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EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS.

THE pig is a necessary adjunct to the well-regulated farm, but that cur dog is not. Shoot him if you can't run him off.

If you want to see anything in the JOURNAL and it does not show up, ask for it and we'll try to put it there.

HERE'S a chestnut: Keep your young animals growing steadily from birth to maturity. Have you got that down pat?

If your neighbor don't subscribe for the JOURNAL tell him to write for a sample copy. It won't cost anything.

If your horses get sick, nine times out of ten it's the fault of the fellow who does the feeding. Look after it yourself.

A PIG may be lean, but if thrifty, he is a better looking animal than a lean, poverty-stricken one. The same rule might apply to a yearling, a colt or even a chicken, and the sheep, too.

SHELTER of some kind, for stock, even though it should be poor, is necessary, and every careful, economical and successful farmer realizes it sufficiently to provide it.

Is it not already proven by the fine cattle fed in this state last winter that the old day, and manner of raising, maturing and marketing cattle, were fit subjects for history? Are you not satisfied now that the scrub bull is a delusion?

It has been demonstrated that Bermuda grass will not only grow in abundance in the Texas pastures, but that it is also a most excellent forage. Why not sod your horse pasture with it and thus save a lot of land?

WHAT will you do with the old brood-tail mare? She's utterly worthless as a brood mare; is not much better as a work animal when compared to that fine draft animal of your next neighbor, is she? Why not put her on the pension list?

LAND in England has increased in value to that extent that farming is not profitable on it. But by putting fine stock on it and raising them correctly and properly it pays. Such a condition of affairs will some day exist in this country. Why not prepare for it?

Did you ever think of what might be the result of applying scientific methods, manure, etc., to that old worn-out field and see if it cannot still be redeemed and made valuable?

Good fat cattle will not need to leave Texas after the packery is opened. The opening of one plant means the opening of at least one more and soon the good work will begin so they say.

How about those hogs you were going to raise? The Fort Worth packery when it opens up for business, should not be compelled to go to Kansas for its supplies. Texas can raise as good hogs as any other state and certainly has enough room to raise enough of them.

THE Fort Worth packery will afford a market for several hundred carcasses of cattle every day and as many good sheep and hogs as can be supplied to it. Had you thought of this and made your preparations accordingly?

"NOTWITHSTANDING the hard times and stringency of the money market, the cattlemen have not fared so badly as a great many of them imagine," said a prominent cattleman the other day. "We had to contend with hard markets and all that, but what class of men in all the country have been able to realize money on their collateral so readily as have we on our cattle? If our banks could not advance us the money it was sure to come by shipping to market." Farmers have not fared badly, either. The hard times have doubtless cause them to practice more economy than usual, but has it not had its good results?

MEN of moderate means who now have the opportunity of beginning to raise pure-bred stock and do not do so, will see the time within a very few years when they will regret not having done so when everything was favorable to making such an excellent start as is now offered for a comparatively small investment. Prices are much lower than they have been for many years and such being the case, there is no necessity for a man having large capital at his command in order to begin the breeding of first-class stock. And while the outlook for the breeder may not to every one be as bright as it might, it is evident that more favorable times will be experienced in the future. As compared with

the wheat-grower, the prospects for breeders are certainly equally as bright. A little courage and a small investment might not only result in a profitable but also in a pleasant line of business for the future.

It has been the ambition of the JOURNAL to see better methods applied to the stock-raising and agricultural interests of the state for years, and as each yearly milestone was passed and the many improvements were noted, the pleasure thereby given the JOURNAL was increased accordingly. Still it is not the intention of the JOURNAL to drop its war cry of better blood for stock and improved methods for farming. We can learn something every day and by storing this knowledge as it is gained and applying it in our business as the opportunity is presented all classes would be enabled to see the benefits to be derived by adopting the methods advocated by the JOURNAL.

OURS is a large country and when the statement is made that a shortage in any kind of live stock exists, our almost illimitable area should not be forgotten. For instance, a great many have been claiming that an immense hog shortage was existing, but now that hogs are worth possibly a little more than they have been for a few months, the markets are being flooded with them. Another instance: a shortage in good feeding cattle is known to exist. This shortage is variously estimated. But the recent increased demand for feeders has caused many good cattle to be offered. The question naturally arises, how great is the shortage?

THE breeding of a thoroughly good class of live stock has unquestionably become the sheet anchor of British agriculture. Purely arable farming has for many years been, generally speaking, very unprofitable. Stock breeding, either as a dominant pursuit on the farm, or as a prominent part in conjunction with crop growing, has on the other hand, returned a most satisfactory result. For the average farm, perhaps the mixed system will be found the more advantageous. Be that as it may, says Rural World, only a very limited number of farms are properly equipped for yielding the largest possible profit without a well-selected stock of cattle, horses, sheep or pigs. One, two, or all of these classes may find accommodation at the one standing. That, of course, is a point that the size and nature

of the holding must decide. The question as to which class has the strongest claim for the preterment is one of considerable difficulty. This, again, must be settled largely by the soil and climate of the farm, as well as by the tastes of the farmer.

THE Texas Farm and Ranch adopted a most unique manner of advertising itself during the Dallas fair by distributing a handsomely gotten up circular headed "Hell, Niggers and a Big Democratic Majority," and in it suggested that if one had heard of Texas and never seen it to take a map and they would find it spread all over that part of the country not occupied by Chicago, Kansas City, California and the prohibitionists. The Farm and Ranch might have included in this circular that Fort Worth was the great live stock center, the place where all the cattlemen come and make their headquarters, and the only place in the state, or south of St. Louis selected by northern capitalists in which to locate a packing establishment, thereby offering to the stock raisers of Texas a market for cattle, hogs and sheep.

THE "FAKE" SILL MOVEMENT.

THE TEXAS LIVE STOCK AND FARM JOURNAL, of Fort Worth, is throwing cold water on the Fort Sill country opening. This is but natural for that paper as its patronage comes mainly from the cattle barons. On to the Fort Sill country.—Iowa Park Texan.

For the benefit of Brother Dale, the JOURNAL will state that the cattle barons interested in keeping the country in question closed to settlement, may perhaps contribute enough to its support to buy enough white paper to print just one issue of the paper. Did the JOURNAL depend on the patronage of the stockmen alone for its support, instead of being fourteen and a half years old, it would doubtless be fourteen years dead. This does not, however, deter it from repeating its former statement, that the "On to Fort Sill" movement is a speculators' scheme and one that if it is ever accomplished will cost many a poor man what little he has worked for for years.

REMOVAL.

The business office of the TEXAS LIVE STOCK AND FARM JOURNAL has recently removed to, and is now located up stairs 407 Main street, near the middle of the block opposite the Pickwick hotel. This is a central and convenient location, where we hope our friends will, when visiting the city, not fail to call on us. The latch string hangs on the outside, our friends are always welcome.

CATTLE.

The number of bulls should be increased and their quality improved on most Texas ranches.

"In times of peace prepare for war." The horn-fly will bob up serenely as soon as warm weather comes again.

The die up that is sure to come in some localities this winter, will be sufficient to materially increase the shortage in range cattle.

The men who are making the cattle business a study, feel more hopeful and have more faith in the business than they have had for several years.

There are but few men in Texas who breed, mature and market their cattle, consequently, but few are getting out of the business all there is in it.

The state of Texas can well afford to make liberal appropriations to enable the live stock sanitary commission to experiment extensively and otherwise extend their investigations as to the cause of Texas fever.

It is to be hoped that the live stock sanitary commission of Texas will go to the bottom of this Texas fever business and never stop experimenting until they have ascertained the cause. When this is done will be easy enough to prescribe a remedy.

Ticks may not cause or communicate Texas fever, but in establishing a quarantine line, a safe plan will be to place it above all that section of the state that is inflicted with or breeds ticks. In other words if the sanitary commission will quarantine against ticks and locate the line accordingly they will not be far out of the way.

Parties wishing to buy or sell any kind or class of cattle, or contract for the future purchase or delivery of cattle, might and often can expedite their transactions by calling on or corresponding with the Texas Land and Live Stock Agency, 407 Main Street, up stairs, almost opposite the Pickwick hotel, Fort Worth, Texas.

The Quarantine Line.

At the meeting of the state sanitary live stock commission held at Dallas on the 24th and 25th of last month, the full proceedings of which was published in last week's JOURNAL, it was decided not to take any definite action in regard to making changes in the quarantine line at that time, but to defer such action until the sanitary boards of the different states and territories interested could be seen and consulted. That a full and free discussion of this important question may be had with the sanitary authorities of all the states interested a meeting of the various boards has been called for Kansas City for the 15th of this month. The JOURNAL believes this is a move in the right direction; it believes that all the states and territories that handle Texas cattle are both willing and anxious to lower the line as far as absolute safety will permit, which is all that Texas stockmen want or could justly ask. If a line that will do equal justice to all concerned can be agreed upon, it will then become a fixture and thus permanently regulate the movement of cattle going north whether intended for the northern range country or that part of the state above said line.

The JOURNAL repeats that it considers this a move in the right direction, and hopes the

meeting at Kansas City will be largely attended by those interested and that a quarantine line may be agreed upon and permanently established that will do justice to all concerned.

Mature the Beef at Home.

That Texas cattleraisers are not getting as much out of their business as they ought is a fact that must have occurred quite frequently to all those who have even given much thought to the business.

In the first place a great many, in fact, a large majority of our cattlemen are not using as good bulls as their interests demand. They should improve their stock and raise a better class of cattle, cattle that would come nearer filling the requirements and demands of the market. This, however, has been referred to and urged so frequently in these columns that it now begins to savor of and sound like a chestnut, and for this reason will not in this article be given more than a passing notice.

A second equally important item, and one that is greatly overlooked, is the importance of keeping the young steers, and in fact all cattle intended for market in good, thriving, growing condition from the time they are ready for market and until they are converted into money.

The greatest loss, however, sustained by Texas cattleraisers is in selling their steers while young or before they are matured, at prices that allow all the profits of the business to go to the party who matures and makes beef of the steers. For instance, the feeder will buy good three and four-year-old steers at from \$18 to \$20 per head and after feeding them from three to six months, will usually if he understands the business and gives it close attention, make a net profit per head of from \$10 to \$15. The northern range man will come to Texas and buy a big string of two and three-year-old steers at from \$14 to \$16 per head that will when matured net out in Chicago from \$35 to \$45 per head. It is true that the northern rangeman's losses from drouths, storms, hard winters, etc., are very heavy and for these reasons they perhaps are, under the circumstances, very liberal buyers, but the JOURNAL takes the position that these cattle should be matured at home and not go north, where the die-ups are so great and the loss so heavy, at all.

Every ranchman and farmer in Texas who raises cattle, and they should all do so, ought to be a beef producer as well. No thin, half-starved cattle should ever be found on his premises, but if by some accident or misfortune his cattle should become poor they should not, while in this condition, be offered for sale. Young steers should not be sacrificed to cut down the herd. The number should be cut down to begin with and kept down and thus avoid the possibility of overstocking. It is better to raise, mature, and turn off each year 100 three-year-old steers at \$40 per head, two-thirds of which would be profit than to turn off 500 head at say \$18. Steers will feed better and fatten faster and at less cost on their home range than any other place. No man can feed and handle them as economically and profitably as the man who raises them. Who but he alone is entitled to all the profits there is in the business?

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The stallion should have regular exercise, to develop health, vigor and good reproductive powers. Not one-half of them get the exercise they should have. The mares, too, will breed better if kept regularly at farm work than if allowed to get fat and lazy.

The following premiums were awarded at the Dallas fair last week: Cleveland bays—Best stallion, 5 years and upward, first premium, Jesse Harris, Fort Collins, Col.; best stallion, 2 years and under 3, first premium, E. Swann, Greenville; best filly, 3 years and under 4, first premium, M. Swann, Greenville.

