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HOT SPRINGS DOCTORS HAVE LOCATED A PERMANENT INSTITUTE IN FORT WORTH.

MAKE WONDERFUL CURES

MORE THAN A HUNDRED REMOTABLE CITIZENS OF FORT WORTH PUBLICLY TESTIFY.

Within the past two weeks there has been established in Fort Worth an institution that is destined to be one of the prominent blessings to the people of Texas and the great southwest. This is the Hot Springs Institute that has been established at 900 Houston street by the Great Anselme and his associates, Marvel Kinsey, the man with the X-ray eye (Ben W. Kinsey, M. D.). These gentlemen are the originators and discoverers of the Hot Springs system of curing chronic disease by nature's remedies. Their institute is filled with instruments for diagnosing diseased conditions. These instruments are mostly of their own invention and used by no other doctors; and so thorough is Marvel Kinsey's knowledge of disease that he is able to make a diagnosis in a moment's time, describing every ache and pain without asking the patient a single question. With such knowledge of disease as this—and using only nature's remedies—is it any wonder that astonishing cures are made.

The Hot Springs Doctor's business policy is a sound one—they will not accept any incurable cases for treatment. Hundreds of cases that had baffled all ordinary methods of treating symptoms by administering poisonous drugs, have been cured in Fort Worth by this simple method of using nature's remedies to eliminate poisons—to take all poisons out of the blood and system so that nature can work a cure. Another great advantage of this system of Hot Springs treatment is that it is all home treatment, so that patients from a distance can make one visit to the institute and take the treatment home with them to be cured by their own friends. Many from all parts of Texas and even from New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado and Oklahoma, are now being cured in their homes, having made but one visit to the institute in Fort Worth.

Speaking of the great work the Hot Springs Doctors are doing, Sunday's Fort Worth Telegram contains the following: "Do you know, Mr. Reporter, I can actually see it grow!" These were the words used by Mrs. Putman of 142 Calhoun street. She was speaking of the wonderful progress that is being made in the case of her little son, Johnny, who has a paralyzed arm, which is being cured by the Hot Springs Doctors. Johnny has been under treatment but a few days and the little shrunken, shriveled arm has increased in size and Johnny has regained the use of it. Mrs. Putman says that she can actually see the growth of the arm from day to day since the Hot Springs remedies are sending rich warm life blood coursing through it again.

The many astonishing cures that have been made by the Hot Springs Doctors in Fort Worth are among the leading topics of conversation everywhere, and the fact that the cures are

all proving to be permanent is an additional cause of gratification. Yesterday M. B. Mims of 395 Edwards street, letter carrier No. 7, walked up to the Hot Springs Institute at 900 Houston street without his crutches. Only a week ago Mr. Mims was a cripple in bed most of the time and hobbling about the room on crutches. One short week of Hot Springs treatment and he now walks the streets without even a cane. These are not fancies—they are solid facts, as investigation has proven to the reporter.

J. L. Berry of North Fort Worth testified that he had been cured of kidney trouble and his wife of dyspepsia by the Hot Springs Institute. Little 6-year-old Anna May Crossen of Riverside, who was paralyzed in both limbs, can now walk, for the first time in months.

Mrs. E. L. Johnson of 1114 Kennedy street was cured of six years' deafness, caused by taking quinine. C. J. Vares of 604 Hemphill street had been deaf twenty-five years and Hot Springs Remedies relieved him at once.

With the above and hundreds of other cures being made right here in Fort Worth—people being cured who had suffered for years, people whom we know were sick and are now well—it is any wonder that the offices of the Hot Springs Doctors at 900 Houston street are crowded every day with people from far and near, who are anxiously waiting their turn for a consultation with the marvelous specialist, Marvel Kinsey, the man with the X-ray eye, examines each patient personally and refuses all that are incurable.

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STOCKGROWERS MEET IN DENVER

Reciprocity to Be Considered at Denver Session

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 11.—Reciprocity tariffs with Germany and other foreign countries will be the chief matters for consideration by the American National Live Stock Association at its annual meeting to be held in Denver the last week in January. On this question stockmen of the west promise to get into politics from the word go after the coming session. Stockmen say that tariff reductions must be changed to protect the live stock interests of the United States. The sugar trust has been a strong enemy heretofore, but the stockmen are determined to have their way despite the sugar interests. The opposition of the sugar trust to the reciprocity scheme is based on the assumption that German beet sugar will be permitted to come into American ports at reduced tariff rates. At present the sugar tariff is prohibitive. Germany is retaliating by raising its tariffs on meats and other commodities shipped from the United States. There is an excess of live stock products in this country. The stockmen are crying for an outlet abroad. They say they must find new markets, as old ones are being closed to them. The only way in which these new markets can be made is to change the tariff, stockmen say, and the tariff question will be the one subject to be given the most attention during the big January meeting of stockmen. The forest reserve question and the matter of leasing all the public domain to the stock growers will also be considered.

Murdo Mackenzie, according to present plans, is to be re-elected president of the American National Live Stock Association. Nearly all the old officers are to be re-elected.

HEARING SET FOR CATTLEMEN'S CASE

Will Try Charges Against the Railroads

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—The interstate commerce commission has set for hearing at Chicago on Jan. 7 the case of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas against the Missouri, Kansas and Texas and other railway companies, alleging unreasonable differences in rates on interstate shipments of cattle and other live stock. At the same time the commission will hear the case of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas against the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy and other railroads in a later case involving the legality of the terminal charges on car load shipment of cattle at Union Stock Yards, Chicago, which also comes up incidentally to the first main cases.

Burros to Birmingham
MARFA, Texas, Dec. 12.—S. M. Murphy is shipping today sixty head of burros to Birmingham, Ala., which he purchased in this county. Mr. Murphy makes a business of shipping burros to northern cities in the summer and to southern cities in the winter and selling them out to families for their children.

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Young Man Frozen to Death
ROSWELL, N. M., Dec. 12.—Will Tolbert, a cowboy, working for John Shaw at the V ranch, seventy miles west or northwest of Roswell, arrived last night in town and reported that Allice Dorris, the nineteen year old

son of Mr. and Mrs. Dorris, formerly of this city but now of Roswell, had been found in the Bar V country, frozen to death. The news was phoned to the boy's father at Carlsbad and he came this morning and started with Tolbert to bring the body to Roswell for burial.

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general condition of the stock interests of the state, as far as I have learned, is good and the prospect is for a good time. Cotton has become a living issue up our way, and it is really astounding how much can be picked from an acre of ground in a county that has always been looked upon as not much of an agricultural country."

and that finished it. It is not always the best plan to count your eggs until they are safely in hand, and it is so with cotton. One can never tell what a week will bring forth of injury to the crop and make it short."

FARMERS' UNION

Patronizing Fort Worth Robert Wright, the representative of the Armstrong Packing Company of Dallas, was on the market here, looking up a supply of good killers for his institution. Fort Worth being the market center of the state and southwest, has all classes of cattle from which a buyer can select what he wishes. It is therefore up to Dallas to make places that have small packing companies over and make their selections and make their selections ship to their packeries for slaughter. There have been besides Mr. Wright a representative of another packer from Dallas on the market this week. Of course Fort Worth welcomes such good people and at the same time acknowledges that she is the big thing in the cattle trading and marketing business in Texas.

Looking for Hogs R. F. Simmons, who resides at Payne, T. T., and is an all round cattleman, was on the yards and looking for hogs this time. It is supposed, to run behind his steers. "I am looking for some hogs to feed, but have seen nothing yet on the market that suits me," said Mr. Simmons. "I am feeding some steers on the railroad, at a place fourteen miles west of Paredit, not at my house place. I buy, feed and sell, and run hogs behind my feeding steers. We have plenty of feed this year and there will be some money in the business unless the market goes back on us."

"The cotton in the territory, that is in our part of it, has not turned out nearly so well as it was supposed it would at first, when everybody was predicting a bade to the acre. We will not get near a half bale average. This is owing in the first instance to the ravages of the boll worm, which lit into it first, and then the freeze came along

Conditions in Montana John M. Holt, president of the Montana Stock Growers' Association, states that in all his experience in the cattle business, and that means from the year 1890, he never saw cattle go from water to snow in such fine condition as they did this year, says the Stock Growers' Journal of Miles City.

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ECHOES OF THE RANGE

Weekly Compilation of Interesting Ranch and Stock News from All of the Great Range Country of Texas

In Hall County

Memphis Herald.

The case of Letts et al vs. J. K. Zimmerman et al was taken up in the district court here last Saturday before Judge S. P. Huff. The plaintiff was represented by Attorney Gore of Fort Worth and Judge Dunbar of Memphis. The defendant was represented by Attorney Dycus of Fort Worth. The law merchant et al was taken up in the district court here last Saturday before Judge S. P. Huff. The plaintiff was represented by Attorney Gore of Fort Worth and Judge Dunbar of Memphis. The defendant was represented by Attorney Dycus of Fort Worth. The law merchant et al was taken up in the district court here last Saturday before Judge S. P. Huff. The plaintiff was represented by Attorney Gore of Fort Worth and Judge Dunbar of Memphis. The defendant was represented by Attorney Dycus of Fort Worth.

In Crockett county

Ozona Kicker.

Jones Miller bought 4,000 sheep of Albert Kincaid.

W. M. Johnson, manager of the Kinney ranch, was in town. He brought in four fat hogs for the local market.

Jim P. Wilson has sold to B. P. Nolan section 20, block 3, at \$8 an acre, says the Alpine Advocate.

Ex-Sheriff J. B. Moore is preparing to fence in four sections of his pasture land west of Light House and the district judge with herders. J. R. Brooks is also considering that plan.

In Scurry County

Snyder Light.

Pete Scoggin has been tied up for the past ten days with his cattle at Colorado. Two cars being obtainable. The cattle are all probably to be returned to his ranch in Kent county.

S. C. Grimes returned this week from Abilene. Mr. Grimes reports his stock suffered some from the effect of the recent cold and rain, but as he has plenty of feed stuff he will not lose any cattle.

