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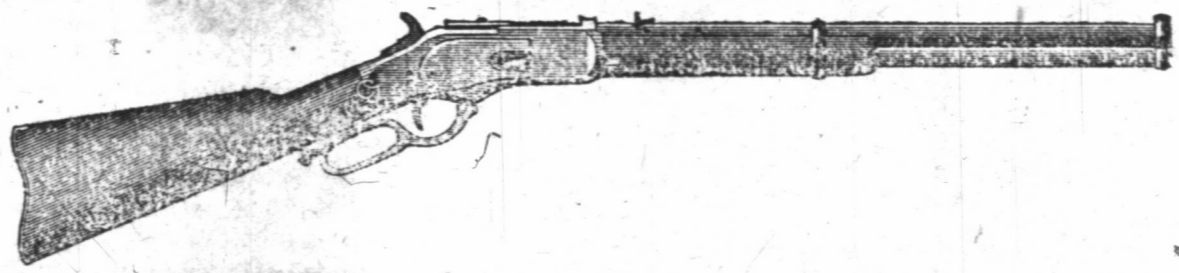
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CHICAGO MARKET.

UNION STOCK YARDS, CHICAGO, }
Oct. 16, 1885. }
[Special Telegram to the Journal.]

The general run of cattle is very heavy, averaging 10,000 per day for the first four days of the week. The run largely from the West, but including large proportions of grass native cattle. Texas have been in moderate supply and good demand, and values have been firmly held. Sales of Texas steers, 800 to 900 lbs, at \$3 00 to \$3 30; 800 to 1,000 lbs, at \$3 50 to \$3 60; cows and mixed lots averaging 650 to 800 lbs, at \$2 30 to 2 90; Texas bulls about \$2 00. The outlook for Texas stock continues favorable, and there seems to be no doubt bottom prices for the year has been touched. The supplies of southern cattle do not equal buyers expectations.

The sheep market is glutted. Receipts to-day, 10,000. Good fat Texas sheep, average 90 lbs, such as sold last May at \$3 60, selling now at \$2 75. Northwestern and states sheep are coming in very freely.

ST. LOUIS MARKET.

NATIONAL STOCK YARDS, }
East St. Louis, Ill., Oct. 16, }
Special Telegram to the Journal.

The receipts of cattle to-day were fair but the bulk consisted of common mixed stock such as native and southwest cows; heifers, yearlings, thin steers, etc. Texas and Indian steers were somewhat scarce, only 40 car loads in. The market ruled slow and prices were 10 to 15c lower on all grades. Fat range cattle sold well enough however and brought from \$2 40 to \$3 60 for common to prime steers of 700 to 870 lbs. Texas and Indian cows, etc. slow at \$2 10 to 2 90. Buyers of common mixed butchers stock are pretty well filled up. Good and fancy native steers scarce and likewise lower as reports from other points are not very flattering.

Hogs slow at \$3 00 3 90 in extremes. Texas sheep scarce. Sales at \$2 25 to \$3 00 per 100 lbs, according to quality.

KANSAS CITY MARKET.

KANSAS CITY, MO., }
Oct. 16, 1885. }
Special Telegram to the Journal.

Cattle—Receipts 345; shipments 2,247; butchers stuff weak, slow and 10c lower; stockers and feeders and best quality of shipping grades steady; exporters, \$5 25 to 5 50; good to choice shipping, \$4 20 to 5 50 common to medium, \$4 50 to 4 85; stockers and feeders \$2 75 to 4 00; cows \$2 00 to 3 00; grass Texas steers \$2 60 to 3 30.

Hogs—Receipts 7447; weak and 5c lower, at \$3 45 to 3 70.

Sheep—Receipts 553; shipments 214; steady; fair to good muttons \$2 60 to 3 25; common to medium \$1 50 to 2 49.

CHICAGO MARKET LETTER.

The Market for Range Cattle—No Excessive Amount of Cattle Fed—Summer Feeding.

Regular Correspondence Texas Live Stock Journal.

UNION STOCK YARDS, }
CHICAGO, Oct. 12, 1885 }
The Texas cattle market has under gone very little change during the past fortnight. The supplies on some days have been rather large, but on the whole the matter of sending cattle to market has not been overdone so far this fall. The Texas cows and mixed have been selling at about \$2 50 to 2 85, with steers selling largely at about \$3 00 to 3 50.

Range cattle from all sections have been coming to market in such shape as buyers have been able to handle them at about steady prices. Values have fluctuated very little lately and the trade is much more satisfactory to all hands than when prices are jumping up and down at the rate of six bits a week.

The fat cattle market has been without much change, the foreign demand is not very strong but prices here for the best corned cattle are very firm. It is very singular, but there has been no general change in the price of fat cattle in several months. The best grades have been selling at about \$6 00 ever since last spring.

Col. J. L. Driskill of Austin has returned to the stock yards here to at-

tend to the shipment of his northern cattle. He has, about 2,000 more heaves to market this fall.

There is some demand here now for young cattle to put on full feed this winter, but the demand seems to be very much lighter than was generally expected in view of the large corn crop. The fact seems to be that there will not be any excessive amount of stock fed this winter. One thing is certain Texas men will be perfectly safe in making as much corned beef as they possibly can. It will pay to feed cattle in the southwest this winter.

The army of beef eaters is increasing all the time, and the demand is calling for better meat. In a few years common grass fed cattle will not answer the purpose and feeders who take care to produce something good will be the only ones who will make the business pay.

Talking about winter feeding Texas cattle reminds me that a great many feeders in the older states have come to the conclusion that summer feeding pays better. Now I know Missouri men have found summer feeding of Texas cattle to be very profitable. Cattle fatten quicker and on less feed in summer than in winter. We want to see Texas sending good fat cattle to market every month in the year. To do this she must feed cattle every month in the year.

The general range cattle market prospects are very good.

A. C. HALLIWELL.

ST. LOUIS MARKET LETTER.
Wanting More Cattle—Range of Prices for Stock.

EAST ST. LOUIS, ILLINOIS, }
Oct. 12, 1885. }

For some reason or other our receipts continue light. This is puzzling the commission salesmen who do not know what to make out of it. Sellers asked strong prices and obtained them, too. As a result Texas and Indian cattle brought more money at this point than at Chicago. The range here was from \$2 40 to 4 00 per 100 lbs for common mixed to prime Texas and Indian steers. Chicago can not show the same range. No, nor can they say that only local speculators were the buyers, for interior shippers and the Dressed Beef company were purchasers at these high figures. The demand from the different classes of buyers was large every day in the week, and many of them were ruled out of the market for want of stock.

Yesterday offerings fair and mostly of range cattle which found prompt sale at steady prices. To-day market active and unchanged. Here are a few representative sales:

43 Indian steers	1126 64 00
25 "	1000 87 00
20 "	1054 84 00
46 "	952 57 00
34 "	923 80 00
34 "	285 82 00
25 "	189 23 00
27 "	195 23 00
20 "	918 37 00
21 "	859 23 00
28 "	842 31 00
25 "	785 31 00
25 "	914 31 00
25 Indian cows and heifers	723 24 00
16 Indian steers	1011 34 00
46 "	970 39 00
28 "	995 3 00
29 "	1008 3 00
41 "	870 3 00
42 calves per head	910 00 00
22 Indian cows	898 31 00
37 "	753 28 00
2 Texas "	775 31 00

The native cattle market ruled slow throughout on moderate receipts. The Eastern markets are being well supplied with heaves from Ohio, Indiana and Maryland, consequently do not care about Western steers. Reports from England are not very flattering, consequently prices at York are weak and lower. Fair to fancy range cattle now bring good figures and are doing better than any other class of cattle.

The hog market is fairly active but prices are low, the range in extremes being from \$2 85 to 3 90 for common grass hogs to fancy heavy hogs. Of course this shuts out Indian and Texas hogs. A few droves of the last named came in this week and brought \$3 00 per 100 lbs. The shippers told their commission salesmen that they lost money by the transaction which is to be believed.

The Texas horse season is about at an end. A few car loads came in and were sent on East in first hands. This is all I know to-day. RATTLE.

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BY TRAIL OR BY RAIL.

Which is the Best Method of Cattle Transportation?

Congressman Miller's Able Argument Submitted to the Treasury Department.

The Railroad Side Presented by the Missouri-Pacific Traffic Manager—Congress to Consider the Subject.

The Treasury Department at Washington have for months past been energetically engaged in gathering information touching the transit of cattle by trail and rail, and the respective advantages of each method of transportation.

As is well known Hon. James F. Miller at the last session introduced a bill to establish a national cattle trail. In support of such a measure—and it will become prominent in the coming Congress—he has addressed the Treasury Department, giving succinctly the reasons why he supports the project. He says:

1. I think the universal experience of cattlemen warrants me in saying that in driving cattle, young or old, by trail, when grass and water can be had, is much cheaper than shipping by rail.

2. That cattle driven by trail arrive at their destination in much better condition than when shipped by rail; in fact, cattle driven by trail improve very much during the drive if properly handled.

3. That the losses in driving by the trail are much less than when shipped by rail.

4. That cattle driven over a regular trail, properly handled, become accustomed during the drive, and are not liable upon arrival at distributing centers to communicate the cattle fever, while those shipped by rail must be quarantined during about the same period required to complete the drive.

5. The railroad facilities for routing stock are not sufficient for them to handle the Texas cattle shipment in the time required within which the cattle must be gathered on the ranges (after spring opens) and delivered by June or July, so as to be able to get sufficient feed to stand the winter.

These positions are, in my judgment, fully sustained by the experience of cattle drivers, and I may further say, that only those cattle are shipped by rail, except beef cattle for slaughter, which are so situated that it is not practicable to drive them by trail.

