





CATTLE.

Live Stock in Blanco county have wintered well and very little feeding has been done...

T. E. Townsend of Midland, has let the contract for an immense barn to shelter his recent importation of fine cattle from Missouri.

Average steer yearlings in Brown county are selling at \$12, but there is not much trading in older steers on account of a scarcity of feed.

The Espuela Land and Cattle company is co-operating with the farmers of Dickens county by furnishing land for cultivation for a share of the crop.

Two Hereford calves belonging to the Loveland Stock farm of Bee county, which are now 18 months old, were weighed last week and each weighed a little over 1300 pounds.

The grand jury of Bee county has just returned true bills against Nat Ward, John Mc Campbell and Add Best, all colored for cutting the Wangeman pasture in Bee county last fall.

The Kerr County Land and Cattle company of California have recently shipped from Deming, N. M., 1500 head of cattle bought in Arizona to their pastures near Bakerfield.

George Cowden and George Pemberton of Midland, have gone to Wyoming to establish a steer ranch, with the intention of shipping a big string of young steers up there in the spring.

Half & Bros. of San Antonio, will begin the movement to the Territory of 200 or more cars of cattle from their ranch on the Pecos the latter part of March. Shipments will be made from San Angelo.

W. E. Smoot, secretary of the Denton county Blooded Stock and Fair Association, has recently purchased a carload of pure-bred Shorthorns at Columbus, Ohio, and is now there supervising the shipment of same to Texas.

D. B. Cusenberry, D. C. Ker and R. F. Halbert, acting as arbitrators in a controversy between Moss & Lochlin and M. B. Atkinson for possession of a ranch in Sutton county, awarded the ranch to Moss & Lochlin and \$35 to M. B. Atkinson.

Dr. W. G. Shaw, of the Bureau of Animal Industry, has succeeded Dr. Richard J. Blain as inspector at Nogales, Ariz. Dr. Blain will be in future stationed at Arkansas City, Kan., where he will supervise the shipment of cattle from below the quarantine line.

The commissioners' court of Midland county has placed the valuation below given on live stock and lands for purposes of taxation: Improved lands, at \$1.25 per acre; stock cattle, \$12 per head; two-year-old steers, \$16 per head; stock horses, \$10 per head; saddle horses, \$18 per head; sheep, \$1.50 per head; wire fences, \$25 per mile; windmills, \$40.

The following taxable values on live stock and pasture lands have been fixed by the commissioners' court of Maverick county: Stock cattle, \$12; steers, two-year-olds, \$14; steers, three-year-olds, \$18; steers, four-year-olds and over, \$21; fine blooded cattle, fine horses and hogs at actual value. Stock horses, \$5; mutton sheep, \$2.50; stock sheep, \$2; goats, \$1.25; all pasture lands, \$1.25 per acre.

The commissioners' court of Sutton county has instructed the tax assessor to assess live stock, land and wire fence as follows for the purposes of taxation: Stock cattle at \$12.50; steers from two up, at \$20; stock sheep, at \$2; dry ewes and muttons, at \$2.25; stock horses, \$5; saddle horses and mules, \$20; hogs, \$1; oxen, \$2; Jennets, \$5; jacks according to value; fencibles, \$30 per mile; improvements on ranches according to value; land, \$1.

NEW MEXICO. Las Vegas has negotiations for a woolen mill well under way.

Five car loads of machinery has recently arrived at Corisbad, for the new Wool Scouring plant.

Alfalfa raised by irrigation in the Southern portion of New Mexico is selling at \$12 to \$15 per ton and the demand is equal to the supply.

Col. Dick Hudson of Deming, has been advised that the custom house at Las Palomas would be opened for cattle at once. It will likely be in future a regular port of entry.

The Victoria Cattle company of Grant county, New Mexico, have just shipped 1600 head of two-year-old steers to the company's pastures near Bakerfield, Cal. Several thousand more will be shipped as fast as gathered.

The killing is reported of Holly Manning, a young Texas rancher, near Ramoth, by James Heath, a Mormon. It is stated that Manning was infuriated with one of Heath's alleged wives and was cautioned to discontinue his attentions toward the lady. The warning was never heeded and Heath shot and killed the would-be lover.

Quite a number of stockmen assembled at the court house last Monday evening, and some business of importance transacted. It transpired in the meeting that C. B. Willingham had an option on nearly the whole spring outfit of beef cattle, and he is to attend to marketing them at the rate of fifty cents per head. It was decided to pay a bounty of \$20 per scalp for "looter" wolves. After some fragmentary discussion and attention to details of organization, the meeting adjourned.

