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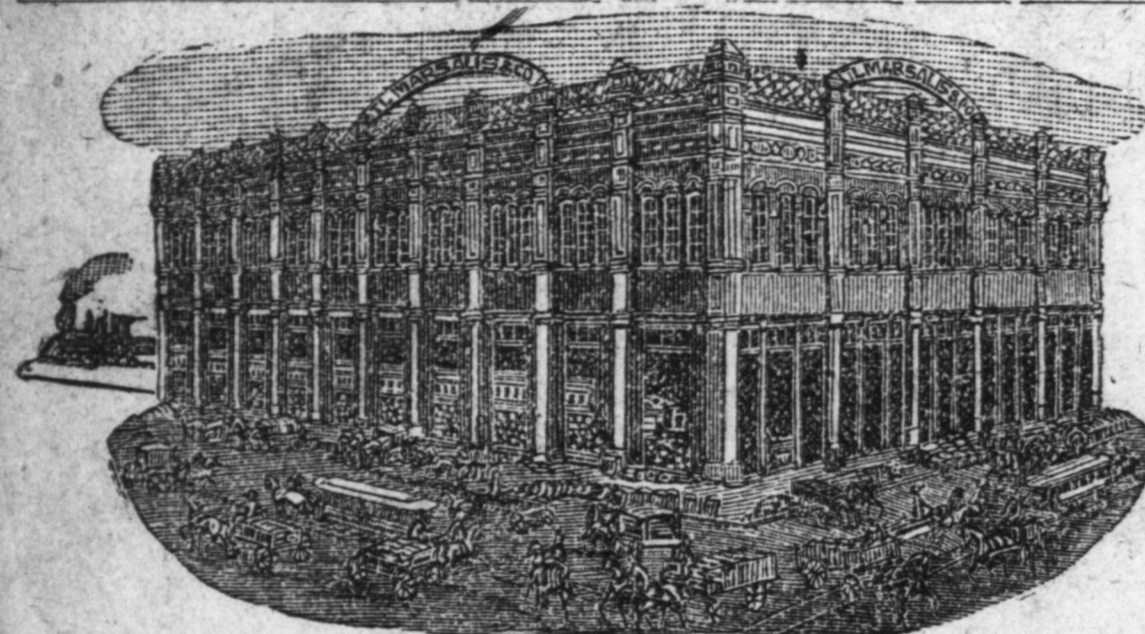
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RED CALIPH, bred by B. L. Swingford, Harrison county, Ky., sired by Webb's Caliph, by Burr's Boston, son of Imp. Sovereign. 1st. dam Nellie Robinson, by old Waggoner; 2nd. by Gaines Denmark; 3rd. by Robert Bruce, by Clinton, by Sir Archie, by Imp. Diomed; 4th. the Griffith Tubb's mare of Grant county, Ky. Webb's Caliph 1st. dam Isola, by Bertrand; 2nd. Suseth, by Erolus; 3rd. Jennie Cookrand, by Patomae; 4th. Imp. Satram; 5th. Synes Wildare; 6th. Imp. Driver; 7th. Fearnought; 8th. Follower;

CHICAGO MARKET LETTER.

More Cattle, Hogs and Sheep than Ever Before Received—Texas Cattle Selling Fairly Well—Personal and General Notes.

Regular Correspondence TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL.

UNION STOCK YARDS, CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 21, '85.

Lately the Texas cattle market has ruled about steady. Supplies have been rather light, but the offerings of thin, old native cows have been so large as to pretty thoroughly occupy the canning demand.

The native cattle market has lately been blue as indigo, but is now on the up turn again.

Receipts of sheep last week were 32,027 head, being the largest on record for a week. During last February in one week there arrived 31,688 head, which was the largest number then on record. Not many of these sheep came directly from Texas but the offerings included a good many common to fair, Southwestern lots.

Among the sheep men on the market was H. N. Holcomb of Clear Water, Kansas, who marketed 10,000 head of common 83 lbs. Kansas sheep at \$2.40 per ewt. These sheep came through St. Louis. Campbell, Lancaster & Co. were the salesmen.

Rosenbaum Bros. & Co. sold 17 cars of Texas cattle sent in by W. H. Murton of Toyah. The cows, 179 averaging 763 lbs. sold at \$2.50 and the steers averaging about 810 lbs sold at \$3.15.

Capt. J. C. Richardson of Fort Worth, Tex., was among the visitors. The Captain reports everything prosperous and promising in Texas. He has ever been the staunchest friend of the Chicago market and is entitled to the credit of diverting much trade in this direction. Captain Richardson came up to make his annual settlement with his commission firm, Robert Strahorn & Co.

D. H. and J. W. Snyder sent in from their Tom Green county ranch, 201 head of 903 lbs steers which sold at \$3.25, by Lew Hastings.

Thomas J. Moughon the brand inspector left here Wednesday night for Weatherford. Tom says his arrangements for next year are uncertain, but the people here hope he will be returned in the spring.

Slaughter Bros., Nunn Bros. & Wilkes, L. A. Wilson, J. H. Brigham and J. Hensley all had through Texas cattle here Wednesday from Colorado, Texas.

Col. C. D. Perry, of Englewood, Kansas, is spending the winter at his old home Englewood, Illinois, near Chicago. He has a very large tract of land in Kansas and is beginning to invest in fine stock to put on it. He has a preference for the Angus cattle and is likely to get black bulls for his herd. He has a few Jerseys and is about to buy a small herd of fine young Holsteins.

The 90 head of 1087 lb Texas cattle sent in by the Kentucky Cattle Raising Co., from their fine Blanco Canyon range were thin in flesh and for that reason only sold at \$3.50. But for a lot of well-formed, smoothly bred cattle frames the lot would be hard to beat even on the average blue grass pasture of old Kentucky.

As many of the STOCK JOURNAL readers doubtless know the Kentucky Cattle Raising Co., has a fine range in Blanco canyon, Crosby county, all fenced and well watered. Only improved bulls of the Shorthorn blood are used. Rock salt is scattered over the range at convenient places and alfalfa, which has proved so satisfactory in Colorado, is being introduced. The company is determined to have the best bred herd in the state and expects to astonish the natives before long with some 1,300@1,500 lb grass Texans. The officers of the company are H. J. Tilford President, Jas. S. Pirtle vice-President, Robt. Tilford, Secretary, Louisville, Ky. C. M. Tilford is the resident manager at Mt. Blanco. A. C. HALLIWELL.

ST. LOUIS MARKET LETTER.

A Tough Market—The Feeding Trade.

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill., Dec. 23d, 1885.

(Regular Correspondence TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL.)
The cattle market has slightly improved for the better yesterday and today, but oh my, wasn't she a tough one a few days ago. Prices declined 50@60c per lbs on all grades and this did not help things. The influx of fair to good native steers was more than liberal. In fact, all were flooded and values in consequence broke down com-

pers just lost lots of money. It was the worst in years. Our prices with those prevailing in Chicago were on a level; the range for fair to good native steers being from \$3.75@4.25 per 100 lbs. Here are a few sales of last Thursday when prices were at their lowest:

10 native steers.....	1333 00 25
20 native steers.....	1402 42 12
30 native steers.....	1278 00 15
10 native steers.....	1301 45 15
14 native steers.....	1220 45 15
12 native steers.....	1254 30 18
50 native steers.....	1203 40 00
17 native steers.....	1343 40 05
44 native steers.....	1287 30 00
15 native steers.....	1236 30 05
33 native steers.....	1306 30 05
13 native steers.....	1219 30 00
15 native steers.....	1208 30 00
25 native steers.....	1141 30 00
20 native steers.....	1284 30 05
17 native steers.....	1177 30 00
26 native cows.....	1614 30 00
20 native feeders.....	1169 30 00
9 native feeders.....	1202 30 75
17 native feeders.....	1089 30 05
25 native feeders.....	1169 30 00
20 native feeders.....	836 30 00
15 native butchers.....	1110 30 05
10 native butchers.....	945 30 10
19 1/2 west steers.....	678 20 00
20 native cows.....	1083 20 00
16 native cows.....	886 20 00
21 native cows.....	1083 20 00
12 native cows.....	1083 20 00
12 native cows.....	1083 20 00
15 native heifers.....	1083 20 00
25 native cows & heifers.....	867 20 00

From this it will be seen that there is no money in feeding cattle, for December market, yet notwithstanding this, feeders and farmers of Missouri and Illinois are making liberal purchases, paying from \$3.25@3.85 per 100 lbs for steers of 905 to 1175 lbs.

The hog market was well sustained until yesterday when prices declined about 20c per 100 lbs on all grades. The range is now \$3.25@3.00 per 100 lbs with the bulk going at \$3.35@3.40.

TEXAS HORSES SOURCE AND MARKET DULL.

RATTLER.

FROM PARKER COUNTY.

A Visit to the Warrenton Stock Farm.

Correspondence LIVE STOCK JOURNAL.

WEATHERFORD, Dec. 18, 1885.