When you have a horse to sell put it in as good order as you would a beef animal, at least. Have it well fattened, then curry it up sleek and clean, trim off all the shaggy hair on the legs, and make it look as though you thought it was worth paying some attention to. It will sell the better for such pains. We see thin, rough looking horses sold every day for much less than their true value, and less than they would have brought if they had been put in proper condition.

Do not mix draft and coach blood, you spoil both; large trotting-bred mares cross well with coach stallions and produce a good farm horse that sells well when matured and well broken. Keep all good mares on the farm to produce good colts, the farm work will not hurt them; but too many farmers sell the good mares and keep the little scrubs to breed and work. We are glad to see our eastern farmers waking up to the improvement of their horses.

Western farmers have long since given the grade draft horse the front rank for farm work, while for the market they take the lead for city use. We must utilize every point these times to meet the cheap markets; we must plow deep and use good machinery and good horses, and to meet the new order of things we must raise the horses the markets want—large, heavy draft and stylish coachers.

Careful feeders of horses know that in feeding oats, especially the whole grain, much depends upon the nature of the hull or chaff. It is not always the heaviest grain which gives the best results. That which is much above the standard weight has most often a rough, gritty chaff, which so acts on the stomach as to expel much of the grain in an undigested state. The hull, however soft its texture, is always laxative, and a moderate degree of laxativeness is beneficial, especially to breeding animals but there is no gain in passing through the heaviest grain in a nearly whole state. Better use a light grain, which will be more thoroughly digested. It is commonly supposed that the oat which sells for the highest price is the best feed, but it is not always the case.

How sad to our hearts are some scenes of our childhood, As our recollections present them to view; The use of the switch that was brought from the wildwood, And various punishment most of us knew. But saddest of all is the thought of the pill box, That mother brought out when she thought we were ill, O! the gripping, the aching, the twisting and torment, Wrapped up in the horrible old-fashioned pill. But that's all gone away with. To regulate the stomach, liver and bowels, Dr. Pierce's Pellets excell. You'll experience no pain, no discomfort, no bad results. Children take them as easily as peppermint drops.

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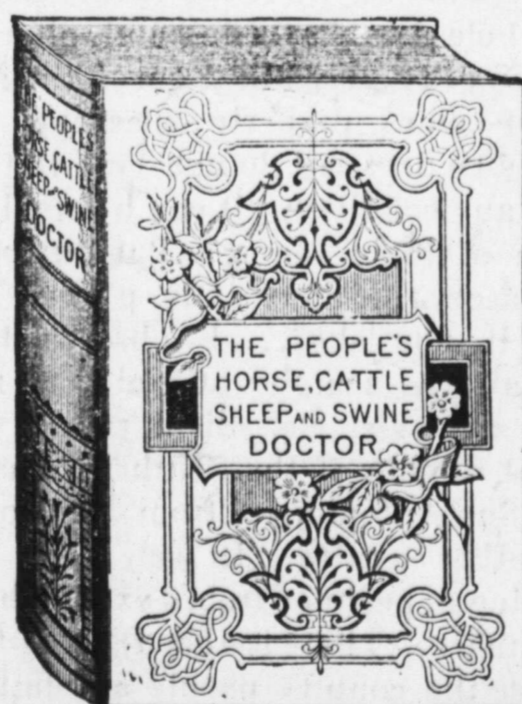
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SAN ANTONIO, TEX., Nov. 1.

Mr. T. Lehman, residing on the Rio Grande, a few miles above Eagle Pass, is putting in machinery to irrigate from the river 600 acres of land.

A system of water storage such as exists in some of the western states and territories, would render valuable for cultivation a large area of western Texas, at present only fit for grazing.

Col. Hall of Atascosa county says it has not only been dry this season, but there has been an unusual something that causes very rapid evaporation of water. Says he never saw tanks fail so rapidly as this season.

Dr. J. B. Taylor is down from a trip to the northern meat markets. Asked him how the stock yards people talk about the outlook for meat stock. He said, "Shucks! they don't know any more than anybody else."

One time and another, in newspapers and real estate circulars, there is a good deal of gush about Texas; in other words, entirely too much is claimed for it. I believe in Texas. While it is true that we get knocked out by a drought every few years, the averages up pretty well, and enough may be said in her favor and the truth told, to influence good people to make their homes within our borders. Beside, gush has little influence upon sensible people, and we have enough of the other kidney already.

Mr. H. O. Skinner, general agent of the Street Stable Car line, returned this week from a tour of the state. He reports active movement of cattle from north and west Texas to market, and that on several roads there is a dearth of cars. In south Texas he has orders for 300 cars for shipment of cattle to feed in Mississippi and Tennessee, and other southern states. Most of the cattle are billed over the Southern Pacific and Illinois Central.

A movement is on foot to secure a modification of the present customs regulations between this country and Mexico, to permit cattle to be driven into Mexico for temporary pasurage and returned without paying the heavy duty now required. As, owing to the scarcity of grass and water in this portion of the state, such an arrangement would afford great relief to many cattle owners, it is to be hoped the matter will be pushed without delay.

W. L. Crawford, Frio county, is in the city, and says that while his immediate section was somewhat favored this season in the matter of rain fall, his feed is getting short. Says he had a good rain about a month ago, but that the ground was so hard that it all ran off, and did not do much good. If the ground had not been so bare, it would not have been so hard. And if there had been grass enough to have held the moisture that fell, Mr. Crawford would now have a fine range. Like many another, he is suffering from overstocking several years ago. Well, it begins to look as if the ground will have a chance the next few years.

George Saunders, the San Antonio resident member of the New Orleans commission firm of Inbau, Saunders & Co., has made several trips to Houston lately, and it now develops that he was after a rate-cut on the Southern Pacific from west Texas points to New Orleans. George generally gets what he goes after, and this case proved no exception. The cut amounts to from \$8 to \$14 a car, and on stuff to be killed at San Antonio, this city, gets the benefit of the reduction. To Saunders is the credit due for urging the necessity for the cut, and to the Southern Pacific management is due the credit for liberally meeting his views.

Mr. Sam Purinton, a far west Texas flock master, is sojourning in San Antonio for a time. Says he intended to go out of the business this year, but wool is too low, and so he fixed things in the best possible shape to leave the ranch and come with his family to the city to enjoy a little civilization, which he seems to be doing in a most sensible way. Knowing that the history of the business in this country has been a succession of ups and downs, and believing that history will repeat itself, he thinks all he will have to do to come out right in the end will be to hold on to the sheep and run them for all they are worth. Come to think of it, do you know a very poor man who has been in the sheep business thirty years?

Mr. Walter Napier, wool manager for Col. T. C. Frost of this city, reports the warehouses well filled, but no sales. Says they can sell wool at a price, but lower than they feel like letting it go. He thinks that in present wool values, free wool has been discounted in advance, and discounted too much; also, that the free-wool menace does not have everything to do with the low price of wool; but that the general financial depression that has affected all values adversely, is chargeable with a goodly share of the trouble. Therefore, Mr. Napier reasons that as soon as the status of wool in relation to the tariff schedule is settled, and "Dick's hat band" lets go of the money situation, wool will be worth more money.

It is with the utmost regret that I announce the death of Col. George W. Fulton, president of the Coleman-Fulton Pasture company. He passed away peacefully on the 30th inst, at his Rockport home, surrounded by his devoted family. Col. Fulton was a pioneer on the Texas coast, and to his enterprise, intelligence and untiring energy is due much of the development that has marked the later history of that grand region. During my long editorial connection with the Stockman and Farmer, Col. Fulton was one of its staunchest friends, ever showing a most kindly interest in my journalistic work, and never neglecting an opportunity to speak words of encouragement and commendation. It is, therefore, with more than ordinary regret that I chronicle the death of this good man.

Here is a scheme that ought to work well on some of the large ranches. Let the owner, by liberal selling or renting in small tracts, encourage general farming, including cotton-growing, giving the farmers to understand that as soon as they grow sufficient cotton to justify it, he will establish a gin. A store will work well as a part of the scheme. Then let him buy their cotton seed and such other feed as they may have, using it in preparing his meat stock for market. In this way he will get a profit on the goods he exchanges for their feed; he

will get a profit upon the cotton handed through his gin, and when there is a profit in feeding cattle or sheep, as the case may be, he will have a chance at it. In fact, as to the item of cost of feed, he ought to have some advantage over the ordinary feeder, as his feed should cost him less, saving as he would the cost of hauling to the railroad. Even 25 to 30 miles from shipping point, the combination ought to work as well or better than if near the railroad, as the store would have a better chance, and the further from the shipping point the cheaper the feed would be. There would be other advantages aside from the direct gain in dollars and cents, that should come of the carrying out of this plan. It would bring around him a class of thrifty, intelligent people if he were careful to secure only that class. They, in turn, would bring with them more or less of the concomitants of civilization, including the school house and the church. Do not forget, however, that to secure such people as would build up a creditable, law-abiding community, liberal inducements must be held out. These the land-owner can afford, as the cotton gin and the school house are most potent factors in putting up the price of land. The more you think about this the more you will see in it.


SHORTS.—I saw some Chester white pigs the other day that looked very pretty, but they do not seem to have any friends in Texas. The late performances of Lena Hill will do a great deal to advertise Texas in a favorable way. A good many stockmen have grass enough to worry through on, but owing to short water, the cattle can't get to the grass. The state land commissioner has picked upon a most inopportune time to press collection of school land interest. As a land lord, the state of Texas has always been a condemned fool, with promise of keeping it up for all time to come. The New York merchants joined in the hue and cry against silver, and in a single week the Colorado merchants countermanded orders for \$12,000,000 worth of New York goods. The interests of the various sections of our country are so intimately blended that the hurt of one section should be the concern of all. Our statesmen do not seem to understand it that way, but the fact remains nevertheless. Pasturing and plowing Johnson grass may kill it out if the season, or more properly speaking, the seasons be dry, as I do not believe that under any conditions, it can be eradicated in a single season. But during a wet season, the more it is plowed the more it flourishes. I observe that about all the samples of grain, woods, stone, minerals, etc., displayed in the elegant window of the Southern Pacific office, San Antonio, are from Mexico or some other country. In fact, I did not see a single specimen from Texas. Why is this thus? There is a good deal of fuss because the country people are letting the tail go with the hide, and piling into the cities and towns. A remedy is frantically demanded for the trouble. Here it is: Let the noble offered some inducement to stay in the country. If the fan, the razzle dazzle and the pie are all in town, are the country people to blame for coming in after it? A little more stock raising in central Texas, and a little more cotton raising in western Texas, would even things up to the good of both sections. Silver has been given a black eye; now let's give them the bonds that their mouths are "dribbling" for, and maybe the eastern bankers will relax their grip upon Miss Columbia's throat.

MIXED FEED.—A writer in an exchange says that horses are fed too much hay. That if they are given a small fork full of hay, along with a large fork full of straw, and what is left used to bed them, they will look better and feel better. I have been asked which I prefer as winter pasture in Texas, rye, oats or barley. I think that I should give the preference to oats, first, because I have seen best results from the pasture point of view, and besides, when the conditions are favorable for a spring crop of hay, it is the best. There are some drawbacks to all of them, however. For instance, if the fall and early winter are dry, the growth will be slim, and if the season proves a wet one, the stock will cut up the pasture badly. Still, on the whole, averaging the seasons, the farmer will get his money back on a winter pasture of either rye, oats or barley. I remember some years ago of seeing in the valleys to the northwest of San Antonio, some fields of Nicaragua wheat. The growth was enormous, and while the flour was pretty dark for bread, it occurs to me that the feeding value of the stuff ought to be considerable. The fact that alfalfa contains sulphur of lime, is given as a reason why animals prefer it to any other hay. A change for a time from hay to corn fodder is a most excellent one for a working horse. A most excellent ration for a milk cow, is one part of cotton meal to two parts of bran, with corn meal in place of the cotton meal for an occasional change. For the family cow, the above mixed with the dish water is improved. In cold weather, feeding it warm, is still better. There is a very heavy mast in western Texas this year, and range hogs are already getting fat. The trouble is that there are not enough hogs. The idea that stock do not have to be fed at all, in western Texas, has caused a great deal of disappointment in times past. While it is true that less feeding is required here than in any place I know, when they do need feed, they need it like the fellow needed the six-shooter. A lower country ranchman says he raised 3500 bushels of corn this year. Asked him if anybody else raised any. He said "raised h—! They are too d—d lazy to raise anything."