A gentleman who is excellent authority on the subject, says that both sheep and cattle buyers are making extensive inquiries in New Mexico as to opportunities for early purchase. Every indication promises, says the Albuquerque Democrat, that the coming spring will be much more active than the last among stock raisers. Cattle and sheep have done well this far, and

the recent rains argue for excellent spring ranges. High prices will rule, and as the ranges are very fully stocked, the sales may quite likely be un-expected.

According to the Deming, N. M., Headlight, a remarkable poker game took place recently at Tularosa, N. M., recently with five wealthy cattlemen in the game. It lasted from Saturday morning until Sunday night. Chips were worth \$30 each and there was at one time \$15,000 on the table and one hand was called for \$5000.

The cattlemen of Grant county met recently in Silver City for the purpose of organizing an association for their mutual protection. Committees were appointed and the necessary work incident to forming an association of this kind was done. By-laws were drafted in which the duties of the officers, the manner of raising funds, and other matters of vital interest to the life of the organization were properly laid down. The headquarters of the association will be in Silver City, and it is proposed to hold regular meetings on the first Monday in each month.

INDIAN TERRITORY. Ardmore has raised its quarantine against small-pox districts.

The Cherokee delegation appointed by Chief Huntington will go to Washington unhampered by instructions, but their purpose will be to urge a speedy allotment of all Cherokee lands and a final settlement of this vast Indian estate. The little "kinks and crooks" in the treaty, as objected to by the Senate and House committees of Congress, will come out of this meeting. They will also urge provisions to open up two vast oil, coal, lead and zinc fields of the Cherokee Nation, and all other industries that are now dormant for lack of government and laws.

The average value of horses per year exported from this country for five years, 1894 to 1898 inclusive, was \$3,588,956. Great Britain and Canada will consume 67.2 per cent, Germany 16.20 per cent, Belgium 8.07 per cent, Mexico 2.50 per cent and Cuba 1.71 per cent. All the other countries took each less than 1 per cent on an average. England during the five years mentioned paid us for horses \$1,737,748.

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J. D. Yeoman, Interstate Commerce Commissioner, and Frank Stout of Dubuque, Iowa, have purchased 120 acres of the Mount Vernon estate in Virginia, and will establish thereon a racing stable. Some notable horses will go there in the first carload from Mr. Yeoman's Iowa farm, among them Geo. R. Peck, a son of Joe Patchen.

John P. Allen, an American trainer now located in St. Petersburg, Russia, which he is racing there, and has eight days' racing won \$5000. He says that any fair stable can win \$50,000 a year there, but that an American horse cannot win much, as there are but few races in which he can start.

A bill amending the penal code of that State has been introduced in the New York Legislature by Senator Havens. The present law prohibits racing within one mile of a place where a court is sitting. The amendment will except racing on the grounds of a country Agricultural Society during the progress of the fair.

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HELP TO TAKE THE CENSUS. The government authorities, with a view of making the twelfth census the most complete ever published, have requested the co-operation of the people at large in bringing this about.

The passenger department of the Sunset and Houston and Texas Central railroads, is issuing through its literary bureau, a series of articles on "the industrial expansion of Texas," which present thoughtfully and strikingly the present opportunity of Texas to move forward to a front position in the sisterhood of states.

Texas has never really entered the field of competition against the States of the East and the enterprise of the European countries, and yet the prize lies at her very door. Her proximity to the Republics of Central America ought, by virtue of position, if for no other reason, enable her producers and manufacturers to place their commodities on the counters and shelves of every merchant in the tropics.

COL. EXALL AND HIS CRITICS. Col. Henry Exall's address before the late National Live Stock convention at Fort Worth on the subject of the standard-bred horse has been reproduced in most of the leading stock journals of this country and in many of the metropolitan daily newspapers, calling forth a stream of comment which in the main, agrees with Col. Exall's conclusions.

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The American Sportsman of Cleveland, takes a similar view of the matter, and says: "The statement that no breeder can produce a 2,300 four-year-old for less than \$1000 is way off. Col. Exall can produce two-year-olds to beat 2,300 for \$250, and then lose less money than the Ohio or Indiana or Michigan farmer who raises wheat and markets it at 65c a bushel.

Now that the United States engineers have made such a strong report in favor of the canalization of the Trinity river, there is no doubt that the government will do the work. This not only means a lower freight rate to the Gulf on live stock and farm products, but means that all along this great canal there will be irrigated farms to ship out vegetables all the year around.

