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The Chicago Drivers' Journal has this to say about burning corn for feed.

Prospects are that farmers will have more corn than coal to burn this winter.

It is estimated that out of ninety cotton seed oil mills in Texas fully forty of them will, for the want of seed to grind, remain idle this fall and winter.

The Journal is glad to note that many of those who have steers for sale are acting on its suggestion.

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THE BUSINESS SITUATION

The general business situation has greatly improved. There was grave apprehension for a time, says the Shoe and Leather Review, that the scarcity of money would impel the New York banks to issue clearing-house certificates.

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PRICES AT CHICAGO

The Drovers Journal, Chicago, gives the following as the average yearly prices at the stock yards in that city for the eighteen years named, as follows:

Years, Cattle, Hogs, Sheep.

1878..... \$4.00 \$4.25 \$3.50

1879..... 4.30 4.55 3.80

Average, \$4.80 \$5.05 \$4.00

street cars, at the public or at the social gathering, on the way to business, going to and from church, everywhere, anywhere, the one all-absorbing topic, the theme to be talked about, the subject to be read about, to be considered with the greatest earnestness and honesty, is the money question.

No ill can come of such earnest consideration and discussion of the important public question of settlement before the tribunal of last resort, the people of the United States.

DEHORNE

Dehorned cattle sell better than horned cattle for all purposes.

THE CATTLE TICK-PLAQUE

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THE WESTERN CATTLE RUN

So far as the average man is concerned the cattle breeding industry has been on a gradual decline for several years.

THE ST. LOUIS STOCK MARKET

FARM.

Those who planted Kaffir corn should remember that its roots are near the surface.

Many farmers waste a great deal of time and labor trying to raise a profit crop that is not adapted to their soil or conditions.

Frequently men have been transformed from shiftless into extremely careful stock keepers, merely by the introduction of a few really fine animals to their herds.

Wild animals always tend toward uniformity; on the other hand, if changed from a wild to a domesticated state they tend to vary in form, color and productive powers.

It is the probable net profit after all that concerns the farmer in determining what crops he will put out.

THE BURNING CORN FOR FUEL

The burning corn for fuel this winter in some sections of our prairie country, says the Nebraska Farmer.

THE MARGIN BETWEEN THE POSIBILITIES

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OF INTEREST TO COTTON RAISERS.

To the Cotton Raisers of Texas. There seems to be disposition to exaggerate the crop prospects among the export and mill buyers.

Experiments at several stations seem to indicate that wheat thinned sowed as well as that with greater quantity of seed, if the sowing be done early and the season be favorable.

KEEP YOUNG STOCK GROWING.

One of the most noticeable drawbacks to live stock or mixed farming is that farmers are too negligent about keeping a quick and constant growth in their young stock.

MORE ABOUT CHARBON.

Editor Texas Stock and Farm Journal. Charbon among cattle is causing much anxiety at the present time.

CROP PROSPECTS.

Department of Agriculture, Statistics and History, Austin, Tex., Aug. 31. On the 12th day of August this department sent out interrogatories to citizens living in the various counties of the state.

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SAN ANTONIO.

From the office of Texas Stock and Farm Journal, San Antonio, Tex., this week, the following news items were received:

S. J. Whitsett, one of the leading stockmen and farmers from Atascosa county, was in the city this week, accompanied by his two children, who he will leave here to attend school.

William Rhineheart, who owns a nice ranch and stock of cattle in the National Canyon, was a visitor to San Antonio during the past week, and reports stock water scarce in his section.

R. M. Bennett, from Curvo and who formerly dealt largely in cattle, was in the city, and we are glad to state that his health has improved, and that he expects to be on the turf again soon.

William Jennings, who is a shipper and owns an interest in the city of Uvalde county, stopped off in the city on his return from the Indian Territory, and left for the south-bound I. & G. N. for Fearfall.

George Johnson, who owns a good ranch and stock of cattle near Sabinal, was in the city and spent several days of the past week. He reports the weather dry, but adds that stock of all kinds are looking remarkably well.

John Blocker, a prominent shipper and cattleman, has just returned from the Indian Territory where he has been looking after his cattle on pasture there. Says he has shipped out a good large number of them.

Pat Stevens, who has been residing in San Antonio for some time, has left for North Texas, and will probably make Bobette his objective point. Pat says he expects to remain at least until the shipping season closes.

W. A. McCoy, one of Atascosa county's most prominent stockmen, came in and spent several days with us the past week. Says it is dry and dusty traveling, but they have had some good rains recently in his vicinity.

John I. Clark, one of our best and most prominent cattle shippers, paid us one of his periodical visits this week, and reports that some good rains have fallen where he is holding some of his steers, and that he feels much better.

