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NATIONAL CONVENTION

STRONG ACTION AGAINST THE GROUT BILL—SECRETARY WILSON CONDEMNED. RESOLUTIONS.

The National Livestock convention at Salt Lake City was brought to a close Friday after a very interesting meeting throughout. The attendance was excellent and the Mormon city extended every possible courtesy to the visitors.

This convention, the fourth in the history of the association, has been one of the most interesting and exciting ever held and at the same time it proved helpful and instructive to all. The addresses and papers by various well informed speakers were all well received and calculated to aid the members in the different branches of the livestock industry.

The convention was out-spoken in its denunciation of the Grout anti-oleomargarine bill, now pending in the senate and all public questions in which stockmen, as a class, are interested, were approved or disapproved in unmistakable language. The fourth annual meeting will live in the memories of the delegates as the greatest ever held, not only as to results accomplished, but as affording an opportunity for exhibiting and enjoying that trait so peculiar to stockmen—good fellowship.

Among the important resolutions passed by the National Livestock convention was one by Mr. McKenzie of Texas, in favor of changing the present system of inspection of southern cattle by placing it entirely in the hands of the federal government. The passage of this resolution resulted in the preparation of a bill to be presented to the legislature of the various states for action.

The resolution declaring against the Grout bill, passed unanimously, was as follows: "Whereas oleomargarine—sometimes called butterine—is made entirely from products of the livestock and cotton farm, being composed solely of percentages of the finest oil of the calf fat of the steer, a rich neutral oil from the leaf lard of the hog, pasteurized cream of the dairy cow and 'butter oil,' the finest product of the selected cotton seed, and

"Whereas the above farm-grown ingredients have been combined in the above edible condiment, which is the virtual equivalent of creamy butter,

and a cheaper article of food for the poorer classes of our people, and "Whereas the chief food experts and chemists of the world have publicly pronounced oleomargarine to be perfectly pure, clean, nutritious and wholesome as an article of diet, and "Whereas oleomargarine alone takes the above grade of oils mentioned and the manufacture of it enhances the price of these especially the price of the farm, and, therefore, enhances the market value of the beehives, hogs and seed from which the raw substances are taken, and

"Whereas anything which will cripple or destroy the market for oleomargarine will inflict a distinct and unjust injury to the livestock and cotton growing interests of this country, and "Whereas an organized effort is now being made to kill the oleomargarine industry through a measure before congress, known as the Grout bill, by taxing colored oleomargarine 10 cents per pound—the great bulk of dairy butter itself being artificially colored.

"Resolved, that we, the National Livestock association of the United States, now in convention assembled, strongly protest against the passage of this bill and against such pernicious class legislation because of its un-American principles and because of its discrimination it gives to the dairy cows as against the hog, the beef steer and the cotton planting of this country.

"Resolved, that a copy of the above preamble and resolutions be sent to each senator in congress and that the members of this association use every effort to defeat the Grout bill, or any other measure which will tend to injure or destroy the oleomargarine industry."

A subscription of \$10,000 was raised to oppose the bill.

The lease land question after considerable debate was laid on the table. A resolution was adopted requesting retaliation on Germany for discriminating against American meats.

The question of sheep grazing on forest reserves was brought up in a resolution which expressed the sense of the convention that forest reserves should be thrown open for the grazing of sheep, cattle and horses, under careful restriction and safeguards as would prevent any injury to forests. The matter of uniform inspection was brought up through a sub-committee of executive committee which reported that it was found that the Patrick bill looking to the establishment of uniform inspection was the most commendable for the purpose indicated. The report was endorsed by the convention.

A memorial was adopted asking that the national livestock association be allowed to name a second assistant

secretary of the interior. The federal government was also asked to take charge of interstate tests of tuberculosis in cattle and appoint inspectors. Another resolution "condemned James Wilson, secretary of agriculture, for allowing himself to be used by the dairymen's union to lend his official influence toward securing the passage through the senate of the abominable Grout bill."

A resolution was adopted empowering the president to appoint a special committee to oppose any legislation looking to the removal of the tariff on wool and hides.

A resolution was passed in the form of a petition to the president of the senate asking that body to pass the amendment to the interstate commerce bill for the purpose of giving the commission power to enforce its own orders or decrees.

A resolution was passed urging upon congress the necessity of building the Nicaraguan canal.

The work of the International Irrigation association was heartily endorsed, and the co-operation of the National Livestock association to secure legislation in the interests of irrigation was pledged.

The National Livestock association elected the following officers: President, J. W. Springer, Colorado; vice-president, J. M. Holt, Montana; second vice-president, F. J. Hagenbart, Idaho; secretary, C. F. Martin, Colorado; assistant secretaries, J. P. Johnson, Colorado, and C. T. Goulding, Colorado.

Chicago was chosen for the place for holding the next annual meeting. The delegates from Texas expressed themselves as highly pleased with the convention and at the treatment accorded them.

The press of Salt Lake City was especially courteous in its treatment of the convention and the Salt Lake Herald was particularly commended for its completeness and accuracy of its reports.

TRADE WITH CUBA— Since May 1, 1900, it is conservatively estimated that 150,000 head of cattle have been shipped to Cuba from Florida ports alone, while large shipments have been made from Mobile and ports along the gulf. The steamer Dauntless, famous for her connection with Cuban filibustering, is now regularly engaged in the cattle trade with Cuba.

ON HOOF AND ON BLOCK— A special from Chicago says: Prices for fresh meats a few days ago reached the highest point for January since 1894. With 6,000 cattle, 30,000 hogs and 10,000 sheep on the market, at

prices ranging from \$4.50@5.50 for cattle on the hoof, hogs \$5.10@5.47 1/2 and sheep \$3.50@4.50 per 100 pounds, the consumer was forced to pay 22 cents per pound for porterhouse steak, 10 cents per pound for pork chops and 20 cents per pound for choice cuts of lamb and mutton. The prices were: Sirloin, 20 cents; pot roast (beef) 7 to 12 cents; salt pork, 11 cents; corned beef, 6 to 12 cents.

TO INCREASE CAPACITY— Col. G. W. Simpson of the Fort Worth Union stockyards, who recently made a trip to Boston, makes the statement that the capacity of the yards would be doubled and that an entirely new rackety will be built at a cost of \$1,000,000. The new concern, he says will be the most extensive of its kind in the southwest, with ample facilities for the successful and economic treatment of all the by-products of the packing house trade.

HEREFORDS AT SALT LAKE— The first auction of thoroughbred livestock in Salt Lake City was held during the recent convention and was attended by thousands. Twenty-eight head of thoroughbred Herefords were sold from the Ringwood herd were sold at an average of \$228.75, or a total of \$8,005. The top price was \$500. Geo. Leigh, the well-known Whiteface breeder of Aurora, Ill., sold thirteen Herefords, all under two years of age, for \$1810, an average of \$139.23.

SHEEP ARE SHUT OUT— Superintendent of Forest Reserve I. B. Hines recently received an order from the department of the interior prohibiting sheep grazing on the Black Mesa forest reserve in Arizona. Last summer there were as high as 30,000 sheep on the reserve and the enforcement of the order will be a great hardship to sheepmen. It is believed that the same order will be enforced on all the remaining reserves as soon as the investigation in respect to them is concluded. Thus far grazing has been positively prohibited only on the Gila, the Pecos and the Black Mesa reserves.