While giving Mr. Miller the full benefit of his experience and sagacity, it would hardly be fair to give the other side, particularly as it is attainable, dealing entirely with the single question of cattle transportation.

THE RAILROAD SIDE. The department also received a communication from the general traffic manager of the Missouri Railway system, who says:

Two years ago it was thought practicable to move cattle from the breeding lands in Southern Texas adjacent to the Gulf of Mexico, the drive over the old land trail being considered the cheaper means of removing the young stock to grazing lands in Western and Northern Texas and the Indian Territory.

This subject engaged the attention of Mr. Gould, our president, and efforts and tests were at once made to test the practicability of moving this class of stock by rail from Laredo and other points on our Southern lines to Northern Texas, especially to the Panhandle (called). Our efforts were rewarded with success, we having carried from Southern Texas points to Fort Worth and points west on the Rio Grande to Austin, and on Wichita Falls, the northern terminus of the Fort Worth and Denver City Railroad, from which point the stock took the land trail to Northwestern Texas, over 100,000 head of young cattle, and as showing what the possibilities are, we carried several thousand head from Southern Texas to points as far north as Ogallala.

The old method of driving cattle is slow and tedious, and always results in landing the stock in Nebraska and Dakota in a weak and exhausted condition, while that which we carried by rail was landed in five days total time from date of loading, the distance hauled being, in round numbers, 1400 miles, the drive over the same distance occupying six weeks' time. It has been stated by some of those who shipped by rail that the saving of interest on cost and the superior weight and condition of the stock unloaded from the cars went very far toward equalizing the excess of cost of railroad transportation over the cost of driving overland.

While this feature of railroad transportation is in its infancy in Texas, yet I am sanguine of the ability of the railroads to successfully compete with the old method of overland driving. In this respect it will appear the railroads of Texas, especially the Missouri Pacific system, are becoming a most valuable means of developing the enormous cattle resources of the state of Texas. The question of overcoming the objections of citizens of the Northwestern States, whose herds may be affected by the introduction of Texas cattle, carried by rail direct from the extreme Southern Districts, is now engaging some of the railroad managers, and a plan of acquiring large tracts of land in Nebraska and Dakota, upon which the cattle carried by rail may be held in quarantine a sufficient length of time to acclimate and get them into such a condition as will remove all danger of spreading fever, is one which presents itself.

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guide. Mr. Duckworth says that on this trip they paid 40 cents per pound for bacon, 50 cents for lard, and \$8 per hundred for flour. Game was abundant, however, and they had all the venison they wanted. Occasionally they reached a settlement and a restaurant on the way, and had a meal of Mexican cheese, "chili con carne" etc., prepared in a corner of a hut, and spread out on the floor to be eaten, and a dirt floor at that. They went for the purpose of buying land, and the party from this vicinity made a conditional trade for about 150,000 acres in the region described. The confirmation of the trade depends upon securing proper titles etc. "Duck" says it was an interesting trip and they needed a newspaper bohemian along to write it up.—[Hubbard City News.

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GEORGETOWN RANCH COMPANY. Of Georgetown, Kentucky. Ranch 30 miles southwest of Abilene, Taylor county, Texas. Address, Georgetown (Ky.) Ranch Co., Mt. Moro, Tex. Cattle brands, D on left side, O on left jaw. Marks, crop left. Horse brand same as cut on left hip, and underbit left.

GOMAZ CATTLE COMPANY. G. T. NEWMAN, General Manager. Postoffice, El Paso, Texas. Ranch, Antelope Springs, Presidio county, Texas. Horse brand same on left shoulder.

ESTADO LAND AND CATTLE CO. R. M. Gano, president and general manager; C. W. Gano, secretary and treasurer; J. B. Gillette, ranch superintendent. Principal office No. 137 Elm street, Dallas, Texas; ranch on The Lingo creek, Presidio county, Texas.

S. B. BURNETT. Postoffice, Fort Worth, Texas. Ranch, Wichita county, Texas. Ranch postoffice, Gilbert, Texas. Horses branded on left shoulder.

GLIDDEN & SANBORN. Postoffice, Houston, Texas. Range, south of Canadian River, in Tarrant and Randall Counties. W. L. Glidden, foreman; Range postoffice, Tascosa, Oldham county.

HARWOOD CATTLE COMPANY. Postoffice address Dodge City, Kansas. Range on Cimarron river above Adobe crossing S. W. road county, Kansas. Cattle branded on left side or hip; over dewlap on all cattle.

J. J. HITTSON. Postoffice Weatherford, Texas. Range on Double Mountain Fork, in Stonewall and Fisher counties. Ranch manager, James Smith, Postoffice Sweetwater, Nolan county.

N. B. JOHNSON. Postoffice, Rochelle, McCallum county.

JIM C. JONES. Postoffice West Las Animas, Colorado. Horse brand OU left thigh.

KENTUCKY CATTLE RAISING COMPANY. HENRY J. TILFORD, President, Louisville, Kentucky.

KEYSTONE LAND AND CATTLE COMPANY. Postoffice, Pearsall, Frio Co., Texas. Increase since July 1, 1884, branded on both hips. Stock in various marks and brands, but established brand on all of them. Horse brand same on left hip.

R. E. McANULTY. Ranch postoffice, Doans, Texas. Ranch on Elm Creek, Greer county. Horse brand on right or left thigh.

HAPLEWOOD LIVE STOCK COMPANY, LIMITED. Postoffice, Palo Pinto, Texas, range, Stonewall county, mouth Double-Mountain Fork.

M. O. LYNN. Postoffice, Palo Pinto, Texas, range, Stonewall county, mouth Double-Mountain Fork.

LYNN & JOWELL. Postoffice above.

LOVING CATTLE COMPANY. Ranch postoffice, Jack county, Texas. Range, West Valley, Jack county. This brand kept up on horses and cattle. Also cattle in the following marks and brands: OL right side and thigh, marked split left, underbit right. JWL left J on thigh, marked crop split left side, underbit right. OWL left side, marked crop and overbit left, crop and underbit right. HAT left side, G derlope left, swallow fork right. BAR right side, marked crop left, crop and underbit right. Cattle in last three are also in various marks, also have horses in the HAT brand. MOR on left side, E on jaw, marked swallow fork each ear, underbit left. MELL on left side, marked crop and split left, underbit right. JC on left L on hip, marked crop left, underbit right. A on left jaw, side and bank, marked crop left. MAY on left side, left hip, crop right, crop left. MEL on left side, marked crop right, underbit right. MOT on left side, marked crop each ear. Also in various marks: MOT on either side, marked as above. MO on left side in various marks.

LIBERTY CATTLE COMPANY. W. C. BISHOP, President; J. S. COLLIER, Secretary and Treasurer, Fort Worth. Postoffice, Sweetwater, Texas. Ranch on Clear Fork of the Brazos in Fisher county.

LEXINGTON RANCH CO. P. M. SMITH, President, Lexington, Ky. Ranch on 11th House Creek, and Double Mountain Fork of the Brazos River, Garza county, Texas. Brand, OS on left side, as in above cut, and O on right hip. This brand will be put on all calves branded hereafter. Mark, sharp crop each ear. This company own the following brands of cattle: 202 on left side and some B on right hip. EO on left side and O on right hip. EW and all marks. ROD MT4 M4 OJO FAT DM

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MALLET CATTLE COMPANY. Ranch on Colorado river and Morgan creek. D. P. Atwood, Manager, Postoffice Colorado City, Texas. This brand kept up. Also cattle in following marks and brands: HOT on right side and some on hip; mark, crop left, over half crop and underbit right. PKC T on neck; mark, swallow fork left, over half crop right. FOP A on jaw; mark, swallow fork left. ZLP mark, swallow fork left, over slope right. 2 on hip and side; mark, swallow fork left. TGE on left side, mark, crop left, over slope right. JIM on neck, 2 on side. 7 and 0 on hip; mark, crop left, crop and under half crop right. 0 on hip and LET on side mark, same as above. 0 on shoulder, hip and side; mark, under slope left, crop right. 1, 7, 7, 0 mark, crop left, crop and under half crop right.

MOLLY CATTLE COMPANY. J. H. McCarthy, President, W. P. Homan, Secretary and Treasurer, Little Rock, Ark. CHAS. MOLLY, Manager, Eden, Comcho Co. Ranch on head of Mustang creek, Comcho county, Texas. Some of the cattle are branded on left side. Brand will be kept on right side. Ear marks crop and split left, underbit right. Horse branded CM on left hip.

MUSCATINE CATTLE COMPANY. Thos. A. Lee, General Manager, 15 West Missouri avenue, Kansas City, Mo. A. J. Streater, General Superintendent, Trinidad, Colo. Horse brand ZV Cattle also branded AZ OX

NEGRO CATTLE COMPANY. Ranch postoffice, Patterson, Socorro county, New Mexico. General Superintendent, Kansas City office, W. M. Hurst. A. K. Burns, Ranch manager.

NAVE McCORD CATTLE CO. ABRAHAM NAVE, President and General Manager, Fort Worth, Texas. James McCord, Vice President, St. Joe, Mo. S. M. Nave, Secretary and Treasurer, St. Joseph, Mo. R. C. Burns, Ranch Manager.

NECES county, Texas. Postoffice, Corpus Christi, Texas, and Kansas City, Mo. Brand, Laurel Leaf. Cattle brand on shoulder, side or hip. Horse brand, Laurel leaf on left shoulder. When cattle have been transferred from the southern to northern ranches they will be found in both the brand of the Laurel Leaf and Laurel Leaf with two additional bars.