There is no doubt that the corn kitchen which will be established by the United States government at the Paris exposition will produce important results. It is to be kept open during the entire fair, and the cooks will be old ante-bellum darkeys who know how to make forty good dishes out of corn meal.

The American consul at Vera Cruz, Mexico, invites the attention of American exporters to the fact that there is a corn famine in that district, and that corn is the principal food of a large majority of the inhabitants.

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It is reported, with the appearance of plausibility, that ex-Governor Hogg will move to New York and become a Tammany leader.

Mr. Frick's suit against Mr. Carnegie has held up several literary contributions in contemplation by the latter, which ought to convince even Mr. Carnegie, by his own testimony, that any kind of tariff must operate in some degree as a prohibitory tariff.

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Strong Man Stricken Down.

Overcome by a Malady which Sapped His Strength—Had to Stop Work.

Cut down by disease in the flower of his youth. This is the misfortune that befell Mr. Joseph Renowden, 27 Fulton St., Buffalo, N.Y. Things looked dark and gloomy to him, hope was almost gone, his means of livelihood cut off, and all was black despair.

Renowden's case is a typical one of the many who are suffering from the same ailment. It is a disease that is often called "the great imitator" because it can take the form of so many different ailments.

The December bulletin of the Dairy and Food Commission of Minnesota says: "Another important point disclosed by these annual figures is that 51 samples of oleo, renovated butter and butter in which preservatives had been used were taken by the inspectors."

FOR SALE—10,000 acres good grass land (solid blue) watered by the Peecos and Rio Grande rivers. Fenced. Price \$50 per acre. Also 400 acres good land watered by same rivers. Price \$20 per acre.

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PANHANDLE LANDS and TOWN LOTS—Homesteaders and investors should correspond with Rogers & Rudolph, Hartley, Texas.

FOR SALE—Cottontail hula. VELA-CO MILL CO., Yelaco, Tex.

FOR SALE—25 head of better calves from 2 to 12 mo. Also 20 head of Hereford, 25 per head; also 20 head of cows, half Durham and half Hereford, all bred to registered Hereford sires.

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PEN SKETCHES.

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The editor of the Journal recently enjoyed the hospitality of Mr. Waggoner's handsome home, and it was with unusual interest that he noted several home life of a man of such wonderful resources and who has accomplished so much in life.

Mr. Waggoner was born in Middle Tennessee and his small boy parents moved into Missouri.

It will interest and surprise Western students of commercial problems to know that the decline in the commerce of the port of New York has become so marked and threatening that the legislature of that state appointed a committee to investigate the matter.

LAND LEASES IN THE OSAGE NATION.

Dear Sir:—At different times there has appeared in your columns articles in regard to the Indian Territory.

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# AT THE CATTLE CENTERS.

## FORT WORTH

**VISITING STOCKMEN.**  
Among the prominent cattlemen who have been here during the week are the following:  
E. B. Carver, Henrietta.  
Samuel Sealing, Jr., Kansas City.  
W. P. Anderson, Kansas City.  
William Atkinson, Roseburg, N. M.  
Walter Russell, Menardville.  
W. D. Reynolds, Albany.  
John M. Shelton, James Cushman, Kansas City.  
Frank Kohl, Wichita Falls.  
Capt. J. T. Lytle, San Antonio.

John B. Slaughter is back from Colorado City.  
Winnell Scott has returned to the city.  
J. D. Sanford is back from Chicago.  
J. K. Rossion visited Temple and Waco.  
James A. Wilson is back from Oklahoma.

Dorr Clark visited the "Two Circle Bar" ranch.  
C. C. French is back from Arizona.  
J. Peter Moore visited El Reno.

E. B. Harold sold at Chicago 1412-pound steers at \$5, and 1100-pound steers at \$4.40. They were fed at Grandview.

Less than 2000 head of cattle were imported into this country from Mexico during the month of February. Of these only 275 head were for Texas.

F. M. Weaver has returned from Rockwall and other points, where he is feeding a lot of nearly 3000 head of cattle. Mr. Weaver will begin shipping in about ten days, and will continue until about April 1.

W. H. Week who has held the position of live stock agent of the Cotton Belt for the past three years, has resigned, effective March 1. He will go with the Kansas City Stock Yards company as general Texas agent. It is not known who will succeed Mr. Week, but it is believed Assistant Stock Agent Ray will be the man.

One of the largest cattle sales reported here in some time has just been made by John Shy, the purchaser being Offutt, Elmore & Cooper of South Dakota. The cattle sold belonged to John Schrauber and consisted of 2000 two-year-old steers and 500 heifers. The terms were not made public, but it is understood that the sale will aggregate \$135,000.