GALLOWAYS FOR TEXAS— Four carloads of Galloway bulls were shipped from Kansas City to Texas last week. The Galloways were purchased for J. D. Jackson of Alpine, Tex. Thirty-six head were bought of E. W. Thrall of Eureka, Kan., and 14 head from J. M. Lowe of Kansas City. Twenty head were bought of C. N. Moody of Atlanta, Mo. Galloway breeders are watching this shipment to Texas with a great deal of interest. It being the first shipment of this breed of more than half a dozen head.

GAGE ON GROUT BILL— Before the senate committee on agriculture a few days ago Secretary Gage said the oleomargarine bill as a revenue producer was useless and was not needed. If it was not a revenue bill it was a misnomer and objectionable on that ground. He said the revenue under the present law was well collected, although there were some losses. Mr. Gage was asked a number of questions about the details of "oleo" collections, prosecution, etc. He said that many of the proprietors

at a time, lends a peculiar interest. Galloway breeders are striving to better their range cattlemen with the merit of their cattle, and this shipment to Texas will accomplish much.

WANTS BRAND INSPECTORS— Senator Thomas Nottger of Harper county, Kansas, wants the legislature to pass a bill concerning the branding of cattle. Cattle thieves in southern Kansas demand legislation. Senator Nottger wants the state to authorize the appointment of cattle brand inspectors, who shall inspect brands a good deal after the manner of the Arizona inspectors. The men shall be paid three cents a head by owners of cattle for the brands they inspect.

CATTLEMAN IS MISSING— Mystery surrounds the disappearance of Andrew Clark, a cattleman from Wheaton, Kansas. Clark, who arrived in Kansas City November 14 with a shipment of hogs and cattle. The shipment was sold at the stock yards for \$28,000. Clark paid a note and sent a draft for \$1800 to the bank at Wheaton. He had about \$50 in cash when he left, and he was seen at the Union depot the same night, but nothing has been heard of him since.

CATTLE FOR THE KLONDIKE— A cattleman who has learned the expense of forwarding cattle to feed the hungry miners of Klondike and knows of the good-sized sack of yellow gold that each good beef animal demands when landed there is about to stock a ranch on the Aleutian islands, says the Drovers' Journal. He has already forwarded a shipment of breeding stock and some good young cattle to their new home in the frozen north, and the coming year will test the possibilities of the climate as to breeding and raising young cattle.

ANGUS SALE AT CHICAGO— A two days sale of Aberdeen-Angus cattle was held recently at Dexter Park, Chicago. The cattle were from the herds of T. P. Royce, Naperville, Ill.; O. H. Roche, Round Lake, Ohio; W. S. Karnaghan, Clarinda, Iowa, and J. H. Hall, Peru, Ariz. About 1,000 head were 192 animals disposed of for \$17,175, an average of \$168.23. While there were many excellent female offerings, the large number of young bulls in the sale precluded any possibility of very high average. The top price of the sale was \$405, at which price H. T. Reed, Monteth, Iowa, purchased the Ballhalgardy Fanny bull, Trooper 2234, calved Feb. 14, 1895, and sired by Beau Bill 12537, sired by the house as offering an almost effective method of stopping the sales of oleomargarine fraudulently. He said that the evasion under the present law is much easier than it would be if the package was stamped with the world oleomargarine."

MORE SOCIETY, LESS BUSINESS— According to current rumor, J. Ogden Armour and successor of the late Philip D. Armour, will not devote so much attention to the business details of the Armour interests as did his hard-working father, but will leave the business largely in the hands of the officers of the company. Mr. and Mrs. J. Ogden Armour, it is said, will go more into society and entertain more lavishly than was their custom during the life of the deceased head of the Armour family who was very much opposed to society functions.

STOCKMEN WANT SNOW— Stockmen and others in Wyoming who depend upon the snow of winter for their supply of water during the summer months are considerably worried as a result of the thus far "open" winter. Not only will there be a marked deficiency of water for irrigation purposes, but the ranges will be dried up early in the season unless they get more moisture between now and the first of April. Lack of snow will also affect the 1901 hay crop. Snow is a very important quantity in Wyoming, and unless Mr. falls soon in the mountain districts there will be considerable loss to the live stock and agricultural interests next summer.

SHEEP IN WYOMING— Secretary E. P. Snow of the Wyoming board of sheep commissioners, has completed his second annual report, which shows that 125,000 head of sheep were imported into the state during the year, but no sheep were trailed across the state. The state board of equalization assessed 2,624,689 head of sheep, valued at \$5,026,493.25, or an average assessment of \$2.067 per head, being .047 higher than last year. The board states that the number of sheep returned by the owners is about seventy-six per cent of those owned, which is considered a good average. The following is the number of sheep and lambs now in the state: Sheep, 3,254,366 head; lambs, 1,855,181 head.

INDIANA SHORTHORN BREEDERS. The 29th annual convention of the Indiana State Association of Shorthorn breeders was held Jan. 17. A number of interesting papers were read by Shorthorn breeders of high reputation.

Willis M. Sturgis. Mr. Sturgis also topped the prices for females with the Queen Mother heifer Sturgis Queen Mary Bell X 25740, calved Nov. 12, 1898, and sired by Beau Ida 17419. She was also purchased by H. T. Reed of Monteth, Iowa.

NEW ASSOCIATIONS— The American Cattle Growers' association was organized by representatives of Trans-Mississippi states during the livestock convention at Salt Lake City. The organization is designed to fill the same field with reference to the cattle industry that is occupied by the National Wool Growers' association to the sheep industry. It is claimed that the men present at the meeting represented a capital running into the hundreds of millions. The temporary officers are all of Colorado. Adjournment was taken to a meeting to be held at Denver some time in March.

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AGAINST SLOT MACHINES—

It is asserted that George F. Swift, the well-known packer of Chicago, has begun a crusade against vice of the slot machine order, and during the last three months he is said to have succeeded in excluding this form of gambling from exchange buildings in various cities where he has packing plants, as well as near or at the entrance of the plants themselves. He is never offensive in his attitude against the slot machines, but diplomatically gets around the offending person with a proposition of buying him out entirely and discontinuing the business or reducing the rent of the person in order that he may suffer no loss as a result of a discontinuance of the gambling device.

DESTROYED BY PRAIRIE FIRE—

Reports from Beale county, S. D., indicate that the losses from recent prairie fires are very heavy to farmers and stockmen, many of them losing their entire supply of hay and feed,

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PUBLIC SALE 150-HEREFORDS-150 Fort Worth, Tex., Stock Yards, Feb. 14 and 15, 1901, During Week of Stockmen's Convention. 100 BULLS. Fifty Bulls Ready for Heavy Service. Fifty Right Age for Inoculation. 50 HEIFERS Ten to Twenty Months Old. Both Bulls and Heifers Are of Our Best Breeding. Among the offerings are some that were ribbon wearers at the recent Great International Exhibition at Chicago. COL. R. E. EDMONSON, Auct. GUDGELL & SIMPSON, SCHARBAUER BROS., Midland, Tex. Independence, Mo. C. A. STANNARD, Emporia, Kan. FOR CATALOGUES ADDRESS GUDGELL & SIMPSON, INDEPENDENCE, MO.

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MAVERICKS.

J. C. Smith, two registered; Mr. Morgan, one registered. About \$100 around were the prices paid.

J. G. Burton of Fort Worth, has purchased the Joe Rhomb's ranch in Erath county for \$12,000. There are 150 head of high grade Herefords on the ranch.