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Godair, Harding & Co.'s Weekly Letter.

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Texas Live Stock and Farm Journal.

Exclusive of Texas cattle yarded outside of the quarantine division last week the receipts were 17,464 head against 18,081 the previous week and 21,000 a year ago. Total receipts of all kinds of cattle last week were 76,016 head, which included 22,000 western. October receipts of Texas cattle will reach about 70,000 head, against 105,210 last October. This month's supply of Texas was the smallest since Oct., 1888.

The ten months' receipts of Texas cattle will foot up something like 541,000 head, a decrease from the same period last year of 72,000 head. Arrivals of Texas cattle for the past three months have shown a surprising decrease, but the big gains earlier in the season have in a great measure counterbalanced this. For the past week there has been but little change in prices. The good qualities have sold very well, and as high as could be reasonably expected. Sales of steers have ranged from \$2.40@3.20 for poor to choice grass steers with bulk at \$2.50@2.75. Texas cows are selling very well at \$1.75@2.35. Prices for native cattle have lately been on the decline. Supplies were too heavy and the advantage rather on the buyers' side. Natives sold at \$3.25@5.75; western, \$2.75@4.00.

SHEEP.—The sheep situation seems inclined to mend if it were not crowded so heavy. Good grades are selling well, but of course the medium kinds have been neglected, although within the past two weeks receipts have reached the unprecedented figure of 160,000 head; prices for anything good have remained fully steady. Feeders have been operating freely, buying at \$2.50@3.00. Best natives sell up to \$4 and western \$3.30. Lambs range from \$2.50@5.00.

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Mark Twain's Latest—Romance of an Esquimau Maiden.

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of the travelers, who has been visiting this country, from Altruria. We have read Mr Howells' impression of the Altrurian; but in this first letter we have the Altrurian's impressions of New York, with some comments upon our government and society, calculated to awaken the most conservative minds. The second feature of the Cosmopolitan is the portion of the magazine given up to color work, no less than ten super-color illustrations being presented for the first time in magazine history accompanying an article by Mrs. Roger A. Pryor on "Changes in Women's Costumes." The third feature is "American Notes," by Walter Besant, who was recently in America and is doing the United States for The Cosmopolitan a la Dickens. The fourth feature is an article by General Balaou on "The Forms of Invitation Used by the English Nobility." The article is illustrated by the facsimile of cards to the Queen's drawing room, to dinner at the Princess of Wales, and to many leading houses of England. Finally, we have a new and very curious story by Mark Twain, called "The Esquimau Maiden's Romance." It is in his happiest vein and is illustrated by Dan Beard. The November number presents the work of many artists, among whom are: C. S. Reinhart, O. to Guillonnet, J. H. Harper, G. Hudson, Franz von Lenbach, George Wharton Edwards, F. Schuyler Mathews, Dan Beard, W. L. Sontag, Jr., F. G. Atwood, C. Hirschberg, J. Habert-Dye, August Franz, Louis J. Read, J. N. Hutchins and Hamilton Gibbons.

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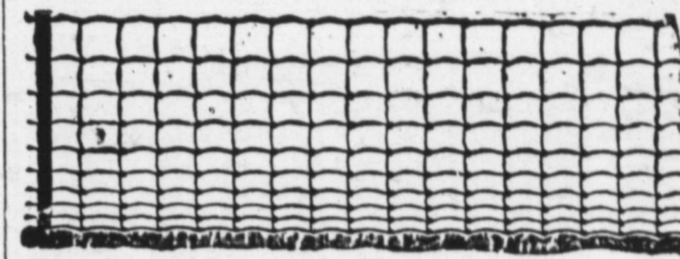
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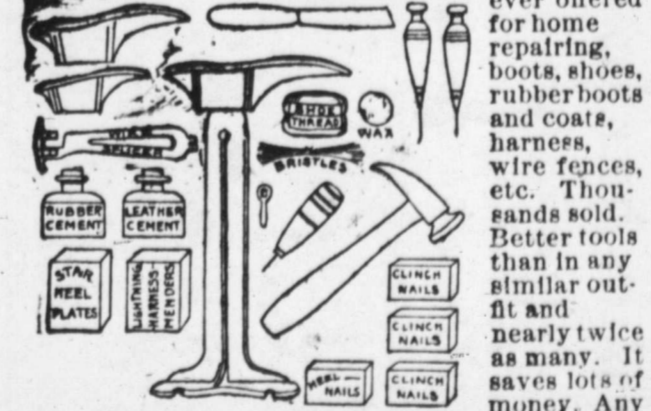
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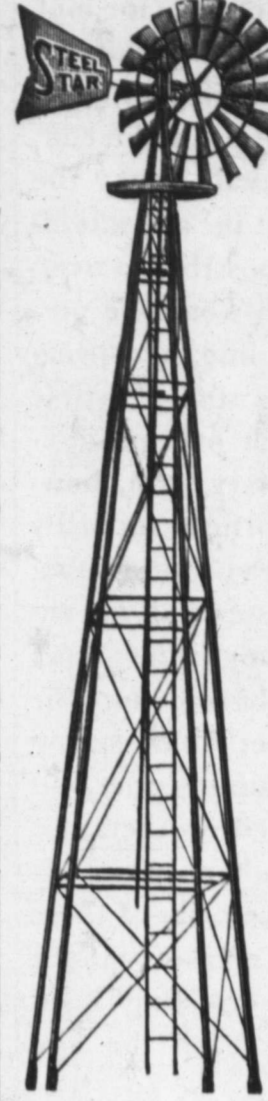
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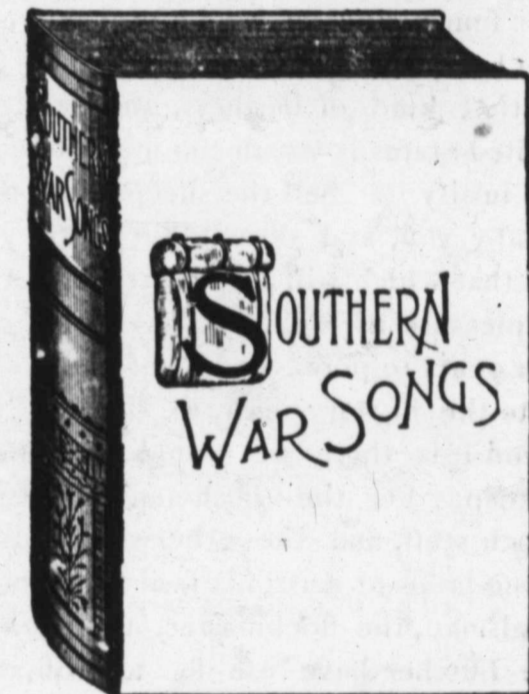
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Our American markets at the present time show an unquestionable preference for mutton under rather than over the age of one year. There is an extensive demand for spring lamb in all the large cities of the continent, and at prices which will repay the producers who do their work in an intelligent way. But it would be possible to overdo this trade, that is to say, it would be possible to over-produce in this line, as spring lamb is a luxury rather than a staple article of food for the masses. Such over-production is not likely to come very soon, however, and this fact is to be borne in mind by farmers who have the facilities for producing this class of meat. The masses call for another class of mutton. They want lamb from say six to twelve months old, for the reason, first, that it is cheaper than spring lamb, and second, that it is more tender and juicy than the meat of aged wethers, for which the retailers ask as high a price. It follows then that the great majority of those who furnish mutton for the market should try and dispose of all save breeding stock before or about the time they reach the age of one year.

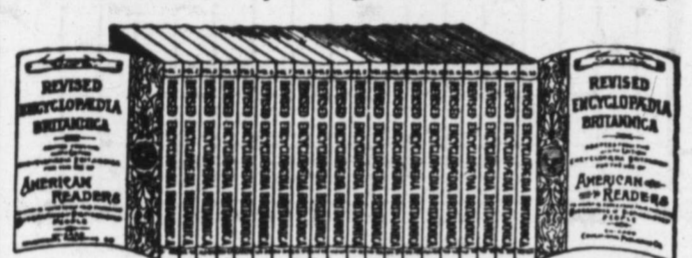
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The editor of Colman's Rural World thinks that the kind of sheep heretofore kept by the wool growers of the plains where individual flocks have run all the way from twenty thousand to more than a hundred thousand head are fast passing into history. The pasture lands of the United States, worthy of the name, are rapidly getting into farmers' hands and out of the reach of the grass grabber and free ranger; and the farms of America must have sheep that are capable of producing seven to ten pounds of wool a year in fleeces where they heretofore produced but three or at the outside four, and a meat carcass which will more than pay the freight when shipped to the stock yards as well. It is better sheep we need, and better that we must have, or quit. The only sheep that it will pay to breed and hold together in large flocks, is the Merino; and we predict that when the men who are now stampeding their flocks to the stock yards and the bone pile get through, they will want to stock up again and with the best they can get. Of this there needs be no more doubt than there is question that the same thing has been done time and again in the past. In the Shropshire, the Southdown, Oxford, Dorset, Hampshire, Cotswold, etc., is abundant choice for the farms and farmers everywhere, and there are but few breeders and importers who will this year carry a surplus of stock over the winter. Sheep, good sheep will presently command a higher legitimate value than within the past quarter of a century, but not fancy prices.

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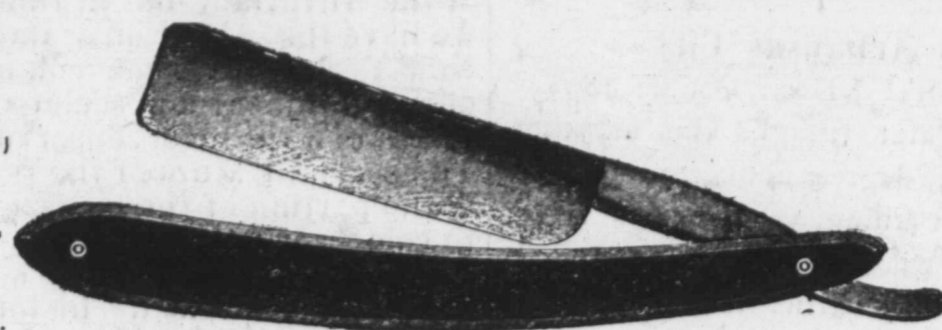
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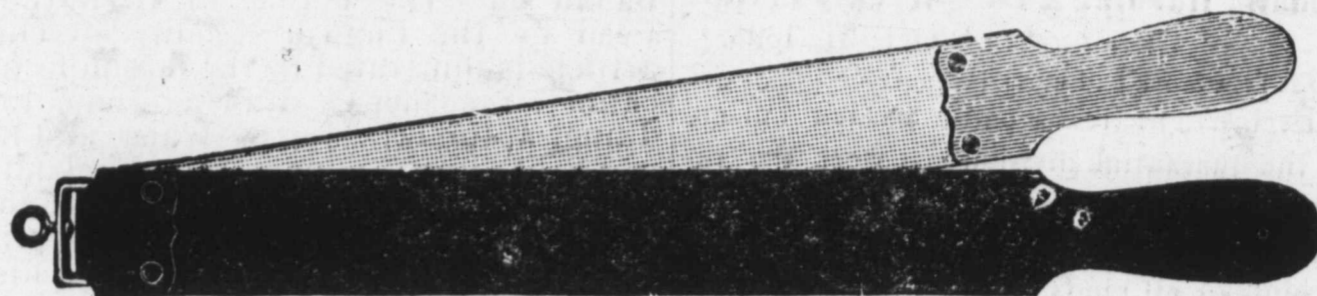
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SWINE.