Information received here from Trinidad, Col., this week gave the news that a shipment of thirty cars of wool would be consigned to Boston parties via Fort Worth and Chicago, and from which point it would go by water. The shipment is said to be the largest ever made from New Mexico and was valued at \$125,000. The consignment represents a large volume of wool and came from the ranch of F. D. Wight.

F. G. Oxshere, a prominent cattleman of this city, has just returned from his winter range in Midland county. While at the ranch Mr. Oxshere closed sale of 104 calves at prices ranging from \$40 to \$50 each. These calves are out of the Oxshere & Quinn herd of high grade and thoroughbred Hereford and Durham cattle, which herd includes five males bought last fall at the Kansas City sales at cost of about \$2000. Mr. Oxshere reports the calves in fair condition and says his aggregate losses, so far as reported, out of 4000 cattle will not exceed 15 head.

Much interest is being manifested in the forthcoming annual meeting of the breeders of Texas, which is to be held in Fort Worth during the March session of the Texas Cattle Raisers' association. Information comes that the attendance will be quite as large, as many of the cattlemen are breeders of hogs, and will be on hand, anyway. There are not many scribe breeders in this immediate section of the state, but from the Eastern and Southern part of Texas the majority of them will come. It is learned here that San Antonio and Chicago are expected to give the next meeting and will be here primed to make any sort of an offer.

George B. Loving left Tuesday of this week for New York city via Kansas City and Chicago. He goes to the latter places to confer with the Armours regarding matters connected with the big cattle syndicate deal and is due to reach New York March 6. Mr. Loving goes East equipped with all the completed details of the mammoth transaction and thinks that he will have no difficulties in closing the transaction with the underwriters. The reports of the expert appraisers show that there will be some sixty-three different companies in the deal, representing 90,000 head of cattle, 20,000,000 acres of land of which 13,000,000 are under lease, the total valuation being \$40,000,000. The land was appraised at \$1.50 per acre and the cattle at an average of \$1.25 per head. The Capital Syndicate Cattle company is probably the largest outfit that went into the big deal, the holdings being 3,100,000 acres of land and 125,000 head of cattle. The next largest company was that of C. C. Slaughter. Besides the above cattle and ranches, some thirty cotton seed oil mills in Texas have gone into the syndicate.

Mr. John Serruya, who represents Pierre Wibaux, one of the largest ranch and cattle owners in the Yellowstone and Eastern Montana, is in the city again, having just returned from a trip to the San Angelo country, where he has been in quest of cattle. He is in Texas for the purpose of buying 10,000 head of range stock, provided he can get them at anything like reasonable figures. He says he finds cattle are being held at very high prices all over the state. Mr. Serruya says that the cattlemen in Montana desire to buy at least 100,000 head of Texas stock, if it is possible, with which to stock up the rapidly depopulating ranges. The property represented by Mr. Serruya is situated north of the Northern Pacific railway, extends to the Missouri river, embraces a territory 100 miles square, and is said to be one of the largest and finest

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Dan O. Lively, live stock agent of the Chicago Union Stock Yards company, has just returned from a trip to Chicago, and, speaking of the general cattle market, says: "The prevailing low market for cattle is the natural result of the immense numbers being offered daily. Despite the fact that there is no recognized and established shortage of aged steer cattle, receipts in Chicago show an increase of over 60,000 for the same period last year. Owing to the inability of exporters to get transports during the month of February, the markets are used for home consumption as dressed beef, and the "warmed up" half-finished cattle find slow sale. Owing to the severity of the winter, cattle that in the ordinary course of the business would have been finished on last fall's grass had to be sold for feeders, and as they have all the money in them, and in some instances more than they are worth, they are being forced on the market in a half-fat condition. The only salvation for the Texas feeder is to cut down his cotton seed meal ration and mix corn meal in his feed, thus enabling him to hold his cattle for a month or six weeks longer. A majority of the straight meat Texas cattle have already gone to market, and the most of those on feed are getting some corn, but because of the apparent necessity of holding them in the feed lots for a longer time than originally intended, the cotton seed meal should be diminished and the corn increased. The excess of rain this winter has kept Texas cattle from getting in peak condition. Many that are going to market in 60 or 100 days are going to market rather thin in flesh and at present prices are losing plenty of money. Crushed or ground corn can be had at the feed store at from \$12 to \$13.50 per ton, and with not over five pounds of cotton seed meal and from five to six pounds of the corn meal ration, the feed is adequately and will make better beef than on the straight cotton seed feed. Of course, hulls and other roughness should be used. Something of this kind must be done to save the Texas feeder from a still further loss. In my opinion, the excessive run of half fat natives will be over in from twenty to thirty days, and I believe it will be money for the Texas feeder to hold on as long as they can, making their cattle better all the time."

