the well known cattleman of Fisher county, spent Christmas in Fort Worth. He reports live stock in good condition in his part of the state. Mr. Hittson is one of the pioneers of the state, and has always been very successful.

Court Babb, of Henrietta, the well-known and popular representative of Scaling & Tamblyn, was in Fort Worth this week. "Court" has many friends among the cattlemen of Texas, all of whom wish him unbounded success. He is a rustler—one that is sure to come to the front.

Since August 23, when the system of inspection by American official veterinarians went into effect, 120,000 cattle have been shipped from the United States to British ports. This is a material increase on the number exported during a corresponding period in any previous year.

Harry J. Zook, son of J. W. Zook, the well known cattleman of this city, was married a few days ago to Miss Boulware, of Bowie. They will make their future home at Thurber, where Mr. Zook is now in business. They have the best wishes of the JOURNAL and their many other friends.

E. G. Thurmond, for many years a prominent and well to do stockman of this county, but now a citizen of Mobeetie, Texas, was shaking hands with his many friends in Fort Worth this week. Mr. Thurmond gives an encouraging report of the condition of affairs in the Panhandle.

James H. Campbell, of Chicago, has sued Andy J. Snider, of Kansas City, for \$55,000. It seems that Snider several years ago sold the good will and patronage of his live stock commission business to Campbell, and afterwards Snider's son engaged in the business, contrary, as Campbell claims, to the spirit of their agreement. Hence this suit.

Col. J. F. Shepherd, the well-known traveling agent of the National stock yards, East St. Louis, was in Fort Worth a few days ago. The colonel says the business of the past year has been very satisfactory and that St. Louis has been able to consume a larger percentage of the receipts than ever before; also that her consuming capacity will be fully doubled next year.

W. S. Bolton, a former well-to-do cattleman of Texas, who has been confined in a Mexican prison at Paso del Norte, Mexico, since last April, charged with killing S. H. Cavitt, another Texas cattleman, made his escape one week ago and is now at large somewhere in the United States. Mr. Bolton publishes a lengthy card in the El Paso Times, in which he gives a full statement of his transactions with Mr. Cavitt, and, while admitting an attempt on his part to shoot, claims that the killing was done by a Mexican policeman. He also says that as soon as he can regain his shattered health he will return to El Paso and prove his innocence.

Mr. C. C. Auld, of Bandera county, writes the Texas Stockman that the range is fine, stock doing well and farmers well along with their winter plowing.

The Live Stock Reporter, of the National Stock yards, of the 23rd, says: "John K. Rosson, of Fort Worth, Tex., was a visitor at the yards on his way home from Chicago. He reports Texas looking elegantly, and all stock doing well." The following is also clipped from the same sheet: "D. B. Gardner, G. B. Martin, J. T. George, L. E. Lanier and J. T. Spears had in a train of cattle from off the Fort Worth and Denver railway."

L. W. Christian, of Weatherford, was in the cattle center Wednesday. Mr. Christian owns 4000 acres of fine land in the southern part of Parker county, where he is engaged in a general stock farm business, which is proving very remunerative and successful. Mr. Christian is making a specialty of breeding thoroughbred Holstein cattle. Among these he now has one two-year-old heifer that without extra care or feed is giving over four gallons of milk daily.

The many friends of O. H. Brown, assistant general freight agent of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe, will be pleased to learn of his promotion to general live stock agent of the Santa Fe system, including the Frisco, to take effect January 1. Mr. Brown is well and favorably known to the stockmen of New Mexico. Major Llewellyn, who has been such an active worker for the interests of both the road and stockmen, will continue to be the active manager of the road's live stock business in the southwest, a fact which will be noted with pleasure by every stock raiser of this section.—New Mexico Stock Grower.

The condition of the range in Montana seems to be favorable. The Miles City Stock Grower says: "The weather throughout our cattle range country continues mild and magnificent. No cold weather. The condition of all kinds of stock is decidedly encouraging to range men. In some localities the water is a little short, but the snow of three weeks ago has remained in protected places to help out cattle. While things are in a most favorable condition, the ranges throughout are now fully stocked and any drives of cattle to these ranges next year will prove most disastrous to all concerned.