W. H. and Ira Kuykendall recently bought at Llano 100 head of steers from H. E. Hall and 40 head from John Rabb. The cattle will be shipped to Terrell this spring.

N. B. Fisk of Sterling county, recently purchased 42 head of stock cattle from Mrs. Lillian Dickey, paying \$18 for cows and \$12 for calves. He also bought from G. W. Allard 50 head of steer calves at \$13 around.

M. S. Gordon of Weatherford, Tex., writes: "As it is still thought by some that the Hereford business, or going back into it would pay, I am sure they will add new attraction to their grand herd of registered Herefords."

Simon Clymer, who has been managing the Strickland ranch at Langtry, Tex., on the Pecos, returned to the ranch this week, after a visit to Llano. He will be engaged the next few weeks in delivering the cattle to a Kansas City man to whom Mr. Strickland has sold his ranch and cattle.

Casey Bros. purchased John Henderson's steers, about 500 head of coming four and five, at \$29 around. They also bought 900 steers, four and five, from S. H. Henderson. The cattle are in Concho and Schleicher counties but the sales were made at San Angelo.

Mart Byrd and Ed Hawkins have purchased the ranch and cattle of the late W. B. Tullis, located on the plains. The sum involved in the deal was about \$90,000. The ranch was valued at \$10,000 and there were about 4000 head of cattle at the following prices: Calves, \$12; yearlings, \$18; cows and two-year-old heifers, \$22; bulls, \$50, and saddle horses, \$30.

H. E. Crowley of Midland, Tex., recently sold his ranch and cattle west of Midland to John Scharbauer, the ranch bringing \$7000 and the cattle \$25 around. The total price amounted to \$34,500. After this deal, Crowley Bros. bought from Newman Bros. & Nations of El Paso, the Clabber Hill ranch lying 25 miles northwest of Midland. The property consists of 117 acres of unimproved land and with it were sold 4000 head of cattle at \$17 around. The total amount involved in the sale was \$83,000.

PANHANDLE CONDITIONS.—In a recent interview J. D. Hagler of Vernon said: "The Panhandle of the state is the most interesting of the land in the development of cattle breeding, but also in the diversification of such crops as may be raised with some degree of certainty in that section. It is necessary to understand the important factor in the breeding and maturing of cattle, and it is only since the better class of cattle has engaged the attention of the residents of my section that the diversified idea has attracted attention. This year forage and feed were raised in such abundance that thin cattle are as scarce as buffaloes. The mild and open winter, while not requiring much feed for cattle, has not been so successful in the stock, since the abundant crops must be utilized and no more profitable way has been discovered than by converting the crops into feed and fat. In Wheeler county, where I live, the 2500 acre ranch, the altitude is much lower than northwest of Amarillo, and cattle have thus far gone through the winter in better condition than ever known before."

Among the stockmen in San Antonio during the week were: W. W. Watson, Beville. J. E. Davenport, Moulton. J. P. Mulock, Hansford. J. Vaello, Benavides. T. M. Insall, Weimar. N. D. Powell, Pettus. R. S. Dilworth, Gonzales. W. A. Maier, Los Angeles, Cal. B. B. Gayle, Kimble county. B. Weller, Hillsboro. A. W. Hilliard, Kyle. Wm. Janson, Coleman. Dr. C. F. Simmons, Oakville. J. M. Slater, San Angelo. Al McFadden, Victoria. W. S. Nance, Kyle. John P. O'Reilly, Beville. S. Edwards, Oakville. D. F. White, Midland.

Among the stockmen in Fort Worth during the week were: Tom Morris, Llan. Captain Sanders, Llan. W. O. King, Marlow. Phil Trammell, Rush Springs, I. T. M. K. King, Abilene. Olan King, Rush Springs, I. T. W. K. Bell, Palo Pinto. G. A. Yantis, Quanah. D. F. White, Midland. S. Edwards, Seymour. G. A. Freeman, Vineyard. A. H. Jones, Gonzales. T. B. Huling, Pecos. H. H. Halsell, Decatur. Wm. Janson, Coleman. W. C. Isaacs, Canadian. Bruce McClelland, Clearend. Ed L. Halsell, Vinita, I. T. Hays McFarland, Weatherford. E. D. Farmer, Aldo. Chas. McFarland, Aldo. J. M. Russell, Clay county. M. L. Meitz, San Angelo. E. P. Freeman, Temple. Chas. Davis, El Paso. S. W. Albany, Abilene.

EL PASO'S CARNIVAL.—The Midwinter Carnival at El Paso proved a grand success and thousands of visitors were in the city. There were parades, confetti battles and appropriate displays. The livestock exhibition was an attractive feature and included a number of very fine cattle. Most of the visitors also crossed the river to Juarez and on one afternoon the carnival queen, with her maids of honor, presided at the ball fights there which were witnessed by a great crowd.

FADS IN BREEDING.—We have had a great deal to say in times past about the fads of breeders; that is, their disposition to give undue importance to things of little or no consequence and to reject very great merit because of some apparent defect in a minor particular, says Wallace's Farmer. Even Mr. Cruickshank, great breeder as he was, was not free from this. When he bought Lancaster Comet, nine years old, he was so disgusted with his heavy horns that he ordered him not used upon his cows. During his absence for a month or so, his neighbor had charge of the herd, and in all probability not knowing of the order, put Lancaster Comet to a few cows. One of the few calves the bull ever got, was old Champion of England, the father of the Sittlyton Shorthorn.

Neither was the great Charles Colling free from fads. Hubback, one of the great bulls of Shorthorn history, a "little yellow and white bull," as he was called, served for years in the neighborhood at a shilling fee, and Colling never knew of his value until he bought veal from his butcher, and

hearing that these veal calves were sired by the little yellow and white bull in the neighborhood, he bought him for his brother, Robert Colling, for \$40, who used him a few months at first, and then sold him to Charles Charles used him for a farmer, who used him as a back bull for some time. He did not seem to know that this little yellow and white bull was one of the great bulls that ever lived in the world.

One of the greatest temptations of the breeder is to run to fancies, to some unimportant feature, such as color, shape of horns, or some line of blood that seems for a time to take the popular fancy of judges and farmers. We have said, over and over again that the whole range of the breed is the narrowest limit a breeder should allow himself, especially in selecting the great champions of England. I was not a show bull. He was shown but once and then failed to attract the attention of the judges, but Mr. Cruickshank, who appreciated his value, though he had lost it, was not in using him, and he was accustomed to say that his place was not in the show ring but in the pastures. He is dead thirty years, and yet his blood to-day is in fashion the world over.

RATION FOR TEXAS CALVES.—G. H. C. Graham, Tex., writes: "I have a bunch of high-grade Shorthorn calves that I wish to feed through the winter so as to make as much gain as possible. I would like to know what you would advise the use of oats and bran in equal parts by weight and about half as much cottonseed by weight gradually increased up to the same amount, with all allowance of sorghum for roughage. The ration will be some what improved by the addition of shelled corn to the extent of about one-fourth the total feed, if it is available at an economical price. The feed portion named at the prices quoted, would advise the use of oats and bran in equal parts by weight and about half as much cottonseed by weight gradually increased up to the same amount, with all allowance of sorghum for roughage. The ration will be some what improved by the addition of shelled corn to the extent of about one-fourth the total feed, if it is available at an economical price. 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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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PROSPERITY IN TEXAS.