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WILKINS BROS. Postoffice, Graham, Texas. Ranch on Briar Creek, 10 miles northeast of Graham, Young county.

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WESTERN LAND AND CATTLE COMPANY. (Limited). JAMES A. FORBES, General Manager, 15 Delaware block, corner of Seventh and Delaware streets, Kansas City, Mo. Postoffice, Madison, Colfax county, New Mexico. Range, Cimarron River.

RIO CATTLE COMPANY. Postoffice, Sweetwater, Nolan county. Ranch on Sweetwater Creek in Fisher county. The brand is principally on right side, but sometimes on left, and on either hip, also various other marks and brands, some of which are not counter-branded. Cattle marked under half crop right, crop and overbit left. Above brand and cattle were bought of D. H. Trent, Brownwood, Texas. A. F. Moore, General Manager.

J. Z. WHEAT. Postoffice, Cleburne, Johnson county, Tex. Ranch on Nolan river, five miles west of Cleburne. Also, cattle branded 8 & 8 on hip, in various marks, and W on left hip, in various marks. Horse brand, W Y on left shoulder. Will pay \$100.00 reward for arrest and conviction of any parties illegally handling these cattle. None of the W Y cattle have been sold.

S. R. E. LAND AND CATTLE COMPANY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS. E. G. THURMOND, Gen. Man. Brand SRE on either side, in various marks. Various other brands and marks, but established brand SRE for both cattle and horse. Marks adopted, crop and under half crop left, under slope right. Ranch—Wheeler and Hemphill counties. Ranch postoffice, Mobeetie. J. R. JETER, Secretary.

TONGUE RIVER RANCH. PAUL & STOVALL, Proprietors. Postoffice, Tepe City, Motley county, Texas. On left side, ear mark, grub the left, swallow fork the right. J. D. JEFFRIES, Ranch Superintendent.

TEXAS LAND AND CATTLE COMPANY, (LIMITED). \$300.00 REWARD Will be paid for the arrest and conviction of any person or persons having in their possession, illegally, cattle or horses belonging to this company, or for information that will lead to the conviction of persons tampering with stock in these marks and brands.

GLOSS MOUNTAIN RANCH! Eagle Chief and Cimarron rivers. Post office, Kiowa, Kansas, and Kansas City, Mo. OTHER PROMINENT BRANDS. Horse brand same as cattle, on right hip. Laurel leaf with two bars will hereafter be the main ranch brand.

HORSE-SHOE RANCH. Neches county, Texas. Postoffice, Corpus Christi, Texas, and Kansas City, Mo. Brand, Laurel Leaf. Cattle brand on shoulder, side or hip. Horse brand, Laurel leaf on left shoulder. When cattle have been transferred from the southern to northern ranches they will be found in both the brand of the Laurel Leaf and Laurel Leaf with two additional bars.

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Branch, and purchased of Frank M. Houts, 19 head of young Hereford bulls. These are Texas raised from grade Shorthorn and Hereford cows, by imported sires. The lot passed through Fort Worth, and were very blocky and stylish. The same gentlemen purchasing the above, also bought of Jno. S. Powell & Company, at their bull barn 16 head imported Missouri Herefords, and took them to Frio County, where they are establishing a Hereford cattle ranch.
At the bull barn of Jno. S. Powell & Co., there has just arrived a number of young draft stallions, principally Normans, bred and raised by John A. Fray of Marshall Mo. who brought them down. These are a handsome lot and show in good form as the attendants take them out for exercise.
At the Fort, there is announced to arrive a lot of young Galloway and Polled Angus bulls, to be sold by A. F. Truitt & Co. who sold quite a number of the stock last fall. We also learn that Captain J. H. Polk is expecting shortly a very choice and superior lot of Jersey heifers, of renowned butter families, and sired by some of the noted bulls on the stock farm of Major Campbell Brown of Spring Hill, Tennessee. Thus it will be seen that there is developing here a trade in blooded stock, that will gradually bring together within reach, the horses and cattle that becomes necessary for the improvement of our native stock.

Texas Cattle Fever.
At a meeting of the Lincoln county, (New Mexico) stockmen a committee reported the following ravages of Texas cattle fever:
Beginning at the southern line of the territory, the loss begins in George W. Williams' herd, who lost about 50 head; Colonel Holt, 40; Segrest, 25; William Roberts, 150; W. E. Anderson, on the Hondo river, 75; Lea Cattle company, 60; Milne & Bush, 5; Littlefield Cattle company, 75; Lutz & Lewis, 15; Hernandez, 15; Reynolds, 20; J. J. Cox, 40; Easley, 30; Fort Sumner parties, 500; making in all, 1,100, besides numerous small herds not reported.
We find the cattle died on the east side of the Pecos river, up to Pope's crossing, where the herds on the trail cross the river and continue up on the west side, from this crossing up the cattle have died on the west side, showing most conclusively that the cattle have died from coming in contact with diseased cattle or in crossing their trails. In many places the trail can be followed by the dead cattle. To say that this is a deplorable state of affairs is drawing it mildly. But for the copious rains that fell soon after the Texas herds had passed through the country, it is difficult to tell what the mortality among our herds might have been, for as soon as the rains came the dying ceased to a great extent.

Past and Present.
That many leading cattlemen have been greatly involved is a fact too apparent and evident to admit of denial. It is, however, but just and due the cattle business that the cause of this indebtedness should be explained. Generally speaking it is a reflection on a business when those engaged in it become involved and fail to meet maturing obligations, but in this particular instance and to the credit of the great and lucrative industry of cattle raising be it said such is not the case.
A few years ago many ranchmen, who on account of their limited means should have contented themselves with being the lucky possessors of a few thousand cattle clear of debt, could not thus content themselves; they felt that they must increase their holdings to tens of thousands, and to accomplish the desired end they bought largely on time. They not only bought cattle on time but they bought largely of land on time. They used their borrowing capacity to the utmost of their powers with all the Texas banks, and when these were exhausted they went still further and negotiated heavy loans in St. Louis, Kansas City, Chicago and other eastern cities. Such was their anxiety to increase their herds that they seemed to never think of the final reckoning or how they would stand when pay day came. In making these large purchases they of course accumulated large herds of mixed stock cattle not all suited for the beef market. The merchantable beef cattle which usually does not amount to more than 10 per cent in numbers of the average herd, could not be made to pay more than running expenses and the interest on borrowed money; the interest in some cases being two per cent per month.
As long as money was plentiful, even at this exorbitant rate of interest, they found no difficulty in getting the necessary extensions or borrowing from one bank to pay another, gradually decreasing their indebtedness as fast as the income would justify. So matters continued to move slowly on, and the ranchman who should really have been owner of a small herd had the satisfaction of numbering his cattle by the tens of thousands and being classed with the cattle kings of Texas. Unfortunately this happy state of affairs could not always exist. The stringency in the money market, the stagnated and depressed condition of business of every kind generally, threatened to a general panic in the money markets, consequently the bankers not only declined to make further advances to cattlemen but persistently demanded that the obligations held by them for loans already made must be promptly met at maturity. Then it was that those who had so recklessly over jumped themselves began to realize the embarrassing con-

dition they were in. Many of them were worth in cattle and land double, sometimes treble and even four or five times as much as their entire indebtedness, yet only a small proportion of their herds being marketable beef cattle, they were compelled to realize on their cows, fleshless two and three year old steers, at a great sacrifice. On account of the scarcity of money and the consequent indisposition of banks to make loans, there was but little demand for the young cattle, consequently the only alternative left was to sell at a sacrifice or allow maturing obligations to go unpaid. To meet these obligations many sales have been made at much below the actual value of the stock, but fortunately for the Texas cattle business generally the class of stockmen who did business in this way were largely in the minority. Nearly all of them have made sufficient sales to meet their demands. It is to be hoped they will all be able to do so soon, after which we sincerely hope the lesson of the past will teach each and every one to keep within bounds. When all this is done there will be no declines or sacrifices made in cattle, but stock will increase in price and bring wealth and prosperity to their fortunate owners.

We refer thus fully to the manner in which some of cattlemen have dealt, not to gloat over their misfortunes, for we know them as a class to be honest, high minded gentlemen, who certainly have our sympathy, but to show that it is in the manner in which the business has been transacted and not the business itself. That it is the result of overreaching and not of any legitimate decline in the price of cattle, that has caused many of the largest cattle owners to sell stock which they would prefer to hold. No other business would hold up like this one has under such management. No other business can afford to pay the high rate of interest that has been paid by Texas cattlemen. Yet, with all this, with few exceptions, and then gross mismanagement was apparent, Texas cattlemen have all made money, and even those who began a few years since with comparatively nothing, have, notwithstanding all these difficulties, made good money. We assert that the fact that the cattlemen of Texas have been able to carry their heavy indebtedness, generally speaking, and pull through with but few failures, the hard times and closeness of the money market ever since the money panic of last year, is the best argument that can be used to prove that the cattle business of this state is today the safest, surest and best paying one in the world.

Owing to the state of affairs in the past, as stated, range cattle generally in Northwestern Texas have depreciated fully 25 per cent, as shown by sales of recent date, with of course exceptional cases where the herds are well bred up with Durham and Hereford, and the proprietors are out of debt and own land sufficient to graze their herds. Where this state of affairs exists \$25 per head around would not be considered as a fair offer. That we are on the eve of a better feeling in Texas range cattle is evidenced by the purchases recently made by northern investors. For this and many other reasons too numerous to discuss in one article, we unhesitatingly say that the cattle raising business of Texas to-day presents a field for safe investment unequalled by any other business or country.