Wm. Powell of the firm of Rhome & Powell, breeders of thoroughbred Herefords, of this county, is in the city. These gentlemen own some 8000 acres of land in the northern part of this county, where they have established and splendidly equipped on an extensive scale a farm and ranch for breeding thoroughbred Hereford cattle. Having successfully established this property, they have recently opened up a similar ranch near Rivers, in Hartley county, where they have 12,000 acres of very fine land. This firm are doing a good business in introducing blooded stock into this state, for which they deserve the thanks and patronage of the stockmen generally.

Ed W. Rannells, manager of the Nelson-Morris ranch on the plains, just north of Midland, spent several days in Fort Worth this week. Mr. Rannells reports stock in his section as being in fine condition. The ranch managed by him covers between 200,000 and 300,000 acres and is watered entirely by wells and wind mills, which are proving very satisfactory. The herd is mostly steers. There are, however, on the ranch 1740 she cattle two years old and over, from which Mr. Rannells reports having branded 1530 calves. This number does not include some fifty head killed for beef. Not including the two-year-old heifers this would give over 100 per cent of calves, proving that the staked plains is one of the finest breeding countries in the world. It has also been proven by the experience of Mr. Rannells and others that the staked plains are equally good for maturing steers, that section having turned out during the last few years a great many very fat, fine beeves.

The new Union stock yards at San Antonio will soon be open for business.

Mr. G. S. Long, a large New Mexico cattle and sheep man, is in Texas prospecting for a ranch location. He is well pleased with Southwest Texas. So says the Texas Stockman.

The cattle traffic continues dull. No trades of any magnitude, as far as the JOURNAL knows, have been consummated. Everybody seems to be waiting until money becomes more plentiful and the holidays are over.

Messrs. H. M. Vaile, C. F. Bennett, L. P. Williamson and John A. Blair returned to Fort Worth Thursday night and left for the North this morning. These gentlemen compose the firm of Williamson, Blair & Co. of Kansas City, who are now looking for a location for a cattle ranch in Texas.

Chicago, Kansas City and St. Louis have consumed this year in round numbers 300,000 calves. Add to this the number slaughtered in Omaha, Minneapolis, Buffalo, New York, New Orleans and the thousands of smaller markets, and a fair idea may be obtained of the enormous calf marketing of the past season.

Truxton Davidson, a prominent stockman of Victoria, Tex., and for several years a regular reader of the JOURNAL, writes as follows: "Inclosed find postal note for \$5 for back dues and to renew my subscription to the STOCK JOURNAL. Hurrah for the JOURNAL. May it ever live and prosper. A merry Christmas and happy New Year."

### The Ideal Bull.

On this subject an English writer in the Farmer and Stock Breeder says: Whatever may be our breed, the bull should have force of masculine character so manifest in his carriage and looks that prepotency may naturally be expected. From a masterful sire the calves, in outward characteristics, will follow their father rather than their mother. We want a good crest, neck, and chest in a bull, whereas in a cow docility of eye and a feminine contour of neck and shoulders are desirable. More especially is this the case when milk is the special object aimed at. When a youth I was much struck with the remark of a well-known Shorthorn judge, who said, "In cow or bull look for a good eye and a good back, and all the rest will follow."

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Plenty of fresh-burnt charcoal is excellent in the pig pen, especially during this season, when green food is plentiful, and they will eat it readily.

One of the principal advantages with hogs is that if properly managed they can be made to make a good return of profit to the farmer in a less time than almost any other class of stock.

There has been an unusually large marketing of hogs through the feeding states caused by the shortage in corn. This will necessarily decrease the supply and increase the price for another year.

With two litters of pigs in a year that with good care can be marketed at from ten to twelve months old, hogs ought to aid the farmer very materially who is in debt; but he must keep the kind of stock that will do this, and then give them the necessary care and attention.