In New Mexico

Deming Graphic.

All stock conditions are splendid in this section.

Recent rains have made the Arizona range the best ever.

W. H. Jones will ship next week two carloads of butcher stuff to Tucson.

J. L. McCoy has sold his goat ranch at Cook's Peak with 850 head of Anzora goats.

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SENDS MESSAGE ON PUBLIC LAND LAWS

The President Wants Radical Change in the Law

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—President Roosevelt sent to congress today a special message on the subject of the public land laws. The President says the developments of the past year emphasize with increasing force the need of vigorous and immediate action to recast the public land laws and adapt them to the actual situation.

The timber and stone act had depreciated conclusively that its effect is to turn over the public timber lands to the great corporations. It has done enormous harm; it is no longer needed and should be repealed.

The desert land act results so frequently in fraud and so comparatively seldom in making homes on the lands that it demands radical amendment. The commutation clause of the homestead act serves in a majority of cases to defeat the purpose of the homestead itself which is to facilitate settlement and create homes. The President says he is gravely concerned with the extremely unsatisfactory condition of the public land laws and the prevalence of fraud under their present provisions.

There is but one way by which the fraudulent acquisition of these lands can be definitely stopped, and therefore I have directed the secretary of the interior to be enabled to employ mining experts to examine the validity of all mineral land claims and to undertake the supervision and control of the use of mineral lands still belonging to the United States.

The present coal law limiting individual entry to 160 acres puts a premium on fraud by making it impossible to develop certain types of coal fields and yet comply with the law.

It is a scandal to maintain laws which sound well but which make fraud the key without which great natural resources must remain closed.

The law presented gives individuals and corporations under proper government regulation and control the details of which I shall not at present discuss, the right to work bodies of land large enough for profitable development. My own belief is that there should be a provision for leasing coal oil and gas rights under proper restrictions.

WILL BUY LARGE MEXICAN RANCH

MONTEREY, Mexico, Dec. 14.—Major John B. Armstrong and J. G. Keenly, two of the wealthiest and most noted ranchmen of Southwest Texas, are here en route to Tampulipas, where they will close a deal for a big ranch of about 1,000,000 acres of the best grazing land. They propose to enter into cattle raising in Mexico on a large scale and will ship thousands of head of cattle from their Texas ranches to Mexico.

Both Mr. Kennedy and Major Armstrong say that the cattle business is doomed in Texas and they are looking for other fields where they can pursue their cattle raising at a profit. Both have been offered very high prices for their Texas ranches and say that the inducements are such that they will have to open them up to the public.

They admit that a syndicate at the head of which is H. H. Rogers of the Standard Oil Company and James Sullivan of the City National Bank, New York, are figuring on the purchase of the Kennedy, Armstrong, Driscoll and King ranches for the establishment of a big hotel. Both say that no definite terms have been made.

The ranch to be established by these gentlemen in Mexico will probably be the biggest in the world, as ranches of large dimensions in both the United States and Australia are rapidly disappearing.

COWAN IS RETURNING

He Will Attend Interstate Commerce Commission

I. H. Burney received a telegram from Sam H. C. Saturday morning, saying that he has left Washington Friday night. On his way home Judge Cowan will attend meetings of the interstate commerce commission in St. Louis and Kansas City, where the shortage of railroad cars will be investigated.

Judge Cowan will arrive in Chicago Saturday night and will remain there over Monday. Monday night he will go to St. Louis, where the meeting of the interstate commerce commission will be held Tuesday. This meeting is for the purpose of investigating the general breakdown of the transportation facilities of the United States throughout the west during the fall and winter. The commission will adjourn from St. Louis to Kansas City as soon as possible and will meet the last of the week in the latter city.

Judge Cowan will also be present at the meeting in Kansas City, after which he will return to Fort Worth, arriving here next Saturday or Sunday.

NOTICE

The undersigned will apply to the legislature of the state of Texas for the passage of an act authorizing the Texas & Gulf Railway Company to purchase or lease the railroads and other properties of the Gulf, Beaumont & Kansas City Railway Company, the Gulf, Beaumont & Great Northern Railway Company and the Gulf & Interstate Railway Company of Texas, and authorizing said The Texas & Gulf Railway Company to sell or lease the railroads and other property now owned or that may be acquired under such act, to the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway Company, conditioned that The Texas & Gulf Railway Company or the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway Company shall construct a railroad between a point on the railroad of The Texas and Gulf Railway Company and a point on the railroad of the Gulf, Beaumont & Great Northern Railway Company, and a railroad from Longview in Gregg county, to a point on Red river in Lamar county, and authorizing the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway Company to purchase or lease the railroads and other property of The Texas & Gulf Railway Company and of the Gulf & Interstate Railway Company of Texas, conditioned upon the construction of a railroad by the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway Company or the Texas & Gulf Railway Company between the railroad of The Texas & Gulf Railway Company and the Railroad of the Gulf, Beaumont & Great Northern Railway Company, and a railroad from Longview in Gregg county, to a point on Red river in Lamar county, and it is the intention hereof to provide a thru line of railroad from Galveston thru Beaumont and Longview to a point on Red river in Lamar county, and it is contemplated that a line of railroad will be constructed from said point on Red river to a connection with the line of the Santa Fe in the Indian or Oklahoma Territory.

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In Baylor County

Seymour Banner.

Stockmen report cattle very little drawn by the bad weather. Grass is good and seems not to have been injured much by the rain.

Fancher Bros have 300 head of pretty cattle on Seymour creek just east of town, which they are fattening for market. They will add another 100 soon.

M. Davis is feeding 300 head near the oil mill. All these cattle are being fed on cotton seed meal and hulls.

Davis & Gibbs shipped three cars of fat cattle to St. Louis last week.

Coleman & Bradford, of Benjamin, shipped five cars, and Tom Adams, of Benjamin, made a shipment, all to the St. Louis market.

Fancher Bros. shipped one car of fat cattle to Fort Worth.

W. B. Self shipped three cars of hogs to Fort Worth Tuesday.

In Tom Green County

San Angelo Standard.

The two car loads of Durham bulls shipped here from Hillsboro by the Harris Brothers constitute one of the finest herds of thoroughbred cattle ever brought to the Concho country. The cattle were selected with care and with special reference to the breeding of fine beef stock and their introduction into the herds of the Messrs. Harris.

Mr. Harris, speaking of range cattle, gives it as his observation and experience that the Durhams are better rustlers than any of the other fine breeds, and will develop with less attention and care than other beef-producing cattle. There are some fine specimens among this shipment of bulls, ranging from yearlings to very large ones, and the Messrs. Harris are well pleased with their purchase, which was made after examining other fine herds.

Judge Milton Mays made a trip thru sections of the county Friday and reports the range in good condition. Grass is green and in the bottoms the wild rye is nearly a foot high. Judge Mays reports seeing a good many young cattle dead, but does not know the cause.

In Menard County

Menardville Enterprise.

Tipton & Co. sold Lee Shuler thirty-eight fat cows the last week.

Lee Shuler sold Jim Bevans eighty-three steers this week.

H. Vander Stucken sold W. F. Jenkins 150 head of stock cattle the last week at \$12.50.

Jim Bevans bought a nice span of bay ponies from Mr. Hennesdorf of Brady this week, paying \$225 for them.

Lee Shuler brought in eighty-three 2-year-old steers this week which he bought in Concho county. He will put them in his pasture near town.

W. F. Jenkins made the following sales this week: To Tom McMurry,

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DEMAND FOR TEXAS LANDS

From every section of the state comes information of unprecedented demand for Texas farming lands, and in many instances lands that have not been noted for agricultural productiveness in the past have come actively into demand and are changing hands at high prices. Individual land owners are not the only ones who are profiting by the situation, for the state is also rapidly disposing of the unsold portion of the public domain that is now the property of the school fund and various state institutions. Land Commissioner Terrell has just submitted his annual report to the governor, and it affords some interesting reading. The land commissioner says that the activity in the sale of state lands during the past sixteen months is just simply unprecedented in the history of the state. This condition was largely brought about thru the provisions of the new land law, which went into effect April 15, 1905, which was like unearthing a hidden treasure to the people of the country.

The eyes of homeseekers in our own state and elsewhere were turned toward the territory of Texas school land, the report says. To our own home people were added trainloads of prospectors, speculators and investors from everywhere. As seasons have been good, conditions were favorable. They found natural resources of undreamed value, with present and future opportunities untaken. The effect was magical. Applications for school land multiplied. Investment in private land began. With the coming of people prices advanced, at first slowly, then by leaps and bounds. Those in touch with the real estate world know the rest.

One direct benefit of this new law to the school land fund is the gain of \$3,346,890 in the sale of 4,819,659 acres of surveyed school land in the first year above the price at which it was originally on the market.

The total sales of surveyed and unsurveyed land for the first year amount to 5,000,043 acres.

The report shows that the total number of acres under lease September 1, 1905, was 6,766,551. Nearly 5,000,000 acres of this land is leased at 3 cents per acre per annum; about 1,000,000 acres are leased at 1-1/4 to 2-1/4 cents per acre per annum. More than 500,000 acres are leased for 5 cents per acre per annum, and about 2,000 acres bring as high as 7 cents per acre per annum. In discussing this matter Mr. Terrell says:

"The reduction in leased land is due to the sale of so much during the past year. While sales have a tendency to disturb conditions in the lease territory and a reduction of revenue from that source, yet the final result will be better for the school land and the state and the stock interests.

"It will be observed that only about one-half of the unsold land is under lease. This is due in part to the fact that rocks, alkali, salt, etc., render some unfit for grazing; in part, to some being so rough and mountainous the ground is inaccessible; in part, to the lack of water. Of course every purchaser will try to take first the most desirable land in his chosen locality. This has been true since sales began. Now the remaining remnant unleased is being leased very slowly and at a less advance than heretofore over prices prevailing prior to 1903. Some will not be leased for many years, if ever."

"There are now approximately 13,143,738 acres of unsold surveyed state land. The exact amount has never been known at any given date. Nothing like a balance sheet has ever been kept.