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FORT WORTH
And General Range Notes.
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John Gates of Cleburne was here yesterday.
J. P. Addington, of the B. I. T., was here yesterday.
John Floris of Callahan county was here yesterday.
N. R. Powell has been down sick with dengue fever.
Mr. John N. Simpson of Dallas, was in Fort Worth on Thursday.
Captain Lee Hall passed through town on his way to Sherman.
Mr. W. R. Cavitt of Bryan, has been doing Fort Worth of late.
Cal Lacey was here this week in attendance upon our district court.
W. T. Hudson of Bosque county, has been in the Fort during the week.
W. S. Bolton of Tom Green county, was registered at the Fort last Saturday.
Captain E. F. Ikard and Will Curtis came down the Denver road during the week.
Jao. S. Andrews is busy superintending the arrangements to feed several lots of steers.
Mr. O. W. Keeler, our correspondent "Rambler," has been down with the dengue fever.
J. W. Putnam (Slide) came down from Miles City, Montana, on account of the sickness of his wife.
Major J. W. Burgess of the Lexington Ranch company, returned to the state after a summer trip to Kentucky.
Chase & Nicholson sold 90 head of feeding cattle yesterday to Bud Daggett. They will be fed in this county.
Mr. J. S. Pettinger of Crowley, this county, shipped a cload of fat cows to W. W. McIlhany & Co., on Friday.
Col. B. B. Groom stopped a day at Fort Worth on his way down from the ranches. He was going to Kentucky.

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P. J. Lonnie of Meridian, was in Fort Worth during the week.
Mr. McClelland of Clarendon, was down to the Fort on land business.
J. G. Halsell came down from Deatur yesterday. Glen is looking hale and hearty again we are glad to observe.
Mr. N. R. Powell has been down with the dengue, but will be up to receive 50 head of fine bulls he has on the way.
Chase & Nicholson have been making some long time loans, backed up by real estate security, to stockmen, this week.
Mr. Abram Nave, of the Nave-McCord Cattle company, returned from St. Jo., Mo., last Saturday, and passed on to his ranch.
Mr. Jno. A. Fray of Marshall Mo., a breeder of draft horses has been visiting Fort Worth. His stock is with Jao. S. Powell & Co.
T. E. Miller, Hereford cattle breeder of Beecher, Ill., came to town on Friday by way of New Mexico. He leaves for the North to-night.
Messrs. J. M. Thompson, E. U. Cooke and Captain Scott, a Frio delegation, were on a bull buying expedition at the Fort last Saturday.
Messrs. Boaz & Hatcher report an inquiry for feeders. Mr. Sam Hatcher has 150 head coming in from Young and Baylor counties for disposition.
Mr. Frank R. Baker of Chicago, came to the Fort on business last week, and was friendly enough to visit the JOURNAL Editor when he was sick.

Chase & Nicholson have a choice piece of land which they will trade for 800 or 1000 eight-pound Merino ewes and some good bucks. Write them.
M. J. R. Jeter of the SRE Cattle company recently visited his horse ranch in Grimes county. He is about to ship several carloads of grown stock to Alabama.
Mr. H. T. Keenan live stock agent of the C. B. & Q. had the dengue fever here, took it to St. Louis and brought it back again. He says he don't want it around him.
Colonel Andy E. Young, the ladies' favorite, (so says E. E. Chase) from Baird, spent Monday here with the boys. John Merchant was with Andy as chaperon.
Quannah Parker and a delegation of Comanches came to the Fort. While here Quannah purchased a double seated wagon from the W. A. Huffman Implement company.
Mr. T. P. Lenoir is on a trip to Jefferson county. He sold 98 head of one and two year old mules to C. O. Edwards of this city during the past week, on private terms.
Messrs. Coffin Bros. of Itasca, Hill county, have just sold to Mr. H. B. Sanborn of Houston, for his Grayson county ranch, 77 head of fine young mule colts and 100 mares.

Mr. H. G. Bedford came in from Seymour on Thursday and remained a day in town. He reports a good range and cattle in fine flesh all round. That most of the beef crop, is sold.
Mr. J. H. Boggs of Richmond, Ky., complains moving to the wider fields of Texas. He is a breeder of Poland China swine, Cotswold and Southdown sheep and blooded cattle.
Mr. John A. Fray of Marshall, Mo., sold to George Herndon of McKinney, one two-year-old Missouri jack at \$500, and one bay draft stallion at \$600. The stock were sent on Thursday from Fort Worth.
The association of A. S. Nicholson, with Mr. Chase, in no way prevents his rustling for beef, and Nick has sent to his firm Messrs. W. W. McIlhany & Co. of Chicago, quite a lot of beefs of late.
Frank Houts and S. G. Speed, an old Frio County friend of the JOURNAL, called together after we went to press last week. Mr. Speed has Short-horn stock in Frio, and is offering some stock for sale.
Thorp Andrews has the dengue. His description is about the same, from his description, as "St. Levingood's" daddy had when St. was playing hoss with the old man and ploughed up the hornets' nest.
On Wednesday last Mr. Royal T. Twombly, a venerable and respected citizen of Fort Worth, went to his rest, after a short illness. Mr. Twombly was born at Portland, Maine, but was lately from Niles, Michigan.
She spring contracts have not commenced. Any effort to obtain views of dealers results in such figures as \$10 and \$14 for yearlings and twos for north central prairie cattle. Some think the figures will be slightly higher for round lots of twos.

Mr. W. E. Fales, of Weatherford, came down on Tuesday. He is in the horse business and brought down a spanking team. Mr. Fales is also a breeder of Angola goats and has about 20 young bucks for sale, all California stock and heavy fleece bearers.
There are quite a number of young mules on this market, from yearlings up to three-year-old broke stock of good build. Prices range from \$35 and \$40 for yearlings to \$75 and \$100 for good team mules. A lot of good Texas mares are offered at \$18 and \$20.
Major J. C. Breckenridge, acting for the Kentucky Cattle company, made the following purchases at Abilene:

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HORNS AND HOOPS.

No trades. On to St. Louis. Come to the Volksfest. Col. T. C. Frost has the dengue. Jerome Harris is over the dengue. W. S. Carothers will soon buy a new hat. Major Hinkle won a hat on the Ohio election. Louis Oge went down to the ranch this week.

Nat Word of Goliad is again with the Alamo boys. R. D. Williams is here from Georgia after horse stock. L. P. Lewley of Oakville is in San Antonio taking in the sights. A. Y. Allee and wife of Pearshall were up to the city this week. Captain B. C. Flowers of Maverick county was in Santone last week.

George I. Wilson was in town for a day last week, and in his usual good spirits. J. C. Butler, a well-known Wilson county ranchman, was in San Antonio a while. S. G. Leslie of Wise county and once of a farm on the Helotes, is in Santone.

Tobe Odem and Bro. Zook are expected in San Antonio this week from the Fort. J. T. McNeill of Pearshall is in the Alamo City again. His suburb goaties looks as well as ever.

E. R. Rachal is again home from the Corpus Christi country. Jim Scott carries a while. Dr. A. E. Carothers is lost on his ranch. His best friends haven't heard from him for weeks.

Otto Bachel & Co., the enterprising firm of Cuero, are shipping 2000 to 3000 bales of cotton weekly. Captain H. L. Hiett of the State National bank, Fort Worth, is visiting the historic Alamo City.

F. O. Skidmore, one of the live ranchers of Bee county, is "in the hands of his friends" in Santone. Mrs. Sam Seymour of Rockport is visiting the family of her daughter, Mrs. C. A. Buford, in San Antonio.

Captain B. F. Bozard is in San Antonio and will go west to the ranch to the ranch to grow up some more with the country. I. C. Tuttle had another birthday this week. His friends treat him so well that he is constantly increasing his birthdays to one per month.

Major G. W. Angle is this week at the town sale of Pecos City and will doubtless set a good example by buying some of that booming new city. Colonel John A. Turner is now a judge. He is one of a select number of 12 gentlemen who were urged to preside this week in the district court.

Colonel Bill Henney is returned from a trip to the realms of "ding-dang" and greatly enjoyed himself. He prefers his old experience with goat. Every stockman, his wife and little ones, should be here at the Volksfest next week. There is to be a grand time for three days. Reduced railroad fare.

Beeville gets the Aransas Pass road. At least a proposition is now forming to be acted upon by Beeville and vicinity, and the road evidently wants to go that way. Do you want any money? Most of us do, and we have been tapping that \$100,000 which A. A. Maher & Co. advertise elsewhere. They have plenty of it yet on hand.

The T. Pryor of the Capital City was here some days, and was welcomed on every side. Some friends of his, who are prejudiced in his favor, think he is growing handsome. Dr. G. B. Johnson of Converse, kindly brought to the JOURNAL office a specimen of Guinea grass which had come to seed. It seeds well and seems to be a splendid hay grass.

J. V. Shiner has gone with his family, including youngest boy, to Pearshall, in hopes that the little fellow will rapidly return to health after his terrible siege of typhoid fever. Dr. Amos Graves compels the boys to ward off ding-dang fever with: one small glass, one spoon, two lumps of sugar, quarter of a lemon and liberal amount of "etc." The "etc." knocks out.

R. B. Claridge of the Stockman is wrestling with the dengue, and another Seelye had double work this week. Claridge is getting the best of the fever, and we bet on Claridge every time. Judge H. E. Barnard has investigated the charms of the "ding-dang" and is now an expert witness on the subject. He suffered more from dengue than a Kansas man can suffer from Texas fever.

A. J. Dull, of the large Dull ranch in LaSalle county, was on his way this week from the ranch to his home in Harrisburg, Pa. The JOURNAL man had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Dull for the first time. W. S. Carothers of Austin this week bought three splendid stallions which were brought to San Antonio recently from Illinois. One Cleveland bay, 7 years old, cost \$1000. The others are said to have sold at \$500 each.