There are few classes of stock that will bring returns quicker, and at the same time have the animals as nearly fully matured before marketing, as hogs. For this reason hogs, if properly managed, will help the farmer that is in debt better than almost any other class of stock.

The most profitable hog for the feeder is one that makes the greatest growth at the earliest age. To obtain this the sow should be of good size and of the most approved form, with good length, deep sides, carrying her size well back, with deep, large hams. Old sows are also best for this purpose, as they are better nurses and their pigs are stronger.

The first shipment of hogs ever made from San Angelo or West Texas to market by rail was made last Thursday by L. B. Harris. They were consigned to Fort Worth. The price they will bring will either encourage or discourage the extensive raising of hogs in West Texas. The result will be watched with interest.—San Angelo Standard.

It is evident that the present prices of hogs in the markets are too low, when the price of corn and other grain is taken into consideration. This abnormal condition of the market is easily accounted for. Crop failures have driven men to sell off their stock. The result is a market glutted with stock of every description. This close drain includes a portion of what should be kept as breeding stock and can have but one result, viz: better prices in the future.

W. J. Wallace, of Bandera county, was down last week with a load of hogs which he sold at \$3.25 per hundred pounds. He reports his county doing well and rapidly filling up with farmers from from other parts of the state, who are seeking homes in that most healthful portion of Texas—the mountains. Mr. Wallace moved into that section several years ago from Tennessee in a very feeble condition, but says he is now stouter than he has been for twenty years.

The Western Swineherd, which is, by the way, one of the best authorities on hogology, says: Every swine grower should own a thoroughbred boar. It is always safer to lend than to borrow a boar. All breeds of thoroughbred swine are good if properly cared for. The "scrub" is no good on earth nor below it. No one need expect to have good breeding swine which know no

home but a 7x9 pig sty. The earth—the earth is what a hog wants, not all of it, but a portion thereof.

The importance of feeding ashes to hogs should not be overlooked. Many farmers are obliged to feed corn in large quantities, especially upon the prairie farms, where hardwood ashes are scarce or wholly unknown; yet it is upon these very farms there is the greatest need of ash materials for aiding in building up the bone of hogs. Corn cobs furnish a very strong ash, and in the absence of hardwood they should be burned and the ashes carefully saved and fed. Spread them upon a clean wood floor, and the animals will help themselves every day to just the amount that they need.

All agree that exercise makes muscle, under proper conditions, and the opposite of it, or rest, tends to make fat. The public has learned to prefer meat containing a large proportion of muscle or lean meat. To get the most desirable quality of pork then, for instance, exercise of the animals is necessary. They get enough of this when allowed to run in a field, but when confined in a pen the very condition which has much to do with making muscle is taken from them. They may be given muscle forming rations, but the end sought is antagonized by confinement, and a greater proportion of fat is laid on.

"There is no better food for growing pigs than oats," says Mr. Theodore Louis. "Pigs will do well on them fed whole, but it is not economical feeding. We never had success in feeding soaked whole oats; pigs will swallow them unmasticated, when considerable quantities pass through undigested. Shorts is not only a cheaper but a better feed for pigs. We consider shorts mixed with one-third their bulk of ground oats the best food for growing pigs; occasionally add some corn meal for a change. What we are to feed to-morrow we would prepare at least twelve hours; it should not sour, at least only slightly. Soaking corn does not improve its feeding value, but it makes it easier to masticate and digest. Pigs' teeth will often become sore on hard, dry corn.

**Heavy Pigs.**

TERRELL, TEX., Dec 22, 1890.

Editor Texas Live Stock Journal.

DEAR SIR—From your issue of last week I clip the following statement: "J. W. Young, of Clay county, Mo., reports a pig five months and seven days old, that weighs 157 pounds. He is a pure-bred Poland-China."

Granting that the above is true, I see no reason why it should be given a place in your paper. Mr. Young only claims that his pig gained one pound per day during the first 157 days of its life.