Yesterday your correspondent accepted an invitation from Capt. Henry Warren, proprietor of the Warrenton stock farm, and accompanied him to that beautiful farm, 10 miles south of Weatherford on Patrick creek. Arriving at the farm what attracted my attention after taking a look at the stables, stalls, granaries, etc., was a herd of pure bred Shorthorn cattle grazing on the mesquite grass in one of the pastures. These animals are as purely bred Shorthorns as can be found, and being bred in Texas and perfectly free of disease, are all the more desirable to those intending to procure good stock. They are all in fine condition, and splendid health. After viewing the cattle, I was shown some very highly bred colts out of Hambletonian mares by Tony Pastor a thoroughbred horse by Jack Boston. Of these colts the captain has eleven, and they are as fine a lot of youngsters as will be found in the West. The Warrenton stock farm is no new institution as a full description of the beautiful property and excellent herd of Shorthorns appeared in the first issue of the TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL.

"A Word to The Wise is Sufficient."

Catarrh is not simply an inconvenience, unpleasant to the sufferer and disgusting to others—it is an advanced outpost of advancing disease of worse type. Do not neglect its warning; it brings deadly evils in its train. Before it is too late, use Dr. Sago's Catarrh Remedy. It reaches the seat of the ailment, and is the only thing that will. You may dose yourself with quack medicines till it is too late—till the stomach becomes a resistless torrent. It is the matured invention of a scientific physician. "A word to the wise is sufficient."

The cold wave has struck us at last. We have had ice for several mornings lately, and Friday it snowed very hard, flakes coming down thick and nearly as large as a man's thumb. The "old sisters" are beginning to shift around to the fence corners and sneak blades of straw from the neighboring haystack.—Northwest Texas.

The Crescent Restaurant

Gives a first-class meal for thirty-five cents. Main street, between First and Second streets, Fort Worth, Texas.

If afflicted with sore eyes use Dr. Isaac Thompson's eye water. Druggists sell it at 25 cents.

M. W. DUNHAM

Wayne, De Page Co., Ill., Mo.

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Percheron Horses valued at \$3,000,000, which include about

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Imported Blood Horses 200

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Two year old and younger.

Being raised the present generation by the best breeders that produce the best blood, and are well adapted to both the pedigree and the farm.

They should be raised only to produce, and sell all imported stock at grade prices when I cannot furnish with the original pedigree papers.

Original France certificates of pedigree and record in the Paris Exposition of 1875 and 1889.

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FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE.

Branch for sale in New Mexico. Fine grass and six miles running water, all patented, 2000 acres. Must be sold within 60 days. W. H. FEATHERSTON, San Marcial, N. M., Dec. 18, 1886.

BULLS AND HEIFERS.

I have for sale or contract for spring delivery two car-loads of grade Hereford bulls, coming yearlings, and one car of two-year-old grade Galloway bulls. Also 150 high grade Shorthorn heifers, bred to thoroughbred Hereford bulls, and also cars graded Hereford heifer calves. Address: F. J. MCKINNEY, Centralia, Boone County, Mo.

MULES! MULES!

Any person desiring mules to feed can save from \$10 to \$20 per head by buying them from the undersigned. Come and see his one and two-year-old mules. Any aged mules for sale. T. P. LENOIR, Fort Worth, Texas.

MONEY TO LOAN ON REAL ESTATE.

In sums of 1000 or upwards, on long time, with privilege of repayment by yearly installments. W. F. SOMMERVILLE, 202 Main Street, opposite postoffice, Fort Worth, Texas.

WANTED RANGE CATTLE.

We have a customer for ten or thirty thousand head of range cattle at present market value. No commissions wanted or paid. Principals only will address in strict confidence. CAMPBELL, LANCASTER & CO., Union Stock Yards, Chicago, Ill.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE.

Planting and artist mail for sale or exchange. Apply to J. E. MOORE, Temple, Texas.

FOR LEASE.

Frog Pond Ranch in Concho county, 12 sections solid, (7,680 acres), good grass and plenty of water, a five-roomed house, never-failing springs within 30 yards of it. Splendid chance for a cattlemans. ALEX GLASS, Wheeling, West Va.

GRASS FOR 60,000 CATTLE TO REEF FOR TWENTY YEARS.

60,700 acres of land, Mexican side of the Rio Grande, 20 miles from the mouth of the river, on part of tract, gramma, mesquite and scrub oak grass, situated opposite Hayden Station, P. & O. R. R., 20 miles from the tract consists of plains, mountains and broken hills crossed to the top elevation from 100 to 4000 feet, and water in abundance. For rent at less than one-half of rent paid in Texas. Precious possession and irreplaceable guaranteed by the Rio Grande. For information apply to J. H. WILSON, 1111 Main Street, Fort Worth, Texas. Terms: 1 year rent in advance in United States currency. JOHN WILLET, Masonic Building, Austin, Texas.

A BARGAIN IN GRAZING LAND.

44,700 acres in a solid body, splendid grazing land, well watered with running streams, and good shelter, located on the Brazos river in Haskell county. Will sell the whole tract cheap, small payment down, balance on eight years time, seven per cent interest per annum. Interest payable semi-annually. Or will sell at half interest same as above providing purchaser will assist in fencing and improving the pasture and furnish an equal number of cattle to stock the pasture. Only good money to be had in the States. References given. Address: STUCKEY, MAIN, care TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL, Fort Worth, Texas.

MEXICO & TEXAS LAND AND CATTLE COMPANY.

Agents and dealers in all kinds of grazing and farming lands and live stock, we have large tracts of the finest grazing lands in the state of Chihuahua. The lands have been selected by a member of our firm and for grass, soil, water and timber cannot be beaten anywhere. Also many select tracts in Arizona, New Mexico and Texas. We propose to give Mexican lands our special attention, and as we are familiar with all the lands we are offering for sale, it will be to place no other lands upon the market that is not first class in quality, and with a clear title. We are also handling cattle, horses and sheep. J. C. BEATY, Manager, El Paso, Texas.

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On \$5,000 and upwards negotiated upon the security of first mortgage upon fenced pastures, by FRANCIS SMITH & CO., Negotiators of Loans, San Antonio, Texas.

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30,075 acres, splendid grass and water. Other good ranches; any sized tracts, on reasonable terms. Apply to F. W. COLBY, Fort Davis, Presidio county, Texas.

JONES COUNTY TEXAS.

We are located in the center of the largest bodies of agricultural lands in Northwest Texas, and can furnish land in any size tracts at lowest market prices. Section and location and inducements offered colonies of from ten to twenty families each. Also, land in large tracts, suitable for ranch purposes. Two practical surveys connected with the land, who have personal knowledge of year by year surveys of the land. Surveying parties and accurately done. BOIE, DUVALL & CO., Land Agents, Adson, Texas.

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JOHN WILLET, Austin, Texas, (formerly of Saltillo, Mexico), dealer and broker in Mexican grazing land, in blocks of 25,000 acres or up, for sale or lease.

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TO EXCHANGE FOR CATTLE.

\$2,500 worth of clothing at wholesale prices, ranches, country farms, and good rent paying city property in Fort Worth. Will exchange for part of the above for cattle at their cost value. Call on or address, BOAZ & HATCHER, Fort Worth, Texas.

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We will contract to sell, for spring delivery, any number of cattle, from 50 to 1000 head, one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen, nineteen, twenty, twenty-one, twenty-two, twenty-three, twenty-four, twenty-five, twenty-six, twenty-seven, twenty-eight, twenty-nine, thirty, thirty-one, thirty-two, thirty-three, thirty-four, thirty-five, thirty-six, thirty-seven, thirty-eight, thirty-nine, forty, forty-one, forty-two, forty-three, forty-four, forty-five, forty-six, forty-seven, forty-eight, forty-nine, fifty, fifty-one, fifty-two, fifty-three, fifty-four, fifty-five, fifty-six, fifty-seven, fifty-eight, fifty-nine, sixty, sixty-one, sixty-two, sixty-three, sixty-four, sixty-five, sixty-six, sixty-seven, sixty-eight, sixty-nine, seventy, seventy-one, seventy-two, seventy-three, seventy-four, seventy-five, seventy-six, seventy-seven, seventy-eight, seventy-nine, eighty, eighty-one, eighty-two, 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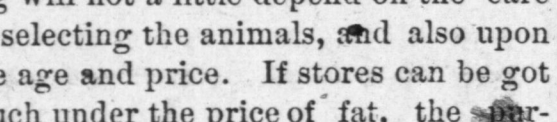
Address of Mr. John Milne to the Farmers Club of Scotland.

To select the breed of cattle suitable for a particular purpose, the best animals of that breed for reproduction or feeding, to treat them in the best manner for the economic production of milk or beef...

I do not intend that in no case will it pay to buy and feed old animals; on the contrary, it comparatively lean they do sometimes increase rapidly in weight for a few months...