Local stockmen and friends of the San Antonio International Fair association, are congratulating Volney Davis Brown, president of the San Antonio organization, over having also been chosen as the president of the State Fair association, which embraces all of the prominent fair holding organizations in Texas.

Work on the projected cold storage plant has not yet commenced, but Mr. Holden, who is promoting the enterprise, states that he believes that a sufficient amount of funds will soon be available to enable the commencement of construction. He says he is averse to starting it until sufficient subscriptions to its stock have been made to insure its completion.

W. C. Irvine, who owns a fine ranch near the Dull ranch in the neighborhood of Cotulla, was here this week and said to a representative of the Journal: "Cattle out in my neighborhood are as fine as flint silk and are feeding on the finest sort of grass. The weeds, too, are very plentiful and cattle seem to be as fond of them as of the good grass. There is a world of water for them, also."

## SAN ANTONIO

The following were among the visiting stockmen who were here during the week: Charles E. Cloy, of Rosebud, John Bartlett, of Bartlett, John C. Lee and J. W. Beasley, of Brownwood, W. D. and T. L. Griffith, of Floresville, W. N. Fleming, of Victoria, A. E. Mitchell and W. S. Nance, of Kyle, G. B. Withers, of Lockhart, C. W. Wolford, of Cyero, A. J. Culpeper, of Pearsall, C. W. Baker, of Bexar, W. P. May, of Cotulla, E. W. McKenzie, of San Angelo, L. M. Mayfield, of Sanera, R. B. Allen, of Hallsville, Calvin Reed, of Del Rio, W. C. Irvine, of Cotulla, H. J. Woodley, of Cotulla, O. G. Huff, of Dilley, R. E. Nirt, Sr., of Beville, W. J. Moore, Jr., of Brackettville, L. J. Warrington, of Leon Ranch, F. O. Culpeper, of Cotulla, S. E. Spears, of Floresville, C. L. Kilgore, of Brownsville, Lieutenant Governor J. N. Browning, of Amarillo, Ira Harris, of Uvalde, Douglas Lee, of Birmingham, Ala. D. E. Gardner, of Fort Worth, A. J. and J. J. Eull, of Philadelphia, A. J. and J. J. Eull, of Philadelphia.

H. B. Woodley, a well known stockman of this city, who is called the "Rain Maker," has gone out to his ranch in Uvalde county. The 4000-acre ranch known as McClure's ranch, was purchased this week by Mr. Nesbitt, of this city, for \$13,000, and included a fine head of stock cattle that were on it.

Among the shipments through here this week were 60 calves shipped from the Simpson ranch in Kinney county to the Houston Packing company. They were a fine lot of black Polled cattle.

E. B. Flowers, a well known stockman of Lockhart, who has been down to Dilley with a view of purchasing some cattle in that neighborhood, says he found that country filled with green grass and the cattle looking splendidly.

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Reports from the coast country and particularly in the neighborhood of Corpus Christi, are to the effect that during the recent cold spell large numbers of fish which were caught in shallow water by the cold, were frozen or sunburned by the cold as to be easily taken by the Mexicans, who reap a rich harvest marketing them.

George F. Hindes, a well known stockman and merchant of Cotulla, was in the city this week and stated to a representative of the Journal that cattle were in splendid condition in that neighborhood and the country looking finer than he had seen it for many years at this season. He also said he expected that a number of cattle trades would be made there in a short time.

The owners of the famous Dull ranch in Frio county, near Pearsall, A. J. and D. W. Dull, who are on a trip to Philadelphia on their way to their ranch.

James M. Chittum, of San Antonio, this week bought 300 head of cows with their calves at \$45 per head for the purpose of sending them to a better stock feed in two or three weeks of the weather than at any similar period during that time. Cattle everywhere are in splendid shape.

The Paris exposition will not have some very interesting and curious exhibits that were here before, but by some of the stockmen of this section and which would have been attractive to a number of the spectators. The "Geronimo" exhibit, a long horned steers belonging to James M. Doble and Ike West, as well as the exhibited steers, "Geronimo," owned by George Serruya, were on display at the exhibition at the International Fair here last fall. George McHardy, who acted as superintendent of the live stock exhibit, were here before, but they have been in charge of the steers and to have accompanied them when they were to have been shipped to Paris. He wrote to the superintendent of the exhibition at Washington asking about the regulations in reference to exhibiting them and was very much surprised at the reply that they were not to be exhibited at the International Fair here last fall. 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Fort Worth, Feb. 28.—The following market report is furnished by the Fort Worth Live Stock Commission company: The Northern markets show a 5-cent decline on hogs from Saturday's prices, but the cattle market is 10 cents higher...