At the recent Dallas fair a pig only 115 days old weighed 135 pounds, and another from the same litter weighed 127 pounds. Those pigs were high grade Berkshires, and were bred by Mr. T. J. McDonald, of Terrell, and were sired by our noted Berkshire boar, Joe Matchless.

In the contest for heaviest pork hog under one year old, not a thoroughbred, at the Dallas fair, about half a dozen hogs were entered and everyone of them had made a gain greater than Mr. Young's pig.

The contest called for hogs to be under one year old, and to be sired by a thoroughbred boar, and a prize of \$50 was given by the Texas Swine Breeder's association to the pig making greatest gain per day.

Mr. McDonald's pigs were ruled out because they were boars and not strictly pork hogs, and the prize was won by H. Cothes, of Plano, with a grade Poland-China that weighed 347 pounds when 305 days old, Terrell & Harris coming next with a grade Berkshire that weighed 346 when 306 days old. None of these hogs were extra fat, and none of them had been crowded when young,

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If the publication of the item referred to did no other good it at least provoked an interesting communication from Messrs. Terrell & Harris, for which the JOURNAL is thankful.

**Hold the Young Hogs.**

A Kansas City commission firm says of the depressed hog market: "The markets are being crowded with the most unmerchantable lot of hogs that ever brought sorrow to the farmer or loss to the shipper. Pigs weighing from fifty to sixty pounds are rushed to market as if the whole world was turned into a large Chinese empire and it was 'roast pig or die.' Thin, half-fatted stuff comes rolling into the yards as though lard was no longer wanted, but hides, hair and boxes were the only packing house commodities. These acts of recklessness and panic will be followed by a repentance so deep and poignant that sackcloth and ashes will not alleviate or cure, and we are constrained to call attention to this suicidal course and ask aid in checking it. The pigs that now sell for \$2 to \$3 will be badly wanted in one year at \$5 or \$6. The drouth is not local but general. A strong, determined effort should be made by the farmers to hold their young hogs, and he who holds will be winner, and in another year may ride in his carriage and jingle his ducats with satisfaction. There is such a bright future for pork that every sacrifice should be made to keep these pigs over the winter. In fact, now is the time for the farmers to come to the front with a supply of porkers for another year."

**Enthusiastic for the Packery.**

Mr. L. J. Caraway made a trip to Fort Worth last week to sound the hog market and came back enthusiastic for the packery enterprise. He says it is a great thing for the Texas farmer and deserves encouragement. While prices are low the home enterprise cannot afford to pay more, since the Chicago and Kansas city prices control the market. He brought in this week 138 head of hogs to ship to Fort Worth, but does not expect anything like fancy prices, since the hogs are not of uniform weight. He has this year fattened about 300 head of hogs and says his experience is worth a great deal, even if he has not made much money. He says farmers should place their large hogs on the winter market and the small ones in spring. This is an idea worth considering and should not be forgotten.—Granbury News.

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## A VISIT TO SEYMOUR.

A Journal Man "Sees the Boys" and Tells Something About Them.

SEYMOUR, TEX., Dec. 20, 1890.

I arrived at the flourishing little city of Seymour, the present terminus of the Wichita Valley railroad, at 6 p. m. Monday. The hotels were all crowded, the business houses seemed to be doing a thriving business, and all Seymour was happy.

I met quite a number of the boys, some of whom I hadn't seen since the old Ft. Griffin days of 1875-76-77.

Tom Irby, one of the old Hash Knife boys, has quit the range and is now proprietor of one of the best meat markets in Seymour.

H. H. and F. L. Fauchner are still in the cattle business, and report stock in fine condition.

J. W. Middleton was on his way to his home in Haskell from Chicago, where he had shipped five cars of fat cows which brought \$1.75.

Also met John Bennett, foreman for Bud Matthews, of Albany, Texas, who had just returned from Chicago, where he had taken 45 cars of cattle for Matthews & Reynolds Bros. His beeves brought \$2.25; cows, \$1.75.