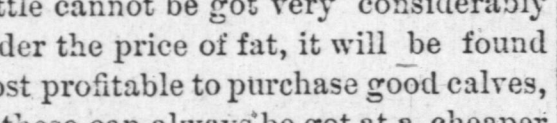
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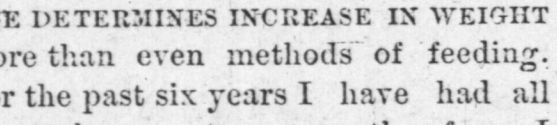
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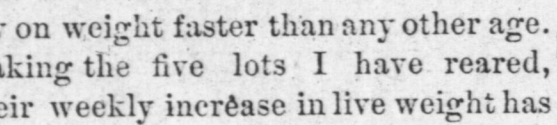
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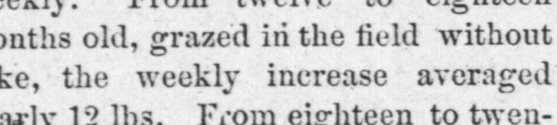
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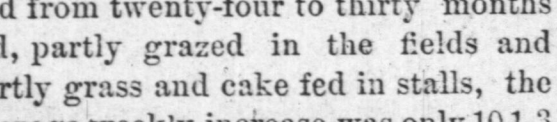
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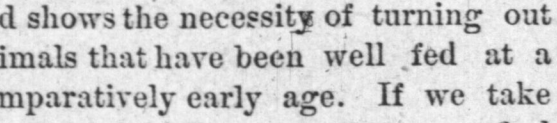
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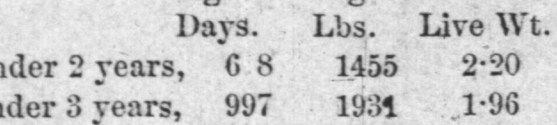
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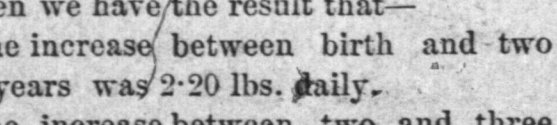
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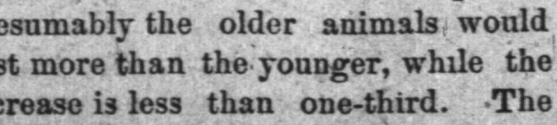
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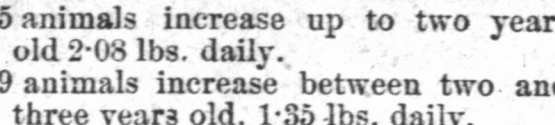
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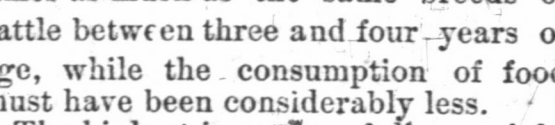
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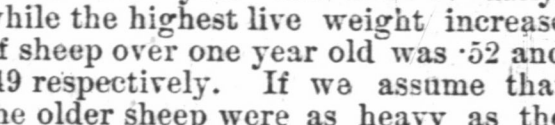
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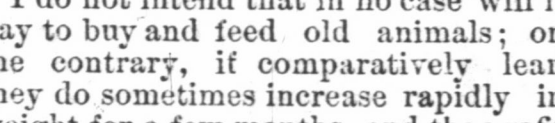
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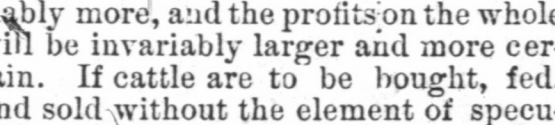
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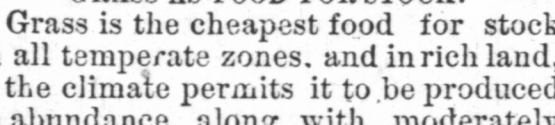
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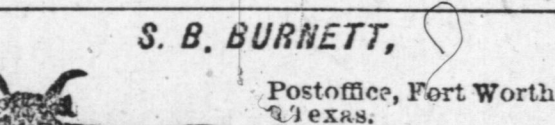
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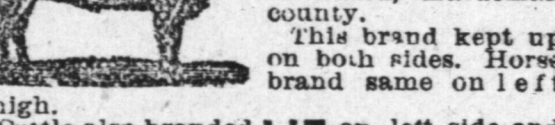
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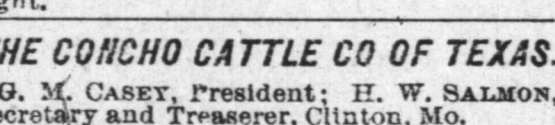
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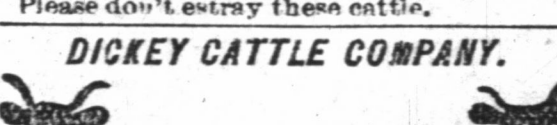
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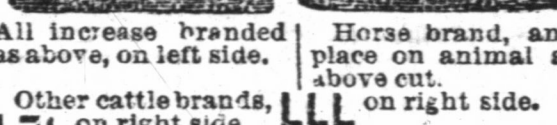
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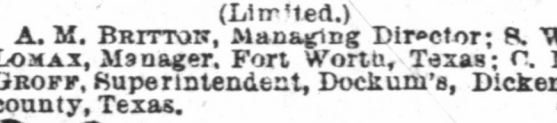
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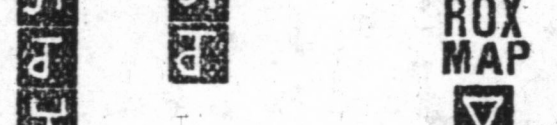
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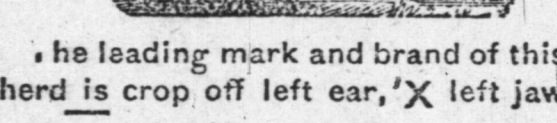
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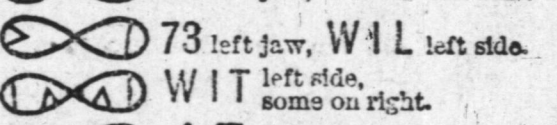
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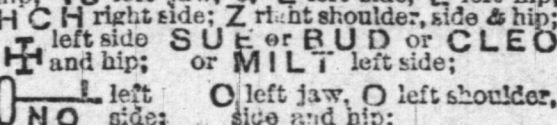
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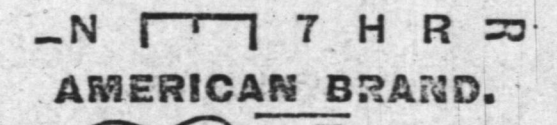
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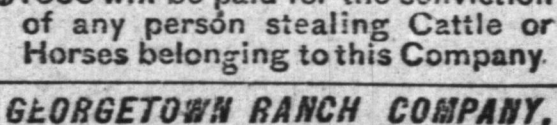
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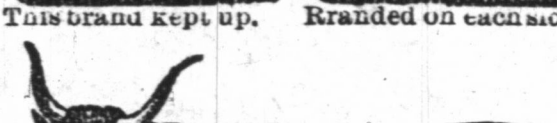
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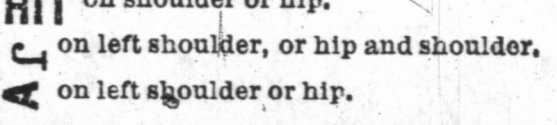
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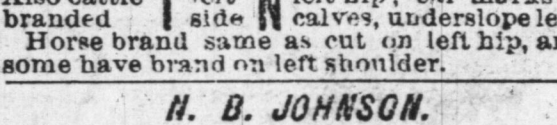
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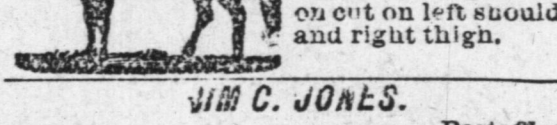
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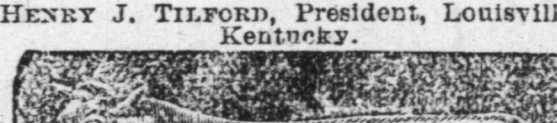
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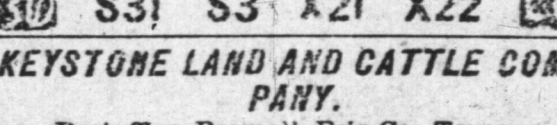
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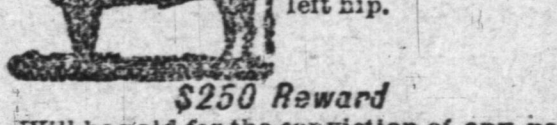
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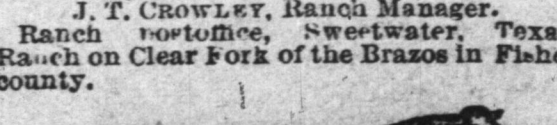
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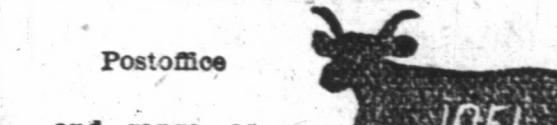
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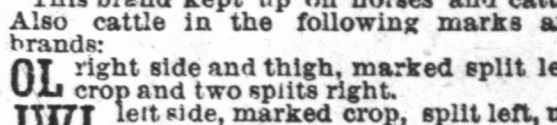
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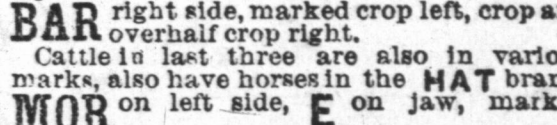
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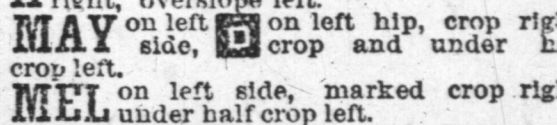
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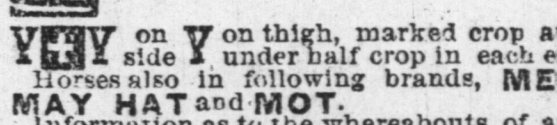
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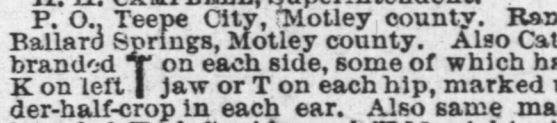
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THE STATE ASSOCIATION. OFFICE TEXAS LIVE STOCK ASSOCIATION, AUSTIN, TEX., Dec. 16, 1885.