If anything further were needed to show the great business prosperity which now prevails in Texas the evidence is furnished by the last statement of the condition of the 234 national banks of the state. Controller of the Currency Daves states that, judging from the bank statements, Texas is relatively the most prosperous state in the Union.

The last statement of the nineteenth century was made on Dec. 13, the individual deposits of the banks at that time aggregating \$77,811,783.25. The aggregate of the individual deposits shown by the statement of December, 1899, was \$54,246,783.68. The increase of individual deposits for the year was \$23,564,999.57, or approximately 50 per cent. The average reserve held on Dec. 13, 1900, was 40.13 per cent, against 30.42 per cent on Dec. 2, 1899.

Counting bank deposits of \$100,000,000 the increase of loans and discounts is less than \$6,000,000. In the matter of percentage none of the large states makes anything like so good a showing as Texas.

Indian Territory and Oklahoma also makes an extraordinary showing. The Indian Territory shows individual deposits of \$4,000,000 against less than \$2,000,000 a year ago. There are now thirty-five banks reporting, where in December, 1899, there were only fifteen banks. Oklahoma with twenty-seven banks, as against nine in December, 1899, reports individual deposits of \$4,158,000 against a total of \$1,659,000 in December, 1899.

The character of the deposits as well as their amount is to be taken into consideration in summing up the situation. The deposits are not made solely by big mercantile and manufacturing institutions and financial corporations but the sums placed in the banks are to a great extent composed of the savings of farmers, stockmen, laborers and small dealers. In fact they represent surplus money earned by all classes.

The number of individual depositors was never before so great in the history of the banking business in Texas and with the present flattering prospects there is ever reason to believe that the close of 1901 will see even a greater amount of money in the hands of the people than was held at the close of 1900.

ASSESSMENT OF DAMAGES.

The remarkable aggregate of the amounts paid out on judgments in damage suits for personal injuries by the railroads of Texas within the past year led the roads to bring the matter to the attention of the Texas railroad commission. There are in Texas approximately 9000 miles of railroad, yet the roads were forced to pay during the past year \$1,018,637.83 for personal injuries to employes and others. According to the sworn statements of the railroads the sum paid for such injuries in 1891 was in round numbers \$223,000. For the years following there was a gradual but steady increase until 1900 when the sum paid out in Texas, it is claimed, was greater than the amount paid by roads in all the other states in the Union.

Referring to this matter the railroad commission says:

"For the year 1900 the increase is noticeable and extraordinary, being \$382,838.35, or a little over 35 per cent greater for such damages than during the preceding year ending June 30, 1899. While we have no official information showing the cause of this increase, we understand in a general way that it probably results, in a large degree, from the activities of regularly organized personal injury bureaus. The only direct interest which this commission has in this question grows out of the fact that, as the amounts of these payments are increased, the available revenues of the railroad companies are reduced, thus necessarily operating, to that extent, to prevent the reduction

of freight rates, or, it might be, to cause an increase of them."

According to the statements of railway men the cause is found in the hostility of petit juries to railroads and other corporations when a question of personal damages is involved. This claim, however, is probably not wholly sustained though it is undoubtedly a fact that juries very frequently allow their sympathies to be so worked upon that the sums awarded are in excess of the amount of actual damages and equities are, for the time being, lost sight of.

Whatever the cause, however, the time will come when the allowance of extraordinary judgments against railroads in personal damage cases will become infrequent. The courts have held that the railroads are entitled to a reasonable return on their investments over and above all expenses of operating the roads. All expenses in the way of judgments are necessarily considered in as legitimate expenses of operation and in order to secure profits on investments in railway property it is necessary to fix freight rates so as to make liberal allowances for the payment of such judgments. When the juries of Texas are brought to the point of thoroughly understanding that by the allowance of excessive judgments or the finding of judgments which are not fully warranted by the facts at issue they are increasing the freight rates to be paid by the people the cases wherein such awards are made will become extremely rare. The railroads are and should be held strictly responsible for all injuries in which they or their agents are to blame, but sympathy should not be allowed to play an undue part in suits against railway corporations in damage cases.

THE COTTON CROP.

Mr. Neill, the cotton expert, has issued another statement backing up his former estimate of a nine and three-quarter million bale crop. While it is by no means impossible that the larger estimate of the agricultural department may prove correct it is a notable fact that cotton has practically recovered from the slump which followed the announcement of the government estimate and there is a very strong feeling that, despite their care in collecting data, the bureau experts may have overshot the mark as Mr. Neill did in his estimate of the previous crop.

A few hundred dollars will equip a small cannery factory which may be successfully operated in connection with a cotton gin. Every gin plant in the fruit growing belt of Texas should have a cannery attachment.

It is announced that Mrs. Mary Ellen Leese has decided not to secure a divorce, after all. Mr. Leese, it seems, is to be re-leased without being given an opportunity to escape.

Gushers are not usually looked upon with favor in either business or social circles, but when they are of the Beaumont variety no objection is raised to their coming in scores.

Texas has more money and her people more opportunities for making money than at any previous period in the history of the state.

When a few more oil fields have been discovered in Texas the humble citizen will be able to meet a coal wagon without bringing on a nightmare.

The legislature is again in session at Austin but Texas is really too prosperous to bother about it.

At the meeting of the Kansas board of agriculture last week Mrs. Annie L. Diggs, state librarian, in a speech on "Relation of the Traveling Library to the Farmer's Home," said of the work as it is being carried on in Kansas:

"We have at the present time 109 libraries out in different parts of the state. Each library contains 50 books. These books may be kept six months. A fee of \$2 is charged. They may be kept a longer time with the payment of a smaller fee. Whenever an application comes in we ask for a list of the books they want, and if possible we send the very books asked for."

"We send the best literature the world has to offer, and the most isolated portions of the state there come requests for books and the best books at that. We have very few calls for inferior books. A large per cent of the books are works of fiction."

The largest number of the 109 libraries out are in the country school districts. One report which came to us was from a little girl who said she had read the entire fifty volumes.

"This traveling library work of Kansas must be of much benefit to those who take advantage of it. These books may go to any farm house, where the farmer will comply with the conditions and allow his neighbors to share the use of the books."

"We send out in these libraries good books of all kinds. The great works of the great men."

"We send the libraries to study clubs and to clubs making special studies of special subjects. One of the libraries contained only books telling of India, another on the country of Egypt."

"I hope that many of you, who live in the rural districts, will send in for libraries. I want to see the applications for libraries piled mountain high. The \$1000 a year appropriated is not a drop in the bucket compared to what we need."

"The influence for good from these traveling libraries is undoubtedly very great. I have heard the pitiful plaint of farmers' children for better advantages. For such of those who have access to the traveling libraries, these advantages are in a measure given."

Orders have been given for the immediate construction of the cotton mill at Cuero, Tex.

that the arid regions for which water is sought should come under the head of rivers and harbors requires a stretch of the imagination unsurpassed by the wildest fancies of Rider Haggard or Jules Verne.

The Journal has received from Mr. R. H. Corbet, San Diego, Tex., a foot from the carcass of a mule-footed hog. Any of the Journal readers who have any further doubts respecting the existence of hogs with uncloven hoofs will be convinced by calling at the Journal office and examining the foot sent by Mr. Corbet, which is on exhibition.

Mrs. Annie L. Diggs, state librarian of Kansas, claims that much benefit has been derived by farmers and farmers' families from the operation of the traveling library system in the Sunflower state. The matter is worthy of consideration and if, as claimed, the system has been made a success in Kansas, it might be tried in Texas.