T. J. Chenoweth and Tom Love were also doing Seymour. They are cowmen of the old type and jolly good fellows.

Among the other stockmen I met were S. L. Chalk and N. G. Buchanan, who have been on the frontier in the stock business for years. T. B. Farrar, of Ennis, one of the old timers, who has a large cattle ranch near the Round Timbers. T. A. Crawford, Tom Adams, L. T. Turner and W. D. Tipton, of Knox Co; John F. Lasater, H. K. Jones, A. G. Johnson, Jno. W. Lynch, Jet Keenan and many other old-timers, and good friends to the JOURNAL.

Geo. W. Taylor, of the Commercial hotel, was very obliging to his guests, but the next time he puts Will Moore and another fellow in the same bed, he wants to examine the bed and see that it is capable of holding its contents. Will is heavier than he looks.

The officers of the Fort Worth & Denver and Wichita Valley railroads were very kind and obliging and a jolly set of gentlemen.

I noticed several bunches of cattle as we passed through and all were in excellent condition, and the range looked well.

I enclose a list of forty-seven new subscribers, which will give some idea as to how the JOURNAL is regarded here. All I have to do is to tell a stockman that the founder, or as they term it, the "daddy" of the JOURNAL is again at the helm, and they at once subscribe without further argument.

My visit to Seymour has been both pleasant and profitable. I am now reluctantly leaving the beautiful little city with the hope that I may have the pleasure of visiting it again soon, and that every time I come I may meet, among others, the same genial faces who have so materially aided in making this trip both a pleasure and a success. Adios, ED.

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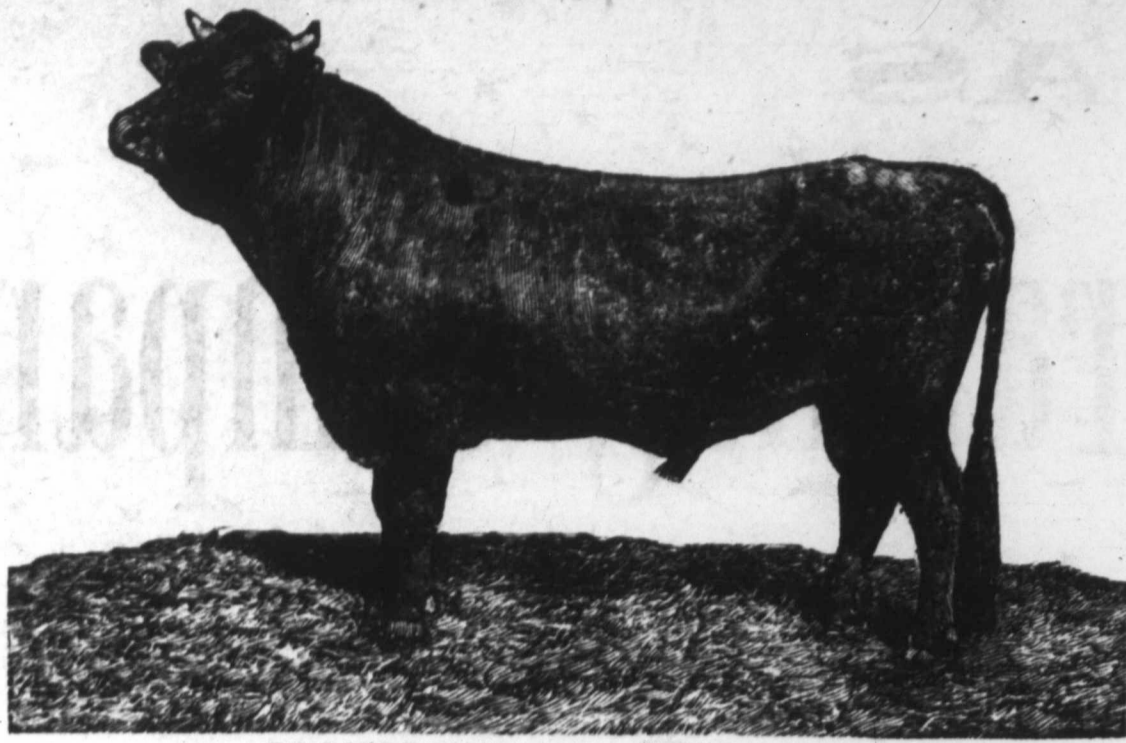
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Too much feed is as bad for the health and thrift of horses as too little.