CHICAGO

Chicago, Feb. 28.—Texas and Indians sold last week as high as \$4.65. The receipts last week for the week previous were 10,000 head, of which 5,000 were Texas...

LIVE STOCK

Dallas, Feb. 27.—The packer market for cattle and hogs on Monday was somewhat weaker than a week ago. This weakness also was manifest in the local market...

NEW ORLEANS

New Orleans, La., Feb. 24.—Report at New Orleans of live stock market for week ending Feb. 24: Cattle receipts 12,000, sales 12,000...

GALVESTON

Galveston, Tex., Feb. 24.—Receipts of stock during the past week have been ample to meet the demand. The general condition of the market is dull...

HIDES AND WOOL

Galveston, Tex., Feb. 26.—The comparative wool statement is as follows: This season. Last season. Receipts 3,770,139 1,292,403...

KANSAS CITY

Kansas City, Feb. 28.—Monday and Tuesday last week the market for Texas and Indians was good and active, but more local weakness was displayed...

ST. LOUIS

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 26.—Wool animal sales for all descriptions of fine, medium and coarse grades steady and firm...

DAIRY PRODUCTS

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 26.—On the Produce Exchange to-day the butter market was firm; creamery 18@23c, dairy 15@21c...

MARKETS

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 28.—Texas and Indian Territory steers, as well as those from other States, which constituted the Southern cattle division, showed a sharp decline last week...

but the inquiry from United Kingdom very small. Minneapolis advises demand for cash in that market good at May price, to 1/4c over for No. 1.

Provisions export demand for flour almost all, but say it is good for domestic consumption. Primary receipts 540,000 against 479,000 bushels last year.

Corn firm early, but advance has been lost. Tone of the market is steady. Prominent broker was a heavy seller early. Corn acceptances are still reported light west of the river...

Provisions opened stronger on small receipts at the yards than expected. Later eased off on good selling supposed to be for packing interests. Some outside liquidation. At present writing, however, the decline has been regained.

lard 1.79@2.00; 2,740,000 pounds; lard 1.79@2.00; 82,000 hogs at eight points.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISION MARKET

Table with columns: Wheat, Open, High, Low, Close. Rows for May, July, and various grades of wheat and corn.

Chicago, Feb. 27.—Receipts for today: Hogs 20,000, cattle 3,000.

Kansas City, Feb. 27.—Receipts: Hogs 16,000, cattle 3,000.

Omaha, Feb. 27.—Receipts: Hogs 15,000, cattle 2,000.

New York, Feb. 27.—Cotton—Notwithstanding the fact that the price of the current crop positions has practically reached the nine cent mark...

Liverpool, Feb. 27.—Cotton market opening: February 50¢; March 51¢; April 52¢; May 53¢; June 54¢; July 55¢; August 56¢; September 57¢; October 58¢; November 59¢; December 60¢.

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NEWS BULLETIN.

A severe blizzard struck the Northwest March 24.

A strike of dock laborers is in progress at Havana.

The Democratic national convention will be held at Kansas City July 4.

Mr. Bryan will speak at Galveston Saturday night, March 3.

Democrats, Silver Republicans and Populists have fused in Idaho.

It is reported that Aguinaldo has escaped from Luzon to Formosa.

Hugh M. Comer president of the Georgia Central railway, is dead.

The Choctaw, Oklahoma and Gulf railroad bill has passed congress.

The flour trust of Milwaukee, has gone to pieces and is in the hands of a receiver.

A bill has been introduced in congress for the admission of Arizona as a state.

The plague in India continues and 61,000,000 people are affected by the famine.

Secretary Long may accompany the naval squadron that will visit Galveston March 20.

The Mallory line will substitute semi-weekly for weekly service between Galveston and Key West.

The examining trial of Harlan Whitaker, charged with the murder of Governor Campbell in Kentucky, will begin March 6.

Judge Jeremiah Strong of Guthrie, has been appointed attorney general of Oklahoma, to succeed H. S. Cunningham, resigned.

The United States and other governments will send warships to Chinese waters to look after the safety of missionaries.

The Democratic state executive committee will meet at Waco March 12 to fix time and place for holding the state convention.