The passage of the Grout bill, according to the estimate of Congressman Peters of Kansas, would add \$1 to the value of every dairy cow and take \$3 from the value of every steer in the country. Texas has more steers than cows so, leaving out the cotton seed oil industry, it is easy to figure out where the interest of Texas lies.

It is safe to say that the congressmen who have been conducting the hazing investigations have supplied some descriptive adjectives for the custom which have hitherto been entirely omitted from the dictionaries in use at West Point.

The Texas town that hasn't in contemplation a cotton mill, an oil mill, a cannery factory, or some other industrial enterprise, needs to wake up and, in the expressive language of Hon. Webster Plannagan, find out "what are we here for?"

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MAXINE, Clarendon, Tex.—Yes, feathers are still worn, and will be long as there is a chicken in the barn yard. Many life-like birds are cleverly composed of the feathers of domestic fowls, and artificial birds are almost as common as artificial flowers. It is an unaccountable freak of taste which transforms even an imitation corpse into an object of supposed adornment.

DEBUTANTE, Alto, Tex.—Is it correct for a young lady to invite a young man to call when he has not asked permission to do so? While custom favors the form which gives the girl the initiative in this case, I think it should depend somewhat on circumstances. The custom, doubtless originated with the smart set, and with them is correct, as a young man is then invited to call on "at home" days, when he meets not only his hostess, but her friends. Outside of the circle of formal society, in small towns where the young lady has no entertainment to offer other than

Her Last Word.

BY HESTER GREY.

Queries intended for this department should be addressed to HESTER GREY, care of the Journal.

LITTLE WILLIE'S LESSON OF LOVE.

Last summer Tommie Jones and me were climbing all around. And found a bird's nest in a tree. We took the little thing away. With all the eggs inside. And, oh! the words ma had to say—Just down and out of sight.

"You wicked, naughty boy," she cried, "To pain the baby overhead. Oh, he that watches overhead. He'll punish you, I know! It was a sin to take that nest. And rob the bird of joy! You'll grow up to be a thief. To be a better boy!"

So when I said my prayers that night I promised God I'd do. The best I could to make it right. As ma has told me to. I carried crumbs out every day. And left them at the tree. And made it look as if they had. And made it up with me.

She flew away last fall and that. Was all I saw or heard. About her till she brought ma's hat. Will it be like that? With wires as fine as life, stuck through. To make her look as though she'd flown. Down from the nearest tree. If God hates Tommie Jones and me

As ma let on that day. About the like to what He said. About the one that went and shot. And also of the one that got. It fastened on her hat. S. E. Kiser, in Chicago Times-Herald.

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ANXIOUS MOTHER, Dalingerfield, Texas.—What will prevent your little girl's gingham dresses from shrinking until they fit too soon? I know of only one certain preventive, and that is to allow for shrinking and make them a size too large. Then most likely the goods will put on a bold front and shrink no more, and you will have to discard those dresses over to fit the child finally.

READER, Sherman, Texas.—The traveling library originated in the state of New York. There are now over 200 such libraries in operation, all of these are maintained by state aid, the rest being purchased by individuals or associations. These libraries are sent from a central station to smaller towns for a small fee, usually from one to five dollars and are retained for a period of six months.

DYE ANNA, Ozona, Tex.—A bush of walnut hulls will dye about ten pounds of goods, but you must use the green hulls; they will not color when dry. Boil in water enough to cover until all the color is extracted, drain off the water and add a very small piece of copperas before putting in the goods, which will give a rich blue with clear water. Boil in the solution until the material gains the desired shade of brown.

SEVENTEEN, Manor, Tex.—You might attempt to make a charming evening gown out of the parlor curtains, or a dainty theater waist from the old skirt that has done daily duty during the dish-washing period, but I would advise you to attempt it unless you are one of the elect who can transform worse than nothing into a dream of loveliness. Be a sensible girl, and wear that "same old dress" on the eventful evening, and I'll warrant you'll "belle of the ball."

MARCELLA, Runge, Tex.—How should you receive a proposal of marriage? The familiar recipe for Welsh rarebit, which you may find in any good bit of advice. Trust to inspiration, and when the proposal happens along you'll be able to receive it properly. If you try to follow a form prepared, you might get nervous and resent a century's worth of acceptance intended; then while you were searching in your Handy Book on Etiquette for an antidote the opportunity might be forever lost.

DEACONESS, Pearsall, Tex.—The following estimate may be useful in providing for your church supper: For fifty people the chicken salad will require five medium-sized chickens and one small turkey; eight pounds of ham and two pounds of butter will be sufficient for 100 minced ham sandwiches; two gallons of ice cream, five loaves of cakes, one and one-half pounds of coffee and three pints of cream, and if scallions are desired, one quart of oysters, two pounds of crackers and one pound of butter will be required for them.

SUSAN, Pilot Point, Tex.—Will the present pilot point further the budding of woman's sphere? Hardly, unless there is an addition built to this globe. At present she has her choice of almost any occupation and where determination has been set for "rights" she has obtained them. Utah's state superintendent of public instruction is a woman, the resident physician of the state insane asylum of California is a woman; Tennessee boasts a woman painter, New York a mill superintendent, and in Kentucky a negro woman breaks rocks on a street paving contract, and there are numerous "lady" barbers and pugilists! What more can you ask? It is true, girls more in choice for the West Point, but you've only to insist that "what's sauce for the gander is sauce for the goose" and the tobacco will doubtless be forthcoming.

FASHION NOTES.

The new fur coats are long, finished with clusters of tails reaching to the knees.

It is rumored that the reign of the custom should decide the course to be pursued in the matter of the "what's sauce for the gander" is now the correct style.

Pink and Nile-green veils are the latest freaks of fashion.

The "tailor made ring" is the latest invention for the tailor made girl. It is of plain solid gold, with one amethyst. One ring is permissible with a tailor-made gown.

If the rage for gilt effects continues, we may soon go back to the brass-toed shoes of our early youth.

It is predicted that the two piece costume, with waist and skirt of one material, will lead during the coming spring and summer, though the shirt waist still will be a general favorite.

The cuff bouquet is the latest floral fad. A broad satin ribbon encircles the right wrist, and from it depend a bow and streamers of the ribbon outlined in violets, lilies of the valley or gardenias. Tied in with the knot of the cuff is a bunch of the flowers with sprays of fern.

The L'Aiglon collar consists of a broad band for the throat and epaulettes, all of which are thickly covered with violets.

A fancy originated by Mme. Christ Nilsson will hardly prove popular with the average woman. One of the rooms in the prima donna's house is papered with her receipted bills.

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Matter paragraphed will be charged according to space occupied.

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WILLIAMS' WINTERS, Fort Worth, Tex. WANTED TO BUY OR LEASE.—From ten to twenty sections of grazing land south of Denver road and east of the plains. Give price desired. Offer for lease.—Address BOX 137, Mangum, Okla.

RANCHES FOR SALE.—In Callahan county, near Baird, we have for sale at a bargain price 2,500 acres of extra choice prairie land, 3-4 agricultural, all of it covered with good turf of muskeg grass. There is water and sufficient timber. Write for map and particulars.—It's a bargain.—WILLIAMS' WINTERS, Fort Worth, Tex.

WRITE US FOR LANDS, improved and unimproved, in the Wichita Falls county, Rain and grazing lands, in Anderson or Panhandle National Banks, ANDERSON & BEAN, Real Estate and Insurance, Wichita Falls, Texas.