Horses should be turned out into the lots for exercise every pleasant day.

Robert Bonner owns Dexter, Resur and Maud S, and the trio cost only \$111,000.

Standing in wet manure tends to make the feet of the horses tender, and should be avoided.

Keeping the horses' heels and legs clean in winter is the best preventive for scratches.

A ration of one-third each of corn, oats and barley, ground together, makes a good winter ration.

When it can be done, it is better to water a horse half an hour before feeding rather than after.

Horses may be led out of burning buildings by covering their heads, otherwise as a rule they refuse to be led and are consumed by the flames.

As many as forty-seven Shetland ponies have just been sold from the stud belonging to the Marquis of Londberry for export to America.

The use of horse flesh for human food has increased so largely in Germany that the price has advanced from 25 to 90 per cent. in the various cities.

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It is within the power of every farmer to breed good horses, and there are few who can afford to breed poor ones, because as a rule they are not profitable.

One hired hand may be worth twice the wages of another on account of his treatment of the horses. A careful horseman is also generally careful about everything else.

If you raise the right kind of horses the buyer will come after them; if the wrong kind you will have to hunt up a buyer, and sometimes have considerable trouble to find him.

The development of speed in American horses has been remarkable. Forty years ago no horse in America could run or trot a mile in three minutes. Now there are several that can go a mile in 2:10.

During the summer it is better to avoid corn as feed for horses than to use. Plenty of hay is the best food, with a small allowance of oats twice a day. It is of no advantage to have the horses very fat.

Messrs. DeLany & Vail of Fort Stan-

ton, N. M., have recently bought and shipped to their ranch, near the above named place, a fine lot of pure blood draft horses, and will in future make the breeding of that class of animals a specialty.

Those who have tried feeding grain and hay to horses claim that if a full feed of hay follows the grain the grain will be crowded out of the stomach before digestion is accomplished, and a waste of nutrition ensues—hence the hay should be given first.

"There is no more certainly profitable branch of agricultural business than breeding trotting-bred horses that will sell for remunerative prices for drivers and park horses, even if they are not fast enough for track work, and many farmers and small breeders are pursuing this business in a conservative and paying way."

H. L. Lewis of Hearne, says the San Antonio Stockman, was in the city last week. He is now turning his attention especially to mules, but instead of breeding them he is buying mule colts in Kentucky and Tennessee and shipping them to his farm to mature. Says they mature admirably here and much cheaper than in those states.

At a recent meeting of the directors of the Kentucky Trotting-Horse Breeders' association it was decided that hereafter the forfeits in purse races shall not exceed 2½ per cent. and that the entire entrance fee for starters shall not exceed 7½ per cent. Also that all purses shall be divided into three moneys, giving the first horse 60 per cent., second 25 per cent. and the third 15 per cent.

The JOURNAL can not call to mind a safer, surer and more profitable business than raising good mules in Texas. The mares can now be bought very cheap, land that will furnish good pasturage the year round can be purchased or leased at low figures. The mules can be bred and raised at comparatively little cost and will always sell for good prices. Considering all this it is remarkable that so little attention is given to a business that promises such satisfactory results.

Brood mares can do enough work to pay for their keep, and by mating to a good sire will bring good colts, which will be clear profit. It will require good management to take a team of geldings and keep them on the farm until they are worn out, and make them pay a good profit on their value. A horse is not matured enough to market to advantage until it is five years old, but if broken in good season it can be made to do considerable work before this time, fully enough to pay for its keep.—St. Louis Republic.