Regular feeding of all the stock is one of the important things in careful and profitable management. The hog will tell you plainly if you have passed his dinner hour, but some of the other animals, which make less fuss, perhaps, notice the neglect just as much.

There is not much question but that spring pigs make the cheapest pork, but fall pigs are the best for breeders, if you must use pigs less than one year old for that purpose, and it is well to remember that when a pig is a good breeder for one year he will probably be just as good for five or six years more. The moral of this is that when you have a good one—keep it.

If you have a half dozen good breeding sows, and are in the business of hog raising to stay, you should also keep a boar, and a good one. The time and trouble of borrowing cost about as much as the expense of keeping him, and it is not often that the best ones can be borrowed.

The conditions for the profitable winter feeding of hogs are these: Clean, dry, warm quarters, protected from wind and draughts; as much wholesome feed—if grain, preferably ground fine—as they will eat clean three times a day, and free access to a mixture of salt and ashes; and even if you can supply all these conditions, we think it is still better to feed them off before very cold weather comes. This matter of using grain for fuel, and that is what cold weather feeding amounts to, does not often pay.

The hog crop is quickly made, therefore usually profitable. They can be made ready for the market, says a writer, in a short time, and they are a class of stock that is desirable to keep on the farm. They can be made ready for market in so short a time that they are a desirable class of stock when quick results are needed. Of course it is necessary, in order to secure the best results, to have a good breed, and then give them good treatment. If this is done a quick increase and a reasonably quick return will be secured. But the very fact that with good management a rapid increase can be made ready for market inside of nine months, increases the risk of depending too much upon them. Under certain special conditions it may pay the farmer to make something of a specialty of hogs to the exclusion of other kinds of stock. Generally the better plan is to keep only such a number as will proportion well with the other stock. Have a sufficient number of sows, and mate them so as to have two good litters of pigs a year, so that when one lot is marketed another will be growing to take their place. Pigs eat such a variety of food that they are economical stock to keep, to a certain extent, as they consume much that would otherwise go to waste. But of course this can only be done to a certain extent, so that after a certain number is kept the cost is considerably increased. On the farm at least there is nearly always a decreased risk in diversity of interest. If a variety of crops are grown and several kinds of stock are kept there is much less risk of entire failure than when dependence is placed upon one or two items of farm production.

In growing a crop it is well to figure that about one-third of your product will depend upon the soil, one-third upon the seed, and the rest upon the care and cultivation given, but if any one of these falls short of what it should be, more than its own proportion of the crop is apt to be lost. Each one of the conditions must be at its best in order to get the full benefit of having the others at their best.

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POULTRY.

Nest boxes should be so constructed as to exclude the light. The hens are quieter on the nests when they are dark, or very nearly so.

Do not crowd the young chicks by over-feeding. They will not need anything for twenty-four hours after leaving the shell.

Grains are valuable for poultry food in the following order: wheat, barley, buckwheat, corn, oats, rye. Some people get this pretty nearly reversed in feeding.

If you feed corn at all to the fowls, feed it on the cob. It will only give them the needed exercise if they have to shell it, and will prevent them from gorging themselves so rapidly.

A little money can hardly be used to a better advantage anywhere than in starting a small flock of good fowls. But there are not many people wise enough to use a large sum in the same way.

It has been a slow process, but we believe that most farmers have decided that fowls do pay. Now they should get better fowls and learn that they may pay much better still.

The by-product of the poultry yard—the manure—furnishes a good special fertilizer for the garden. The best way to use it is to mix with an equal part of dry earth, make all very fine, and apply in the hill.

There is at least one item of farm production wherein consumption is increasing much faster than the production. We mean eggs. You can go into the poultry business pretty nearly anywhere and be sure of a good market.

Give fresh meat and cut butcher's bones to your laying hens now, if you want to get plenty of eggs. At this season, when eggs begin to appreciate in value, it will pay to take extra pains to keep the hens at work. There is a good machine on the market now sold at a slight cost, which will cut hard, green bones small enough to be eaten by the fowls. This sort of food is what makes the eggs. Do not feed too much corn just because it is handy, but buy, instead, wheat, oats, and bran if you have not already plenty of them. It will pay better than to keep the hens to a single grain. Corn is good as part of the ration, but do not keep them to it all the time.

Practice economy in the care of the fowls this winter. Two ways in which you may do this will be by having a floor which will not gather nor hold moisture and large windows on the sunny side of the houses. This latter will make the place warm and dry, even on cold days. This means good health for the fowls and consequently more eggs.

Some poultrymen are of the opinion that roosts are unnecessary. One on this subject says: Birds are prompted to go on the roosts more because of the instinct of self preservation than for comfort, and while on the roosts they are subject to cold draughts. In all cases where the roosts were discarded and the birds compelled to sit on straw on the floor, they have been comparatively free from disease, and no cases of lameness occurred. It is an experiment worth trying during the coming winter.

Autumn leaves are useful in the poultry house for winter. Store away a good supply of them as early as you can. Use them to absorb the moisture and to keep the feet of the fowls from the cold floor. They also help to increase the supply of fertilizer.

Do not be tempted into thinking there is much profit from fall chickens. This is a delusion and a snare for the ordinary poultry grower.

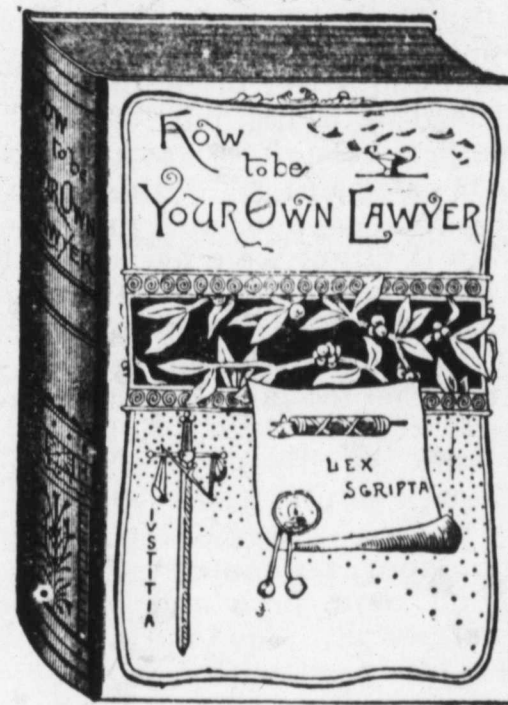
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THE FORT WORTH PACKERY.

All the people and all the papers have been for some time telling that the Fort Worth packery would be opened not later than the latter part of the present month. While everyone hopes the good news is correct, still many doubt the report. So many promises about this institution have been made the public through the press and otherwise that now it is regarded as a huge jest; so many dates have been set on which the grand opening was to be made, that to state that the packery was to be opened at such a time caused a smile.

However, the people at the head of the movement have been expected in the city for several days. Those in a position to know claim that the institution will be running in full blast soon. Some say one week, others two and still others set the time indefinitely, but all agree that it shall be in operation before 1894.

Among the many opinions expressed are heard both good and bad. Some doubt it in toto; others say it may; some say it's a "sure go," but one and all express the hope that it's a fact and agree that such an occurrence will be of untold benefit to all.

The JOURNAL cannot say when the packing house will be in the market for stock; neither can it say that it ever will be, but indications certainly point to the opening of the institution and if the management have made satisfactory financial arrangements all that stands in the way of operating the plant is to oil up the machinery and turn on steam. Texas will furnish the stuff to kill.

FEEDING HOGS.

Now that the opening of the Fort Worth Packery is said to be an assured fact, our stock raisers and farmers must pay more attention to the hog. More hogs and better hogs should be raised in Texas, whether we have a packery at home or not, because they are the quickest of all classes of live stock to mature and because they are profit earners. Upon the question of feeding hogs, T. D. Beck, in Colman's Rural World, has the following to say, and it may be of value to Texas hog men:

"Any one can raise hogs," was the idea of our fathers and many, by their actions, yet believe that the pig is not deserving of Christian treatment, but it is not to these that I propose to write; they never read a farm paper, don't believe in "bo k farmin'" and all advice given them is a waste of time and space. We have learned—many of us—that it requires as much skill, science if you please, to breed and feed swine properly as it does to conduct any other operation upon the farm. At this time we propose to confine our attention to the subject of foods and feeding.

Those who live in the great corn belt endeavor to make corn take the place of all other grains, and irrespective of price they market all their wheat, barley and oats, when at least a portion should have been reserved to mix with the corn to feed the pigs. Corn is a

handy food to feed, and when fat is a prime object in feeding, there is nothing superior to it. But it makes our fat hogs too fat, not enough lean meat in proportion to the oily fat. The meat thus produced is too strong for any but those having as strong stomachs as have the pigs themselves. Doubtless you have frequently noticed the fact that Canadian fed pork always outsells that from the United States in the markets of Europe. It has a larger per cent. of lean meat than has ours and the fat is not so rank and unpalatable. Why is this? They breed and feed the same breeds that we do. It must be their manner of feeding them that makes the difference in their favor. For the past two years I've been a reader of the leading agricultural papers of Canada and I have learned why Canadian fed pork takes higher rank abroad than does ours. This is not a corn country like the Mississippi valley. Corn is too high priced, and necessity forces them to find a substitute and that substitute is barley and pea meal. Upon this pigs grow rapidly and fatten nicely, making well-flavored and toothsome meat. Both of these, barley and peas, can be grown with much less labor than can corn, and where soil and climate are suitable they will yield as many bushels per acre as we get of corn. Before the advent of the binder the barley heads deterred many from its cultivation, but that no longer matters, as we do all the harvesting by machinery. Were we to feed our fattening pigs with equal parts of barley, pea and corn meal mixed, the product of our pig pens would be appreciated more highly than it now is, and our hogs would continue in better health, cholera (I believe) would become a thing of the past and each pig feeder would reap a larger harvest of profit than he now does.

In seasons like the present, when wheat is low in price and hogs correspondingly high, the wheat farmer can secure a much better price for his wheat if he'll feed it to his pigs. If he will mix one part each of wheat and corn to two parts oats, and give this mixture, he will have a cheaper and much better food than if either were fed separately, for it has been proven that all kinds of stock improve much faster when fed a variety of food. Where possible, and we do not feed too large a herd, I prefer making all food fed into a rich slop, but many who do this spoil all the good that should result from soaking the food by leaving it in soak too long, until it sours. Sour, fermented slop will not make good toothsome and wholesome meat, neither will pigs improve as fast, nor remain as healthy as they will when given nothing but sound (sour slop is rotten slop) and sweet food.

We don't feed, as a rule, near enough oats to our pigs. As a bone and muscle food I don't think oats has an equal, and from the time that young pigs can be induced to eat until ready to enter the feeding pen they should be fed some every day. After they have entered the fattening pen the oats may be discontinued, flesh and fat is now your prime object, you've already built up the necessary bone and muscle to carry all the fat you can put on them and they should be fed exclusively, almost, upon the rich r grains.

Cattle for Fall and Winter.