Trade is at a standstill in Porto Rico, and the people are irritated over the proposal to lay tariff duties on their trade with this country.

The consolidated suits to try titles to the governorship and other state offices in Kentucky, by agreement, will be tried in the circuit court at Louisville.

The industrial commission created by congress has decided to continue to take testimony on the subject of trusts, and will transmit to congress a full report of its hearings.

The report of the American military attaché with the British forces in South Africa, severely criticizes British tactics, and the department at Washington has not given it to the public.

The contest between the Green and Grant elements of the Republican party in Texas, has broken out afresh and several Republican conventions held recently have split over the issue.

Gov. Sayers will probably go to Washington to try to arrange for payment of claims arising out of the mobilization and maintenance of troops in Texas during the Spanish war.

A Republican conference of congressmen resulted in a change of the tariff upon Porto Rican imports of this country from 25 per cent to 10 per cent of regular tariff duties. This duty will be made temporary.

The famous libel suit of Dr. S. A. Hayden against Dr. J. B. Cranfill and others, growing out of church differences, will be retried. The judgment for \$30,000 obtained by the plaintiff having been reversed by the court of civil appeals.

District Judge G. A. Brown of Vernon, is a candidate for judge of the court of civil appeals, Fort Worth district. Comptroller Finley is a candidate for re-election; Mr. T. S. Henderson of Cameron, is a candidate for congress against Mr. Henry.

The state election board has decided in favor of the Democratic contestants for the state offices below the rank of lieutenant governor. The Democrats demanded the offices; the Republican occupants refused to surrender them, and the contest will proceed in the courts of Kentucky.

London, Feb. 27.—It is officially announced that Gen. Cronje surrendered with his whole force unconditionally at dawn this morning.

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Deafness Cannot be Cured by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a running sound or impure discharge from the ear, and the hearing is lost. Deafness is cured by restoring the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube to its normal condition, as it will be destroyed if not treated. Deafness is cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, as it is the only medicine that restores the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube to its normal condition. Send for circular, free.

Sold by DRUGGISTS & CO., Toledo, O. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

CATTLE FOR SALE. Editor Texas Stock and Farm Journal: I would like to hear from any one wanting cattle from this section of country.

W. L. CONNOR, New Lewisville, Arkansas.

OF VITAL INTEREST TO YOU.

You Should Read, Digest and Act Quickly. Write To-day as Directed Below.

The readers of the Stock and Farm Journal noted in our last issue the article setting forth the curative powers of that wonderful instrument, the Elektrikure, handled in Dallas by the North Texas Elektrikure Co., and in Fort Worth by the Fort Worth Elektrikure Co.

The Elektrikure is a scientifically constructed apparatus, weighs seven pounds, and when applied generates a mild current of electricity which stimulates the sluggish and inactive organs of the body, at the same time forcing the system to absorb and drink freely of the pure oxygen from the atmosphere.

This instrument is as conveniently arranged for use and operation as a fountain pen.

Electricity and oxygen are the two greatest life-giving forces of nature. The electricity by its direct action on the nervous system is the active agent in producing the phenomena of oxygenation whereby the body lives. There is no medicine, alcohol, mineral water or drugs of any description used with the Elektrikure.

If you have a relative, neighbor or friend who is suffering from any trouble which fails to yield to the treatment of doctors, you are invited to write to the North Texas Elektrikure Co., Dallas, Texas, or Fort Worth Elektrikure Co., Fort Worth, Texas, for printed matter. They will send you free, thousands of testimonials from the best people of Texas, endorsing this wonderful instrument. The Elektrikure will cure almost any case of La Grippe, Chills, Fever, Coughs or colds in one night. It cures Rheumatism, Indigestion, Constipation, Hemorrhoids, etc., in from one to three weeks.

If you are interested in the Elektrikure, you should write to-day for particulars, terms, etc.

Mrs. Bettie Ferguson, 184 Highland, Dallas, writes: "The Elektrikure put me sweetly to sleep. It built up my entire system. It changed my old and indifferant habits to young and vigorous ones. That indescribable tired feeling left me; color came to my cheeks and brightness to my eyes. I took a new lease of life and all without the use of medicine. The Elektrikure did it all."

Thos. P. Hamilton, a railroad conductor of 1011 R. Ave., Fort Worth, writes: "I have suffered for years with rheumatism. It has now been a year since I was able to work. Trailing in Colorado, Old and New Mexico, did me no good. All drugs, doctors and medicines did no good. Fifteen nights treatment with the Elektrikure enabled me to walk without a stick or crutch. I would not part with my Elektrikure for ten times its cost."