A meeting of the executive committee of the Texas Live Stock Association was held on the 15th inst. at their rooms in the Hancock building, Mr. J. M. Day in the chair. Quorum present. After the discussion of various topics the committee agreed upon the following circular, which is addressed to the members of the State Association throughout Texas.

The executive committee of the Texas Live Stock Association, feeling the necessity of a full and enthusiastic attendance at our next annual meeting, urge upon each and every member of the association to come forward and be on hand, so that our deliberations may result in great good to the live stock interests of the state.

Now is the time to be up and doing, before such a line becomes a fixture. Let the cattlemen of South and East Texas, meet their brethren from North and West Texas, and, with friendly feeling, speaking out freely at our next meeting, that their voices may be heard and their interests protected.

There are many questions of interest which will come up for action before our next meeting, but none of so vital importance as the giving of our consent to the dead or quarantine line. Again we appeal to you to protect your interest, and we feel confident you will not be found wanting in that work which so many are waiting and watching the result.

that can be charged up to the winter. In a general way the stock in Texas is in good condition and better prepared to stand the winter than at this time last year. The vicinity of Fort Worth has experienced warm rains, and winter grasses that were backward have started nicely.

THERE being in the vicinity of Fort Worth several thousand Texas raised mules of all ages, sizes and conditions, and by feeding, roaching and breaking, shaping for spring markets, several parties who contemplate establishing mule ranches in the country have visited the Fort to examine the quality of the stock.

THE trail bill has been introduced in the house of representatives by the Hon. J. F. Miller, and in the senate by Governor Coke; it amounts to a request for reserving public lands from settlement on range 41 on the east-line of Colorado, thus giving southern herds the right of way from the neutral strip to the northern Colorado line.

The governor says that President Cleveland did right to sue cattlemen illegally fencing the public domain. More especially do we insist upon a full attendance, as we have information of the location of a line running from north to south across the state, said line having been surveyed by an agent of the Animal Industry Bureau for the purpose of establishing a dead or quarantine line, which will, if our stockmen in South and East Texas remain quiet and take no interest in establishing, work great detriment to their business.

It is generally understood that cattle companies and large individual owners of Texas cattle whose herds are located on the edge of the plains, and in the heretofore beef-producing country of Western Texas contemplate heavy drives of young cattle to the Northern territories with the hope of finding sale for the cattle at remunerative figures. This amounts to a considerable number in addition to the regular Southern drive, the Central Texas drive, the Northern Texas drive, and the possibly heavy movement from New Mexico.

The cattle moving out of Texas should either be driven for ranches or for delivery under contract. Not one herd should leave the state without a destination fully provided in case of no sale, and it would be better if no cattle were moved on chances of finding a market. Last year's driving experience ought to be worth something. The whole amount of the drive for 1885, allowing business is brisk throughout, and the demand beyond that of the present or previous year, cannot be over four hundred thousand head, with the present prospect unfavorable for any such demand.

any number of cattle to ranch, or to the uttermost ends of the earth for that matter if money is put on them, but there are many good strong and solid arguments against the bulk of last year's crop, and the crop of calves of the year before, being placed upon the market anywhere off the ground where the owner knows he is as well able to hold as sell.

The Panhandle country and Western Texas (with all due deference to the great outfits therein represented) has a better mission than to raise yearlings for an uncertain market. If the country cannot fatten beef steers it is greatly overrated and in a bad way, and will do much better to make feeding arrangements in the corn belt to mature and fatten the steers for market than to endanger the stability of the range cattle interest.

The list of stockmen, supposed to have fenced public land, is a long one. The list is neither complete nor correct. Some of them never having fenced a foot of land in their lives. If the state could lease all this land for a definite period as private lands are leased, not one of these outfits would fail to pay the lease money.

The report from Cleburne is that the suit of L. V. F. Randolph against W. T. Hudson and others for failure to deliver cattle, has been compromised by Mr. Hudson putting up guarantees that he will turn over property and securities in settlement of the claim.

FORT WORTH

And General Range Notes. Next spring Tarrant county is to have a fair and stock show. Mr. J. G. Johns of Dallas was in Ft. Worth Christmas eve. Mr. C. T. Herring was down from his ranch during the week. Captain E. F. Ikard came in to renew his subscription for the JOURNAL. J. J. Hittson, of Weatherford, spent Thursday with his Fort Worth friends. W. A. Stinson passed this week at home in the Fort, circulating around stock circles.

BOAZ & HATCHER, DEALERS IN LAND AND LIVE STOCK, FORT WORTH, TEXAS. We are prepared to make contracts for Spring delivery from 1,000 to 10,000 yearlings, from 500 to 1,000 cows, and any amount of stock desired. Also having stock, lands, or ranches for sale, would do well to place them on our books for sale, as a commission. We have for sale several fine ranches and a great deal of unimproved lands. We make specialties of buying, selling, or brokering, or conveying cattle on short notice. We have 2 1/2 years experience in the cattle business in Texas.

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Mr. Coffin, senior member of the firm of Coffin Bros., Itaska, Hill county, mule raisers, was in town during the week. The JOURNAL man found him in company with Mr. T. P. Lenoir, who deals extensively in mules.

Mr. E. E. Chase, of Messrs. Chase & Nicholson, has just returned from the blue grass regions of Kentucky where he was looking after horse interests for the firm. He reports everything looking fine up there and lots of good people talking of coming to Texas to invest in the stock business.

Mr. A. Mathews, of Mathews, Rogers, & Freeman, dealers in horses and mules report prices on horses as follows: Southern Texas good condition \$25@30; thin in order \$12.50 to \$20.00; North Texas horses 20@40 according to condition. Texas mules, unbroke \$35 to \$70; broke mules \$80@120.

There are pure bred and grade Jerseys, pure bred and grade Herefords, Polled bulls and heifers, a few young Holsteins, a lot of young Texas raised Durhams, several good jacks, several good stallions, trotting and pacing mares, several hundred range mares and two thousand mules, all on hand and for sale at Ft. Worth.

Mr. R. L. Turner has taken up his residence at his stock farm, eight miles southeast of the Fort. We are glad to note that Bob has taken himself a wife and settled down to domestic life in the usual style. In addition to his livery business he will hereafter give his personal attention to his farm.

John S. Powell & Co. will receive another lot of Collin County Durham bulls this week. Also two loads of two-year-old Galloway bulls from Harper, Kansas. Also another load of the Black Muleys from R. L. Greer of Aullville, Mo. This firm have for sale one Holstein bull and two Jerseys; one a thoroughbred and one High Grade. Both acclaimed.

W. F. Patterson, of Fort Worth, who has a few choice Jerseys, sold to C. Y. McCallen one five months old Jersey heifer calf for \$200. The calf is registered and was dropped in Texas. W. F. Patterson also sold 12 heifers shipped in by Burgess & Estill at \$125 each to Arthur Scott of this county. All these heifers are recorded and of good family.

Messrs. Oxner & Ford of Van Horn, El Paso county, Texas, shipped through here this week two cars of fat bulls destined to Quinlan & Montgomery, Kansas City, Mo. Among the lot were six full blood Brahmin bulls, better known as "Sacred" bulls. These were from old Mexico and done service in that benighted country in the once famous bull ring of the Mexican fiestas.

Mr. W. B. Hixson, representing Fowler and Van Natta of Fowler, Indiana, Hereford cattle breeders, is in town with a consignment of grade bulls. This firm has recently sold to Mr. T. P. McCampbell of Rockport, Texas seven pure bred bulls and seventeen heifers, and to Mr. T. H. Mathis eleven heifers and two bulls, all recorded stock. This firm sold to Mr. McCampbell his first lot of Herefords several years ago.

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Colonel W. C. Young, of Fort Worth, has just returned from the Llano Cattle company ranch, in Garza county of which company he is president. He reports the cattle in first-class condition for winter.

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THIS IS A MULE! Estrayed from my pasture on the head of Mary's Creek, Tarrant County, several had of mules in above brand on the left shoulder. Any information liberally rewarded. J. W. ZOOK, Fort Worth, Texas.

SAN ANTONIO.

BRANCH OFFICE TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL, 208 Main Plaza, next to Central Hotel, Louis Kells, Manager, SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 24, 1885.