FARM IN STEPHENS COUNTY, in valley of Gonzales creek, best farming community in the county. There are 400 acres, of which 200 acres are in cultivation, all of balance is suitable to cultivate. Dwelling has 7 main rooms; there is a barn, granary, good water, and a well. Make very easy terms and a low price. Write for particulars.—WILLIAMS' WINTERS, Fort Worth, Tex.

IF YOU WANT to purchase choice lands in Bosque county, Tex., for other pasture or agricultural purposes, in small or large blocks, now is your golden opportunity while the future owner is in the market. New York is closing out its large landed properties in this county. For further particulars inquire of its attorney, J. P. HENRIMAN, Meridian, Texas.

FARMS AND RANCHES FOR SALE.—Improved stock farm of 3,000 acres on Big Wichita river, 30 miles south of Wichita Falls, miles from railroad, in good neighborhood, with school house just across the road. Rich soil, 1,500 acres of smooth, rich river bottom, the finest of farming land, 600 acres in high state of cultivation. Good water, abundance of living timber, 500 acres for fuel, good improvements. As a combination farm and ranch it can not be beat. Write for particulars.—WILLIAMS' WINTERS, Fort Worth, Tex.

A MEXICAN BARGAIN.—For sale, 16,000-acre coffee hacienda, located in a valley between mountains, for other pasture. Situated about 100 miles west of Tampico, Mexico, in the best coffee, vanilla and orange district. All tropical fruits grow in the woods. Has 18,000 coffee trees now bearing. This year's crop will be 100,000 pounds of coffee. This place will cost \$200,000, but for a quick sale will let it go at \$80,000 gold or U. S. dollars. Make terms and the balance on time. GEO. B. JOHNSTON & SON, San Antonio, Texas.

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FARM OF 60 ACRES within 3 miles of Gateville, in Coryell county. This is a splendid community on public roads, school, church, etc., convenient; half or more in cultivation, 100 acres in pasture, now incultivated; two sets improvements; good well and windmill. The grass is extra good, and there is abundant. This ranch will easily carry 150 cattle. The land has never been watered, but will place. We will sell it on easy terms for \$7,000.—WILLIAMS' WINTERS, Fort Worth, Tex.

NEAR CLAUDE, IN ARMSTRONG CO., we have for sale at a bargain price a splendid tract of 1,500 acres, 500 acres half on plains and half in the breaks. It is exceedingly well improved, good 600-acre dwelling, barn, sheds, granary, etc., and 200 bearing orchards in this county. 150 acres tillable land. For further information call on the land agent, Geo. B. Johnston & Son, San Antonio, Texas.

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228 ACRES, half upland, other half bottom, best quality, nine miles from Dallas, only three miles off, 200 acres in cultivation, three new box houses, 200 acres in cultivation last year, 50 more nearly ready for plow, partially fenced, 100 acres in pasture, this is an excellent farm.—BOX 27, Dallas, Texas.

CAN SELL you fine ranch lands, any size, \$100 to \$200 per acre. WILL A. MILLER LAND TITLE CO., Amarillo, Texas.

SOMETHING WE CAN RECOMMEND.—200 acres, four miles from Sutherland Springs, Wilson county, Texas, about 25 miles from San Antonio. All fenced. Two good houses. Well and wind-mill. Has 150 acres in cultivation. Balance of the land has the best of timber for cord wood. Estimated to yield 100,000 feet of wood, more than pay for the land. All of the land can be cultivated. Best of sandy soil for crops. Can cut up to 8000 miles from land. Can be cut into eight farms; readily saleable at \$10 per acre. Price \$200. Terms \$200 cash and the balance on time. GEORGE B. JOHNSTON & SON, San Antonio, Texas.

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CHICAGO KANSAS CITY
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THE RIGHT ROAD.
 Thinning tree fruits has been practiced for a good many years, yet few fruit growers are in favor of it. If we may judge by the number that do not do it, says Farm, Field and Fireside. The fact, however, that the most successful orchardists do this and that they attribute much of their success to it is a strong argument in its favor. Some of the growers along the Hudson river were thinning their apple crops twenty years ago, and as a result got a good yield of beautiful fruit nearly every year. The most noted peach grower in Michigan has his peaches thinned every year, and the bill for the work is considerable. This last is the reason that thinning is not more widely practiced. Men hesitate to let go of the money that the work calls for.
 Compared with the benefits received the cost is slight and may be counted as part of a permanent investment. For trees that have a tendency to over-bear there is no better treatment, and some of the American apple, pear, peach and even plum have this bad habit. Thinning the fruit from the beginning of the tree's existence gets it into the habit of bearing about the same amount of fruit each year, and gives a double advantage—that of having fruit in the years when others have none and in prolonging the life of the tree and increasing the number of crops it returns in its lifetime.
 The writer has seen pear trees so loaded with fruit that each individual limb was below medium size, and the limbs of the tree had to be propped to keep them from breaking. Higher up in the tree great limbs were hanging lifeless, having been broken by the weight of fruit in previous years. He could not but think how much better it would have been to have thinned this fruit by three-fourths, that the tree might have saved mutilation and the market have received a pear that would have attracted attention.
 A man can thin fruit rapidly, as he merely passes his hand along the limb, pinching off one after another of the fruits and permitting them to drop. The cost will be generally found to be less than might be expected. Orchardists will do well to give this practice a fair trial.

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FORT WORTH.
 (Reported by the Fort Worth Livestock Commission.)
 Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 21.—The past week our market was very active in the hog line and prices held up well in spite of the heavy run. The market today was in the middle of the week was 10 to 15c higher than any time for four months. The receipts here were 66 cars; of this number we handled 47 cars and sold 18 cars from \$1.00 to \$1.07 1/2. A larger percentage of the receipts were Southern mixed hogs, including 3000 sprinkling of extreme light weights. This kind of hog sell with the packers, as the quality is not there. The Northern markets opened up strong today, but the advance was soon lost and they all closed weak. Good packers will bring today on our market \$1.45 to \$1.55 and something fancy will spring this price. We quote our market as follows:
 Choice steers 2.25 to 4.00, medium fat cows 2.25 to 2.50, butts, steers and oxen 2.25 to 2.50, canners 1.75 to 2.00, choicest fat hogs 1.75 to 1.90, medium fat hogs 1.50 to 1.75, fat hogs 1.25 to 1.50, mixed fat hogs 1.00 to 1.25, light fat hogs 1.00 to 1.25, mated fat hogs are bringing 25c to 50c less than corn hogs.
DALLAS.
 Dallas, January 21.—There is an active demand for all kinds of livestock. Thomas' stockyard reports: 200 to 300 pounds 1.75 to 1.85, stock hogs 1.45 to 1.55, choice steers 3.00 to 3.50, medium fat hogs 1.50 to 1.75, fair to good hogs 1.25 to 1.50, mixed fat hogs 1.00 to 1.25, light fat hogs 1.00 to 1.25, mated fat hogs are bringing 25c to 50c less than corn hogs.
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 St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 21.—Receipts 2,700 head, including 2,500 Texas. Market steady and active. Native shipping and export steers 1.75 to 1.85, dressed beef and butchers' steers 1.10 to 1.20, steers under 600 lbs. 1.00 to 1.10, stock hogs 1.45 to 1.55, canners 1.25 to 1.35, butts and hogs 1.00 to 1.10, mixed fat hogs 1.00 to 1.25, light fat hogs 1.00 to 1.25, mated fat hogs are bringing 25c to 50c less than corn hogs.
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 Chicago, Ill., Jan. 21.—Cattle—Receipts 15,000 head, including 700 Texas. Market steady. Native shipping and export steers 1.75 to 1.85, dressed beef and butchers' steers 1.10 to 1.20, steers under 600 lbs. 1.00 to 1.10, stock hogs 1.45 to 1.55, canners 1.25 to 1.35, butts and hogs 1.00 to 1.10, mixed fat hogs 1.00 to 1.25, light fat hogs 1.00 to 1.25, mated fat hogs are bringing 25c to 50c less than corn hogs.
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The best three-year-olds the eastern stables boast of have been nominated for the \$20,000 American derby, to be run at Washington Park, Chicago, June 22. William C. Whitney has nominated his Futurity winner, Ballymore, James R. Keene has nominated Commando, the Domino champion, and George T. Littlefield has named Water Color and Sweet Lavender. Other good colts nominated for the big event are: Criticism, The Paragon, Virelino, Bead Gallant, Bellario, Articulate, Garry Herman, Alard Scheck, Joe Frey and Silverdale.