THE COWBOY BOOT.

How It Looks and What It Costs—A Type of Footwear Seldom Seen East of the Mississippi—How One Texas Boot-maker Pushes This Specialty.

A type of footwear which is seldom seen except upon the plains of the West is the Cowboy boot, a picture of which is shown here. This boot is in many respects similar to those worn in other parts of the country, but in its manner of finish and some minor details is quite a contrast. The cowboy of the Western plains wears a boot which is made of the finest material and is as well finished as any boot made in the world.

The cowboy boot has generally a leg which is high and tapers to the heel. It may be of any style to suit the individual taste of the wearer. It may be a tongue boot or have a plain leg, as he may prefer; but in all cases to be a desirable amount of fancy stitching all over the leg. In many cases it may be symmetrical or scroll work; or it may be of any other design that the taste of the maker or wearer is best.

A MARCH HEREFORD SALE.

Gudgel & Simpson Will Sell 100 Head, 60 Bulls and 40 Heifers, March 20 and 21, 1900.

Elsewhere in this issue the well known and successful breeders of registered Hereford cattle, Messrs. Gudgel & Simpson, of Independence, Mo., announce a public auction sale of 100 head, consisting of 60 bulls and 40 heifers. The sale will be held at their sale barn in Independence and will continue two days, beginning each day at 1 o'clock p. m. If the reader interested in registered Herefords will consult a copy of the sale catalogue, a copy of which may be had on request, he will find therein a very interesting history pertaining to the experiences of the authors with Hereford cattle and what they have succeeded in accomplishing since they first engaged in the business of breeding the better class of beef cattle.

The Petaluma Incubator Co., of Petaluma, Cal., are shipping large numbers of their machines to Australia, and have recently received several orders from India, China, Japan, Ceylon, and the Philippines. They also report a rapidly growing home trade in these machines.

AN INTERESTING EXPERIMENT. Colorado, Feb. 23.

J. D. Earnest, the Shorthorn breeder, whose herd and ranch property near Itan, Texas, is regarded as one of the finest in the West, has undertaken an experiment that will be watched with much interest by cattlemen generally. Earnest has for sometime been principally identified with the breeding interest of West Texas, having established the first strictly thoroughbred Shorthorn herd in this part of the state. While his herd, which now numbers about 1000 head, are free from cold blood, they are not registered, and for this reason he has decided to put no

more stuff on the "bull market." This has made it necessary for him to find some equally profitable market for his surplus stuff. Some time ago he purchased a 600-acre farm near Nevada, Mo., and will put in cultivation about this much land on his Itan ranch. On his Itan ranch he will attempt to raise only such stuff as is adapted to the certain West Texas seasons, such as milo maize, kafir corn, sorghum, etc. On his Itan ranch he will thus be able to feed everything during the winter, and each fall he will be able to ship all that they cannot afford to put the finishing fed and then shipped directly to the market. All cattlemen agree that they cannot afford to put the finishing fat on cattle in this country, as the shrinkage in shipping to market is too expensive.

Cattlemen in this section are watching the Earnest experiment with considerable interest, most of them feeling confident that it will prove successful. They say that raising thoroughbred cattle on cheap Western land is all right, but the trouble is in being forced to frequently seek a poor market, or sell at a sacrifice, by simply not being prepared to feed. Raising them on cheap land and being able to own land near the market, where they can be fattened, and then put directly on the market, seems a practical solution. It will put a stop to "traders' profits," and will otherwise work to the benefit of the cattleman.

CONDITIONS IN BOSQUE.

Mr. Tom Frazier, proprietor of Arlesia Farm, writes the Journal from Kopper, under date of Feb. 20, as follows: "I am well pleased with the results of my advertisement in the Journal, and hope in the near future to increase the space. I have on hand a splendid lot of pigs ready to ship. Farmers here are well up with work, and a few of the early birds expect to plant corn next week. Wheat prospects are usually good. Fall cattle are damaged slightly by the recent cold snap. A larger acreage of wheat than usual was planted here, and I believe cotton acreage will be increased if present prices continue."

HEREFORDS NEXT MONTH.

On March 20 and 21, 100 Head at Public Auction Without Reserve.

If the reader is interested or is desirous of becoming familiar with the history of the registered Hereford here in the West, a fine line looking up the public sale announcement, Messrs. Gudgel & Simpson, found elsewhere in this issue, will send you a free copy of their best selling auction sale catalogue, just such information as one desires when so interested in the better class of beef cattle.

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