There is no one of the JOURNAL'S friends who is more disposed toward aiding his fellow stockman by his own experience than is Dr. G. B. Johnston of Converse. The doctor is an old Missouri breeder and for the past 8 years ranching in Texas. The JOURNAL thanks him for the following:

As many of the readers of the JOURNAL are now importing fine stock into Texas they should not allow themselves to be deceived by the first sickness their stock may exhibit, as they have an illness upon their arrival—which is not the Spanish fever, "proper." It may be known by the following symptoms. Hanging down of the head—off their feed—thirst, retching or throwing up of food and water—bowels often quite loose, urine high colored, (not bloody). By good food, ginger, and careful nursing they will pass over this period; afterwards when they have been where Texas raised cattle had been kept the imported animal contracts another disease, the so-called Spanish fever, (the "Fardlebound" of the veterinarian) or an inflammation of the manifolds—usually seen in 10 or 12 days after exposure, and is readily known by head extended, full and watery eyes, lolling out of the tongue, it appearing to be too big for the mouth, dry nose, poll hot, arched back, flanks drawn in, excessive costiveness, frequent attempts at urination. The water first yellow, red and then bloody, and if relief is not promptly given, the animal trembles and shivers, staggers, falls and dies.

The Most Profitable Beef.

In 1882 the stock raisers and stock farmers and feeders were making grand efforts to produce heavy beefs. The supposition was that the heavy, fat, prime beef would pay best. One feeder then struck against the notion and figured on it. He concluded that he was raising beef for the purpose of making money, and not for glory.

This man figured something like the following:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Cost. Includes 'COST OF PRODUCTION OF STEER FROM BIRTH TO TWELVE MONTHS OF AGE' with items like 'Value of calf at birth', 'Expenses of dam of calf', etc.

Weight of calf at 12 months, 700 lbs. Value of calf at 12 months, \$35.00. Profit at 12 months of age, \$6.00.

To this profit should be added the extra price that can be obtained if of superior value for raising.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Value. Includes 'FROM 12TH TO 24TH MONTH' with items like 'Value of steer at 24 months', 'Value of shock corn consumed', etc.

Net cost 2d year, \$53.30. Weight of steer at 24 months, 1,600 lbs. Value at 6c, \$104.00. Profit at 24 months of age, \$50.70.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Value. Includes 'FROM 24TH TO 36TH MONTH' with items like 'Value of steer at 36 months', 'Value of shock corn 125 bushels at 35c', etc.

Total, \$160.00. Less 500 pounds pork at 5c, made on droppings of steer, 25.00. Net cost of third year, 135.00. Weight at end of 36 months, 2,200 pounds at 7c, 154.00. Profit at 36 months, 18.93.

During second and third years the steers are fed corn on stalk the entire year, with pasturage from May 15 to November 1st. This is Illinois feeding system of to-day.

The Drovers Journal comments as follows:

"It is here seen that a steer at 2 years of age will make nearly three times as much profit for the producer as he will at 3 years, and at 4 years of age he would run behind by several dollars. This is all plain enough, and every beef cattle producer in the country will promote his own best interest by adopting the principles here laid down and following them in the most rigid manner. Mr. Gillett has worked out full demonstration in the premises by actual test repeatedly made and knows whereof he speaks if any man in the country could know."

ty of feed could be used, the forage to be chopped and the corn ground and mixed with it. The result would be the perfection of a light, handy, beef steer that would sell at a profit at any time of year.

Early Maturity.

National Live Stock Journal. This is the season of the year that brings most questions to us about the effect of different kinds of food in fattening cattle, and the best system of feeding. We are always glad to receive these questions, for it shows that farmers are studying the feeding problems as never before, and it gives a promise of great advancement in the feeder's art. The farmer is so much in earnest about the improvements in this branch of his business that the agricultural wisdom found in the agricultural departments of New York papers does not quite reach his case. When he reads in one of these papers that "it is still an unsettled question whether it costs less to grow a steer to 1,500 lbs. weight at two years old than at three," he comes to the conclusion that such writers know very little of practical feeding. Farmers who have attended the American fat-stock shows, or have carefully read the reports of these shows, know that the cost of keeping a steer the third year is nearly as much as the first two years put together, or that the three-year-old steer, of the same weight as a two-year-old, has cost—at least from 50 to 80 per cent. more per pound.

The practical feeder knows that a slow-growing steer expends the principal part of his food in keeping him alive, without growth—called the food of support. These fat-stock shows have really been the most instructive school to those practicing the feeder's art yet seen in any country. These shows have all taught the same lesson. They have emphasized the necessity for early maturity. They give no aid to the non-sense about three-year-old beef being as cheap as two-year-old beef. The average of all these shows proves that steers may gain during the first year 2.50 lbs. per day, the second year 1.70 lbs., the third year 0.88 lb. per day. Here we see that the gain the third year is only about one-third as much as the first, and yet the food consumed is more than double, showing the enormous loss in keeping a steer the third year.

Up to two years the well-kept steer pays a fair profit on cost, but at the end of the third year there is inevitably a loss, the steer not being worth enough to pay for his food. The food of support is constantly increasing as the animal grows older and heavier, and this food of support represents cost, with no gain. It is only when the food eaten is beyond the food of support that there can be any gain in weight. During the first year, in full feeding, about 80 per cent. of the food goes to growth and 20 per cent. as food of support, and the third year at least 80 per cent. goes for support, and only 20 per cent. to gain. Thus it will be seen that the third year simply reverses the first. There is no longer any doubt about the great economy of pushing all animals intended for food to the earliest maturity consistent with health. The earlier the young steers can be pushed to a healthy weight of 1,300 to 1,500 lbs. the greater will be the profit of feeding.

These shows have convinced some of the old feeders of the great waste in keeping a calf poorly the first winter, on the belief that it would take on a more thrifty growth the next summer. Instead of inducing a more rapid growth, it is found that the calf, by this short period of suspended growth, has taken on an unthrifty habit, and that a month or two is required to induce thrifty growth again, and in this way several months are lost, and that the food has been, practically, thrown away during this time of nearly suspended growth. These shows have been the great school, and if all American feeders would heed these lessons it would soon produce a remarkable revolution in the age for marketing cattle, and an equally pleasing revolution in the profits of the feeders. The market age, we believe, will yet be reduced to twenty months, reaching a live weight of 1,300 to 1,400 lbs. But these steers will not be fed in the open air in winter, but in the warm, well ventilated stables. The open air period is fast passing away in all the best feeding territory where corn is raised for feeding purposes.

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COLUMBUS TEXAS, June 15th, 1883. Dr. J. J. Tobin, Austin. Sir:—Enclosed find draft for \$37, same being amount in full of our account with you to date. Your Hepatocystone sells well and has given perfect satisfaction so far. Many claim that it is the best medicine for what it is recommended to do of any they have ever used. Very respectfully, etc., C. E. SMITH, Dispensing Druggist.

A BIRD'S EYE VIEW.

Of Fort Worth and Vicinity.

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In this issue considerable space is devoted to the subject of inter-state commerce, and its bearing upon the people's interests, being the reproduction of a letter by Mr. Mortimer McIlhenny of Callahan county, to Colonel Hutton, M. C. from one of the Missouri districts. The subject is one of great moment and is handled in a masterly manner, striking the keynote to the great transportation problem. We commend this letter to our readers and advise all thoughtful men to read it.

ROUND-UPS.

From my experience of eight or ten years with the Durham and Hereford, I think the Hereford far superior to the Durham for range cattle, especially when he has to rustle for his own living, and of course ought to be still better when fed.—W. S. Inkard in Breeders Journal.

Mr. John Hargrove has sold his place of 140 acres, improved, between Old and New Terryville, to Mr. R. C. Warm of this city, together with his entire stock of cattle. He got \$800 for the land, or \$5.70 an acre; and \$10 all around for the cattle. Mr. Hargrove contemplates merchandising at New Terryville.—Cuero Bulletin.

As an evidence of the increase in land values and the profit in land investment, we would just remark here that the land recently sold by D. Gilmarcher of California, to Col. R. K. Wylie for \$4800, was bought two years ago by Mr. G. for \$2,880—nearly 100 per cent. increase in two years.—Abilene Reporter.

The pool commission fixed the following car rates on live stock from El Paso and Deming to points east: Cattle and horses to Kansas City, \$130; St. Louis, \$148; Chicago, \$163. Sheep to Kansas City \$117; St. Louis \$133; Chicago, \$148. Stock shipped from points west of Deming having to pay above rates with local tariff on S. P. railroad added. This tariff is based on cars 80 ft. in length. Extra charges will be made for longer cars but no reduction for shorter.—El Paso Stock Journal.

At Gilmore, ten miles south of Omaha, a company has started a "cattle factory." They have expended \$75,000 in the erection of big stables. There are 3,750 stalls, and by winter they will have 5,200 stalls. In each stall they will place a "critter," and they will be fed with food placed before them through a system of pipes, and cooked in enormous steam vats having a capacity of 1,000 barrels of feed an hour. They will ship in cattle from the Western Nebraska ranches and fatten them in these stalls.—Ex.