Mr. Terrell says that in addition to the 13,143,738 acres of unsold surveyed state lands there is a considerable acreage of unsold unsurveyed state land. The unsold surveyed and most of the unsold unsurveyed state land is located west of the Pecos river, the amount of unsold surveyed state land situated in that territory being more than 8,000,000 acres.

"When it is recalled that the total acreage of school land approximates 44,000,000 acres, the report continues, "and it is seen that three-fourths of that amount is in the roughest part of the state, the conclusion is inevitable that all the most desirable state land has been sold. However, that now unsold in Andrew, Cameron, Dimmit, Duval, Ector, Gaines, Hidalgo, Kimble, La Salle, McMullen, Midland, Starr, Sutton, Terry, Webb, Yoakum, Zapata and Zavala counties, aggregating 1,427,946 acres is much in demand by the public. Present indications are that it will be purchased at once if placed on the market, disregarding existing leases. To sell the leased land as fast as it comes in demand by homeseekers has been the uniform policy of our state.

According to the report the amount of "scrap land,"

or unsurveyed school land belonging to the state is more than 8,000,000 acres.

A number of recommendations are made by Commissioner Terrell for the consideration of the next legislature, chief among which are the following:

"That purchases out of leases be limited to the original lessee who still owns the lease, and allow that right to leases which were executed after April 13, 1901, and prior to April 15, 1905; that all purchases shall be of full tracts instead of permitting them to be cut up into eighty acres or some multiple thereof, and that no tract shall be divided before it is patented; that all of the remaining unsurveyed state land be sold without condition of settlement, either for cash or on the usual time with 5 per cent interest on the deferred principal, except tracts of sixty acres or less, which should be paid for in cash; that all the land in Andrews, Cameron, Dimmit, Duval, Ector, Gaines, Hidalgo, Kimble, Kinney, La Salle, Maverick, McMullen, Midland, Starr, Sutton, Terry, Ward, Webb, Yoakum, Zapata and Zavala counties, aggregating 1,510,213 acres, be placed on the market, disregarding present leases, but make provision for the protection of the owner of improvements on the leased lands, because the law declares that to be personal property.

Mr. Terrell says that all the land in the counties except Andrews, Bander, Brewster, Cameron, Crane, Crockett, Dimmit, Duval, Ector, Edwards, El Paso, Gaines, Hidalgo, Jeff Davis, Kerr, Kimble, Kinney, La Salle, Loving, Maverick, McMullen, Midland, Pecos, Starr, Reeves, Tarrant, Sutton, Zapata and Zavala, should be offered for sale without condition of settlement and either for cash or on time with 5 per cent interest.

He urges that the land situated west of the Pecos river which is classed as mineral should be sold as grazing or agricultural land, and that the purchaser should not acquire any rights in the minerals. He urges that it should be provided that all land on the market and subject to sale should be advertised for sale on certain fixed dates, say at intervals of a few months.

GOING AFTER THE FARMERS

The state of Texas has been in a bad way financially now for several years, on account of the failure of two legislatures in succession to levy sufficient taxes to furnish the revenue required to keep state finances on a cash basis. Members of the state legislature are now expressing themselves on important matters of future legislation, and the majority of them are declaring that revenue and taxation are the most important matters that will come up for consideration during the regular session, which convenes in the city of Austin the second Tuesday in January.

It is pretty generally believed that the tax rate will have to be raised next year in order that the deficiency in the state treasury may be overcome and the state again set down on a cash basis, but such a proposition is certain to meet with stubborn resistance among the agricultural interests, who are already declaring they are paying more than their just proportion of all state and county taxes. The experimental legislation passed by the last session in an effort to raise additional revenue has not panned out as was expected, from the fact that the interests concerned have made a strong legal fight against these measures. Ultimately it is quite likely that considerable revenue will be derived from these sources, but that does not help existing conditions.

A ruling has just been made in the comptroller's department at Austin that is going to stir up a storm of angry protest from the agricultural communities of the state, and will inspire a further determination to combat any raise in the tax rate. The comptroller has rendered a ruling that will annually yield many additional thousands of dollars to the state in the way of revenue if it is carried out, and that ruling is to the effect that the improvements on property must be assessed for taxation in addition to the valuation placed on the land.

The issue was directly raised by the new tax assessor of Travis county asking for instructions as to the manner of making the proper assessment on farm lands. Heretofore it has been the rule of assessors in this state to assess farm lands at so much per acre without regard to the value and character of the improvements located thereon, while in towns and cities not only is the real estate taxed, but the improvements are made to come up with their proper and just proportion. Under this arrangement the owner of town property has been compelled to pay taxes on his improvements, while it is alleged the farmer has in the majority of instances managed to escape. The farmer who owns 100 acres of land, on which there are no improvements, would render his land for taxation at a valuation of \$15 per acre. Another farmer on an adjoining tract with \$19,000 worth of improvements simply values his land at \$15 per acre in accordance with the valuation of his neighbor, and in this way the \$19,000 worth of improvements escape taxation. In his letter to the Travis county tax assessor the state comptroller says:

"I have to advise that in valuing lands for taxation purposes, the value of all buildings, structures and improvements or other fixtures of whatsoever kind thereon, should be included. In other words, the value of the improvements should be added in arriving at the value of the land."

This is an issue that has been raised in Texas before, and has never failed to call forth vehement protests from the farmer. A few years ago a new assessor in a certain West Texas county announced that when he went into office he proposed to see that all the improvements on farms in his county would be taxed, and from one of the most popular men in his county he had become the most unpopular. The farmers declared that the proposed action was a tax on thrift and industry and they raised a hue and cry over the proposition, and it was summarily relegated to the rear. In the next election the assessor was retired from business and the old method of doing business was restored.

The people as a whole rarely take kindly to any proposition that involves an increase in taxation, and it is certain there is going to be a whole lot of trouble over this new idea if it is generally adopted. Men will not stop to figure on the fact that they ought to pay taxes on an honest rendition of all they own. They believe other temporizers in matters of this kind and each individual believes he is privileged to do the same thing.

Texas taxable values show an increase of more than \$2,000,000 for the past year, and there ought to be no trouble in raising all the revenue required by the state.

DEVELOPMENT OF THE PANHANDLE

Down in this portion of the state there is but a faint conception of the truly magnificent progress and development of the great Panhandle section of Texas. Occasionally we get a little information that causes the great heart of Fort Worth to rejoice over what is

being accomplished by her ally, but actual figures showing what is really being accomplished have not been available. As a matter of fact, the figures show that during two months of the present year the gain in immigration to the Panhandle country is just 309 per cent over last year. The following statement from D. L. Myers, traffic manager of the Pecos Valley lines of the Santa Fe, at Amarillo, tells the wonderful story of Panhandle progress.

For the twelve months ending July 31, 1905, there were received at stations on the Southern Kansas Railway Company of Texas and the Pecos & Northern Texas railway, 336 carloads of household goods, showing that the actual settler has been bringing his personal effects to this country at a pretty rapid rate. The movement of emigrant outfits is one of the best indications I know of as tending to show the extent to which our line is being settled up. I regret that I have no statistics for the corresponding period of the previous year for the purpose of comparison. I have, however, some figures showing that for the period from August to October, 1905, inclusive, there were unloaded at our stations in Texas fifty-one cars of emigrant outfits while for the same period this year there were unloaded 120 carloads, showing a big increase. We are, as you know, doing everything possible to encourage immigration toward the Panhandle as well as to make the people feel satisfied after they have cast their anchor in our midst.

It is no wonder that under such circumstances the people of the Panhandle are fairly reveling in prosperity. It is no wonder that Panhandle cities and towns are growing as they never grew before in all their past history, and that the great plains country is being dotted from one end to the other with new and happy homes. Panhandle soil is as fertile as any God ever created, and the variety of crops that can be produced in that section is remarkable. Wheat grows to perfection, oats rarely fail to make a prodigious yield, and corn is grown in many localities as good as that produced in Kansas, Missouri or Nebraska. Cotton is coming to the front as a great staple crop, and the forage crops produce so abundantly that storage is often a matter of great concern to the producer. Fruit and vegetables produce abundantly, and with the favorable seasons that section is now enjoying continued development will be rapid.

It may be true that good seasons cannot be expected every year in the Panhandle country, and the same remark applies with almost equal force to every other country. But it is a noticeable fact that the men who have pinned their faith to the Panhandle country and remained with it during all the years it has been coming to the front, are growing rich and prosperous and do not care to change their habitation. The Panhandle country appears to be one section of Texas any progressive citizen may safely tie to.

OPPOSED TO BEVERIDGE AMENDMENT

The cattlemen of Texas view with much dissatisfaction and apprehension the proposed amendment to the meat inspection bill offered by Senator Beveridge of Indiana, and sentiment among the meat producers of this state is well reflected in the resolution adopted in this city a few days ago by the executive committee of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas. This resolution condemns the Beveridge amendment and expresses complete satisfaction with the law as it was enacted by the last session of congress.

It will be remembered that during the time the meat inspection bill was pending before congress representatives of the great live stock industry went to Washington and argued strongly against the proposition to place the cost of inspection upon the packing house interests, and so strenuous was the contention that a change was made and the cost of inspection saddled upon the federal government after it had been determined that it should be borne by the packers.

It should be stated in this connection that it was no desire on the part of the producers to protect the packers that inspired this action. In fact, it was not the result even of friendliness, for the producers of the country were firmly under the impression at that time that they were being preyed upon by the packing interests. It was purely a matter of self-protection, for experience with the packing interests had taught the producers that in matters of this kind a method is speedily devised of shifting the burden and the cost must ultimately come out of the pockets of the producers, and that procedure always hurts.

Texas cattlemen believe the inspection law is a good thing, both for the packers and for themselves. They are of the opinion that the government espionage established will result in greater confidence in our meat products abroad as well as at home, and thereby inspire greater consumption and greater demand. This in turn will relieve congestion and produce better prices, and in this way the producer will come in for a more appreciable share of the general prosperity.