The splendid efforts put forth by the Corp Corp Callor in behalf of the Alamo Pass road from that city are everywhere commendable. Any town the use of Corpus which could not raise an amount needed is not worthy of the otherwise represented by so good a paper as the Callor. Edwin E. Wilson, manager of the nucleus ranch in Nueces county, is in San Antonio this week. He is impossible to convert from the error of his ways in wiggle-tail Diplococci, which he believes to produce Texas fever. With all his sad errors of that kind he continues to be a mighty pleasant gentleman and good company.

Captain Gray of La Gloria ranch, near San Diego, has returned from a month's trip northward and west to home. He is brimming over with good health and good reports from reliable authority as strong efforts are making toward

the repeal of the Kansas quarantine law, and early action to that end seems probable.

Captain John T. Lytle returned from his ranch this week, having been several days at the bedside of his partner, Thomas M. McDaniel. Mr. McDaniel is under the constant care of Drs. Amos Graves and Herff. Everything that can be done to relieve the patient is at hand and there are good hopes of his recovery.

Rumor has it that a "powerful syndicate" of the east has bid \$30,000 for the two refrigerators of the Defunct Continental company. The Victoria Advocates says (without any authority for the statement) that the probable action of some of the Fort Worth stockholders will defeat the sale of the property. It is to be regretted that the establishments are not already at hand work.

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The Fashion.

The JOURNAL man had the pleasure this week in a good company of stockmen of visiting the Fashion theatre. The performance throughout was better than might have been expected, and Sims & Samuelson have done everything in their power to provide a variety entertainment of sufficient attraction to furnish an evening's amusement. Many of the performers were as good as are in the profession, and all the adjuncts that make a good performance were present. Visiting stockmen and others will scarcely regret a visit paid the Fashion. The theatre is quite prominent on the west side of Military Plaza.

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By judicious and systematic advertising and by fair dealing, reasonable prices and prompt delivery, the name of "Spencer & Tucker" became a household word and they reaped the success they richly deserved. About one year ago the present company, the Fort Worth Grocer company was formed by J. W. Spencer S. P. Tucker of this city. E. H. Carter of Longview, Texas, who had established a large and profitable business at that place and who stands high in that community, and J. C. Franklin of Nashville, Tennessee, a gentleman of wealth and influence who still resides there, all practical business men of integrity and established ability and whose characters bear the fruits of a life of industry. No doubt the brilliant success of this company for the first year of its existence is due largely to the fact that these popular gentlemen, Messrs. Spencer, Tucker and Carter, gave the business their whole time and undivided attention, thus attending to the wants of their numerous customers personally. When the Fort Worth Grocer company was formed the company succeeded to the entire business of Spencer & Tucker, and they added the Produce Commission business and Wholesale Grocers. Their business had grown to such dimensions that more room became necessary which resulted in the erection of the large and commodious building recently erected for this company and which they now occupy. The room has 75 feet frontage on Main street and is 95 feet deep, and is admirably divided up into three departments, viz., Wholesale Grocer department, Wholesale Produce department and Retail Grocer department. In the wholesale department the company carry a full and complete line of everything in the grocery line, and carry loads upon car loads of produce of every kind. These goods they keep moving rapidly, handling several car loads each day of goods in season and this always insures a fresh stock on hand. These goods are handled on a very close margin and it is purchasing in immense quantities and quickly placing them to their immense trade at very low prices which enable them to conduct the large trade in this line that they do. The retail department is cut off from the other departments by a shelving extending down the room in the rear of an elegant business office 15 by 25 feet, then across the rear about 25 feet from the end wall to the side, running 65 feet to the front again, making nearly 175 feet of shelving and counter room all chock full of the delicacies of the season, beside inside this square are tables full and pyramids of choice and rich edibles of every description, beautiful show cases on iron stands show off to great advantage nuts, candies, raisins, etc., the whole combining in such a way as to make a hungry purchaser wish heartily to transport the good things set before his gaze into the empty space beneath his vest. The company employ four city delivery wagons to deliver the goods which their solicitors are constantly bringing in orders for, and 20 men are employed in all to conduct this establishment. They handle the celebrated California canned goods which they make a specialty of, selling them at retail at wholesale prices. They are just in receipt of a shipment of three car loads of these goods in all varieties. Also sell the renowned Batavia canned goods which if anything rival the California goods. In a few days they will receive a very large consignment of the celebrated Heno Tea which they will offer as another specialty. Purchasers can buy coffee fresh roasted and have the same ground free of extra charge on their celebrated coffee grinder. Very unique features of this establishment are the bright new fixtures, a row of bright coffee cans adown the counter on the right as you go in and on the base shelf a nobby lot of tea canisters adds to the general effect. Each counter is provided with a brand new set of the famous Henry Troemner's grocery scales and the London tea balances made of solid German silver are beautiful to gaze upon. 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Exclusive Lease of Mexican Lands.

Mr. John Willett of Austin, called at the Austin office of the LIVE STOCK JOURNAL and exhibited a carefully written document bearing both the United States and Mexican government seals. Under this document Mr. Willett has acquired in lease for a number of years, 607,780 acres of grazing land on the Rio Grande, opposite Pecos county, Bulls crossing, well-known to stockmen being on this property. A member of the eminent firm of Madero, the owners of the land from whom the lease was acquired met Mr. Willett in San Antonio on the 24th ult., when the contract was closed. The tract which contains 1,000 square miles has a large frontage on the Rio Grande, and is otherwise well watered and possesses natural features for protection of stock. Messrs. Cheeseman & Pacheco of California, own a ranch upon the land in New Mexico, and Messrs. Sullivan & Sullivan of San Antonio are owners on the south of Mr. Willett's tract. It is a fact that a bill is now before the Mexican congress to repeal the Border League Law which, if passed, will enable Americans to acquire fee simple title to Mexican lands on the Rio Grande. It is possible Mr. Willett has made but a first step to be "on time." He is a gentleman well-known and respected, and deserves success.

Tom Knight, recently from the outlet, brings information of the settlement of a difficulty which threatened to be serious. Bennett & Duman, who were holding east of Pawnee agency the range including part of that reservation sold out to William, McGillan, of Cleveland. This sale was made on the basis of there being 12,000 head on the range, that being the number turned out the preceding fall. The ravages of the winter had been largely under-estimated, and when the transfer was made but 6,000 head could be found. The new owner was placed in possession, but for some reason, intentional or otherwise, Bennett & Duman did not assign over their lease. Some days later when a settlement was attempted, a controversy

ALL SORTS.

A Spoiled Fruit; Country Bride (at dinner, to husband, who is doing his best to eat an olive) "What's the matter with the plums, James?" Husband (with a wry face) "The blamed things is spoiled."—Harper's Bazar.

Col. Yergers—"Now, far sorceress, let me know my fate." Gypsy—"I see by the signs that you will lose all your silver and gold." Col. Yergers—"That's bad." Gypsy—"But console yourself. You will always retain that copper nose of yours."—Texas Sitings.

A Matter of Duty: Her Lawyer—"It is a bad investment since they have watered the stock." She—"Yes, but it seems cruel not to." Her Lawyer—"Er-not-to-what?" She—"Not to water the poor things, and in such weather as this, particularly."—Life.

The time is fast approaching when the visitor to the sanatorium will step in smiling and confident, and just as he is about to say: "Here is a little thing I just dashed off," he will be paralyzed by a voice exclaiming in tones of thunder: "Go back and shut that door!"—Boston Courier.

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Harry McCullough, Fayette, Mo., has just sold 200 Merino rams to go to Texas. R. T. McCulley & Bro., Lee's Summit, Mo., report the sale of 3 Merino rams at \$30 each, and 5 at \$20 each. Messrs. Owens & Marsalis sold a clip of wool in our city Thursday morning for eighteen cents per pound. Mr. Justin Cook came in one day this week from his sheep ranch near Midland, on the plains. He is hale and hearty and looks as if that elevated climate agreed with him.

Mr. Walter M. Parker of Wichita Falls, says sheep are doing finely, but few are changing hands. He has two hundred and fifty fat muttons, he had better hold until spring before selling. Dr. S. L. S. Smith, trustee for Kennedy & Bartholow, sold their ranch and sheep to Alex. McGregor, Monday. The ranch is located in the vicinity of Co. which is about 17,820 acres, brought \$2,800, and 2,250 head of sheep went at 40 cents per head.

The principal stock industry in this country is sheep raising. Among the prominent woolgrowers we can mention the Messrs. Devitt Bros., Robert Bartlett, Garrett & Cutler, C. P. Fuller and D. A. Leary. The wool shipments this fall aggregate 132,000 pounds. The outlook in sheep husbandry this year is better than at any time for years. Sheep are in fine condition and wool is bringing a good price, with a gradual upward tendency.

A cowman says that there is one advantage the sheepmen have over those who cultivate bovines; they are not so exacting when they are bustled, but it takes a cowman about a year to round up and find out how many more heaves he was counting on than he actually had.

Mr. J. M. Lee of Glen Ellen Ranch, asks about the process of feeding sulphur to sheep to prevent and to cure scab. Mr. J. D. Phillips of Tarrant County, always feeds sulphur with salt, and when the sheep will not take sufficient sulphur with salt, he will feed it with oats.

Mr. E. W. Gruendler, returned from a southern trip, having spent much time in San Antonio, where his purchases of full wool amounted to nothing. He says that the wool buyers have the market excited, and they are and have paid more for full wools than the eastern markets will justify.