They may talk of trails and rumors of trails, but in a few years the cattle leaving Texas for the maturing ranges of the northwest will go at the rate of fifteen miles an hour, and fifteen to a car. They will leave Texas after feeling the fullness of the early grass, and reach Montana in time to greet its springing juiciness in those parts. They will be held separate and apart from the natives for ninety days and then be turned out on the range. We believe there is some truth in the prediction, or else why do Montana ranchmen now buy Texas yearlings and ship them by way of El Paso to Denver? We will see what we will see.—Northwest Texan.

Fencing State Lands.

AUSTIN, TEX., Dec. 23.—The following was obtained direct from the governor's office to-day, and is an authentic and official list of persons and firms throughout Texas having at present inclosed by fencing any of the common school, university or asylum lands belonging to the state of Texas, without leasing or paying for the same. The list is the result of information demanded by Governor Ireland from Lawrence, secretary of the State Land Board, and it is based on the reports of the various grass commissioners, which have not been allowed to be published. The following statement shows the name of the parties fencing without having a lease, the county where situated, and the number of acres inclosed, as reported by William Baines, agent; John T. Beal, Borden county, 10,800; Searight & Carothers, Kinney county, 44,800 acres; G. T. Newman of El Paso, Presidio county, 19,200 acres.

The following are reported by W. T. Goss, agent: Rocking Chair ranch in Collingsworth and Wheeler counties, 135,650 acres. Curtis & Atkinson, in Collingsworth county, 19,200 acres, and in Donley county 2,860 acres. A. H. Rowe & Bro. in Collingsworth county, 57,600 acres, and in Wheeler county

6,400 acres, and in Donley county 44,800 acres. L. E. Coleman & Co., in Donley county, 22,400 acres. G. A. Brown, in Donley county, 11,150 acres. J. F. Evans Co., in Donley county, 17,600 acres. L. H. Caharr, or Clarendon Land and Investment Co., in Donley county 115,200 acres, and in Gray 32,640 acres. Adair & Goodnight, in Donley county, 38,400 acres, in Armstrong county 226,000, and in Randall county 32,000 acres. Total for good-night, 290,640 acres. Suggs pasture in Gray county 6760 acres, and in Carson county 17,280, Donley county, 25,600, and in Armstrong 56,320 acres. Housford Land and Cattle company in Carson county 55,680 acres, and in Hutchinson county 240,000 acres. American Pastoral company in Moore county 1500 acres, Potter county 98,560, Randall county 23,400 Armstrong county, 28,160, Carson county, 39,040. Total for American pastoral company, 229,706 acres. Tobe Odem, Nick Eaton and G. H. White, S. R. E. Land and Cattle company, in Gray county, 109,080 acres, in Wheeler county, 230,400 acres. Cedar Valley Land and Cattle company in Randall and Deaf Smith counties, 112,000 acres. Glidden & Sanborn in Randall and Potter counties, 70,400 acres. A. E. Reynolds, Lee Scott and Prairie Cattle companies in Potter county 35,500 acres, in Hartley county 490,920, in Moore county 74,080 acres. Cresswell Ranch and Cattle company in Ochiltree, Roberts and Gray counties, the lands inclosed are estimated at 390,080 acres. Texas Land and Cattle company and Rhodes, Moody, Andrews in Hemphill counties, 271,601 acres. York & Parker in Lipscomb county 49,520 acres. Dominion Cattle company in Lipscomb county 80,000 acres. Cattle Ranch and Land company in Lipscomb county 69,770 acres.

The following is reported by commissioner G. W. Swink: Hesperian Land and Cattle company, in Cottle county, 51,000; Forsyth Land and Cattle company, in Cottle, Childress and Hardeman counties, 18,560 acres; Knott Bros., in Cottle and Motley counties, 57,060; Childress Land and Cattle company, and Curtis & Atkinson, in Childress county, 122,800 acres; Continental Land & Cattle company in Motley, Childress and Hall counties 76,080 acres. Bugbee & Nelson in Hall county 3840 acres. S. G. Coleman & Co., in Hall county 122,880 acres. Matador Land & Cattle company in Pecos, Motley and Dickens counties 24,320 acres. John T. Stovall & Kit Carter Cattle company in King, Cottle and Dickens counties 18,560 acres. Charles Goodnight in Hall, Motley, Floyd, Briscoe, Swisher, Donley, Randall and Armstrong counties, 708,480 acres. [Note.—Of this amount 276,400 acres are reported under the head of Adair and Goodnight, and on December 1st the Land Board awarded Goodnight a lease on 609,920 acres, but payment has not yet been made.]

Repopulation.—Total acres fenced and unleased, 5,545,520 acres. Deducting Goodnight's, leaves 2,845,600 acres.

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To-day Messrs. Nations, McCutcheon, Richards and others, turned over to Mr. Morten, of Colorado City, 300 head of dry cows, price \$15 per head, to be delivered at this place. On the 16th inst. Capts. Casey and Seay delivered to the same party 250 head of hogs, price \$20 per head. The above prices speak well as to the condition of stock in this section of the country. There are rumors of other transactions in both cattle and sheep, of which I will keep you duly posted.—El Paso Stock Journal.

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Mr. R. G. Head, general manager of the Prairie Cattle Co., on Dec. 10, was made the recipient of a very handsome silver service, at the hands of the company's employees, put up in an elegant oak chest 24x28x12 inches, three drawers in which was placed the neatly engraved silver wire, upon each piece of which was engraved in handsome style, the monogram "R. G. H.," in all 101 pieces. The total cost of the set was \$1,500. The presentation of his beautiful gift was made a complete surprise to Mr. Head and his family, and made in the presence of a number of distinguished individuals as well as employees under him.—Globe Live Stock Journal.

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The Wool Trade.

The best quotations for Texas wool in Boston amount to, Texas Spring Medium 12 Mos. at 24@26 cents and Texas spring fine at 22@24 cents. These figures are for the best clips in such condition as local dealers ship them, all tags, dung locks and burs out, the wool uniform in quality and properly sacked. If sheep raisers will take the necessary trouble to put up their wools as dealers do, they can realize just as good figures for their clips as a dealer, or within a very small fraction of it, and making the liberal deduction of four cents for shipping and commissions the quotations of to day for Texas year's clips read at 18@22 cents, with the prospect that the inferior and slothfully clipped wools would sell two cents lower, and possibly some of the really handsome medium wools of our best flocks would sell one to two cents higher. There will be the usual forces brought to bear by spring clipping time to reduce these figures, but there is no doubt that the Texas clip of 1886 will sell at remunerative figures.

The principal feature of the wool markets for the year, outside of the gradual rise in price since last May, is the development of large stocks of wool that must have been stored away. Either Boston has received a very much greater proportion of the domestic clip than usual, or the stock on hand in the United States before the last clip was very much larger than known to dealers. Boston has sold a million pounds of wool over and above the sales of last year for every week in the year, and has received nearly that much in excess of the receipts of last year although the clips of Texas and the west are considerably diminished by the reduction of the number of sheep.

Of the market the Boston Weekly Advertiser says: "The market has not been so active as last week, but the business is larger than a year ago. Prices are generally higher than then, and the outlook is brighter. The feature of the market has been an increased demand for fine wools, resulting in larger sales and stronger prices,—indeed, these wools cannot now be bought so freely or so low as two or three weeks ago. Manufacturers are buying them, and for no other reasons than because they will need them, and prices are low and may go higher. It is an indication, also, that fine wools will be needed in making the heavy goods, of which so much is heard just now, but concerning which so little definite and reliable information can be ascertained. Some manufacturers are evidently not inclined to wait until after the first of the year before securing supplies, and many large corporations having command of ready capital have been in the market."

Marketing Shorn Sheep.

Amongst the little items of the live stock trade the best sales are always noticed first, and as the live stock press take pleasure in recording the successes of stockmen, there is all the more prominence given the bright side of the market. It is so with the dealer and shipper. He is more ready to say "I did a good thing," than to say "I made an ass of myself." The consequence is that the warning voice is seldom heard, and when raised for the benefit of any class is seldom appreciated for what it is worth. This paper, by reason of having direct communication with the mutton markets, and by continually publishing the sales made at the principal live stock centres, has been able to guide sheep raisers in the matter of shipments, and for the several months past has given no word of encouragement that would lead sheep owners to believe there was a profitable market at Chicago or St. Louis for fat sheep from Texas, for shorn sheep, or for thin sheep. Consequently the sale we are about to mention was either not made by a subscriber to this paper, or was, by a very careless reader, or by a man who was sadly in need of some cheap and practical information, and who has now paid for it at a high price.

The sale referred to is one of many, and was simply of a lot of Texas shorn sheep, 82 pounds average, brought \$2.00 per cwt., \$1.64 gross, and with charges off about 70 cents net, a very poor price for a sheep.

The shipment was made in the middle of December. To the middle of January is one month; February two; March three; April four; to the middle of April (a proper time to ship) is four months. A bushel of corn to each sheep would have kept them in good condition on any range until shearing time, and the clip would pay for feed and herding, leaving, probably, a sheep that would be in shipping condition and weigh 90 pounds, with equal probability would bring four cents per pound on the same market, or \$3.60 gross, or with shipping and commissions off, at least \$2.50 net, a difference of \$1.90 cents per head, or on the five hundred sheep absolutely thrown away \$95, about a good year's salary for a good man working and living in a city, and sufficient to support a family in luxury if assisted by a few home stock and a garden in the country.