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THE TWIN TERRITORIES

This has been a good winter for cattle in the Indian Territory. Most of the cattlemen in that section are roughing their cattle through by keeping them in stalk fields. Cattle will have to be fed only a few weeks this winter.

The controller of the currency has given out an abstract of the condition of the national banks of Oklahoma at the close of business Dec. 15. It shows loans and discounts, \$2,333,224; gold coin, \$98,801; total specie, \$190,142; lawful money reserve, \$362,111; total resources, \$5,540,429. Individual deposits advanced to \$4,158,507, and the average reserve held was 36.42.

A South McAlester reporter says: N. B. Sloan, a healthy stockman of Navanna, I. T., locally known as "Bonny" Sloan, suddenly disappeared a short time ago and has not been seen since. It is supposed that he has been disposed of his large herds of cattle and other property and carried away about \$50,000 in cash, and his friends are a great deal of uneasiness. It is thought that a Choctaw Indian woman, is especially anxious to ascertain his whereabouts.

OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION.—Following is the program for the 7th "Historical Convention of the Oklahoma Livestock Association" to be held at Woodward, Feb. 12, 13 and 14: Tuesday, Feb. 12.

10 o'clock a. m. Convention will be called to order by President A. T. Wilson. Invocation—Rev. C. B. Warren. Reports of officers and executive committee.

Appointment of committees on resolutions and on application for membership. Adjournment for dinner. 2 o'clock p. m. Business meeting of members. Discussion of reports of officers and suggestions for coming year.

Introduction of resolutions and reference to committees. Election of officers. Adjournment. 7:30 p. m. Music by band.

Address of Welcome—Col. Temple Houston of Woodward. Response—By president of the association.

Music. Resolution. "The Spanish Pony"—Miss Estelle G. Burke of Wichita. Music. "Livestock Interests of Oklahoma"—Gov. C. M. Barnes.

Music. The Practical Value of Education for Cattlemen—Prof. John Fields, director of Oklahoma experiment station. Music.

Resolution. "Oklahoma Cattle"—Hon. Freeman E. Miller of Stillwater. Resolution—Miss Mary Tandy of Woodward.

Music.

Adjustment. Wednesday, Feb. 13. 9 o'clock a. m. Music by band. "Cattle Shipments and Livestock Transportation"—Supt. H. A. Tice of the Santa Fe.

Discussion and questions by members. "Practical Tests in Breeding and Feeding"—Prof. F. C. Burtis of the A. and M. College, Stillwater, Okla.

Discussion by members. "Texas Fever and How Communicated"—Col. Albert R. Dean, secretary bureau of animal industry of U. S.

This topic is of the highest importance to every cattle man and full attendance of members is requested. Discussion by members.

"Needs and Value of Cattle Inspection in Oklahoma"—F. J. Wikoff, president Oklahoma Livestock sanitary board.

Discussion by members. "Needed Legislation Affecting the Livestock Industry in Oklahoma"—By all members of the 6th legislative assembly of Oklahoma. Adjournment. 1:30 p. m.

Address by A. C. Hall—Editor Daily Livestock World, Chicago. "At St. Joe Markets"—Traffic Manager M. B. Irwin, St. Joe, Mo.

"History of the Convention of the Oklahoma Livestock Association"—Supt. Eugene Ross, Kansas City. "The Packer at Home"—Fred Dold, Wichita.

Five minute talks by representatives of commission firms at all the markets. Bull sales and roping contest. Evening, Cattlemen's ball, free to all members and guests. Thursday, Feb. 14.

9 o'clock a. m. Unfinished business. Adoption of resolutions. Report of committee on applications for membership.

Selection and confirmation of new executive committee for the ensuing year. Selection of next place of meeting. Special show of registered Herefords, Shorthorns, Angus and Red Polled cattle from the Oklahoma experiment station.

Announcement of platform in convention hall and will occur at hours most suitable in connection with the work of the convention. Several car loads of registered Herefords and Shorthorns will be on sale.

THE WICHITA RESERVATION.—A report from Washington says: The Wichita reservation in Oklahoma will not be thrown open under the provisions of the free homestead laws of the United States, as has been generally supposed. Such is the decision of the interior department, after a careful examination of the provisions of the various laws relating to the opening of this country.

This decision is of particular interest to the cattlemen of the southwest who have been looking forward to the opening of the Wichita reservation.

tion with delight. They believed that the homestead law which became a law on May 1, 1900, extended to, and embraced, the Wichita county, and accordingly the opening of the country was awaited with expectant delight. And it was the intention of the framers of the United States law to include the Wichita reservation, as well as other Indian lands for which acts had been passed, providing for their opening to settlement, within the provisions of the act. Now, however, it transpires that settlers in the Wichita reservation will be compelled to pay for their lands in accordance with the treaty with the tribe, which was ratified by congress on March 2, 1855. Influenced are now at work to secure the extension of the provisions of the homestead laws, not only to the Wichita county, but the Kiowa and Comanche reservations as well.

In 1893 a treaty was made with the Wichita and affiliated bands of Indians, whereby they ceded to the United States all their claim, title and interest to the lands embraced in the tract of land commencing at a point in the middle of the channel of the Washita, where the 98th meridian crosses the Canadian river, thence up the middle of the main channel to the line of 98 degrees, 40 minutes, west longitude, thence on the same line of 98 degrees, 40 minutes, due north, to the middle of the channel of the Canadian river, thence down the middle of the Canadian river to where it crosses the 98th meridian, thence due south to the place of beginning.

In consideration of this cession, the United States agreed to allot, out of this tract of land, to each and every member of the Wichita and affiliated bands of Indians, native and adopted, 160 acres of land. This was to be classified into grazing and grain-growing land, and the Indians were required to make their selection, one-half of grazing land and one-half of agricultural. Every member of the bands over 18 years of age was to have the right to select 160 acres of land, to be held and owned in severalty, but to be introduced into the reservation as nearly as practicable. The heads of the families were to select for their children a like amount of land, and a person to be designated by the commissioner of Indian affairs was to make the selection for orphan children.

This treaty was ratified on March 2, 1895, but the work of surveying the lands did not commence until the fall of 1896. On June 1, 1897, when the work had reached a stage where all the lands were to be made, congress passed the 30th resolution, requesting President McKinley to suspend the work of surveying and allotting indefinitely, or until the courts could finally pass upon the disputed question of ownership between the Cherokees and the Chickasaw tribes, and the Wichita and affiliated bands of Indians. Accordingly work was stopped and nothing has been done.