The well on the ranch of Rathvon & Robinson, about 50 miles from Midland, has about 16 feet of water. As soon as the drill pierced the rock the water came through so rapidly that it was impossible to put in a blast as the workmen contemplated.

A well of flowing water of the very finest quality has been secured on the ranch of Mr. J. J. Sutherland, just five miles southeast of the city, in the Big Spring draw. At a depth of only 5 feet and in a bed of sand, water was obtained, and the flow is of sufficient strength to water several thousand head of sheep.

Mrs. Arden, through the agency of Messrs. Foote, Dailey & Cunningham, has sold her entire flock of 3,500 fine Merino sheep to Mr. R. B. Sanderson of this place. The price paid was \$6,000, which is a very low figure, as they have always been considered one of the finest, if not the very finest flock of sheep in the county, and three years ago the same sheep would have sold readily for more than \$20,000.

George W. Dimmock of West Cornwall, who accompanied E. C. Esilla when the latter went to South America in the early summer with Merinos, has returned home. Mr. and Mrs. Esilla are in New York and will probably be home early next week.

Abilene is doing a much larger wool business this fall than was expected. We believe the receipts will reach half a million pounds, where only 300,000 pounds were anticipated. But more satisfactory and gratifying than the large increase in receipts are the very good prices being paid.

This year's clip is in the hands of speculators, and they will be very sure to uphold the prices. The weak-kneed breeders who have been inclined to sell their flocks at any price, would do well to brace up. Look after the sheep for they are sure to bring in money. Buy improved bucks and increase your yield of wool.

Many a woman is robbed of those charms which the gentler sex value so highly, and made old before her time by functional irregularities. To such the bloom of youth may be restored by the use of a remedy which has stood the test of time and which is today acknowledged to be without an equal as a sure cure for all female weaknesses.

OUR ST. LOUIS LETTER.

Fair Week—Sales of Sheep—Texas Wool Quotations. Regular Correspondence Texas Live Stock Journal.

Our great fair and our grand festivities are at an end and the majority of our country cousins have left. That we entertained them to their hearts' content cannot be called in question even by a Chicago partisan, and there were a few of these present; so our efforts to please proved successful. Our nightly pageants, each night with a different one, our street illumination, our grand ball, our exposition, with Gilmore and his famous military band, our "hoss" racing at the finest, largest and costliest race track, our base ball and other athletic tournaments, Buffalo Bill entertainments, our music hall performances, and a hundred other attractions made our visitors from all points of the compass revel in pleasure and delight.

The display of sheep out at the fair was the largest ever shown, and included all grades. Exhibitors came from all sections of the country, from Vermont to Kansas. The competition was quite lively but good humored. The display of wool was also large and the fleeces very fine.

The sheep market has improved a little, but prices continue low, and it may be said that it does not pay to ship Texas sheep to market. Here are Saturday's sales; this will give the reader an idea of what sheep are bringing in this market.

Table with columns: NATIVE SHEEP, No. Ave. Price, No. Ave. Price. Rows include various sheep grades and prices.

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As the system is by fever and ague, and obstinate as that malady is nevertheless Hostetter's Stomach Bitters will repair the damage that it does the constitution, and eradicate every trace of it.

OUR CHICAGO LETTER.

Poetical Dudes in the Sheep Business—The Sheep Business a Good Business. UNION STOCK YARDS, CHICAGO, ILL. Oct. 10, 1885.

It makes us sick at the stomach to see how some men are talking and croaking about the unprofitableness of sheep raising. In nine cases out of ten these men who are making so much noise would break up in any other business in a jiffy.

It seems to me that for years the sheep industry has been largely allowed to shift for itself; and when it has not been allowed to do so, it has had shiftless men to do for it and stand as its representatives. I do not wish to rake over the coals the noble hard working few who have constantly been at the fore fighting the battles of the cause, but it seems to the writer that the sheep raisers themselves have shown less stamina and less push than almost any other class of men in the country.

I know lots of men who are doing nothing because they are afraid to decide what they want to do. They are afraid of making a mistake, and so cling to their old ways and methods, waiting, I suppose for some inspiration to guide them in their choice, and all the time, they are making the grand mistake of sticking in the ruts and not deciding.

To Wool Growers.

We offer fleeces twined tie in hanks proper lengths for tying fleeces at four and-a-half cents per pound. Send in your orders to BERG BROS., San Antonio.

Double Deck Cars.

The decision which has just been reached to do away with double deck cars by the Northwestern Traffic Association, in conjunction with the Southwestern Railway, Western Freight and Pacific Coast Associations, is a movement that will be felt by all shippers of sheep and hogs in the far outlying districts that might become tributary to Chicago with such stock.

The new order, which goes into effect at once, will also act to cut off a considerable amount of sheep and hogs from the receipts at the Union Stock Yards, that under the double deck system would come here. We are not in the railway transportation business and have not the slightest disposition to criticize the move just taken in any unfair spirit.

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SHEEP FARMING.

Cost of a Pound of Wool in Southern Ohio.

[Stephen Powers in Ohio Farmer.] The Ohio Wool Growers' association at their semi-annual meeting held September 2, at Columbus, resolved to comply with the request of the Secretary of the Treasury, Manning, asking for the necessary information on which to base recommendations to congress, with a view to the simplification of the tariff schedule, and the correction of some of the inequalities now existing.

Secretary Manning asks these two questions:

1. Should the tariff on wool be specific, ad valorem, or compound?

2. What is the cost of growing a pound of wool in your county?

In reply to the first question, I should say, ad valorem, because the object of all duties levied by the government is, primarily, revenue; secondarily and incidentally, protection. I do not see how the custom house officials can well institute any very searching test of quality; they must necessarily consider chiefly the price.

The second question I answer as follows:

On my farm of 515 acres are kept, one year with another, about 600 Merino grade sheep. About 150 acres are bottom land, devoted chiefly to grain growing and meadow. Of the remainder of the farm, 250 acres may be called permanent pasture. There is not this amount of permanent pasture, but with the bottom lands which are used for pasture in the autumn months and in the intervals between grain crops, the figure above given will not be far from correct. As nearly as the discrimination can be made in the tax receipts, the annual taxes on these lands called permanent pasture amount to \$52. This land may fairly be set down as worth \$30 per acre, making a total of \$7,500 invested in land. At six per cent. interest this sum would bring a yearly income of \$450.

For about five months of the twelve these sheep require to be fed in yards and stables. They consume about 25 tons of hay, worth, at \$8 a ton, \$200; about 1,500 shocks of cornfodder, worth, at 10 cents a shock, \$150; about 600 bushels of corn, worth, at 35 cents a bushel, \$210; a ton of bran, worth \$14.00; eight barrels of salt \$9.20. Total cost of feed and salt, \$583.20.

These sheep may be reckoned worth \$3.00 per head; total investment in flock, \$1,500. Interest on this sum, at 6 per cent., \$108. Add \$10 a year for the purchase of a ram every two years (this is a low estimate, for a ram of such quality as is needed to keep up the wool clip to a profitable type can seldom be bought for less than \$25, and some times one is lost, and does not serve two years.)

The labor of caring for and feeding the sheep is usually considered to be balanced by the manure. In this item I am willing to include also washing of the flock (\$8), though it is customary to charge this as a separate expense. Shearing, at six cents a head (the usual price in this section) costs \$36.

Now, as to the receipts from the flock. If not thoroughly well washed, these sheep will yield six pounds of wool per head; but if washed as carefully as they should be, and always are, they will shear only about 6 1/2 pounds per head. Allowing for the clip—supposing it to be all well washed and merchantable wool—the highest price which has been paid for any wool this year in this (Washington) county, to wit: 29 cents, we have, as the total receipts for the yearly clip, \$957.

One year with another, there will be sold from this flock every year 60 mutton wethers, weighing 90 pounds live weight, worth this year in this section, at 2 1/2 cents a pound, \$24.60 a head; for the whole bunch, \$147.60. There will be sold also 35 old ewes, worth this year, \$1.25 a head or \$43.75 for the whole lot. Total receipts for sheep per year, \$191.45.

To ascertain the cost of growing the wool, we must subtract the total receipts for sheep from the yearly expenses. We have therefore these figures here brought together:

Interest on cost of land, \$450.00

Expenses on land, \$52.00

Feed and salt one year, \$583.20

Interest on cost of sheep, \$108.00

Shearing, \$36.00

Cost of ram, \$10.00

Total, \$1,289.20

From this sum subtract the receipts for sheep, \$191.45, and we have \$1,077.75. This is the amount which it has cost to produce 3,300 pounds of wool. This brings the cost of production up to 32 1/2 cents per pound.

As above stated, these are the figures for a flock of 600 sheep, and are the only ones I am able to give from personal experience and knowledge. I have had control of every detail of the management of this flock and farm for 10 years, and know that the above estimates are correct. At the same time it is well-known to every observant stockman that the profits of wool growing decrease rapidly with the increase of the numbers in the flock. In a small flock a pound of wool can be produced much more cheaply than in a large one.

STEPHEN POWERS, Washington Co., O.

MEXICAN GRAZING LANDS.

Northern Mexico the range country—Wintered Beef—Recent Investors.

EE PASO, TEXAS, Oct. 9, 1885. Editor TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL.

I write, thinking a few lines about Mexico would be of interest to your readers, as many parties are now going into that country for the purpose of purchasing land and locating ranches, which shows the good judgment of the stockmen who suffer from the cranks and monopolists of New Mexico.

For all purposes, the lands of northern Mexico cannot be excelled; in fact it is a grand and beautiful country. The valleys are of the richest soil, ever-flowing streams are numerous, the forests are something appalling and the country is dotted with beautiful lakes, therefore there is abundance of water for all purposes.