The cattlemen of Texas are almost a unit in their opposition to the Beveridge amendment. They think it is best to proceed under the new law as it now stands, and only amend it after practical experience has demonstrated any weak places that may be developed in it. They are not willing to resort to experiment that promises to impose an additional burden upon them.

PANHANDLE CALVES FOR FEEDERS

Judge O. H. Nelson of Amarillo has returned from an extended trip thru the eastern corn belt states in the interest of the Panhandle calf and yearling as a feeding proposition. He visited the stock sale centers of Iowa, Illinois, Indiana and Ohio, and did much to stimulate the good opinion the feeders of those sections already have of Panhandle feeder cattle such as are now produced in that section.

It was Dan W. Black, a great feeder of Lyndon, Ohio, who first signally demonstrated the fine qualities of this Panhandle range bred stuff. In 1901 he won the first prize at the great International Live Stock Show at Chicago with a bunch of Panhandle cattle that had been fed and finished for market at his feeding pens in Ohio. And since Dan Black captured that grand prize it has been no trouble to interest Ohio feeders in the Panhandle feeder proposition.

Thru all these eastern states in recent years feeding has become a very important industry and is constantly increasing in importance. The average corn belt feeder is a very careful and discriminating operator, and fully realizes that just the right kind of an animal must be obtained and properly handled in order to achieve the desired results. There was a time when they produced this class of cattle for themselves, but the great enhancement that has come to land values thruout the corn belt has so changed conditions that it is no longer profitable to breed and raise the cattle on the farms. It has grown too valuable to be devoted to grading purposes, and the feeder has been forced to turn in another direction for his needed supply. The Panhandle stuff measures up to every requirement of the situation, and it is there these men are finding just what they require.

Some of the largest operators in the corn belt have learned to come to the Panhandle in person and select the stock they want directly from the ranges where it is produced. The smaller feeders, however, who are greatly in the majority, are compelled to depend on the Chicago market and the various auction sales

that are conducted by subscription dealers who ship large numbers of these cattle to common centers and auction them off in bunches to suit the buyers. Judge Nelson has done considerable work in developing this feature of the situation, and expects a greatly increased demand during the coming season.

TEXAS FEEDERS ARE COMPLAINING

There is the annual complaint of high priced oil mill products heard among the men who annually feed a considerable number of cattle, and they say the price this season is so high that it is going to materially curtail operations. One feeder who operates within a short distance of Fort Worth says the oil mills are so nearly getting control of all the gins in the country that it is becoming a difficult matter to even obtain raw cotton seed, and thinks the feeders are up against a very serious proposition.

Discussing the outlook generally, he said he believed this was a fine time to feed a bunch of cattle, provided they were handled properly, for the indications are prices will be good for good stuff. He has a good lot of steers he expects to shape up for market, but insists that he does not believe the idea of feeding them for the exclusive benefit of the cotton seed oil mill men. He fed a good bunch of steers last season, and thru proper and economical methods came out considerably to the good.

Some of these feeders are declaring they will not patronize the oil mill men at all, but will feed all the roughness they can get their hands on and large quantities of raw cotton seed, provided the cotton seed can be obtained. But right here they again come in contact with the mill men, who are out for all the seed in sight, and who do not hesitate to boost prices skyward when it comes to a matter of controlling the seed they need to keep their machinery in operation.

At many of the mills the owners or those who are interested in these properties are putting in a considerable number of cattle, and the indications are considered favorable for more feeding being done in the state this season than last. Practically all the mills report good bunches already on feed on sight, and there will be many big bunches fed on the side. In Oklahoma and Indian Territory there also seems to be more enthusiasm than usual among the feeders.

The general impression among cattlemen is that it is a good time to feed if the price of the trimmings can be held down within the bounds of reason.

INDORSE THE COWAN BILL

The bill that has been prepared by Judge S. H. Cowan of this city for introduction in congress, which seeks to make it a penal offense on the part of the railroads to furnish cars promptly to live stock shippers, marks the quiet but grim determination that exists among the live stock producers of the country to remedy an evil that has in their estimation become just simply intolerable. Three years ago similar conditions prevailed thruout the southwestern range country, and hundreds of thousands of dollars were lost to the stockmen. The conditions complained of at that time were ascribed to the innovation of the tonnage system, which had been adopted by the railroads generally, and relief was promised thru the abandonment of the objectionable system. But relief was not forthcoming until after the injury had been done, and the abundant crop of damage suits since harvested by the railroads is pretty conclusive evidence that great injury was done.

The cattlemen complain that during the present season far more injury has been done thru an alleged shortage of cars and other equipment on the part of the railroads. Hundreds of herds of fat cattle have been held at shipping points thruout the range country for weeks at a time, constantly deteriorating in condition, depreciating in value and causing the loss of millions of dollars to the owners. In many instances the cattle have had to be turned back on the range after being thus held for weeks at the shipping points, and appeals for cars have been met with the information that none could be furnished.

It may be stated in this connection that the action taken by the cattlemen in pressing this matter upon congress at this time in an effort to obtain relief is not inspired by any hostility toward the railroads, but is purely and essentially a matter of self-protection. They believe they should be compelled to furnish adequate facilities for handling all shipments, and that is all they are now seeking.

WASHINGTON POLITICAL GOSSIP

A great deal of interesting gossip is coming out of Washington just now. In fact, the national capital is always like an old maid's tea party at the opening of a new session of congress. The fiery Foraker opened war on the President early, with his negro resolution, it looks as if Foraker intended to put Mr. Roosevelt on the defensive from now until the Republican national nominating convention decides who is to be the presidential candidate in 1908. It is not Foraker alone who is seeking to cripple Roosevelt's influence in politics, but the senatorial "old guard," of which Spooner of Wisconsin, and Aldrich of Rhode Island, are the leaders, and it includes Elkins of West Virginia, Platt of New York, Dick of Ohio, Kean of New Jersey, and others who were friendly to the railroads in the great battle last spring. There is no doubt that Platt will hold tight to his seat. He is so afraid some one will steal his United States Express Company and leave him poor that he makes an effort to keep alive to protect his own interests against those of the people. It is to benefit himself, and not his constituents, that Platt stays in the senate. His condition is really pitiable.

QUAKER REFLECTIONS

It takes a lot of cheek to sell shaving soap. Even a cook book may contain stirring passages. Any woman can keep house if her husband puts it in her name. The bellboy will tell you that many are called, but a few are dozin'. An operation is always necessary when the doctor needs the money. Some fellows are so dull that they can't even get next in a barber shop. If a girl thought a fellow wouldn't proopse again, she wouldn't refuse him so airily. Considering how many umbrellas are borrowed, one is apt to wonder who in the world buys them.—Philadelphia Record.

NOT NEW

Records of the divorce courts seem to show that "marrying on probation" is no new thing.—Chicago Tribune.

It's all right to paddle your own canoe if you don't happen to own a motor boat.

A woman is always willing to give a man the last word, if it comes in the form of an apology.

THE WORK THOU GAVEST ME

Of clear white marble stood a turret high,
Within a band of maidens diligent
Wrought a wondrous piece of tapestry,
Each at her part of the great work intent.
The whole design not being evident
Till each one her allotted task had done,
And all the different portions joined in one.

Now unto one fair maiden was assigned
To work the countenance of some great queen—
This in a willful spirit she declined,
Looking on others' tasks with envious men,
She chose a gay red rose with leaves of green;
And carrying out the fancy of her will
Her needle that inwrought with nicest skill.

And as her work went on her sisters praised,
And many wished their own could be as rare,
Until the finished tapestry was raised,
Then all in vain appeared her toil and care,
A face and not a rose was needed there;
It spoiled the whole, it must be all undone,
The skillful labor only blame had won.

In all true work for God the aim must be
To seek the Master's wish with steadfast eye,
Each has his part in the great tapestry;
Envy not him who gains a clear blue sky,
Despite not him who on a turf may ply.
Know well who wisely would his task fulfill
Seeks not his own but works his Master's will.

—J. Hunt Cook

For the bitter, bitter lessons which thy faithlessness
has taught;
Though our paths henceforth be parted, and un-
like
life's sun is set,
Thou wilt struggle to forget me—I defy thee to forget.
—Anonymous.

THE VOICES OF THE PEOPLE

Oh, I hear the people calling through the day time and
the night time—
They are calling, they are crying for the coming of the
right time.
It behooves you, men and women, it behooves you to
be heeding
For there lurks a note of menace underneath their plain-
tive pleading.

Let the land usurpers listen, let the greedy-hearted
ponder,
On the meaning of the murmur, rising here and swell-
ing yonder;
Swelling louder, waxing stronger, like a storm-fed
stream that courses
Through the valleys, down abysses, growing, gaining
with new forces.

Day by day the river widens, that great river of
opinion,
And its torrent beats and plunges at the base of
greed's dominion.
Though you dam it by oppression and fling golden
bridges o'er it,
Yet the day and hour advances when in flight you flee
before it.

Yes, I hear the people calling through the night time
and the day time—
Wretched toilers in life's Autumn, weary young men
in
life's May time.
They are crying, they are calling, for their share of
work and pleasure;
You are heaping high your coffers while you give them
scanty measure;
You have stolen God's wide acres, just to glut your
swollen purses—
Ah, restore them to His children ere their pleading
turns to curses.
—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

It came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious song of old,
From angels bending o'er the earth
To touch their harps of gold;
"Peace on the earth, good will to men,
From heaven's all-gracious King."
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.

For lo! the days are hastening on
By prophet-bards foretold,
When with the ever-circling years
Comes round the age of gold;
When peace shall over all the earth
Its ancient splendors fling,
And the whole world give back the song
Which now the angels sing.

E. H. Sears

A BOY'S PHILOSOPHY

I like to see a feller what really is a feller,
And what I like to see is gurls that's GURLS.
I ain't got no use for a sissy what'll beller,
And I like a feller's sister what has curls.
And when I get a sweetheart, for I spose a feller's
got to
When he gets to be a magot or a trust,
I'll buy 'er everything she wants. You bet I'll buy a
lot, too,
I'll go an' feed her candy till she'll bust.