The continued disturbed condition of the industries, with so many factory people idle, are still having their influence on the cattle markets. If business was normal, the industries running full and everybody employed we would have larger consumption and better prices for beef. One of our Nebraska exchanges at the Omaha center of the cattle trade says:

"Diligent enquiry has been made from cattle raisers, feeders and shippers from all parts of the great cattle producing sections who have been met at the live stock exchange in this city; conservative commission men have also been interviewed in this connection. From the total of these enquiries we believe the remaining months of this year, and well up into 1894, points to higher prices for fat, corn-fed cattle. Our reasons are plain. Money is close, many heavy feeders have been relying on borrowed capital, the panicky conditions compelled the

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calling in of all out-standing loans, feeders have been unable to get money with which to carry on their operations, and although corn is plenty and comparatively cheap, a great porportion of the cattle, that otherwise would have gone on feed for the fall and winter, have either been marketed in half-fat condition or been turned on grass to go over another year. Furthermore, a great many farmers who have been feeders on a limited scale, have been compelled to realize on their cattle that would have been fed until late in the fall and winter before marketing. The above conditions, we find, are prevalent throughout the great cattle-feeding states, and from them the most reasonable conclusion is that good fed cattle are going to be scarce for some months and correspondingly high prices may be looked for. On the other hand, while we look for higher prices for fat cattle we do not see anything in conditions that point to any material recovery in values for the cheaper grades of beef material. There are plenty of immature cattle in the country, the stringent money market will compel their being brought forward, and the same influence that forces them on the market will compel the consumer of cheap beef to buy cheap or quit buying at all."

IRRIGATION IN TEXAS.

Irrigated lands in Texas, with the exception those in the Rio Grande valley near El Paso, are comparatively unknown. Why this state of affairs should exist and why so much good land should be allowed to be waste land, or at least fit only for grazing purposes, is a mystery that is now attracting not a little attention. Many streams in the state afford ample facilities for irrigating vast acres of land that heretofore could not be cultivated because of the uncertainty of the seasons.

The reclamation of so much land in parts of California, Arizona, New Mexico and other states and territories has given rise to the question of supplying the want of seasons to the lands of Texas through artificial means, and already the spell is working. The Port Lavaca has the following interesting article on this question in its last issue:

Mr. J. S. Taylor of Los Angeles, has been spending some days at Port Lavaca. He came down on a pleasure and prospecting trip and has been making a close inspection of soil and climatic advantages of this region. He is an extensive owner of ranch property but makes a business of conducting irrigation enterprises in the arid regions and is well informed on the subject of what can be done with the dry counties west of the San Antonio river. In discussing the matter Mr. Taylor expressed the belief that the rain fall in that region is sufficient as the experience of years will show. There is sufficient water to make crops a certainty each year and the only problem that confronts the people is to prevent it from rushing to the gulf and retain it at certain points so that it can be utilized and distributed over the cultivated districts. The Nueces could be tapped in the territory above San Antonio and being a bold river would supply enough water to make vast areas agriculturally safe. By continuing the work down the river and along the more prominent tributary streams counties like Dimmitt, La Salle, McMullen, Liveoak,

San Patricio and Nueces would be reclaimed and made capable of supporting a heavy farming and fruit growing population. The fertility in the soil in the counties named he did not believe could be doubted and water was the only problem. The development of the irrigation enterprises would also have a tendency to increase the rain fall and make the seasons more regular. Mr. Taylor further stated what had been done to reclaim the vast region of Southern California and looked upon the permanent reclamation of the region alluded to as highly practical and within the bonds of immediate financial possibility. The project would mean much more for that section than deep water and would ultimately lead to deep water as a natural consequence.

He said that connecting at a point below San Antonio the historic river of the same name could be utilized to reclaim the dry places of Karnes, Bee, Goliad and Refugio counties. In speaking about the fall necessary he said there should be about 2½ feet to the mile as they have discovered in the arid regions of Arizona and Southern California where the best engineering talent of the land is employed and where the work is carried on with a magnitude that involves the expenditure of millions of money. The people out there find that irrigation has paid ten fold and now no channel of enterprise can command more ready capital. It will be the same, he felt satisfied, in the dryer counties of Southwest Texas when the advantages are made clear. Mr. Taylor expressed surprise at the vast scopes of fertile land in southern and southwest Texas and predicts a grand future for the region. He has also given much attention to the artesian well enterprises now under way in Calhoun county. He also stated that in many places pumping engines are located along the bank of streams at a cost of less than a thousand dollars and capable of watering a mile square of territory sufficient to make crops.

New Orleans Market Report.

[Reported by Albert Montgomery, Live Stock Commission Merchant, Stock Landing.]

NEW ORLEANS, LA., Oct. 30

There has been a large run of all classes of cattle for several days. The market closed in an unsettled condition. Quotations for the better grades are weak, and value are lower and with a tendency to further decline on poor to medium stock. Hogs dull and weak. Sheep not wanted. Quotations are unreliable.

Beef Cattle	Calves and Yearlings.	Hogs	Sheep.
Receipts... 2112	2347	1525	157
Sales... 1924	2012	867	576
On hand... 631	795	746	—

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Good fat calves each...	6.00 to 7.50
Common to fair calves, each...	4.50 to 6.00
Good fat yearlings, each...	8.00 to 10.00
Common to fair yearlings, each...	5.00 to 7.00
Good milch cows...	30.00 to 35.00
Common to fair...	15.00 to 25.00
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HOGS

Good fat cornfed per lb. gross...	6.50 to 6.75
Common to fair per lb. gross...	5 to 6

SHEEP.

Good fat sheep each...	2.25 to 2.50
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MARKET REPORT.

BY WIRE.

Chicago Live Stock.

U. S. YARDS, CHICAGO, ILL.,
Nov. 2, 1893.

Special to the Journal.

Monday's receipts of live stock at this market were as follows: Cattle, 18,000; hogs, 26,000, and sheep 14,000. As compared with the receipts for the same day last week there was no change in cattle, 6000 gain in hogs and 800 decrease in sheep. The supply of cattle included a large share of common to pretty good native and fewer range cattle than were expected. The quality was comparatively poor. At least there were very few really choice fat natives here. The most desirable kinds ruled about steady, while the general market was very slow, and the lower and medium to so-called good grades sold unevenly lower. The large supply of medium to good western range cattle made the market for ordinary natives unsatisfactory. Opinions varied but the majority agreed that good cattle ruled steady and others unevenly weaker, the close being about 10c lower. There were about 300 Texas cattle here against 6000 a week ago. The market was generally steady. The same kind of cattle sold at practically the same prices as were current at the close of last week. The best 1468-lb cattle sold at \$5.65; fed Texans, 943 lbs, \$3.90. The hog market was fairly active and higher, the early business being 5@10c higher, but went lower later. Mixed sold at \$6.10@6.55; bulk at \$6.25@6.40; heavy, \$5.95@6.55. Sales of poor to fancy lights were \$5.95@6.50, or 5c higher than Saturday. There was a good healthy feeling in the sheep market for anything that was desirable. Good sheep and lambs, whether westerns or natives, sold at a little stronger prices. Native sheep sold largely at \$2.75@3.50, with inferior kinds at \$1.25@2. Ewes sold at \$2.50@3.25; western wethers, \$2.75@3.30; lambs, \$2.50@4.60.

Tuesday's receipts were 7000 cattle, 19,000 hogs and 14,000 sheep. There was little change in the beef cattle market. Thick, fat native steers were scarce. Texas and western cattle were about steady. There were 2500 Texans here, and prices about the same as Monday. Good cows and heifers sold fairly well. Hogs were lower than on the preceding day and sheep were steady.

Wednesday there were 17,000 cattle, 21,000 hogs and 12,000 sheep. Good to choice native cattle were in active demand and the market strong. Natives, \$4@5.80, sales principally at \$1.75@2.75 for cows and



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heifers, \$4@5.25 for steers; Texans, \$1.5 @3.50; veal calves, \$2@5.85. Little change in hogs. Heavy sold as high as \$6.20 and there were sales of medium at \$6.30@6.35. From these figures was trading all along down to \$5.75@5.90 for poor and common stuff and from \$3@5.50 for culls. Close was quiet but strong.

Sheep sold at \$3.25@3.75 for good to choice and \$1@3 for inferior grades.

The cattle market to-day was 10c higher. Extra steers, \$5.65@5.90; number of trades around \$5.50, bulk sold above \$5.25. Westerns steady, Texans firm, active demand for feeders. Hogs 10c higher. Fancy heavies, \$6.45. Sheep were firmer than on the day before. Inferior to choice grades selling at \$@3.75; lambs, \$2.50@4.85.

St. Louis Live Stock.

Special to the Journal.

ST. LOUIS NATIONAL STOCK YARDS,
Nov. 2, 1893.

Monday's cattle market opened steady with 4348 head on the yards. The offerings of southern cattle amounted to 113 loads. Quality only fair, but there were some good cows and steers. The highest price for Texas steers was \$3.10 which was paid for a load weighing 1079-lbs. Bulk of sales at \$2.5@3. Top cows, weighing 1060-lbs sold for \$2.75. Bulk of sales \$1.90@2.20.

The hog market was invariably quoted stronger, but for the reason that most of the hogs were common and inferior, buyers who sold good hogs were hard to find. On a market which was considered as last Friday when plenty of hogs sold at \$6.20@6.35, and the top was \$6.35; the highest price up to 10 o'clock was \$6.20, and the bulk of hogs sold at \$6@6.10, some good hogs could be selected from such loads as sold at \$1.8 @6.10, but the average was inferior and they did not represent the quality which should be expected to command prices for standard grades. The late arrivals brought the top up to \$6.25 and the bulk at \$6@6.15, the packing kinds sold at \$5@6.15 but no strictly butcher qualities of hogs were sold.

The sheep receipts were small and the quality medium. A few lambs sold at \$3.75, otherwise nothing good enough to sell above \$3.30.

Cattle receipts Tuesday were 9000; values steady. Best \$5.10; Texas steady, closing lower; good to choice steers, \$2.50@3.25. Four thousand hogs were here. The market opened strong and closed lower. Top price, \$6.35; bulk, \$6.15@6.20. The sheep market was slow. Receipts 2000. Top price \$3.60.

Yesterday the receipts of cattle were 9300. Market quiet. Fair to choice native steers

\$3.7@5.25; ordinary to medium Texas and Indians \$2.40@3. Texas calves lower on receipts of thirty carloads. Nearly all yesterday's receipts medium Texans and Indians. Receipts of hogs 3700, 10 cents lower. Heavy \$6@6.25, mixed \$5.70@6.20, light \$5.80@6.15. Receipts of sheep 100, market slow; top price \$3.85

To-day we had 4000 cattle, and the market was generally 10 cents higher. Fair to good native steers sold at from \$3@5; fair to pretty good Texans, \$2.40@3.10. Of hogs 5200 were received. Market was also 10 cents higher. Top price \$6.20, with bulk of sales at about \$6.15. Sheep were slow, steady and unchanged.

Kansas City Live Stock.

Special to the Journal.

STOCK YARDS, KANSAS CITY, MO.,
Nov. 2, 1893

Receipts for the first four days of the week were as follows: Monday—Cattle, 187; hogs, 1516; sheep, 1063. Tuesday—Cattle, 8209; hogs, 5141; sheep, 281. Wednesday—Cattle, 13,000; hogs, 5200; sheep, 1700. To-day—Cattle, 9200; hogs, 4000; sheep, 2700.

There was a liberal supply of range cattle Monday. Texas cattle were more active than Saturday. About 100 cars went to the Texas division. The proportion of cows was less than Thursday, Friday and Saturday, but was good. Buyers began work at a seasonable hour and trade showed more life on killing and canning stuff than the last of last week. There was little to note in the way of changed prices, most dealers quoting them steady with Saturday. Top Texans brought \$3, and from that figure ranged down to \$2.10. Cows, \$1.0@2.00. The hog market was higher, but closed dull and weak. The bulk of sales was at \$5.05@6.12½, against \$6.00@6.05 Saturday. The top was 10c higher at \$5.20. The sheep market was steady.