The grasses of northern Mexico, as all who have visited that country will say, is the finest that can be found anywhere. Abundance of gramma, mesquite and other grasses are found on all lands, even on high hills and mesas.

The climate is not excelled anywhere. Owing to the high elevation of the lands in this district, the summers are not hot, and one does not feel oppressed by warm weather, especially from warm nights.

The winters are delightful and are said to be the most healthful of any on this continent. This section is not attended by the severe "northers" which are experienced in Texas and in other localities, but is entirely free from any severe cold weather.

For stockraising, the climate is said to be wonderful, as the stock need no shelter whatever, and thrive as well in winter as in summer or other seasons of the year; and the fattest cattle are found during the winter months.

As an evidence of the climate, of all reports of loss from death of stock in northern Mexico, none have placed it more than one-half of one per cent, which all experienced stockmen well know is nearly, if not quite covered by death from old age.

There is an abundance of good land in northern Mexico, and the climate is specially adapted, from its mildness, to the rearing of young cattle, and for winter pasturage. The heaviest investment made in land here recently is on the part of the English company which bought a big ranch of 500,000 acres. The next are those purchased by Clay M. Mann, of Colorado City, Texas, and the Santo Domingo Cattle Co., of San Jose, State of Chihuahua, Mexico, which were sold by the Mexico and Texas Land & Cattle Co., of El Paso, Texas. These ranches have already been stocked, in part, from Texas and New Mexico, and will be fully stocked during the next winter and spring.

The Mexico & Texas Land & Cattle Co., Mr. J. C. Beatty, Manager, has a great number of ranches in the State of Chihuahua and adjoining states, which are offered at prices ranging from 30 to 60 cents per acre, in tracts of any size desired.

Mr. Beatty's success in selling lands in Mexico is due to his fair and impartial representations of the lands, together with his having selected the best bodies, during the time the demand was not so great as at present.

More English than American capital formerly went into land in this part of Mexico, but I think it fortunate that this is the case for it dispelled the fears of that people regarding an overpreponderance of American capital and influence there.

It is our opinion that the future will show that Americans have the confidence and will be purchasers of equally as much, if not more, land as did the English. The prices of land in old Mexico are so much lower than on this side of the Rio Grande, that buyers are not only securing ranches for present use, but as a good and quick realizing investment.

The work of the Government's boundary commissioners is still progressing and will soon remove the least doubt as to titles. In clearing up titles and taking possession of lands properly belonging to the republic, the federal government now makes it possible for foreign capitalists to purchase lands there with a certainty of acquiring a sound and indisputable title.

There is great interest exhibited here in stock matters and the wise action of the stock growers of El Paso, Texas, in taking Chihuahua stock growers into their cattlemen's association has served to bring Americans and Mexicans upon a very friendly footing.

There are now a number of Mexican large stock and ranch owners who have united with the stock growers association of El Paso, Texas, and will attend the convention at St. Louis next month. These parties from Mexico are satisfied that their interests are identified with those of this country, and are uniting with all parties growing stock in Mexico to have the best protection of all interests, so that there is no question that stock is as safe there as in this country.

Very Respectfully, GIMINGO.

THE WEATHERFORD FAIR.

Splendid Display of Fine Stock—The Premium Takers.

Correspondence Texas Live Stock Journal.

Early last Saturday morning people began to come in from every direction to attend the fine stock show, and at 10 o'clock everything was ready. Everything except the horses were shown and premiums awarded in the forenoon, and at 1 p. m. the exhibition

of horses was commenced, but before the preceding Hon. I. N. Roach was called to the stand and gave a short but very interesting talk on the importance of improving the stock of the country.

The first premium was for the finest thoroughbred stallion. There were twenty entered; C. M. Carr received the premium. Next was for the best draft stallion. A. C. Glover received the premium. Next were brood mares. There were twenty-two entered; G. G. Maddox received the first premium, C. M. Carr second. J. B. Pig received premium for finest colt, sixteen entered. There were three Jersey bulls entered; J. M. Blair took the premium. Three entries of Jersey cows, S. T. Howard taking the premium. There were two entries of Shorthorn bulls made; Captain Henry Warren took the premium; he also took the premium on Short horn cows and calves. Dr. J. J. Inge took the premium for the best Jersey calf.

T. D. Lewis was awarded the premium for the best milch cow. M. W. Stevens took the premium for the best two-year old colt, and G. W. Zackery for the best mule. Geo. McKibbin for the best jack. For the best goat Mrs. Dr. E. T. McKenzie. Carson & Lewis received premium for best brood sow, Dr. J. J. Inge for the best turkey, and Dr. N. C. Neer for the best chickens and ducks. This completes the list of those who received premiums, and all seemed to be satisfied with the decisions of the judges. Premiums ranged from \$2.50 to \$25.00.

Mr. J. B. Bowne of Palo Pinto bought from Capt. Henry Warren two of his Short horns, two that took the first premium. He paid \$250 for a yearling heifer, and \$150 for yearling bull. This ought to show our people why we should improve our stock. Our town was crowded all day with people. And it was determined that a stock fair shall be held annually at Weatherford from this time forward.

On Thursday, Schuster, Henry & Co. started a herd of 600 horses from their ranch at the head of North Chocho to Big Springs, from where they will ship to Chicago.—(San Angelo Standard.)

FROM VICTORIA COUNTY.

The Land System of Texas—The Old Ruts the Best.

MISSOURI VALLEY, TEXAS, } October 6, 1885.

Editor Texas Live Stock Journal.

The land question and state lease system must at present occupy, at least a passing thought in the mind of every sober thinking citizen of the state of Texas. And, rightly, that it should, as it concerns not only the present welfare of each citizen but the future prosperity and happiness of the state at large. While past legislative enactments have been made with a patriotic desire to the best management of lands owned and controlled by the state, it cannot but be a fact, patent to every candid observer that it has fallen short of the desired end. This should teach us not to be hasty in passing laws which do not take into consideration the present good of each citizen, as well as the future welfare of posterity.

Indeed, it can but be plain that posterity must in a measure take care of itself, and enact such laws, as will best subserve the necessities of their interests in the preservation of liberty. Legislation that does not consult the present good of a people, must ultimately prove a failure and in time be laid aside by any people possessing common sense. The trouble which arises from the leasing of lands by the state are manifold and difficult. In the first place the state enters the field as a competitor with her citizens. This at a casual glance may not seem of much importance, but upon close investigation all candid men must agree, that wherever the government assumes the control of real estate or property of a speculative character, with the view of deriving emolument by rental, lease or speculation, that it comes in conflict with the interests of its citizens. In the leasing of the school lands, while the state acts only in trust, as guardian of the public school funds, we have a confusion of the interests of subject and government. The state is leasing land to its citizens and reserving the right to sell the same at any time. This reservation, by the state makes the lease worthless to any man leasing such land, and without such reservation upon the part of the state, the leasing of land would prevent the settlement and building up of the state, by placing in the hands of capitalists and wealthy stockmen such an enormous amount of the state's acreage or territory. The true interests of the people of the state of Texas is not in the encouragement of the accumulation of large landed estates, but in their curtailment or prevention by wise and just laws.

Hence, it would seem that a policy for the state, not less advantageous to the interests of the school fund, would be in obliterating the difficulties by doing away with the land lease system and leaving all lands controlled by the state to be sold in small quantities to actual settlers and the proceeds of such sale to be invested in such lands or securities as would be most advantageous to the interests of the public school fund. This would leave all public lands, as commons, free to the use of all those citizens owning lands adjoining public lands as well as those driving stock from one portion of the state to another, and would have a tendency to settle the stock business upon a more solid basis, giving the small stockmen, whether they be owners of cows, horses or sheep, range for their stock. This would be a return to the old way, but the people may perhaps find, after all that the old ruts are the safest, as well as the best.

Q. DAVIDSON, Jr.

FROM DENVER, COLORADO.

Colorado News Notes and Stock Items—He Will Go For Sanders.

DENVER, COL., Oct. 12, 1885. Editor Texas Live Stock Journal.

Scattering lots of eastern dairy calves are being carried to Chicago and other western points for distribution among the peddlers who are fattening on the free trade with the cowmen of the plains. These calves are coming largely from eastern states where contagious pleuro-pneumonia is known to exist, and as there does not seem to be any restrictions in their movements the west is liable at any time to be started by an outbreak of pleuro-pneumonia. The outbreak of this disease in Missouri, this spring caused the loss of hundreds of thousands of dollars, and should prove a warning to be profited by. The fact is we are slumbering on a powder magazine and are liable to be destroyed. The system of granting bills of health to cattle seeking admission to the west from the infected districts of the east on the statement of the shipper as contented by Dr. Salmon, chief of the bureau of animal industry, in his letter of recent date to Dr. Trumbower, is a fraud and a farce, and while Salmon may from a theoretical standpoint figure out all shippers as trustworthy and honest men, the rough men of the plains, with more practical knowledge of human nature, do not propose to jeopardize the hard earnings which they have accumulated by years of industry and labor by depending upon the integrity of men who are interested more by the almighty dollar in disposing of their graded cattle than they are in protecting their customers. We do not propose to impugn the eastern traders as a class, but we know that cattle from infected regions east can be bought oftentimes for one quarter of what their value would be if not from an infected region, and the opportunity of profit is too great not to be taken advantage of by some dishonest people.