Cause I hate a stingy feller like I hate a yaller cat,
Or a feller what won't purgle w'en he can,
An' if his face is dirty, you can bet your boots an'
hat,
W'en he gets to be a man he'll BE A MAN.

I do things sometimes what ain't right an' sister says
"Till tell!"
An' mother says, "He's pos-i-tive-ly bad!"
But dad jest takes me out alone an' licks me till I
jest.
You bet they ain't nobody like my dad.

So, with Christmas time a-comin', an' the very air a
hummin',
An' your parents kind-a dodgin' in an' out,
Jest you take a tip from me; be as good as ye kin be.
An' you'll find the presents wot you've dreamed
about.

TOO MUCH PUBLICITY

Senator Thomas C. Platt has evidently made up his
mind to retire from the United States senate, but he
is not disposed to give out anything like a bill of
particulars.—Fort Worth Telegram.
The old man has had about all the publicity he
wants for some time.—Denison Herald.

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Sale Near Big Springs BIG SPRINGS, Texas, Dec. 11.—E. W. Permitter this week sold to George Harrison and his son, Tom, 160 acres of land each at \$2,200 for each tract, the land being situated ten miles south of town. The purchasers formerly resided in Rockwall, but since residing in West Texas, a short while they have decided that this section is the best yet.

Merits of Sassafras

Perhaps all of our readers do not know of the merits of sassafras made from its roots is a good blood purifier, while that of the bark, not being so strong, is good for colds.

When putting away dried fruits for use in winter, place a bunch of the bark in the sack and insects will not trouble it.

The dried bark on pantry shelves to drive ants away. Use the dried roots for smoking meat. It gives a nice flavor and makes it fly proof.

An excellent salve for burns, etc., can be made by boiling the green bark in fresh lard until a few drops of oil of peppermint.

It is the best remedy I know for driving lice away from setting hens. Place some powdered bark in the nests, under the eggs.—Up-to-Date Farming.

The Strawberry

Were it so ordained that strawberries would do well if planted at this season when one's tastes are made passionate by the sight of this fruit, excellence it is not improbable that one would need to look long before finding a person, living where the strawberry has been discovered, who would not have a patch large enough to furnish strawberries for home use.

The small amount of trouble required and the large amount of pleasure received at harvest time meets all arguments against planting. While the highest agricultural art in the way of fertilization, cultivating, etc., yet it can be grown in a very satisfactory way by the average school boy. If you have no plants carrying their luscious fruit think about it so seriously that when planting time comes you will not be found without them.—Reader.

KOSHER MEAT STRIKE

Butchers Hold Out for High Price for Meat. NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—On the East Side yesterday there was not much sign of the kosher meat strike, but across the Williamsburg bridge it was in full swing. Women paraded the streets and hung around the corners and in front of butcher shops, determined not to pay the advanced prices, but there were no actual riots. In most cases the shops were closed. The butchers seemed determined until hunger for meat drives the customers to pay the price demanded.

The cleaner the horses' shoulders are kept, the less liable they are to become sore.

Take the dirt off the legs with a rare soft brush, rather than with the curry comb.

No farmer makes money raising inferior hogs.

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CO-OPERATION BY FARMERS'

It stands aloof from the common way where the folks go up and down; it keeps its pride and its dignity. The its walls are stained and brown. Alone it stands with its hopeless grief, deserted, decaying, old; around the tiny breezes play, and reveal the storm-winds held.

The lilac bushes beside the wall still bud at the dawn of the year. But the cherry trees heed not the spring. And they feed the bees no more. The well with its weather-beaten sweep slumbers on from year to year; it ripples its waters not, save when Sirays thither a leaflet sure.

No fires are kindled within the house, no can be seen from its gleam. But upon the western windows still falls the sun's departing beam; and the small, half-shattered panes flame back.

With their old time flattery red, a light to pilot returning ghosts That comes when the day is dead, "Mary M. Carlier.

What Does It Cost to Raise a Litter

Some of our experiment stations can render a very valuable service to the farmers of the corn and grass country if they will carry on a series of experiments to determine the cost of raising a litter of pigs from the time the sow is bred until the pigs are marketed. There is no other subject connected with stock growing in which more western farmers are vitally interested than this, and there is no other phase of stock growing which has received so little attention at the hands of our western station workers. Even those stations which maintain herds of hogs, seem to keep no records of the cost, or at least do not present data in form to make it of any practical use to the farmer. What is needed is the actual cost in pounds of feed of keeping the sow from the time she is bred until she farrows and the cost of keeping the sow and litter from the time the pigs are farrowed until they reach marketable age. If several western stations would take up this work systematically, the western farmer would have some reliable information which we do not have at the present time, and which would be of great value to the farmers of the corn and grass belt.—Wallace's Farmer.

Hog Breeding by a Practical Breeder. An acre of ground is sufficient for five hogs when they are intended for market; but for raising pigs, two sows and their litters are enough for an acre. It will be far safer to carry fresh water than every day than to depend on a stream, should one happen to run thru the pasture. Until an actual cure for foot-rot has been discovered, the best we can do is to use every possible means to prevent the disease. Absolute cleanliness is one of the essentials. Cleanliness breaks out in the neighborhood, spray your hogs frequently, and floors and interiors of the hog houses as well, with a disinfectant like potassium permanganate.

There is no doubt that dairy farming and bacon production go well together. It seems to be almost impossible to produce a high quality of bacon, without either skim milk or buttermilk to feed in conjunction with the grain feeds. These dairy by-products are rich in protein and thus well adapted to the production of lean meat of a good firm quality. The greatest advantage over many other countries.

The sow, like all other breeding animals, should have plenty of room to exercise in; also, a good dry and well bedded place to sleep. A coop 6 by 6 feet is an ideal place, and we have often seen a sow with a litter of four or five piglets in a little the best nest for them to sleep on. We keep our coops in an open field; in fact, we have no enclosed hog lots, even our fattening hogs are never shut in lots or pens, but let run on pasture fields. This gives the needed exercise and aids in digestion, keeping them spry and active.

To raise profitable hogs they must receive liberal rations and should be fed regularly. Corn should form but a small part of the feed and then only in cold weather and in finishing off. Skim milk is one of the very best feeds and grows the early stages of its growth. Barley is the staple English and Danish food for prime bacon production. At the Copenhagen experiment station, some years ago, it was found that exclusive feeding of barley gave pork of the finest quality, while corn alone produced a soft lard of poor Journal.

HORTICULTURE

NOTES WORTH READING

As far as this farm is concerned, this has been a banner year for poultry. We keep track of everything sold in the way of poultry and eggs, and on more, by way of interest, than for any other year we have kept poultry. And there are yet three months left in the year.

Sections of the southwest are not lacking in dusting material, while other sections are. Here there is no sand, and poultry has to be supplied with dusting baths. We noticed, just the other day, three hens fighting for possession of an ash pan filled with fine ashes. They all wanted to dust there. A box filled with sand is a good thing in the hen house.

A hen house, like a barn, needs ventilation, but the ventilation must be straight thru the building on a line with the roosts. The place for ventilation is near the top. A close built house, when filled with over 100 hens gets foul-smelling toward a winter's morning, but ventilation directly on the roosts leads to rip, pulp and all other similar ailments.

The old ducks should now be closely yarded and fattened. There is always a good demand for them on the approach of cold weather. In places having a large Jewish population, old ducks sold alive will bring better prices than if killed and dressed. Look up your market and try to find the best possible way to get rid of your surplus stock. Many a family that cannot afford the high-priced turkeys will contract with you for a fattened duck for a Christmas dinner. See them now and you will have the chance to furnish them in prime condition by that time.

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Cattle 2,500
Calves 300
Hogs 2,000

Steers
But few steers were included in the supply. Several loads of newly finished hogs and fed cattle arrived and local packers absorbed the supply at an early hour, sales being fully steady. Tops sold at \$4.20. Steers were scarce and there was an unusually good demand from all sources and trading on the few available was active and strong.

Calves
Sales of calves: No. Ave. Price. No. Ave. Price. 11... 120 \$4.50 120... 212 \$4.00 19... 321 2.50

Hogs
Early supplies of hogs was moderately liberal. The quality was fairly good on the bulk of the supply, but there was some liberal sprinkling of lights and pigs. Packers were complaining of the Fort Worth market being out of line and bids were again scarce. The general trade on mixed butchers and heavy packing hogs ruled generally weak to 5c lower than yesterday. Tops sold at \$6.40. There was a fair demand for pigs today, which sold strong.

Sales of hogs:
No. Ave. Price. No. Ave. Price. 41... 200 \$4.35 63... 264 \$4.35 16... 200 6.17 58... 288 6.40 75... 245 6.32 8... 211 6.20 82... 225 6.32 56... 288 6.20 74... 224 6.35 70... 245 6.40 71... 317 6.35 67... 218 6.20 41... 290 6.15

Sales of calves:
No. Ave. Price. No. Ave. Price. 12... 82 \$4.70 185... 55 \$5.50 15... 100 4.75 25... 97 4.50 11... 120 4.60 70... 118 4.75 16... 101 4.75

Butcher Cows
Receipts of cows and heifers were again liberal today. The bulk of the run was of fairly good quality, including two loads of fairly well finished fed cows, the first that have been on the market for some time. Offerings, however, included a number of cull cows and cullers. The trade today again had a slow tone, but the demand showed improvement over yesterday. Thirty cars arrived for the early market. Quality was fair and trading opened steady, but closed weak to 5c lower with tops at \$6.40.

Friday's Markets
Receipts of cattle and calves were light on Friday's market. The steer trade opened slow, but trading held steady. Cows were moderately active and strong. Fifty-six cars of cattle were in early with nothing reported back. However, a few shipments arrived from the early market. Thirty cars arrived for the early market. Quality was fair and trading opened steady, but closed weak to 5c lower with tops at \$6.40.