Tuesday's prices for natives were generally steady. The market was fairly active on Texans, with strong prices, most of the business done at a rise of 5@10c. The supply of hogs was small for Tuesday. Prices were about 10c lower than Monday. The sheep market was unchanged.

Pest cattle were steady yesterday; others slow. Texas and shipping steers \$1.85@2.15. Texas and native cows, 1:00@2.00; butchers', stockers and feeders, \$1.65. With 5200 hogs the hog market opened 10@15c lower and closed strong; bulk, \$5.75@5.80; heavy packing and mixed, \$5.80@5.95; lights, yorkers and pigs, \$5.50@5.90. The sheep market was slow and steady.

Best cattle were firm to-day and others slow. Texas steers, \$2.20@3.25; shipping steers, \$4.10@5.15; Texas and native cows,

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\$1.00@3.20; butchers, \$3.40@4.15; stockers and feeders, \$2.10@3.00. The hog market opened 5@15c higher, and closed weak. Bulk, \$5.90@5.00; heavy packing and mixed, \$5.15@6.05; light yorkers and pigs, \$5.60@5.85. Sheep market slow.

Dallas Live Stock Report.

DALLAS, TEX., November 2.

Sales of live stock for the past week at Carter's stock yards:

D. M. Mufford of Limestone county, 54 choice fat cows, 849 lbs, \$1.75@2; F. Kettle, Dallas county, 29 cows, 746 lbs, \$1.60; L. M. Bakley, Ellis county, 28 cows, 684 lbs, \$1.50; R. H. Miller, Tarrant county, 21 cows, 754 lbs, \$1.85; same party, 11 veal calves, 262 lb, \$3; G. B. Laatz, S. W. Co., 58 cows, 724 lbs, \$1.50@1.75; E. S. Daugherty, Collin county, 19 cows, 870 lbs, \$2; same party, 3 milch cows, \$35 per head; F. L. Murry, Denton county, 14 cows, 730 lbs, \$1.40, same party, 5 buls, 1060 lb, \$1.25; G. M. Kirby, Dallas county, 4 milch cows, \$32.50 per head; J. C. Ewell, Erath county, 36 cows and heifers, 710 lbs, \$1.50@1.75; same party, 3 buls, 870 lbs, \$1.25 and 9 calves, \$2.25@2.75; H. Melton, Denton county, 29 veal calves, 207 lbs, \$2.50@3.50; same party, 14 choice fat cows, 920 lb, \$2; M. F. Hough, Dallas county, 32 choice can-fed hogs, 264 lbs, \$6; B. P. Fly, Collin county, 19 choice hogs, 208 lbs, \$5.75; J. K. Elliott, Ellis county, 47 choice hogs, 231 lbs, \$5.75; L. B. Sims, Dallas county, 21 hogs, 312 lbs, \$5.60; O. G. Williams, VanZandt county, 59 hogs, 218 lbs, \$5.50@5.75; C. H. Hardman, Palo Pinto county, 105 stock hogs, \$5.50@6; S. V. Putty, 59 stock hogs, \$5.75; M. G. Hines, Wise county, 127 choice emu tons, 106 lbs, \$3.50; J. E. Elliott, Ellis county, 192 muttons, 83 lbs, \$2.50; D. F. Hope, D. F. Fau, 78 sheep, 79 lbs, \$2.50; G. H. Glenn, Dallas county, 36 goats, 64 lbs, \$2; R. S. Freeman, Dallas county, 6 bull, 920 lbs, \$1.25; same party, 13 yearlings, \$7 per head; C. S. Gray, Collin county, 11 veal calves, 291 lbs, \$2.25.

MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Reported by Carter's stock yards:

Choice grass steers	\$2.00 to 2.25
Common to fair grass steers	1.75
Choice fat cows	2
Common to fair grass cows	1.50 to 1.75
Yearlings	6.00 to 9
Choice veal calves	3.00 to 3.75
Common to fair calves	2.00 to 2.50
Bulls	1.25
Stags	1.25
Choice hogs	5.50 to 5.75
Common to fair hogs	5.52
Stock hogs	5 to 6
Choice mutton sheep	3 to 3.50
Common to fair	2.50
Goats	2
Milch cows, each	\$ 20 to 40

The market has been over supplied with all classes of poor stock, but good, fat stock have been very scarce and brought top prices and found ready sale. Hogs are advancing slowly. Stock hogs continue to be very scarce. Veal calves slow. Choice, fat muttons are in good demand.

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Do not put off till spring any work which can be done now. The spring is always a busy season, and you will be in a hurry to get crops in and do the things that must be done to make the year's work go smoothly. If there are repairs to make, better do that work now.

Corn growers this year have seen the value of having the soil well prepared before planting. In many places excessive rains prevented proper subsequent cultivation, and then the drought came. Crops on land that had been well fitted withstood these disasters fairly well, while others suffered.

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There are a good many ways in which grain may be spoiled for seed. One of the commonest of these is by heating, because of the moisture when in bulk. Another is by getting wet, then freezing and thawing. Better test all seed before using, and so be sure you are on the safe side.

Some weeds continue to mature their seeds until very late in the season. Keep up the battle against them, and let none go to seed if you can possibly avoid it. Every one that does, adds vastly to your work for years to come, and will continue to absorb some plant food that should go toward making profitable crops.

One of the best staple crops for a money crop is the Irish potato. The chief essentials toward procuring a good yield are as follows: Good, well selected seed; good soil, well enriched; careful planting and thorough cultivation and protection from insect enemies. Plow deep and harrow until the ground is well pulverized. Give it the best attention you know how from the day the seed is planted until the crop is harvested, and we venture to say that you can select few things which will return a larger net profit than this.

Do not go into winter quarters without plenty of food on hand for the mind as well as for the body. Begin now and look up a supply of books for winter reading, and keep the boys in mind while you are doing it. The very best that you can have will be good practical works upon the different branches of agriculture. These will prove both interesting and instructive, and maybe have the effect of making a better farmer of you. Any of your agricultural newspapers will be glad to help you with suggestions as to what are the best books in this line to buy.

There seems to have been less advance made in economical methods of securing and saving the corn and fodder crop among farmers in general than in almost any other matter connected with our agriculture. Much machinery and many appliances have been invented and brought into use to harvest and secure the wheat, rye, oats, barley and hay crops, until it almost seems that no further improvement in these lines could be made, but as to the corn crop, one of the most valuable of them all, there has been made little or no advance. The original system of backbreaking, slow, hand work still obtains, even to the abominable practice of cornhusking in the shock, and half the fodder continues to be wasted, as it was in the dark ages of our agriculture.

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The use of brewery grains as food for milch cows is steadily increasing, and their popularity is based on the practical experience of those who have tried them. The result has been so favorable that attempts are being made to dry the grains, and thus get them in better shape for handling and shipping, and so procure for them a wider market.

The definition of a good cow is very simple. It is a cow that will give 250 to 300 pounds of butter a year, or 5000 to 6000 pounds of milk. This, with no bad habits, a good constitution and good blood, that you may be warranted in using her for a mother for future cows, is about all that one can reasonably desire. We think such a one is a good cow.—Rural Life.

We have made some improvement in this matter, but there are yet some among us who do not realize the value of succulent food for our cows in the winter season. In the summer the cows obtain from the grass enough juice to make the milk flow easily and in large quantities. Exclusive dry feed, no matter how rich or how much is given, cannot give as good results as succulent food. The silo is the proper thing to help us out in this.

A good dairy barn is an essential for every farm where cows are kept at all with a view to supplying milk and butter for the market. It is a matter of economy to have such a one at the outset of your undertaking. It need not be expensive, as a few hundred dollars will build a barn ample for say thirty cows. The barn and the silo together—the latter being quite as essential as the former—should not cost at the most over \$1,000, provided you build for economy and comfort rather than for show. It will often be economical, both in the first construction and in the future use, to have the dairy barn built as an L to the large barn. It should be 32 feet wide, and thus have room for two rows of cows, with a wide passage way between. Have the walls double and lined up with cheap matched flooring, so as to make it warm, and put in plenty of windows, so that it will be light and dry out easily. A damp, dark barn is an abomination.—A balloon frame, with 2x6 studding will be heavy enough. It would be well to line with tarred paper to give added warmth. With such a barn you can make winter dairying profitable.

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Animals kept for breeding are frequently kept too fat. This is especially so with the males, and particularly if they are used at all for show purposes. One reason for this is perhaps because they are kept in closer confinement than other stock, and so lay on fat more rapidly. Give them exercise, and you counteract this.

Grain farmers and cotton farmers, and all others who have been depending mainly upon a single crop, are coming to a better understanding in regard to stock, and finding that it is a necessary adjunct to any system of agriculture. Any man who attempts to carry on a farm without the aid of stock of some sort generally finds himself running behind in a very few years.

Double the value of your straw by feeding it in combination with oil meal. This greatly increases its actual nourishing properties. Fodder and hay may also be made to produce more beneficial results by the addition of a little oil meal for its enrichment. It will also increase the appetite and improve the health and vigor of all classes of stock.

Never use a grade animal for breeding, however good its appearance may be. Whatever of merit, style or quality he may have comes to him from some thoroughbred ancestor, but he has no power to transmit his fine qualities to his progeny, to any degree worth figuring on. The improvement has ended with himself. The grade is bound to breed your herd down instead of up, and there is no profit in that way.

Live stock raising improves the soil and increases the production of good crops of grain and grass, and these crops are much more profitably marketed through the very medium which has helped you to produce them than if sold direct in their own original form. Beside this, the profit in feeding stays at home, instead of going into some other man's pocket.

Keep a record of every animal which is bred upon the farm. After a time such records become invaluable. The date of breeding being known, ensures better attention to the animal, and even if you have only grades, but are grading up, the pedigree becomes important with each purebred cross. This is a matter which does not require much trouble, and for that very reason, perhaps, is often neglected.

It will be ascertained by any who will investigate that the men who have succeeded best on the farm have combined stock growing with the production of grains and grasses. The farmer who undertakes to make a living and lay up money by raising and selling grain, may, while his land is fresh and strong and prices good, make a considerable amount of money. But the time will come when his yields will diminish and he will gradually find it harder to accumulate.

Sorghum vs. Alfalfa.

Bulletin S of Arizona Station gives the result of feeding alfalfa and sorghum, separately and mixed. They regard alfalfa and sorghum as the two most profitable sources of cattle feed on irrigated lands in Arizona. Three lots of 7 native steers each were fed for 71 days, as follows: Lot 1, sorghum alone; lot 2, alfalfa alone; lot 3, alfalfa and sorghum mixed. They were fed in separate fields, twice daily. The sorghum was a mixture of saccharine (or sweet) and non-saccharine varieties. It was cut

when the seed was ripening, shocked in the fields, and fed whole. The amount of each food given was regulated by the appetites of the animals. During the trial the lot on sorghum gained 29 4-5 pounds, the lot on alfalfa 78 1-2 pounds, and the lot on the mixture of sorghum and alfalfa 62 5 pounds per head, showing a decided advantage from feeding the two foods together. Following this trial the three lots were all fed for a second period on alfalfa alone. During this time the largest gain, 43 1-5 pounds per head, was made by the lot which had previously received sorghum and the next largest, 37 1-4 pounds, by the lot which had received alfalfa alone. In this experiment alfalfa alone gave a much better result than sorghum alone, but the combination of the two proved superior to either fed singly. This is what might be expected, judging the two feeding stuffs from their chemical composition. Sorghum—stalks, leaves and seed—is rich in carbonaceous or starchy matter, but deficient in nitrogenous or muscle forming material for a complete food. Prof. Gully says he prefers the large sweet varieties for stock feed. Cattle will eat the stalks of the sweet varieties nearly clean, but take the heads and leaves of the non-sweet varieties and reject most of the stalk. He says when the two varieties are fed together, cattle eat the sweet first. Sorghum is very generally reported as giving good results especially when fed with a grain.