An editorial in the Breeders Gazette a short time ago had a very appropriate heading, entitled "Hoist with their own Petard," which would be peculiarly applicable to Mr. Sanders when he finds that as a result of his double dealings and unfairness his pet Chicago association turns out to be a failure and his patrons, the dealers in bulls for use on the plains, are shut out from their most profitable market. Sanders has roused the country to the danger arising from the introduction of infected cattle and at the same time attempts to throw the mantle of virtue around his misguided followers, assuming, as he has done in repeated editorials, that it is impossible for the thoroughbred and high grade cattle of the respectable dealers who advertise in his paper to introduce contagious diseases. Range men have about come to the conclusion that range cattle are graded nearly as high as is compatible with the maintenance of their rustling qualities, and a very little more effort on Sanders' part will cause united action from the British possessions to the Gulf of Mexico, on the part of local, state and territorial officials in barring out the importation of eastern cattle. The handwriting is already on the wall and he who runs may read it. We of the west do not want anything of the east or the government. We will take care of ourselves, and will not trust the tender mercies of men like Sanders to help us.

The Stock Growers Journal of Miles City, Montana, strikes the nail squarely on the head in the following truthful words, taken from its issue of Sept. 19, viz: "A convention of the range men of the west, held at a point accessible to them, could be conducted harmoniously and steps quickly taken to protect the business. A convention composed of men whose interests are widely diversified is more likely to result in injury than good to the cause of those in the minority, as the range men will be in the national convention."

The range men and range interests predominant in the National Cattle and Horse Growers association, of which Col. Hunter is president, while the Chicago association of which DeWitt Smith of Illinois is president, is controlled by dairymen, breeders and small farmers under the management of a minority of range men who have shown themselves hostile to the movement of cattle to the northern maturing ranges from the great breeding grounds of Texas, New Mexico and Arizona. The Stock Grower will certainly maintain the manly stand it has taken and be found in the van fighting for the true interests of its patrons.

Austin M. Robinson, manager of the Texas & Colorado Land and Cattle company, is paying their Colorado ranch a visit. For their Colorado range the company owns the leading ranches on the Santo Clara, and a large scope of country on the lower Chuchars, on which they have now about 3000 cows and 500 steers. The Texas ranch is kept up and the Colorado range supplied from it.

J. C. Jones of La Junta purchased last week at Coolidge, Kansas, of E. N. Gray of Texas, 1350 head of mixed cattle and 50 head of cow horses. The price paid on the cattle ranged from \$11 to \$20 per head.

Cochran & Curtis of Texas have just driven 1300 head of range cattle from Washington county, Texas, to a ranch on the Pino creek, Northern New Mexico.

J. W. Robbins & Co. start a herd of 350 cattle, which were gathered during the round-ups, to their ranch on Toyah creek, Reeves county, next week.—(San Angelo Standard.)

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DALLAS.

BRANCH OFFICE TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL, Office 717 Main Street, P. H. Shevlin Manager, DALLAS, TEX., Oct. 16, 1935.

The True Trail.

The movement of young cattle from south to north in Texas is a pertinent subject at this time, as it is mentioned in national trail matters at all times. The fact is that the best trail we have in Texas is the rail trail so far as it goes, and it goes to Harrold and no further, simply because it is the terminus of the Fort Worth & Denver, the only road running into the grazing territory. This road ought to be extended and carry the cattle to the neutral strip where after a few weeks grazing a grass movement could perfect the deliveries.

As stated in the public press, shipments have been made to Nebraska from Texas, but without very large tracts of lands can be obtained for quarantine grounds, local authorities will, as they have already done, pass such laws as will prevent the delivery of southern cattle in the spring and summer. The movement is one that is largely regulated by circumstances. The cattle are taken from a wide scope of country in Texas and concentrated by railroad transportation to the one point of delivery. The Missouri Pacific, the International, the Sunset and the Santa Fe roads in this instance are all feeders to our young road, the Fort Worth & Denver which made a delivery on grass possible. Every foot this road goes alongside the trail should add to the number concentrated northward. The object of the shipper is to gain time and save trouble and money. If he ships to any interior point he gains nothing. Lanes, pastures, highways, are all to be avoided if possible. He wants the cattle turned off the cars on a broad public pasturage where he has rights. As Wichita country lost these conditions so the railroad found them again by unloading on the trail, crossing at Harrold. But the road does not go far enough. It ought to strike forward to the neutral strip where a public range can be had, and where if proper influences are brought to bear there should be reserved a quarantine ground for all stock passing north, a ground likely to continue available for many years. This is the true trail that will gain more loading points as Texas is settled up and will gain delivering points as the road is lengthened by traversing public lands.

DALLAS DOTS.

M. O. Lynn of Palo Pinto, was with us this week. C. W. White of Waco, took a run up to Dallas on Tuesday. Cols. John N. Simpson and W. E. Hughes have gone into the Panhandle for a hunt. Mr. Fenlon of Harrold, Texas, took a turn to Dallas and returned home on Wednesday. B. W. Beecher of San Antonio was a visitor at the Live Stock Exchange during the week. J. G. Johns is ill at the Hotel Bogel with the dengue. The Stock Journal extends its sympathies. Frank Ashley of San Antonio, was in Dallas during the week looking for a purchaser for some mules and horses. Ellis Miller of Fairview, New Mexico, is once more in the city. He will not leave for his home in New Mexico for several days. Myron Cook of Kington, Kansas, in company with Albert Morris of the same place visited Dallas this week and both registered at the Live Stock Exchange. Mr. J. M. Furlong of Las Vegas, New Mexico, miner and cattleman, has been in Dallas several days. He will probably purchase 1,000 yearling heifers destined for New Mexico. Dr. O. B. Hewitt, the leading dentist of Dallas, bought this week of Tobe Johnson of Fort Worth, 100 head of three and four year old steers at \$20 per head, delivered in his pasture at Grand Prairie. The doctor is going to feed them this winter for the Chicago market.

Evidence of Merit.

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They Lost One Cow.

Messrs. A. H. McCoy, vice-president of the Western Cattle Growers Association, C. W. Willett, F. B. York, M. R. Draper, W. I. Harwood, M. W. Sutton, H. Kollar, Thomas A. Lee, J. R. Halliwell, E. W. Spencer, and W. H. Swift and John Clay, jr., of Chicago, who are interested in the cattle ranges in the Cherokee Strip, Western Kansas, the Indian Territory, Northern Texas and Colorado, met at the Hotel Brunswick yesterday for the purpose of uniting upon a line of action to be pursued by them in the matter of the driving of southern Texas herds across their ranches. The southern Texas cattlemen drove vast herds across their grazing lands and others were prevented from crossing, which resulted in suits being instituted against certain stockmen aggregating some \$350,000. The cattlemen who met yesterday have suffered heavy losses from the driving of Southern Texas cattle across their ranges last spring, and their conference was for the purpose of settling upon a concerted plan to prosecute the Texas cattlemen.

recover the damage done to their herds which they estimate at fully \$1,000,000. Their cattle contracted the Texas fever by reason of the driving of the infected cattle through this territory and the proposed action grows out of the interference of the government which protected them in that act, and they will also file a claim against the government on that ground. As the result of the driving of the diseased cattle through that region, it is claimed, the vast herds grazing there became infected with Texas fever and they have lost thousands of cattle thereby, and many are still dying from its effects, thus making it impossible for them to ship even the cattle that are sound. They feel that they have just cause for grievance and for the action to recover, and that their claims are virtually acknowledged from the fact that a number of indictments are now pending in the United States district court for the western district of Kansas against Texas cattle kings for a violation of the animal industry law, an act that congress found necessary to pass to protect the spread of Texas fever and which is similar in scope and effect to the laws passed by Colorado, Kansas, New Mexico and the territories north of Texas for the same purpose, and to establish a quarantine against the entrance into that region of the fever infected herds from Southern Texas. They feel confident that they are entitled to recover for the damage done their cattle, but prefer not to give their proposed plan of action.

FROM ABILENE.

News from Abilene—Buying Property in Abilene. Abilene, Taylor County, Texas, Oct. 12, 1885. To the Editor of the JOURNAL. Reminded that my concise statements of news facts from the best city between Ft. Worth and El Paso, are appreciated, by your letter enquiring why I have not written for some weeks, I send some items for this week's issue. I would have written last week and the week before, had not your facile wool gatherer, Mr. Cartwright been here two weeks ago, and found matter for a letter interesting enough to atone for the absence of mine from your columns. Mr. Claib Merchant has just informed me that word has come to him from G. W. Stratton, ranch boss at Sansimon Arizona, that Indians have driven off 112 horses from the valley including 70 of that company's stock. Four ranchmen were killed. Mr. Theo Heyck, reports a large forwarding business going on, freights by way of Abilene very heavy. He also says that holders of large flocks are not shearing this fall. There has been some good city property sold lately at advanced prices. The Harrington-Saunders corner, near Stocking's Railway Hotel, Express offices, and Post Office, had only 25ft front with common one story frame building upon it, was sold for \$3,500 to Mr. Lapouski, who will build upon the site a 3 story stone or brick store, for his increasing dry goods business. Mr. L. Piers of Dallas, already a considerable property holder in Abilene, bought for \$1,100, the 25 foot lot in which Mack Moore's meat store stands. The Gates drug store property, lot 25ft front and frame store, was sold by Mr. A. R. Moon of the county, to Mr. Roberts, of Pennsylvania, for \$2,600. The new Presbyterian church about finished, is a graceful, commodious structure. The congregation is ministered to by Dr. Palmer, long of Louisiana. The handsome gray stone Episcopal church, is in course of plastering and interior decoration. The Christian church congregation is holding a protracted meeting. These churches indicate the religious disposition of our population, and foretell too that it will grow more and more in that character, for where churches are and moral law abiding people, there others of the same character will come with their families to make their homes.

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Collin County Fair.

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