Friday's Receipts
Cattle 2,000
Calves 500
Horses and mules 77

Steers
Steers were in moderate supply. Six or seven loads in fair condition arrived, with a few loads of stockers and feeders scattered around the yards. There did not seem to be any very urgent demand for selling steers and while it was some time before a clearance was made, sales were generally about steady with yesterday. Stocker and feeder bids were active from the start and sales of anything showing quality was active and strong.

Butcher Stock
Cows and heifers were in moderate supply. A few loads of good to choice mixed cows and heifers were reported, but the bulk running from common to medium quality canners and cullers. There was no great amount of activity shown in the early market and while it was some time before a clearance was made, there was a noticeable demand, which cleared up the supply of cows selling at prices fully steady with yesterday.

Sales of cows:
No. Ave. Price. No. Ave. Price. 14... 254 \$6.37 69... 208 \$1.80 16... 611 1.80 4... 860 2.40 11... 725 2.10 23... 823 2.50 9... 930 2.30 8... 718 1.55 10... 822 1.35 14... 813 2.50 9... 672 1.85

Calves
Another moderate run of calves arrived today. With the few best-overs five cars were in the pens. Four cars were extra good fleshy heavy calves and yearlings, with a load of common mixed cows. The demand was good for all calves showing flesh and the general trade ruled strong. Four loads of heavy calves sold at \$3.25, with a few lighter calves selling at \$2.50.

Sales of calves:
No. Ave. Price. No. Ave. Price. 71... 210 \$2.75 11... 211 \$2.00 16... 202 4.30 2... 180 2.40 2... 180 3.75 23... 186 5.00 12... 215 3.50

Hogs
Of the thirty cars arriving on Friday's market, seventeen were from Texas points with thirteen from the territories. About half of the supply were fair to good quality, well-finished. The early market supply was largely mixed with common to medium quality lights and pigs. Trading opened with a good active tone and the early market supply was steady with yesterday. This cleared up practically all of the fleshy but-cher hogs. The market came to a standstill, but trading opened and closed weak to 5c lower. There was another good demand for pigs today, the maximum being 10c higher. One load of hogs from the territory topped the market at \$6.40. They averaged 252 pounds, with pigs sold at a range of from \$4.50 to \$4.75.

Sales of hogs:
No. Ave. Price. No. Ave. Price. 15... 254 \$6.37 69... 208 \$1.80 77... 287 6.37 81... 177 6.15 20... 297 6.12 83... 210 6.50 52... 237 6.35 20... 152 6.35 63... 208 6.12 13... 202 6.15 68... 221 6.27 77... 223 6.25 76... 195 6.23 60... 161 5.83 65... 182 10.40 107... 181 5.80

Sales of pigs:
No. Ave. Price. No. Ave. Price. 18... 121 \$4.75 20... 94 \$4.75 21... 106 4.75 10... 107 4.60 8... 112 4.15

SATURDAY'S MARKETS
The closing day of the week found an unusually light supply of cattle in the pens. Twenty-one cars were yarded with a fair number driven in. Steers made a good showing, selling strong to 10c higher. One load of corn-fed cattle topped the market at \$4.80. Butcher stock sold strong with calves steady. The supply of hogs was moderately liberal, sixteen cars arriving. Quotations show another decline in values generally 5c lower. The top for the day was \$6.30 1/2.

Saturday's Receipts
Cattle 700
Calves 100
Horses and mules 130

Steers
Steers made a good showing in the light supply. Four loads of corn-fed cattle arrived that were well finished. A few meal and hull fed steers were driven in and several loads of grassers were in the pens. The market opened with an active inquiry on the part of buyers for all steers and a clearance was made on a basis strong to 10c higher. Fed cattle sold at a range of from \$4.25 to \$4.80, with grassers selling at \$3.55.

Sales of steers:
No. Ave. Price. No. Ave. Price. 11... 870 \$3.85 117... 1,055 \$3.85 23... 1,104 4.60 27... 1,022 4.30 10... 1,010 3.25 22... 1,205 4.80 14... 856 3.75 45... 1,037 4.00

Butcher Stock
Cows and heifers were in moderate supply. Outside of a few choice head of good to choice fed cows scattered around the yards, the quality was common to medium, including a good many canners. The best demand seemed to be for the fleshy, but common to medium, including a good out of line and the general trade was quoted fully steady with yesterday. Tops today were quoted up to \$3.75.

Sales of cows:
No. Ave. Price. No. Ave. Price. 11... 822 \$2.65 23... 731 \$2.35 2,000 2.50 18... 823 2.45 9... 691 1.85 14... 841 2.35 11... 1,180 3.00 31... 764 2.30 81... 753 2.60 7... 902 2.30 2,000 2.30 27... 695 2.05 7... 680 1.55 27... 836 1.55 8... 682 2.29 7... 770 1.95 7... 770 1.45

Sales of heifers:
No. Ave. Price. No. Ave. Price. 8... 682 \$2.20 8... 525 \$2.35

Calves
Only one car of calves arrived in time for the opening market, and the late arrivals made but slight increase in the supply. Offerings included a few good quality, being mostly of medium quality and mixed weights. There was a good inquiry from both local packers and order buyers, and sales were made there was no change in

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No. Ave. Price. No. Ave. Price. 25... 742 \$3.25 16... 725 2.40 31... 785 1.90 4... 830 2.65 20... 670 2.40 4... 830 2.40 8... 925 3.25 1... 809 2.65 8... 731 2.00 14... 809 2.40 1... 840 1.90 3... 1,026 2.50 13... 922 3.25

Calves
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No. Ave. Price. No. Ave. Price. 91... 177 \$4.35 14... 309 \$1.20 3... 426 1.75 5... 312 1.75

Hogs
Of the sixteen cars of hogs arriving, nine were from the territory and the balance from Texas points. The quality today was the best that has been on the yards this week, offerings being good to choice. The demand was composed largely of smooth, good weight and it was only a decline that anything could move. A clearance was made in the early market, however, with sales generally 5c lower. Top selling at \$6.32 1/2. The market for the week is closing 5c to 10c lower on the best hogs, with the early market fully 25c lower. Common pigs are not wanted and are almost unsalable.

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Receipts of cattle were moderate for the opening day of the week. Seventy-four cars of matured cattle were in early with about twelve cars reported back. Steers were in light supply with the quality good market ruled strong, with tops selling at \$4.50. The cow market was active and steady, with best selling at \$3. Calves were in fair supply. Trading was active and the market closed strong to 10c higher. Best hogs sold strong to 5c higher, with tops at \$6.25. Medium hogs sold steady with pigs slow and lower.

Cattle
No. Ave. Price. No. Ave. Price. 2,800
Calves 1,000
Hogs 2,800
Horses and mules 175

Steers
Steers were in light supply and the quality was generally good, being mostly fed cattle. Trading opened with a good demand from packers and a clearance was made on a basis steady to strong with last week's prices. The demand for steers was good, but there was a good demand, and all those available sold steady.

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Cows and heifers again composed the bulk of the cattle supply. There was a fairly good sprinkling of good to choice butchers cows, but the bulk were just common mixed cows and cullers. The market opened with the usual good opening week demand. Local packers active from the start and early clearing was made on all kinds at prices strong to 10c higher.

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Views on the Markets

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Steer Trade
Monday's run of steer cattle consisted of about eighteen loads, being about equally divided between grass and fed steers. The market opened on a steady to strong basis and the offerings found a ready outlet at strong to higher prices with last week's close. A two-car shipment of 1,153-pound fed cattle topped the day's market at \$4.50. These cattle had been on the pens five days on cotton seed meal and corn meal. We topped the day's market on grass cattle with a two-car shipment from Jackson & Harmon, Alpine, Texas, averaging 892 pounds. These steers were only in fair flesh. Tuesday's trade opened with very moderate receipts in good light vealers and bunches of steers made up the early offerings. The buyers seemed anxious for good killing steers and bought such of the offerings as they could use as killers at fully steady prices with Monday. In view of the Christmas holidays, we do not look for many calves in the early market before the first of next year; in fact we would not advise the shipment, where it is possible to hold, of any steers until the first of the holidays. In view of the very satisfactory conditions that have prevailed during the early part of this week, we are inclined to look for a good market after the first of the year.

Calves
Another disappointing light run of calves came in today. Only five full cars arrived early, and but few were reported back. The quality today was good, but with the few light vealers, weights were medium and heavy. Local packers and order buyers are still unable to fill their requirements for the early market. The market had a good active tone at prices steady to strong with yesterday. Tops averaged 161 pounds and sold at \$4.25.

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Hogs
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Stockers and Feeders
A good demand prevails for stockers and feeders, also the run of this class of cattle continues light. Very few steers have gone to feeder buyers this week from the fact that any steers showing flesh have been absorbed by the packers. We quote well bred feeder steers at \$2.55 to \$2.25.

Butcher Stock
Butcher stock made up the bulk of Monday's receipts, also the run was very light for the opening day of the week. The average quality of the offerings was good and the market for the past two weeks, also the supply had a good top. The buyers entered the trade with fresh orders and showed a good demand for the early steady prices with last week. Fed cows reached the \$3 mark, while the top on grassers was \$2.75. Our sales included 24 cows, averaging 835 pounds,

Calves
Under moderate receipts, the week's hog market opened strong to 5c higher than the market for the week. The market on medium grade hogs and pigs, Tuesday the run was again light and, with favorable reports from all northern markets, the market was active and the higher, making the market for the first two days of the week 10c higher than the close of last week. Several loads of medium hogs and pigs were held over Monday, and this class met with poor sale on Tuesday's market. We quote best heavy hogs at \$6.30 to \$6.42 1/2; good mixed packers, \$6.15 to \$6.25; medium packing kinds, \$5.50 to \$5.80; lights and inferior grade hogs, \$4.75 to \$5.25; pigs, \$4 to \$4.50. Prospects are favorable for a good strong market for good heavy hogs, the balance of the week, while the medium grades and pigs will no doubt sell lower.

JNO. F. GRANT.