It is very likely that the shipper

thought he was doing the best he could under the circumstances. He may never know any better, but one thing is certain, he thinks sheep are poor property. So are we of the same opinion. Sheep are miserable stock in such hands. The Texas sheep raiser must either make a special business of telegraphing to such small markets as Memphis, New Orleans, Galveston, Shreveport, or to other local markets, in fall and winter, shipping at the moment the opportunity for sale is announced by the commission man, or must ship to Kansas City, Chicago and St. Louis when the regular quotations for sheep are much higher. The opportunity for shipping sheep is between February 1st and July 31st, the best time in April and May. There is no need for Texas sheepmen to fool away their sheep.

WEEKLY CLIP.

Sheep raisers are to be congratulated on the present condition of the range. The wool trade is so remarkably strong that the eastern markets are quoted in the western associated press dispatches.

J. W. Wright will commence picking turkeys next week. He has about seven thousand to pick this season.—Middlebury (Vt) Register.

A. J. Emerson sold, through Ed. M'Kechnie 1,000 head of improved goats to W. N. Hiller at \$1.50 per head.—San Angelo Standard.

Mr. W. F. Blandin, who owns sheep in Jack and Palo Pinto counties, says that he has lately discovered that sheep raising is not a bad business after all.

Mr. J. C. Loving, of Jack County, manager of the Loving Cattle Company, while here last week stated that the sheep of Jack county were in excellent condition to go through the winter. He does not own sheep, but says that he could not fail to notice the excellent condition of the flocks.

J. W. O'Bannon, well-known in the sheep business of Cooke and Clay counties, and in charge of the Hooper sheep in Jack county several years ago, shot Lon Bursen, deputy sheriff of Clay county, at Henrietta on Dec. 17th. O'Bannon was drinking and had a row with Bursen during the evening.

The Nelson Company, who are advertising Angora goats at Wichita Falls, are from Wyoming, and the original stock were purchased from Mr. Bailey, of California, and were high grades and pure bred stock. The goats are in good hands, and have increased to a considerable herd since the original purchase.

W. F. Bentley is now at the Comanche and Kiowa reservation in the Indian Territory where Captain Lee Hall is agent. We understand that Will Bentley's duties are confined to courting the squaws and fixing an Indian pony that is several sizes too small for him. It will do almost anything but go going back to herd sheep on the Conchos.

Mr. Charles G. Wright, secretary and treasurer of the Presidio County Wool Growers association, writes as follows: "Our association is fully active and our business must be firm and united, and demand our rights more particularly in regard to transportation of muttons, and are satisfied that at our next meeting resolutions will be passed bearing upon the subject."

Mr. Jos. N. Newsom of Llano county sold to Messrs. Wilderman & Morgan 785 head of grade and pure bred Angora goats, a flock that will average four pounds of fleece per head. These goats are now on a bend of the Brazos, in Palo Pinto county, where Messrs. Wilderman & Morgan have in all 1800 head of good fleece bearers with a handsome prospect of a good increase in the spring.

To-day's receipt of sheep included 471 head of fall-clipped Texas sheep. Aside from all human considerations, shorn sheep should not be sent to this market at this season of the year. The shipper is never able to realize a satisfactory price; indeed it is not easy to find buyers at any figure. The drove above mentioned averaged 82 lbs. and sold at \$2.00 per 100 lbs.—Chicago Live Stock Review.

Capt. A. McGill, who owns and resides on a large ranch on the middle Verde creek, about 9 miles south of Bandera, informs us that wolves are killing his sheep. He says it is no uncommon thing to hear wolves howling on his range, and that so far his attempts to kill them by poisoning has proven a failure. There is no question but that strychnine will get away with them, captain, if you manage it right.—Bandera Enterprise.

An event worth notice is the appearance of the firm of George H. Hammond & Co., as buyers of sheep on this market, giving their first order last Thursday. Although the firm, as is well-known, are among the pioneers in the dressed-beef industry, they have never before had anything to do with the mutton trade, or at least, so far as this market is concerned, and the incident marks a new movement in the trade.—Chicago Commercial.

Messrs. J. J. and S. C. Stephens, of Barton county, Mo., this week purchased from Mr. J. A. Nabers 2000 acres of land lying four miles north of Vernon, paying therefor \$2.75 per acre, cash. These gentlemen are practical farmers and stock-raisers, and it is their intention to engage extensively in that business here. They are backed by ample means, and are fortunate in securing one of the finest tracts of land as well as the most desirable locations for a stock farm in the county.—Vernon Guap.

During the past year the shipping of sheep to this market has been far from profitable. Commencing the year 1885, at what was considered low values, prices steadily went down from \$4.00@4.50 for the best at the opening of the year, the \$3.00@3.50 in the first week in March. And yet toward the end of March values again advanced to \$4.00@4.85, and in April a few lots sold as high as \$5.50@5.00, with lambs a \$6.124. About the first of May clipped stock began to arrive, and from that time on until within the past fifteen days or so prices have ruled low.—Chicago Commercial.

The wool growers of America should give a medal of merit to Mr. Jos. Lees, of Philadelphia, the courageous carpet manufacturer, who dared the whole band of carpet wool smugglers by an offer of 18 cents a pound in Russia for

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And speaking of sheep, a well-known commission man, and also a breeder and feeder of sheep, is of the opinion that there is soon to be a profitable and steady revival in the trade. At present business in this branch is moving along steady on prices although yet low when compared with flush times, are gradually favoring the producer. The trade has settled down to a good demand for mutton sorts that will suit the business now in the hands of Swift, Armour and other dressed meat dealers. The shipment of live sheep from this market to the East seems to be one of the industries of the past. That of shipping the dressed carcasses taking its place. The great Eastern firms that controlled the live sheep trade from one end of the country to the other, seem to have gone out of that branch of business, and succeeding them are new men and new methods in conducting the traffic of the day.—Chicago Commercial.

A Callahan county sheepman with his family and a flock of sheep numbering 1960 head, passed through this section a few weeks ago, bound for Devil's river, Crockett county, in search of free grass and fresh range. The man's intentions were good, but he made bad calculations; he expected to find water along the entire route but was doomed to disappointment. After leaving the heads of the rivers and traveling a few days on the plains, being unable to find water the flock began to scatter and finally all the sheep left the herders and traveled back to the last water—at the head of Spring creek—where they were rounded up by Stilson's herders. The man and his family suffered considerably from thirst before they got back to the rivers. This ought to be a warning to parties unacquainted with the country, and should deter them from attempting to cross the plains at this time especially with sheep.—San Angelo Standard.

OUR ST. LOUIS LETTER.

Something For Sheep Shippers—The St. Louis Wool Effort.

Regular Correspondence TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 21, 1885. As I said before, the wool dealers of the city are working hard. They know no rest. Over a year ago they started to make St. Louis the largest wool market in the country, as it is now the best, and they will succeed. The last address out by the woolmen is quite lengthy. It should be read by all.

The sheep market the past week was the worst in years. The east is glutted and prices demoralized. There is but little difference in prices either at this point, Chicago and Pittsburg, and they are all very low. Thousands and thousands of head are sold here and at Chicago at less than \$1.75 per 100 lbs. And the sheep are not thin by any means. Fat sheep bring from \$2.25@2.75 per 100 lbs. Just think of this, Texas flockmasters! Our good and fat native sheep of 100 to 110 lbs. bringing such ridiculously low figures. Well, cattle have come down wonderfully, and I might add disastrously, so stock feeding and raising has not proved profitable the past season. Cattle feeders, however, are now buying more largely than ever, they are not discouraged and why should not flockmasters be the same. Try again, better luck next time, is a good motto and should be adopted.

Wool the past week was steady and unchanged. We quote: Tub-washed—choice at 34@36, fair at 30@31c, low or dingy and coarse 25@29c; Unwashed—choice medium clothing and combed 24c, fair 22@23c, low and coarse 17@20c, light fine 21@22c, heavy 6@16@18c; Kansas from 14c for low to 20@23c for choice; Black and slightly coated or burry 20@25¢ lb less; hard burry quotable at 10c for Southern to 14@15c for Western; Texas—choice 12-months' growth 23c, choice 6@8 months' 18@21c; Western short and sandy 12@16c, carpet stock 12@15c.

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The Kingdom of the Sheep.