If the necks of horses and oxen gall, wash them thoroughly with castile soap, and then with brine, or salt and water. Sore-necked horses should be cleaned on the back and neck in the same way. For galls there is nothing

superior to tannin, which can be had at any drug store at an almost nominal cost. It seems to heal and toughen the sore at once. Also keep the sore spot oiled, and it will prevent the hair coming in of an odd color. The best way, however, is to avoid galls altogether, which can be done by sponging off the sweaty parts after work, beginning in the spring.

The fact that a horse at full trot is sometimes, at all events, entirely in the air, without any of its feet touching the ground, has been proved, says the Mark Lane Express, by an instantaneous photograph taken by M. Ottenheim, vice-president of the Versailles Photographic society. The picture shows the horse trotting in a dog cart with a single occupant, and the shadows on the ground clearly demonstrate that all its feet are in the air. The legs, both fore and hind, are spread, the right fore and right hind legs are pointing backwards. The left foreleg is a little bent in the knee.

John Bostic, who has removed his string of thoroughbreds to Col. Bob Maddox's stock farm near Fort Worth, will be found a valuable acquisition to the local lovers of fine horse flesh. Mr. Bostic has twenty-five blooded animals which he will train on the new track just completed on the Maddox stock farm, besides taking charge of all of Col. Maddox's horses. It is proposed to arrange a series of matinees for the winter and spring, at which suitable purses will be offered to attract some of the best horses in the Southwest.—Daily Gazette.

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#### STRAYED OR STOLEN

from the Cotton Belt depot in Fort Worth, one bay horse, about fifteen hands high, branded F D on left shoulder; has large white spot on forehead; 1 white hind foot; with saddle marks on withers. Any information leading to the recovery of the horse will meet with suitable reward. W. E. Edwards, Mansfield, Tex.

STRAYED or Stolen—From the farm of J. E. Whitmore, on Mud Creek, Healdton, in the Chickasaw Nation, one light bay horse, 15½ hands high, 5 years old, branded on left shoulder T B connected; also one dark bay horse, 15½ hands high, branded on left shoulder J P connected, and about 6 years old. They strayed or were stolen about Aug. 10, 1890.