Stonewall County
R. J. Fuston lives way out in Stonewall county, near the town of Stonewall. In former days a cowman depended entirely upon natural water holes or streams for water for his cattle and hogs. Now, however, he has a water tank on his place and he could only stand around and see his stuff die before his eyes and no help for it. There was no water in the tank and he had to get it by the time he got thru hoping it would rain his stock was too poor to walk anywhere. Before the water tank was put in, he was not quite so bad as that would drift from one section to another wherever grass was to be found, but fence the water dried up. Where we have plenty of wells now at small depth it was thought that no water could be had. Now these things have changed. The railroads have made it easy to get cattle to market as it used to be. It gives a man a chance to go to the market and get his stock sold, and he can then relieve his pastures from an overstocked condition during the winter. Water is found with wind or with a pump and with wind or gasoline power there is no trouble in having plenty of water. Cattle can keep up much better with plenty of water than they can without it. I will be back in ten or fifteen days and will be prepared to sell you a lot of hogs and pigs. I am thinking of joining the Beer Club while I am here.

Breeds Off the Horns
W. R. Kolan of Electra, on the Denver, was in with four cars of stuff from his place. "I am a stock farmer," he said, "I ship from Rondo, and I have my own place of receiving my mail. I have a section and three-quarters of land and have of this in cultivation 300 acres. On this I plant corn, cotton, sorghum, alfalfa, but not cotton. I raise stock of all kinds, such as hogs, mules and cattle. I have no particular fancy kind of hogs, but I raise the best I can get. There is very little real difference in any good hogs, so they are good breeders, good mothers and rapid growers so that they can be ready for market the shortest time. I started in with Black Polled cattle, but now I cross them on the Shorthorn Durham and get a fine grade muley every time. They are just fine and make good beef. We are all in very good shape and nothing to worry us so far. The cold snap did not injure us any."

Buying Fruit Trees
Speaking of the splendid condition of the people in the farming districts, W. E. Kelley said: "I represent the Texas Nursery Company of Waxahatche and Sherman and am now delivering our product. The houses here and then when the statehood comes on, have to pay big taxes on what he owns. I am going to buy some land in the government property to support the Indians and I am going to sell them lands at all or not for twenty-five years."

Clings to Texas
H. M. Mayfield was for years a resident of Hall county, Texas, but he says: "My wife's health got so bad that I had to leave. I went over to Roswell three years ago and while my wife has regained her health, she says that something was the matter as far as business was concerned that did not pan out as I desired. I am

at \$2.55; 122 cows, averaging 758 of this paper, and we take this method pounds, at \$2.55; 90 cows, averaging 728 pounds, at \$2.15; 25 cows, averaging 810 pounds at \$2.40. Tuesday's run was light and the offerings found a ready outlet at fully steady prices. As usual, we look for the market during Christmas week to be very unsettled and would not advise the shipment of cows; especially the medium grades, until after the holidays. We quote extra choice cows, \$2.75 to \$2.85; good fat cows, \$2.40 to \$2.65; cullers, \$2.15 to \$2.35; canners, \$1.50 to \$1.85.

ALLEN C. THOMAS.
Cattle Salesman.

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Monday's supply of calves was a little mixed, although there were a few choice offerings among both the heavy and light end of the day's supply. The market opened strong and active on desirable grades and these sold readily. Top on good light vealers \$4.75, averaging 161 pounds; top on heavy calves, \$3, averaging 362 pounds. With a light run in the pens at Tuesday's opening, the same conditions prevailed as on Monday, everything selling at fully steady prices with last week's close. A good demand for heavy calves, but most of the calves that are coming now show to be drawing and long-haired, which affects their looks and makes them less desirable in sale. The run of calves from West Texas is about over and after the first of the year we look for a good market on calves showing quality.

We quote choice light vealers \$4.50 to \$4.75; medium to good grades, \$4.25 to \$4.40; common light, \$3.75 to \$4; good heavy calves, \$2.75 to \$3; medium to good grades, \$2.25 to \$2.50.

A. F. CROWLEY.

Hog Trade
Under moderate receipts, the week's hog market opened strong to 5c higher than the market for the week. The market on medium grade hogs and pigs, Tuesday the run was again light and, with favorable reports from all northern markets, the market was active and the higher, making the market for the first two days of the week 10c higher than the close of last week. Several loads of medium hogs and pigs were held over Monday, and this class met with poor sale on Tuesday's market. We quote best heavy hogs at \$6.30 to \$6.42 1/2; good mixed packers, \$6.15 to \$6.25; medium packing kinds, \$5.50 to \$5.80; lights and inferior grade hogs, \$4.75 to \$5.25; pigs, \$4 to \$4.50. Prospects are favorable for a good strong market for good heavy hogs, the balance of the week, while the medium grades and pigs will no doubt sell lower.

JNO. F. GRANT.

Stonewall County
R. J. Fuston lives way out in Stonewall county, near the town of Stonewall. In former days a cowman depended entirely upon natural water holes or streams for water for his cattle and hogs. Now, however, he has a water tank on his place and he could only stand around and see his stuff die before his eyes and no help for it. There was no water in the tank and he had to get it by the time he got thru hoping it would rain his stock was too poor to walk anywhere. Before the water tank was put in, he was not quite so bad as that would drift from one section to another wherever grass was to be found, but fence the water dried up. Where we have plenty of wells now at small depth it was thought that no water could be had. Now these things have changed. The railroads have made it easy to get cattle to market as it used to be. It gives a man a chance to go to the market and get his stock sold, and he can then relieve his pastures from an overstocked condition during the winter. Water is found with wind or with a pump and with wind or gasoline power there is no trouble in having plenty of water. Cattle can keep up much better with plenty of water than they can without it. I will be back in ten or fifteen days and will be prepared to sell you a lot of hogs and pigs. I am thinking of joining the Beer Club while I am here.

Breeds Off the Horns
W. R. Kolan of Electra, on the Denver, was in with four cars of stuff from his place. "I am a stock farmer," he said, "I ship from Rondo, and I have my own place of receiving my mail. I have a section and three-quarters of land and have of this in cultivation 300 acres. On this I plant corn, cotton, sorghum, alfalfa, but not cotton. I raise stock of all kinds, such as hogs, mules and cattle. I have no particular fancy kind of hogs, but I raise the best I can get. There is very little real difference in any good hogs, so they are good breeders, good mothers and rapid growers so that they can be ready for market the shortest time. I started in with Black Polled cattle, but now I cross them on the Shorthorn Durham and get a fine grade muley every time. They are just fine and make good beef. We are all in very good shape and nothing to worry us so far. The cold snap did not injure us any."

Buying Fruit Trees
Speaking of the splendid condition of the people in the farming districts, W. E. Kelley said: "I represent the Texas Nursery Company

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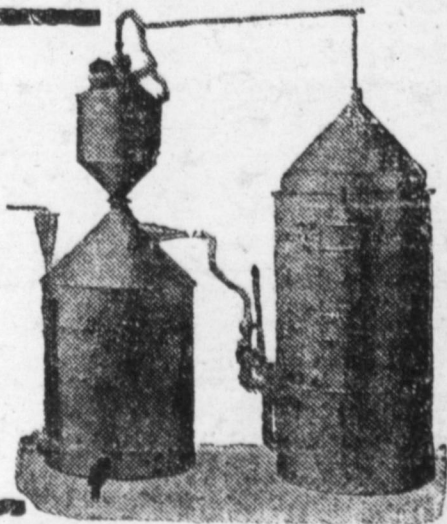
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COWAN WRITING PENALTY BILL

Wants Law to Compel Railroads to Furnish Cars

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12. — Judge Sam H. Cowan, after several conferences with the members of the interstate commerce commission, has drawn a bill which will be introduced in a few days to penalize railroads for their failure to supply cattle cars within a reasonable time after requisition has been made. Ten days is made the limit of "reasonable time" if the railroads where circumstances warrant, but unforeseen and unavoidable accidents are to exempt the railroads from the penalty.

The bill provides that on the failure of the railroad to supply cars within a reasonable time it shall be liable to double the actual damages which the applicant for cars may have sustained and to attorney's fees. He may sue in any court of competent jurisdiction, or he may proceed before the interstate commerce commission in the manner provided in the act to regulate commerce for an order for damages. As an additional penalty the defaulting railroad shall forfeit to the United States not less than \$25 nor more than \$100 per car for each car that it willfully or by gross negligence fails to furnish.

SHEEP

A PROFITABLE INCIDENT

The lamb is the profitable incident of sheep raising. The mother ewe pays for her keep and the interest on the money she cost with wool from off her back, and when she is marketed she invariably sells for all or more than she cost. So far as the whole southern country is concerned there is ample evidence to prove that it is suitable for lamb raising on a regular commercial basis; in fact, the southern states can raise lambs and market them to better advantage than any other sections of the country. The lamb or semi-yearly offspring of the ewe is in demand and the demand is growing from year to year. It is safe to assert that every lamb in the United States today is worth twice as much as lambs were worth five years ago, and the actual demand is five times as great.

Sheep eat a great variety of plants, according to circumstances. Some sheep upon the summer ranges pass up everything but good old grass, but at a usual thing all native plants are eaten rapidly. These include the legumes, lupines, estragrus and the meadow rues. The sheep have no way of discriminating between good and bad, but take to the poisonous things as quickly as anything else. There is no class of stock that will add so materially to the wealth of the owner as sheep. If the weeds and briars are cut down, they will keep them down and gradually restore the land to its original fertility. Many southern farmers are waking up to the realization that sheep are a good thing for them. The demand for good stock from that source is exceedingly strong.

OXFORD DOWN SHEEP

Joseph E. Wing in an agricultural department bulletin from Pennsylvania says: "We are richer for the enterprise of the British breeders who have produced the Oxford Down sheep. Its characteristics are very much like that of the Hampshire, saying that the fleece is longer, partaking somewhat of the nature of the Cotswold, and the lambs have not quite the early maturity of the Hampshire Downs. Oxford Downs, when kept in health, are very profitable sheep in America as at home, and Oxford rams are often used to Scotland for crossing upon the mixed Cheviot and Border Leicester ewes. They have been used in our own country with good results for cross-breeding. Oxford Downs thrive particularly well in a cool location, and in Pennsylvania their best habits would be upon the higher altitude of the mountains, provided there could be given them sufficient rich forage, as it is not a sheep for scant picking, and will hardly prove as profitable on thin pastures as the smaller 'Downs.' But upon any generous farm, when properly managed and kept in health, the Oxford Down will prove profitable and satisfactory. The appearance of the Oxford is, to the casual observer, much as that of a very large Shropshire, but upon close examination, of a very different character, as is shown. The fleece is coarser and longer and not so thick set upon the skin, the bone heavier and the covering about the head not so complete.