Perhaps you have on the farm some poor field which does not often repay the cost of cultivating it? Then figure the cost carefully before again putting in the plow, and see if you can not do better with it than you have been doing. You would be more certain of escaping loss, at least, if you should seed it down and turn on good stock, and in time, by this means, you might bring up its condition to a point where it would really pay to cultivate it.

One trouble with us in this country is that we do not know how to manage small pieces of ground as well as we might. We are not used to the effort of making the most out of a little, as we have been so long accustomed to cheap lands, and consequent large farms. Some of the European, and even Chinese, immigrants who come to America can give us points in this respect, as they make a living and even lay up money on a small plot, which would mean slow starvation to us. It is thorough cultivation which does it, and we might do well to take some lessons from them.

An Essay.

The following essay on "cows" was written by a little school girl:

"A cow is a animal with four legs on the under side. She also has a tail; the tail is longer than the legs, but it is not made to stand on. The cow kills flies with her tail. The cow is bigger than the calf, but not so big as an elephant. The cow has big ears that wiggle on hinges; so does her tail. She is made so small that she can go into the barn when nobody is looking. Some cows are black, and some hook. A dog was hooked once. She tossed the dog that killed the cat, that worried the rat, that eat the malt that lay in the house that Jack built. This was not my brother Jack. He did not build a house. Black cows give white calves; so do other cows. Milkmen sell milk to buy their little girls dresses, which they put chalk in and water. Cows chew cud, and each finds its own cud. This is all I know about cows."

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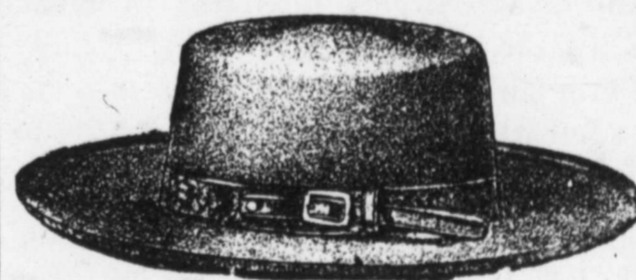
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Cattlemen, sheepmen, horsemen or any one else interested in live stock or agriculture, are requested to call at the JOURNAL offices when in Fort Worth. THE JOURNAL is always glad to welcome you. Call and make yourselves at home.

Joseph Miller, the big cattle feeder from Wichita, Kas., was here Tuesday.

C. A. Dalton, the well-known Palo Pinto county cattle man, was here Tuesday.

P. R. Clark of Comanche county spent a good part of the week in the city.

J. H. Whatley of Greenville, a well-known cattle feeder, was in the city Tuesday.

D. D. Swearingen, the Quanah cattleman, was here Tuesday on business.

E. Fenlon of Leavenworth, Kansas, and manager for the Bronson Cattle company, near Midland, was here Tuesday.

J. W. Johnson of San Angelo was here Tuesday. He gives a very "dry" description of everything in his section.

A. Schuster of St. Joseph, Mo., who owns several large cattle ranches in Texas, was at the Pickwick hotel Tuesday.

Sid Moore of Comanche was here Tuesday and went out to Cresson to look after his steer cattle in pasture there.

Charles McFarland, the well-known Tarrant county feeder, took time to come into town Tuesday night.

J. T. Spears of Quanah, one of the leading Panhandle cattlemen, topped last week's St. Louis market for Texas with a load of 1063-pound steers, which sold at \$3.25.

J. K. Zimmerman, the Kansas City dealer, who is largely interested in Texas cattle and who is one of the most liberal buyers visiting the state, went up the Denver Tuesday.

Major John W. Burgess of Fort Worth, Texas, and his son, John I. Burgess, were at the yards to-day on their way to Chicago and the east.—National Live Stock Reporter, Oct. 27th.

Jere J. Burnett came down from the Falls Monday afternoon and left for Chickasha that night. Jere now eats his turkey in the Territory; says Denton's birds of that kind are getting too thin for good chewing.

T. P. Stevens, formerly one of West Texas' big cowmen, was here the first of the week. Tom now resides in Dallas, Dallas county, Texas, and still deals in and talks cows, steers, etc.

Col. Charles Goodnight, the cattle king of the Panhandle, spent a part of the week in the city. Col. Goodnight is watching with much interest the movement looking to the opening of the Fort Worth Packery and hopes to see the establishment doing business shortly.

J. H. Kelly, the big (every way, even in avoirdupois) cattle feeder of Hunt county, came in Monday night and went up the Denver to look at some feeding steers. Mr. Kelly and his brothers are among the most

prominent feeders of the state, and when their cattle go on the market the little fellows have to get out of the way. They're thoroughly practical men and know how to put the tallow on the beef. Barbee of the Cotton Belt, on which road they live, says they feed their steers with the idea of making them just as fat and fine looking as they are themselves.

J. C. Johnson of Waxahachie, a well-to-do and prosperous feeder of Ellis county, was here Tuesday looking for some feeding bulls. McAnulty, Andrews & Co. sent him off to the Angelo country and he'll doubtless get 'em.

Rom N. Graham, the wide-awake live stock broker, gave the JOURNAL young man some valuable information Tuesday, but lack of space forbids its publication. Ask him about the mill-dam story and he'll tell you about it.

Col. Jonathan T. Nesbit, general live stock agent of the well-known Chicago and Alton, is expected in Fort Worth this week. The Colonel is always glad of an opportunity to visit Texas and Texas is always glad to welcome Col. Nesbit.

Major Samuel Hunt went to South Texas Tuesday night to look after his interests in that section of the state. The Major has retired from the railway business and now bids fair to become one of our most prominent feeders. The JOURNAL wishes him much success.

Mr. L. Zabel has moved his stock of saddles and harness from 103 to 314 Houston street. Mr. Zabel handles and manufactures first-class goods only and would be pleased to have you call and see him or write for catalogue and prices, before purchasing elsewhere.

S. B. Burnett came down from the 6666 ranch Monday night and spent Tuesday in the live stock center. Burke can't stay away long at a time. Has to come to shake hands with the boys and hear the news. All his cattle are doing well and to show them only adds to the high standing of the 6666 herd as one of the very best in the country.

R. E. (Dick) McAnulty of this city of the firm of McAnulty, Andrews & Co., returned Monday from a business trip to Cripple Creek and Crede, Col., where he and Tom Andrews are largely interested in mines. Mc says the mining interests in that country are in a fair way to recover from their recent setback and the miners will shortly be in it again.

George Beggs, the R. Strahorn & Co. man, has removed his office to 409 Main street, opposite the Pickwick, in the room with the Bon-Ton cigar store. Mr. Beggs is not interested in the cigar business, however, though he displays good taste in selecting his company, as well as his location.

William T. Way, the well-known traveling agent for the Evans-Snyder-Buel company, reports the whole country in dire need of both rain and grass. Says that in some parts people have almost forgotten what grass looks like and would not know what it was if seen.

Col. James A. Wilson, the hustling live-stock agent of the Chicago and Alton, came in Tuesday night from a trip and reports things dry everywhere. He thinks there will be more cattle fed at oil mills in Texas this winter than ever before. This belief is based on the fact that more mills will be in operation this winter and that other feed will not be so plentiful as heretofore. The Colonel was seen at the Pickwick for about five minutes Tuesday night, thus verifying the statement that he does frequent that popular hostelry.

George Simmons of Weatherford, who has large cattle interests in the territory, was in town last Tuesday en route home from the territory. George is a genuine, Texas-raised boy and don't know anything else much but the cow business. That he knows

it is proven by his success in it, for while still a young man he can count several head of cattle, a few horses and has as many as twelve hogs. The steers he now has are, he says, better than the market, the hogs he'd like to sell, but they are very much like the steers—too good for the prices they'd bring.

H. R. Martin, the Comanche county cattleman and banker, passed through Fort Worth Tuesday en route home from Strong City, Kas., where he went to ship out a lot of fat steers.

Col. William Hunter, general agent for the Evans-Snyder-Buel company, says that reports from all sections of the state are to the effect that rain is badly needed; that grass is about played out and that considerable loss may be expected the coming winter from this cause alone and if, as is generally expected, we should have a hard winter, the loss in all parts will be quite heavy. Uncle Bill is now in San Antonio.

C. W. Jones, the Brownwood cattle raiser and dealer, was here Tuesday en route home from an extended trip over the plains of West Texas and the Pecos river country. He says good grass is awful scarce, except in spots, and that mostly along the Pecos river. However, he found sufficient pasture in the plains country for about 2000 of his cattle and was then on his way home to begin to move them. He will doubtless drive his cattle as far west as the Pecos river and then north to the plains proper.

Court Babb came down the Denver yesterday morning.

L. H. Lee of Albany was here Wednesday night en route to Louisiana, where he is feeding steers.

W. K. Clark of Dicie, Parker county, was here yesterday. Mr. Clark wants to buy 100 head of nice steers.

Messrs. W. W. and Sam Dyer, prominent cattlemen of the Panhandle, were in the city several days of this week.

D. B. Gardner is down from the Pitchfork ranch. Says it is a little dry out that way, but his cattle are in very good shape and he hopes to go through winter all right.

John Ikard, the well-known young Greer county ranchman, who has been in the city for a week past, leaves in a few days for his ranch.

W. W. Johnson of Palo Pinto county was here Wednesday night. Mr. Johnson is largely interested in live stock in addition to his mercantile business.

John Guitar, president of the Jefferson oil mills, was here Monday and went to the territory to look at a lot of feeding steers with a view to purchasing them.

Capt. F. F. Ikard of Greer county came down Tuesday night. The captain is, as usual, jovial and good natured, and says everything in Greer, even stock, is lovely.

S. Carson, assistant manager of the Espuela company, has been in the city most of the week, attending the court of appeals in the interest of his company, which was by that court freed of an uncalled-for receivership Wednesday.

Col. C. C. Drake of this city, the well-known chief clerk in the traffic department of the Fort Worth and Denver, has at last overcome his objections and is now in the hands of his friends for a lively set-to with the numerous other candidates in the coming mayoralty contest. If the railroad boys and cowmen had the say, no election would be necessary—he'd be president.

J. W. Lynch of this city has just returned from a trip to the territory and says his cattle there are in very good shape. He will have to feed them this winter, however. When asked what he thought about the Packery he became very busy and would not say anything, except that it would be a Godsend to the whole country if it could be run and he hopes to see it opened.

J. W. Barbee, live stock agent of the Cotton Belt, is attending strictly to business

now. Says he's had his holiday and is now nicely settled and keeping house. The Cotton Belt is doing business at the old stand and there his smiling countenance can be seen; he will be ready and willing to talk about rates, cattle, cattle-feeding, house-keeping, the silver bill, and anything else except his portly friend across the street.

Fred Horsbrugh, manager of the Espuela Cattle company, is in town and is about the happiest fellow here. The court of appeals Wednesday removed the receiver who had been appointed by the lower court for the Espuela company. "Of course we had a clear case, but it worries a fellow quite a little to have anything of the kind on his mind," said Fred. The Espuela steers are now free to be sold, if a buyer can be found who wants them.