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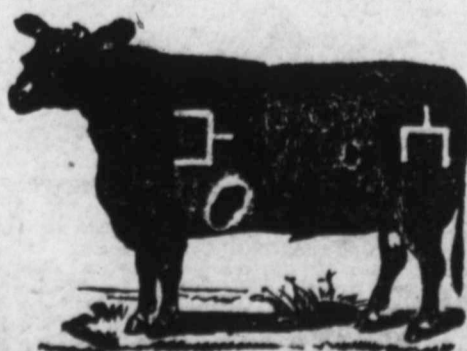
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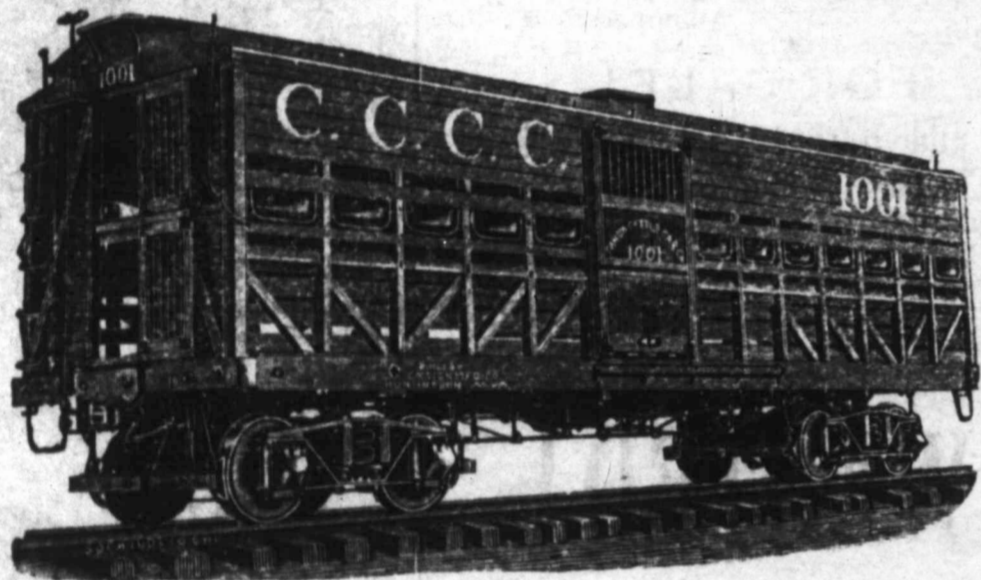
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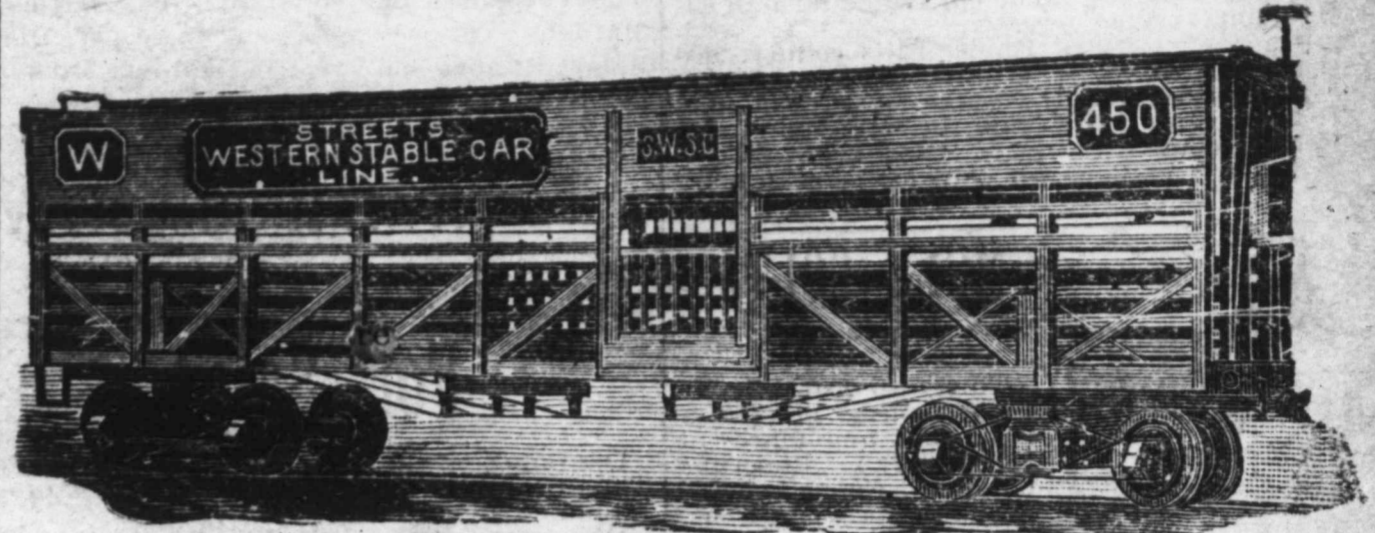
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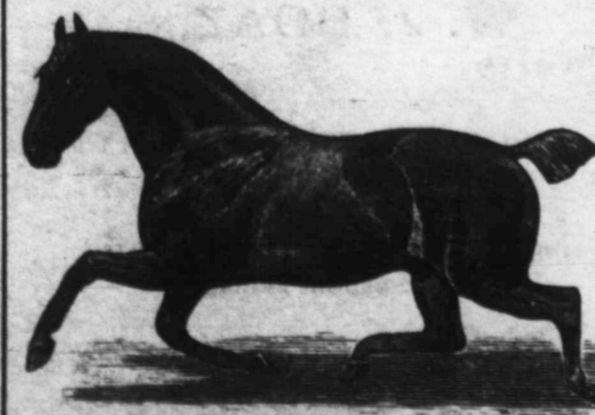
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