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To Purchase Feeders

SAN ANGELO, Texas, Dec. 12.—K. Godfrey, a well known cattlemen of Kansas City, was in San Angelo on Sunday and Monday. Mr. Godfrey left Monday afternoon for Kansas City, where he intends buying a big bunch of feeders and shipping them into New Mexico. He made no purchases while on his visit to West Texas.

Sonora Texas Sale

SONORA, Texas, Dec. 12.—Max Mayer & Co. sold Monday for C. C. Yaws & Son of Sonora, 1,000 3 and 4-year-old steers to Powell & Cowley of San Angelo at private figures. This big herd of fine heaves will be delivered in San Angelo about Dec. 15, when they will be shipped by the new owners.

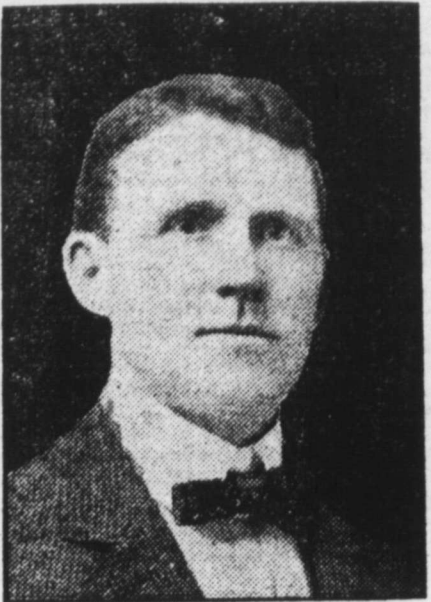
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Turn your back on life's disaster, Look ahead. If the past has failed, then faster Look ahead. Let the future's wreat successes From the past's mistakes and guesses, While the present this impresses— Look ahead.

Looking backward on past glory, Not ahead. To of Lot's wife the sad story, While ahead. Lay her hand of woe-for-asking, So if fortune you'd be making, And of ill you leave be taking— Look ahead.

And while the Stockman-Journal you're reading, Look for ads. And tell them—excuse me for repeating— Look for ads.

strated that for best results for fattening lambs an even mixture of peas and oats would be the best. Next to this corn and peas were found best, with a small difference in favor of the former. The fact that peas and oats may be given together, and together adds to the advantage of this ration.

There is no better way of stimulating the appetite of any animal than by giving a variety and frequent changes of food and with no particular animal is this so apparent and beneficial as in the case of sheep. The sheep go thru the winter well they should be kept in first-class condition all thru.

THEY SAY

American sheep breeders are giving evidence of their faith in the future of the industry by going to England and paying large prices for the very best breeding stock to be found in the flocks over there. There has also been a vigorous demand for the Rambouillet and other Merino types. The sheep papers say that more high quality pure-bred sheep have been imported in the last season than for many years.—Farm Stock Journal.

DIPPING MOST ESSENTIAL

A sheep breeder of experience in Nebraska Farmer says he considers dipping most essential in the sheep business. That the ticks do not multiply and give trouble for the sheep is a very good practice to dip in the fall of the year. By so doing one is able to keep down any skin irritation that is liable to appear. Should any new sheep be introduced on the farm they should be dipped and placed in quarantine for a time and again dipped. It is better to be safe than sorry, and this is the only safe plan.

SHEEP PREFER DRY PASTURE

The opinion of many farmers that a good sheep pasture must contain a large quantity of feed is often incorrect, as it is noticeable that sheep usually prefer to graze in the driest part of the pasture, where the feed is the shortest and usually the sweetest. When sheep are grazing on the hillsides where the feed is short and gnawed close to the ground in preference to eating clover and timothy, which stood clear to their knees in the valleys. Dry, sweet feed is more desirable for sheep, and where there is an abundance of feed in a pasture the can be turned in to good advantage to graze until it has been eaten.

SHEARINGS

Do you approve of roots in feeding sheep? How many sheep should be penned together? What breeds are best for fattening purposes? Have you had experience in feeding winter lambs? What system of feeding do you follow in the winter feeding of lambs? These are all pertinent questions just now. The Weekly Telegram would be pleased to receive answer from all our readers who raise sheep, together with their experiences in practical sheep husbandry.

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SMALL LOSSES ARE REPORTED

CARLSBAD, N. M., Dec. 17.—The Pecos slope had its share of the severe blizzard that swept over the country two weeks since. The men "who have lived here always" never have known its like. The amount of snow and the fierceness of the wind cannot be paralleled in the history of the valley. The writer has been out in the severest storms ever known in the north, but this violent storm, with the thermometer barely below the freezing point, seemed more exhausting than anything seen before.

The first reports that came from the range would indicate that the flockmasters had lost his all—herds, sheep, goats. None had escaped to tell the tale. Reports further indicated that cattle and horses had fared badly and that the loss was at least half. Cracked-frozen fellows wired reports of all kinds to the outside world and they did not hesitate to add lurid details.

Some Idea of Losses

Cowmen and flockmasters have now some idea of the losses. A few men have died, mostly sheep herders. In trying to keep their flocks in order these men became exhausted. The snow being deep and wet they fell and could not rise from weakness. Perished there from cold an hunger. They were men unused to heavy hauling in the walking in deep snow, and still less unused to heavy work. The loss of sheep and goats is light; in most localities less than 5 per cent. The flocks on the plains fared better, but those in the mountains west of the Pecos.

The cowmen lost a few calves and some old cows, but the loss is nominal. Saddle horses were lost in considerable number, not having had time to flesh up after the fall cow work was over.

The benefit of the snow and the rain that followed more than offset any loss. The range conditions were good, and the additional moisture, something near four inches, puts the ground in fine condition and will insure early grass. The cattle went into winter with plenty of well-cured grass for the winter's feed. This condition is general over the whole territory and stockmen are well satisfied with the outlook for winter and spring.

Few Steers Have Been Sold

Few steers have been sold in the territory this year, and in the Pecos

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valley the sales have not amounted to anything. Last spring a few buyers came, looked around, asked prices and went away, never to return. They did not even make a bid. In the Pecos valley, and especially in Eddy county, were a considerable number of older steers that the owners wanted to sell; in fact, have wanted to sell for two seasons, but the buyers showed no inclination to do business even at bargain-counter figures. These steers will be in fine condition next spring. Being well graded, they are certainly money-makers for the man that will place them in the feed lot. The owners are not worrying, because they know the stuff is good and will eventually find buyers that will pay what it is worth.

New Mexico has an abundance of young stuff to sell in the spring. Buyers not familiar with conditions here at present still have the idea that New Mexico is the real home of the "long horn." The old-time men used to do a lucrative business in mounting the immense horns of the old stock, but the Shorthorn, the Hereford and the Red Poll have put him out of business so far as horns are concerned. Another point often lost sight of by the buyer is the ideal climate of New Mexico. No tuberculosis, no fever ticks in sunny New Mexico. Dipping is now generally practiced, even on the range, and the New Mexico steer is without exception clean and free from disease.

The usual number of old cows whose days of usefulness are past have been shipped this fall. Whatever they bring in the market is considered so much gain. The flockmasters have had a good season. The lamb crop was extra large. The wool and mohair brought prices that made everyone happy. Hardly any muttons have been sold and still less lambs. Last year the very attractive prices for old ewes reduced the flocks seriously, but better stuff is taking their place. Visitors to the international will find a fair sample of Eddy county range lambs. E. F. Bryant, the manager of the Bodes Live Stock of company, Carlsbad, takes a lead of May lambs to be shown in the carload lots. These lambs average 90 pounds, with a pair of overgrown fellows thrown in for good measure. Eddy county is the flockmaster's paradise.

The main topic for discussion among stockmen at present is the need of a national lease law. By comparing notes with their brothers across the line in Texas they learn that profits could be greatly increased if the stuff could be held under fence. This year, for instance, the calf crop was unusually large, but did not exceed 45 per cent on the open range, while their neighbors in Texas saved 90 per cent where the stuff is in pasture. The cowmen can give a long list of reasons for this great difference. But when all has been said it simply amounts to this—the owner of cattle in a pasture is able to give proper care. The opponents of a lease law of the public land claim that the law would benefit the larger outfit and shut out the small holder. The fact is, however, that under the present conditions the man with a few cows has no chance at all on the open range. Under a lease law he would be able to do something for himself without being a dependent on some big outfit as now.

Cox & McInnis Ranch Sold
BROWNWOOD, Texas, Dec. 12.—A deal was closed yesterday whereby Will A. Bell, Arthur Bell and D. J. Camp become owners of the Cox & McInnis ranch, on the Bayou. There are about two hundred acres in the ranch and it is the purpose of the purchasers to cut it into small tracts and sell to home-seekers. The consideration is private, but it is understood that these gentlemen bought the property at a price that will enable them to sell it reasonably and make a good profit.

Four Thousand Cattle Sold
SAN ANGELO, Texas, Dec. 12.—The live stock firm of Gillis & Co. of San Angelo bought a few days ago from Horn & Cannon of Van Horn, Texas, a fine 150-section ranch and about four thousand head of cattle near Van Horn for a total of \$75,000. No commission man had anything to do with this transaction, the contracting parties consummating the deal themselves. The ranch is a fine body of land lying in the southeastern part of El Paso county, on the Texas and Pacific railway. The four thousand head of cattle are good average range stuff that brought \$14.50 around, or \$58,000. Mr. Gillis sent a man to Van Horn Sunday afternoon to receive the cattle.

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