The opening of the country having been authorized in March, 1895, it was generally expected that when the free homestead bill passed that its provisions would apply to

the Wichita country. But investigation shows that the intention of the framers of that law was not carried into execution. The act approved May 17, 1900, known as the Flynn free homes bill, provides as follows: "That all settlers under the homestead laws of the United States into the agricultural public lands which have already been opened to settlement, acquired prior to the passage of this act by treaty or agreement from the various Indian tribes, who have resided, or who shall hereafter reside, upon the tract entered in good faith for the period required by existing law, shall be entitled to a patent for the land so entered upon the payment to the local land officers of the usual and customary fees, and no other or further charge of any kind whatsoever shall be required from such settler to entitle him to a patent for the land covered by his entry."

It will be seen from the above section of the free homes law that settlement on public land must have been made prior to the approval of the act. Although the opening of the Wichita country has been authorized more than five years before the homes bill passed, the country had not been opened to settlement had not been made. Thus, in the opinion of Secretary Hitchcock, the settlers on the lands in the Wichita country must pay for them at the rate of \$1.25 per acre, unless congress sees fit to make some other provision, the benefit of the free homes law to that country.

NEW MEXICO

J. P. White of Roswell, manager of the Littlefield Cattle Company, recently Mexican steers at private terms. He also bought 500 Mexican steers from R. F. Burnett for about \$8000.

A cattle train was wrecked at Albuquerque last week and 15 head of cattle were killed, while 200 others escaped to the foothills. The cattle belonged to the Diamond A company of Southern New Mexico.

R. F. Barnett of Roswell, N. M., bought 80 acres of land without water right from J. P. White last week. The tract was formerly known as the J. R. Cunningham place. The consideration was \$3000. This gives Mr. Barnett 240 acres in one body there, and makes his total land holdings in Chaves county nearly 2000 acres.

A duel between two cowpunchers of the Victoria Land Cattle company, in which one was probably fatally shot, occurred a few days ago. Robert Adams and James Chandler were at Cedar Grove postoffice and got into a heated discussion over steer roping and finally commenced swearing at each other. Adams drew his pistol first and commenced firing, Chandler falling to the ground with a bullet through his right lung just above the heart.

John Hightower of Lincoln county has demonstrated that the raising of high grade

NEW ASSOCIATION

SOUTH TEXAS LIVE STOCK ASSOCIATION EFFECTED PERMANENT ORGANIZATION AT HOUSTON.

At Houston last week the South Texas Live Stock association was permanently organized. During the flow, Fruit and Vegetable carnival at Houston this association perfected temporary organization with F. N. Bullock of Columbia, Tex., temporary president, and Tom Richardson of Houston, temporary secretary. At the meeting last week, the temporary officers were unanimously elected to serve in their respective positions under permanent organization and D. Super, Jr., of Houston, was elected treasurer.

The objects of the new association are to advance the live stock industry of the southern part of the state and to give aid in the holding of an annual fair in Houston at such time as may conform to the dates for holding the exhibitions in Dallas and San Antonio. A constitutional convention will be held for the government of the association and was prepared and adopted and it was further decided to provide a book of marks and brands for the registration of animals owned by members of the association and a stock book for similar registry. The association proposes to take active steps to bring to justice all parties committing offenses against the stock raising industries of South Texas.

Those present and participating in the meeting and all others named as delegates who had signified a desire to become members were made members of the organization and it was provided that any person engaged in raising or dealing in livestock might become a member on the recommendation of any member of the association and acceptance by the association.

The fixing of fees was left to the executive committee. The grievance committee reported a resolution favoring the amendment of the stock laws of Texas so as to enable localities to hold elections to determine whether or not animals of certain grades or classes shall run at large.

Judge Williams of Huntsville and L. H. Porter, president of Texas Dairy association, were among the leading speakers at the meeting.

Among those present were: F. N. Bullock, Brightside ranch, Columbia, Brazoria county; John C. Williams, county judge, Huntsville, Walker county; T. A. Gay, Gay Bros, Montgomery county; T. E. Mann, Dodge, Walker county; John E. Hill, Hill-Menet Co., New Waverly, Walker county; Martin Taylor, New Waverly, Walker county; F. W. Turner, Bonham, Brazoria county; C. C. Chandler, Houston, Harris county; W. McDaniel, Port Arthur, Jefferson county; C. J. Cunningham, International Coffee company, Houston, Harris county; P. S. McDonnell, Houston Manufacturers' association, Houston, Harris county; I. N. Palmer, Brunner, Harris county; Louis Mackensen, Houston, Harris county;

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goats is a very profitable business. He went to Roswell last week with a load of mohair which sold for 23 cents per pound. He has some of the finest goats in New Mexico. He began with 200 nannies and a few fine bucks, some of which cost \$150 apiece. He raised 250 kids in the spring sold 102 goats, which netted him \$450. He sheared twice in the year, getting each time 16000 pounds of mohair.

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MELON GROWERS MET—At Roswell, N. M., a meeting of the Melon Growers association was recently held. The main object of the meeting was to adopt some rules and regulations and a contract that had been entered into between the directors of the association and the Peoria Valley Packing Co. pertaining to the packing and shipping of the melon of this year's crop. This contract provided that the packing company should do all the work of procuring crates and other packing material and supervising the packing and consigning of the crop for the sum of \$15 per car, the growers, however, paying the actual cost of crate, packing material and the manual labor used in the packing. Col. Earle of the packing company, was present and explained what the company proposed to do, and especially the desirability of all the crop from various points in the valley going on the market in good condition and of a uniform grade. Some of the members of the growers' association thought the sum of \$15 per car very reasonable

year ago in Texas, formed the acquaintance of this wealthy rancher and the friendship formed soon ripened into love. It was agreed that the two should be married secretly by Mr. Passow and this was done at the Kentucky, where the nuptial knot was tied.

Mr. Passow went back to his ranch and his wife, returning to Metropolis, continued preparations for a public wedding. Only a few days before the date fixed for the event she publicly announced her wedding and said that she was sorry for the step she had taken. She freely told her friends that she had no affection for Mr. Passow, and it was expected that divorce proceedings would result. Mr. Passow learned of the changed conditions and took no further steps to claim his bride.

He found it necessary to visit Chicago during the holidays, owing to the settlement of the estate of his father, and his wife, learning of his presence in that city, sought an interview. The couple met, a reconciliation was effected and a second wedding took place in a Chicago church. This act has just framed. Mr. and Mrs. Passow will make their home in Texas in the near future.

GUN TO PROTECT SHEEP.

James Reed of Medicine bow, Wyo., is in the city with an automatic and self-acting gun for use of sheepmen without corral. The gun is controlled by clockwork, he says, and can be made to fire at intervals from five minutes to twelve hours. Two shots can be fired without winding. If desired, the gun will explode every five minutes, or every ten minutes, or half an hour or five hours. The weapon is said to be of great benefit to sheepmen who are troubled with wolves and other night prowlers.—Denver Record-Stockman.

A RANCHMAN'S ROMANCE.

A dispatch from Carbondale, Ill., says: Vite, one of the twin daughters of former Supreme Judge Mulkey, of Metropolis, had added another interesting chapter to her romantic marriage to Edward Passow last August. Miss Mulkey, while visiting about a

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