Thomas Coleman, who is interested in cattle south and west of San Antonio, returned to this city the past week from the Indian Territory, and seems well pleased with the returns of his cattle shipped from the Territory to the market.

John Kobernutt, from Alpine, and who is interested in a large ranch near that place, is among our visitors this week, and will remain with us for some time. John says his section of the country is in fine condition, having had more rain than usual at this season of the year.

J. H. Stephens, who represents the George R. Barse Commission Company in Texas, has just returned to the city, after an absence of several weeks. He is also one of the administrators of the Dr. J. B. Taylor's estate, and is on business connected with the administration of the estate.

H. C. Storey, of San Marcos, and one of our best stock feeders, was in the city for several days, and was called at the Journal office and gave us his views upon cattle feeding the coming season. Come again. We are always glad to see you and hear you talk.

J. L. Mathews, a prominent cattleman from Sabinal, was in the city during the past week, and called at the office and had his subscription registered up to 1897. Mr. Mathews reports the weather very dry, and says while the grass is very dry, water is getting scarce in some localities.

J. M. Chittum, a well-known stockman from San Antonio, has just returned from the Indian Territory, where he has been for some time looking after his cattle interests. He reports the condition of the Territory very good, and the cattle in better condition than formerly, and prices not so bad after all.

"Uncle" Henry Clark, the live stock agent of the Aransas Pass railway, paid us a visit the past week, and remained several days, and reports the movement of stock on his line at present as being very light, but looks for an improvement this fall. Says the cotton has taken off very well, and it is rushing to market.

J. H. Blackaller, from Frio town, and who has a large stock of cattle and a ranch on the Frio river, was a visitor to our city the past week. Says they have had some pretty fair rains that stock of all kinds is looking well, and also adds that his Mexican cattle that he dehorned last winter has improved wonderfully, and if it were not for the worms he would dehorn all of his cattle.

In the last issue of the Stockman and Farmer, Sept. 2, is the announcement that "this paper is not in politics." We were glad to see this announcement, otherwise we might have been disappointed, when in direct connection with the announcement is the fact of over two columns of the editorial page devoted to the tariff and McKinley's speeches in Ohio. We hope, however, if they do not intend to go into politics, he will give us notice, so that we may be prepared for it, for in that case we should expect at least a biography of McKinley, the platform of the Republican party, and every speech on the subject of the tariff, since the formation of the party in one issue. And this announcement reminds us of one of the moves on the political chess-board executed here by the editor himself. It was duly announced in the daily papers here that the list for a call of the sound money Democrats for a convention could be found with this editor. At this convention he was present, and not present at the same time; also introduced, had read, and passed unanimously, a resolution of greeting to the New York Democrats with his name in full attached to the resolution as appeared in the Express next morning; when in fact he was not at the meeting at all, and was supporting McKinley and Judge Noonan at the time, and both life-long Republicans. Now in this connection I think I see the Farmer lively an apology for criticizing his appointment of this gentleman as a delegate to the Farmers' Congress, as he is no doubt well equipped for the position. A gentleman who can be present and not present, at the same time, offer a resolution, and not be present, as indicated by the resolution itself, is out of his element by not being in politics. The simple announcement of this subject, not being in politics, is a very good one, such as we would like to have read and reported in our work.

report, except that partial rains have fallen in many places, but not to that extent to help or increase the yield of the present cotton crop. It is now thought for the best to allow the crop to remain on the stalk, and the prospect at present is that the yield will be much smaller than the crop ending Sept. 1, 1895, and as the cotton year commences and ends with September of each year, and in reference to the years already received, the amount for the years 1894 and 1895. Mr. Heister's estimate for the entire cotton crop of the United States for the year ending September, 1896, amounts to 7,157,346 bales against 9,901,251 the year before, which is a considerable difference in the crop, and the present estimate which will be on Sept. 1, 1897, will average in shortage about 2,000,000 bales. Out of this the South has and is continuing with her mills at least 1,000,000 bales and is increasing each year, making an increase of the past year of 43,000 bales over that of the year before. This is a very fine showing for the South, and from all reports the mills located in the South are all earning more money than those north.