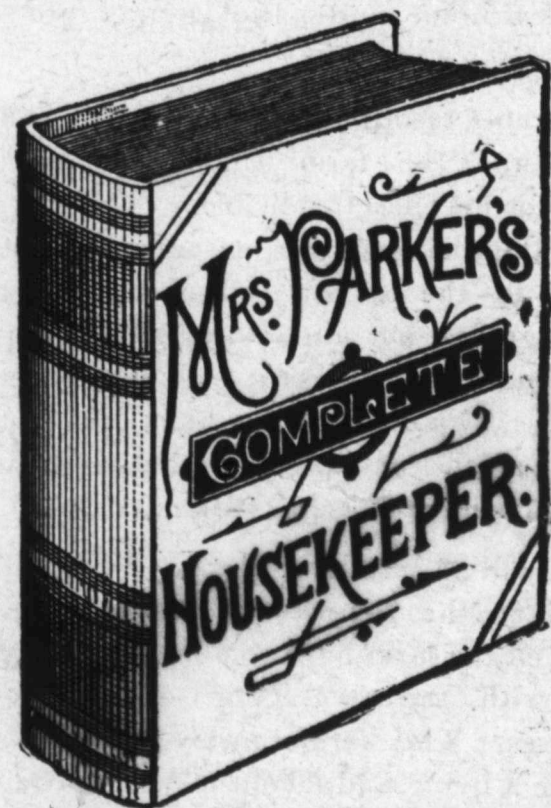
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NOTES AND NEWS

Brady Sentinel: While it is true that times are hard and money scarce, still the people in this county are getting along very well, no one is suffering, and there is considerable money stowed away that only comes to the surface in case of actual necessity. We are doing fully as well as our sister counties surrounding us, and should not grumble, but go to work with a determination to succeed, and we will find that it will pay much better than sitting on the street corners bewailing the situation of affairs.

San Angelo Standard: U. G. and S. E. Taylor, county and deputy county surveyors, are running out a 10,000-acre winter pasture for Charles Chambers, in the Mule Creek canyon country, on the line of Coke and Tom Green counties. W. J. Skinner says that it will be the best winter pasture in the Concho country, and be stocked this winter with cattle from Mr. Chambers' Buena Ventura ranch on Kickapoo... Willis Johnson delivered at the shipping pens yesterday 300 four-year-old steers which he recently sold to N. B. Edens, the Corsicana feeder, and they were immediately shipped out to Corsicana. Considering the number, this is the finest and fattest lot of steers that have seen the inside of the San Angelo stock pens in years. The beauty part of the business is that Mr. Johnson has received \$20 per head for each of the 300.

Editor Bull of the Roswell Register says: "It is not often that a man has the grim pleasure of reading his own obituary, but we read ours. Our brother brought us a long and highly complimentary notice from the East Oregonian of how we died in Utah, and how we had when a small boy, named; set up the type and run off the first issue of that paper. So far as our naming, setting up the type and running off the first number of the East Oregonian is concerned, these were strictly facts; but of their account of our demise, we beg to state that we are no an angel, and that we do not live in heaven, but at the time the notice was published, we were, and are still living in Roswell, in the Pecos Valley, which is the next place to that "land which is fairer than day."

The Port Lavacaen says: "T. M. O'Connor, the millionaire ranchman of Victoria, and Charlie Toups, passed through here on Monday on their way home. Mr. O'Connor says that grass is fine in his Calhoun county pasture. A good deal of stock has been shipped in from their pastures in the dry belt. Mr. O'Connor has also provided an abundance of water for his stock... The news has gone abroad that Calhoun county has an abundance of grass and many letters from stockmen in the dry belts seeking pasturage continue to pour in but our lands are pretty well stocked and all cannot be accommodated. Refugio has sent in more requests for pasturage than any other county and it is said that stockmen there will suffer heavily this winter.... Al McFadden has completed his shipment of cattle from Victoria county to Wolf Point, across the bay, where grass is abundant. Mr. McFadden leased land from Captain Olson for the winter.

The Ozona Courier serves the following notice on the "drifters": "Let it be known right now that Crockett county is no place for gally gentleman known as the drifter. She has all the stock within her own borders that the range will support and her stockmen will make it hot for any man who dares to trespass upon her domain and eat and tramp out their grass with his stock. Stockmen from other counties have been drifting in here and "running" the blind calf over our stockmen long enough and they don't propose to stand it any longer. Our stockmen are as liberal as any set of men you will find anywhere, when range and water is plentiful, but now that the drouth exists here as well as everywhere else, they have to protect themselves and their own interests. So if you wish to run the gauntlet of fifty

shot-guns loaded with buck shot, come ahead but on the other hand, if you wish to stay in a healthy condition, stay where you are. This is pretty plain talk but if you don't believe it why we simply invite you to come out and try them on.

"A rather amusing incident occurred on my train a few days since," said a well-known Fort Worth and Denver City railway conductor. "A cattleman got on the train at some station way up near Clarendon. I know he was a cattleman, though I only know him by sight. He soon started through the train, I suppose to see if any of his friends were on board. It happens, that there is a cattle company up in that country which is just now tied up in some kind of a litigation, and the manager for this company and the principal man who is trying to give him trouble were talking over their business together when the cattleman got on the train. It seems that he did know the manager of the company, but not the other man (I believe the receiver for the company). Anyhow, he came up and called the manger of the company by name and asked him when the case would come up for decision. Receiving an uncertain reply he said: 'Well, I hope you'll beat those

so bad they'll keep clear of this country hereafter, and with that he passed on. I could tell by the look on his face that the receiver was utterly astonished to hear himself so roundly 'cussed' right in his face, and even the manager felt sorry for him though he didn't want to."

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Emma P. Ewing says: There is a great deal of useless labor in our homes in the cookery department. The waste of labor and time is immense because a great deal of cooking is done that is of no earthly advantage. A great deal of fussing and musing which takes time and strength and money and leaves you not one bit better off. The best methods of cookery are the simplest and the simplest methods are the best methods everywhere. I think elaborate dinners are simply absurdities that have come down from the dark ages when they thought they had nothing else to do but eat.

"Right thinking and right breathing are the two things most essential to happiness," says an eminent physician. It is evident, concludes "Americanized Delsarte Culture," that right thinking induces the right breathing; likewise, right breathing will tend to right thinking and may become a promoter of health and happiness. There was wisdom in the remark of a young lady who, after closing the door of a restless, garrulous caller turned to her friends and said: "That woman has set me nearly frantic. I must go and breathe awhile to calm myself!" Many a nervous person could become mentally poised by reposeful breathing.

A writer in a farm journal speaks very truly when he says: "There are a great many things in the world that are hard to understand. That is, for a man of my age." I say a man of my age, for I observe that younger men know and understand much more than I do. I will not say precisely what my age is, but I am over fifty. A man to know the most must be about twenty. He is then pretty sure to know nearly everything, or if there be anything he does not know, it is something not worth bothering about. Speaking for myself I find that the sum of positive, genuine knowledge I possess is not so great as it was many years ago, when I was about Tim's age, or a little less.

Miss Parloa says: "In paring fruit use silver-plated knives, and drop each piece as soon as pared into a bowl of cold water, which has been made acid by the addition of lemon juice. This prevents the fruits from turning dark. Use earthen bowls and wooden or silver plated spoons. Avoid any delay while doing this work. To pare peaches and plums put a little of the fruit into a wire basket and plunge it into boiling water for three minutes. Take the basket from the boiling water and plunge it into cold water for a few seconds; then turn its contents into an earthen dish and pare with a silver knife. Save all the juice that falls into this bowl. When the work is properly done the skin will peel off perfectly smooth.

I have found among all nations, says Ledyard, that the women adorn themselves more than the men; that wherever found, they are the same kind, civil, obliging, humane, tender beings; that they are inclined to be gay and cheerful, timorous and modest. They do not hesitate, like man, to perform a hospitable, generous action; nor are they haughty arrogant or supercilious; but full of courtesy and fond of society; industrious, economical, ingenuous; more liable in general to err than man, but in general more virtuous and performing more good actions than he. I never addressed myself in the language of decency

and friendship to a woman, whether civilized or savage, without receiving a decent and friendly answer. With man it has often been otherwise. In wandering over the barren plains of inhospitable Denmark, through honest Sweden, frozen Lapland and churlish Finland, unprincipled Russia and the widespread regions of the wandering Tartar—if hungry, dry, cold, wet or sick, woman has ever been friendly to me, uniformly so; and to add to this virtue, so worthy of the appellation of benevolence, these actions have been performed in so free and kind a manner that if I was dry I drank the sweet draught, and if hungry, ate the coarse morsel with double relish.

Take up the matter of the cultivation of the grass crops and pursue it as thoroughly as you do any other branch of your farm operations. This work is too often attended to in a more haphazard manner than any other, and yet it will pay just as well as any to give it good attention. There should be a reform in the method of handling our grass lands, as grass is the basis upon which our prosperity in many other lines may rest.

The success of the dairy depends upon the man who owns the cows. It is he who elects to own and milk good cows, to feed well and cheaply, to turn out fine products—or the reverse. No law, no co-operative efforts, no luck can have any effect upon the yield of milk which a cow gives, the amount of solids in that milk, the cost of the feed, the thoroughness of the creaming of the milk or the quality of the product. These things are all procured by the judgment, thought and skill of the owner, and by these means alone. These are the foundation of all dairy success, and the man who expects to succeed through any other means will make a great mistake.

Success includes profits, and therefore successful farming means more than growing the crops, live stock, etc., for which the best prices are realized. It takes some foresight to determine what these are from year to year. Therefore, the successful farmer must be a good reader, a constant reader and thinker; skilled and practiced in these so that by his knowledge of the past conditions he can reason out the future. The weather predictions for twenty-four hours in advance are predicted on the direction the wind is blowing at given points; its velocity, atmospheric pressure, state of the barometer and thermometer in given localities. When these conditions were so many years and times before, such and such kinds of weather occurred at this and that point. It takes intelligent and patient application to determine these weather futures. And so it is with the intelligent and reading farmer. His papers and literature being to him the varied conditions of production, trade and prices, supply and demand, in all quarters. He must study and familiarize himself with all these, not for a day, a week or a year, but constantly all his life if he hopes for success. The battle of life is a mental one as well as physical. It must be kept up constantly in both fields to make life successful. Coming down to practical things, one has very clearly said that it is very clear to one who studies the drift of things just now that the most successful farmer will be the one who changes his system to meet the changed condition of demands for his products, and, as far as his circumstances will permit, to produce those special crops that sell most easily and are most easily grown. Thus the most successful farmers of the present time are those who rear market pigs, lamb, poultry, or fine dairy stock; grow potatoes, celery, small fruits, or hay; make fine butter or fancy cheese, produce milk or cream for sale, and who in their special ways supply demands for single products that meet with ready and profitable sales.

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If the plain statement had been made at first that strawberries could be grown on any soil that would produce corn or potatoes, and that extra care and preparation would pay just as well on one as the other, there would have been more of the fruit grown, and cultivators would have learned for themselves by degrees, what looked so formidable when spread before them all at once. People should stop and think that good soil, well manured and prepared, is what is needed for any crop, and that little extras may be added at pleasure, and favorable locations and qualities of soil taken advantage of as occasion offers. Every farmer knows how to prepare a patch of ground for carrots or parsnips, and seems to think it necessary to use a little more care than he should for corn or potatoes, and thinks there is no mystery about it; the same preparation is enough for strawberries or anything else, and the extra care in preparing the soil and expense in fertilizing it would pay as well on the field crops as in the garden, and the area can and should be reduced in proportion. Strawberries were only taken for an example, but the same conditions exist in regard to other small fruits and even tree fruits. Many men who have fine shade trees and productive apple orchards have been led to think they could not raise cherries or plums by seeing all the ills and drawbacks which they might meet in the life of a tree arrayed together in one article, which was of great value to the cultivator who had made a start. By studying the natural requirements of trees or of those most nearly like them, much may be learned, and it is not always safe to assume that a change is an improvement.

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