The State of Texas, of course, leads all the other States in the production of this staple, and including the year ending in September, 1895, she produced 2,000,000 bales, or quite that amount and when you take into consideration that the crop distributed at least 150,000 bales among the 2,000,000 in the South for its cotton crop alone. To offset this the northern states, or perhaps I should say, the states which do not grow cotton, have paid out in its territory to old soldiers alone in pensions over \$200,000,000 annually, or perhaps I should say, that the amount that about equals our cotton crop annually, the wonder is how will we ever pay our indebtedness. If there were any prospect of the cotton crop ever growing less, there would be some hope, but when each succeeding year only augments the number, the prospect of ever getting rid of the debt seems indefinite. The present cotton crop will not reach much over 5,000,000 bales, if all the reports to be reliable, and that the shortage will not be felt so much now as in the next crop. Hereafter a good number of bales were carried over from the year, but the crop will require almost every bale to keep the mills running until we reach the next crop. It seems that present prices will be better than last year, and that almost as much money can be realized out of this crop as the last, provided there is not too great a rush in the markets.

The price of cattle for this year has been anything but satisfactory for both the seller and buyer. Various causes have been assigned for this condition, but the principal one has been, and is to-day, the hard times and stringency of the money market. It has been almost impossible for the last twelve months to obtain anything like the market value for any and all kinds of property, and it is gratifying to be able to state that cattle have come nearer bringing their true value than any other class of stock, or any other commodity of merchandise.

There is just a slight difference of opinion regarding the causes which have brought about the present condition of affairs, and equally as many remedies are proposed through which relief may be obtained. "But sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof, and without an attempt to correct it, we are not to be in the future, we propose to deal only with the present and the past, or no trouble to sell cattle at a high price in time of a boom, and very hard to sell at all when prices are low. It would probably be better to have a steady market, and of things could be reversed, and the stockmen to buy when cattle are low, and sell when cattle are high.

In a business letter to the Journal Mr. John P. Lee, of San Angelo, says that while the country down there is receiving rain, cattle are doing well and the farmers will make good crops.

W. E. Mabry, of Channing, who has charge of the Houston & Texas Central Railway lands in the Panhandle and Western Texas, spent several days in Fort Worth the first of the week.

We take pleasure in calling the attention of our readers to the advertisement, in this issue, of the Hodge Fence Co., Ltd., Lake Charles, La. Their fence is progressive and worthy the investigation of fence builders.

D. G. Galbraith, manager of the Llano Land and Cattle company, of Garza county, was in Fort Worth Tuesday. Mr. Galbraith says they had good rains, and everything is in fine condition on his ranch.

Col. James A. Wilson, live stock agent of the Chicago & Alton Railroad, who has been confined to his room with a severe attack of fever, is reported to be improving, and the indications are good that he will be on his feet again in a few days.

Frank Moody, the well-known live stock agent, of Fort Worth, returned a few days ago from an extended trip through the Republic of Mexico. He says business is good, and all of the business element and better class of people seem to be prospering.

B. R. Whitt, a well to do stockman and county treasurer of Cottle county, in a private letter to Texas Stock and Farm Journal says: "We are very dry here, stock water scarce, crops fair, grass good and cattle fat. Success to the Journal; it is a welcome visitor."

We would call the attention of the Journal readers to the new advertisement of The Hodge Fence Co., Ltd., Lake Charles, La. Their combination wood and wire fence is both progressive and practical, and worthy the attention of everyone wanting a good fence.

S. B. Burnett, the well known Fort Worth cattleman, bought from Z. T. Bilton, of Jack county, between 300 and 400 3-year-old steers at \$10 per head. The most of these cattle were original from Eastern Texas, but had been held for a couple of years on Mr. Bilton's Jack county farm.

M. P. Pulliam, of San Angelo, was in Fort Worth Tuesday, on route to Kansas City. Mr. Pulliam has 4,000 choice 4-year-old steers in Lynn county, 2,500 of which he expects to ship direct to market within the next few weeks, and the remainder will be shipped to Kansas to be fed and marketed later in the season.

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S. R. Jeffrey, a prosperous and well to do cattleman of Young county, was in Fort Worth Wednesday. Mr. Jeffrey says the market is very good, and all of the business element and better class of people seem to be prospering.

Those of the Journal's readers interested in fine hogs will not fail to notice the new advertisement in our Breeder's Directory this week of J. A. McMaster, Macomb, Mo. Mr. McMaster offers a fine lot of registered pigs which amount to 150,000, his guarantee feature is especially attractive. His farm is situated in Southwestern Missouri, thus enabling him to offer his customers in Texas and Indian Territory big advantages in the way of express charges.

Geo. B. Loving & Co., the Fort Worth commission dealers in cattle and ranches, sold the Rocking-Chair pasture in Collingsworth county last week to the Continental Lumber & Cattle Co., of Dallas. This is admitted to be one of the best ranches in Texas. It contains 300,000 acres, the alternate of which amount to 150,000, his guarantee feature is especially attractive. His farm is situated in Southwestern Missouri, thus enabling him to offer his customers in Texas and Indian Territory big advantages in the way of express charges.

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