Mr. G. A. Sala, writing from Auckland, N. Z., to the Telegraph, says:—The sheep, indeed, is king throughout the Australian colonies. In New South Wales, Victoria and Queensland—remember that I have not been to Tasmania yet—the nearest approach to the haughty aristocrat is the squatter, the lease holder of a sheep run. The number of thousands of acres over which his sheep roam may be conveniently treated as incalculable; first because it would no more interest my readers at home were I to enumerate them than it interests readers in England to be told how many pork pies,

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ponny buns, and bottles of ginger beer are consumed at a Foresters' feast at the Crystal Palace; and next, because were I to enter into the figures of a large squatting ovine and bovine stock there would be a considerable risk of your not believing me. I prefer, when treating of the mighty squatters, flocks, and herds, to deal in generalities, just as did the American pig-breeder who, at early morning, entered the sleeping apartment of the guest whom he had entertained over night, and whose attentions at supper-time to his marriageable and on-hand daughter were somewhat pronounced, flung open the window, and disclosed, stretching north, east, south and west, an almost illimitable prospect of complacently grunting swine. "There," he exclaimed, "the man as pleases our Polly has 'half them hogs.'" In degree, the Australian squatter's sheep are as innumerable. That makes him proud—and justifiably proud. His "mobs" of horned cattle may be huge; his taste in horse flesh may be pretty; he may rear racehorses or import Clydesdales; but, after all, the four corner-stones of his prosperity are his sheep. Sometimes he dreams uneasily of drought; but, waking up in the morning to find perchance a drenching rain pouring down, he rubs his hands gleefully, and murmurs, "Aha! the wool's growing! the wool's growing!" If the squatter be hard pressed for ready money there are financial associations which will make him a cash advance on his "clip"—that is to say, he may pawn the wool which is growing on the backs of the sheep. No wonder, then, if from King George's Sound to Brisbane—farther north he talks sugar—he talks wool and thinks wool; exults when it is "up," desponds when it is "down" in the market. For the mere carcass of the animals, worth only a few shillings, the large Australian squatter does not care much. 'Tis the fleece, and not the meat, which, when a long drought has been succeeded by two or three good seasons, gives him the power, not only of paying off his mortgages and getting his titles deeds out of the strong rooms of the banks, but of becoming, within an astonishingly brief space of time, rich beyond the dreams of avarice. But in New Zealand, with its thirteen millions of sheep, the thoughts, the aspirations of the stockholder are bent not only on wool, but on mutton. He compassionates the sad fate of his British brother at home, doomed by the tyrannical retail butcher to pay from 11d. to 1s. a-pound for leg of mutton. Why he cannot send his British brother frozen mutton at the port of shipment shall cost him only 3d. a-pound—mutton of prime quality, not to be distinguished in nature and excellence from the home bred article. It is consoling to reflect that the frozen meat trade is as yet virtually in its infancy.

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Almost a Trade.
Two prominent cattlemen met in Dallas and after the salutations, the following ensued:
"What do you ask for your cattle that you are feeding?"
"Four cents per pound." was the answer.
"Will you give me \$3.65 per hundred for mine?"
This rather shocked the one to whom the enquiry was directed, but he braced up and like the Irishman gave an equivocal answer, said he:
"Will you take \$3.50?"
Again the first speaker shocked the feeder who expected four cents for his beef steers by the enquiry:
"Will you give it?"
Fearing a trade would be consummated right in his presence at these figures the JOURNAL'S Dallas rustler rushed away for a better item.

Land Transactions.
While the JOURNAL'S Dallas representatives can not point to any large deals that have been effected in the past thirty days, yet the tone of the land men of Dallas with reference to future business is quite encouraging.
E. M. Powell's office manager, Mr. T. J. Murnane is authority for the statement, "that land transactions are brightening; inquiries are of the right sort and emanate from the right quarter, besides being more frequent than they have been for some time past. We just made a small sale of three sections of land in Pecos county a few days ago. Inquiries are floating around from Panhandle men who have suffered from burnt grass. The office of E. M. Powell pays taxes on several million acres of land each year for non-residents and we send out written notices to the owners; as indicating the prevalence of a better feeling and a more liberal supply of money, the fact may be mentioned that responses, to these notices, accompanied by remittances, are more prompt for this year 1885 than for the past two or three years."
Mr. G. W. Crutcher of the land office of J. S. Daugherty said: "Yes, the inquiries are of a better character and coming from a better source. Mr. Daugherty is still absent from the city and the date of his return unsettled. We hope to have consummated some large land deals before he gets back."
C. H. Cooper, secretary and general manager of the Southwest Land Co. said: "Inquiries about lands for the past four weeks have been of a most satisfactory character. Indeed, January and February will bring some big trading."
Mr. Thompson of the land office of Land & Thompson expressed himself as satisfied of the existence of a better feeling and confidently expects some heavy trading in the coming 90 days, among which he mentioned a deal of some \$175,000 now approaching consummation through an English correspondent. Mr. Thompson is of the decided opinion that the land business has passed the dull times.
A call at the land office of the Messrs. Guzo in East Dallas, unfortunately, was of no avail, as the gentlemen were absent.

Barb Wire.
The advance of fifty cents per hundred pounds on barb wire directs attention once more to this problem of fencing. With reference to this advance it may be said, in passing, that if barb wire manufacturers are monopolists, with galvanized steel barb wire selling at less than four and one-eighth to four and one-quarter cents, free on board St. Louis or Chicago, it is a monopoly in name or not in profit. The fact is indisputable that the industry has paid less for the past twenty months than any other iron industry in the country.
So far as the inclosure of a limited acreage is concerned, the problem of fencing is easily of solution; and the facility of solution is proportionate to the nearness of that acreage to the timbered sections of the state. Steel is not necessary where timber is plentiful and cheap. It is now admitted on all sides that the best and cheapest fencing for large pastures is barb wire which has become a necessity occasioned by the rapid development of the prairie states. The Glidden, Scott, Elwood, Hoish and Cambria link barb wires are sold largely in this state as well as the make of the Southern Barb Wire Co., at St. Louis. The aggregate sales of these different styles of wire, in this state alone, can not be less than one million dollars per annum, a fact which undeniably demonstrates that the steel bar is the fence of the day as it will be the fence of the future.
The JOURNAL'S Dallas representative interviewed a number of the wire dealers in this city as to the cost of constructing a wire fence; and an average of the statements given, places the cost at \$12.00 per mile. This is not an expensive fence, so long as the price of wire remains at a reasonable figure; but supposing (as has been often threatened) the wire manufacturers of the country form a coalition and combine increasing the price of the product until a restoration of the figures of a few years ago (12 1/2 to 13 cents per pound) is reached, what remedy is left the consumer against such a hybrid-ized monopoly? Indeed, the forma-

probable; and its practical and profitable workings so far as pertains to the exchequers of the signatory parties (analogous to railway pools) are apparent. But, we venture to say that an organization constituted for the sole purpose of exterminating healthful competition, while successful at the outset, will ultimately perceive the error of its formation and fall to the ground. The genius of American institutions is opposed to pools; and the iron-workers who claim that a pool is his only salvation as against ruinous competition, is too self-interested to appreciate the spirit, the tendency and the power of the American people. It is to be hoped that the projected pool will die "aborning."

"He Stood Him Off."
(From a Dallas Standpoint.)
"Did he pay up like a man?" asked the man who was hearing the story. "No," said the man who was telling the story, "he stood him off." And he went on to say that the party in default "stood off" the party claimant, until the party claimant was fain to take half of what was due him, and then they compromised and settled up, leaving the party in default ready to "stand off" some other fellow if he could get a chance.

It is too much the way of the world in Texas and elsewhere, and this habit, or principle, is doing a heap of harm to legitimate business interests. Very few people get just what is coming to them. The JOURNAL man don't, or he would be a millionaire this minute, and he is not, as he confesses, with a full suit of sack-cloth on (good winter beaver) and a pile of ashes (from that refractory grate) on his blessed head. All the same people ought to get what is coming to them, especially if they pay for it, either in honest work or in hard cash. Sometimes the world seems full of indications, and the only way to get a thing appears to be to want something else and work for it. We remember the hotel guest who had a leaning to chicken soup, and who also liked a soft pillow to sleep on. But he found that at his favorite hotel the pillows had no feathers while the chicken soup was full of feathers. He therefore was forced to request the proper officer of the caravansary to fill his pillow with chicken soup as the only means of getting feathers under his tired head.

It seems a pity as between man and man there should ever be necessity for indirection. People should regard their word sacred as also their bond, and should consider not only a reputation for integrity, but straight forward integrity itself as the best thing that can attach to a human being.
Time was, not many years ago, when a cattleman's undertaking was as good as gold. It is yet with most of them we rejoice to say. These should join together for their own honor and protection and for the good of their mutual interests and the fair name of their state, to sit down heavy on every dishonest attempt to stand an honest man off of his just dues. We believe that they will go on, and that our cattle interests will go on and prosper on the solidest basis, that of honest and well merited mutual confidence.
The above appears in the STOCK JOURNAL for the reason that it has come to the knowledge of its Dallas representative that there have been some irregular transactions in cattle and land deals in the state; and after hearing both sides as told by the parties to these transactions he deems it his duty to bring the matter before the readers of the STOCK JOURNAL to the end that "straight lines" may govern in all transactions of this nature. Every irregular or questionable transaction, either on the part of the purchaser or seller, should be frowned down by the better element of the dealers.

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Col. W. E. Hughes has returned to the city from a successful hunting trip.
C. F. Dallam, of Dallam & Chapman, was in Dallas during the week and registered at the exchange.
The popular president of the State Cattlemen's association, Col. Simpson is once more among us.
The JOURNAL'S hired man to all the JOURNAL'S readers: "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."
E. M. Powell, the land man is out in Presidio county on an inspecting tour and will not return for several days.
Jno. S. Andrews of the firm of Jno. S. Andrews and Co., Fort Worth is here, and will spend the holidays among his Dallas friends.
Mr. J. M. Campbell of the Matador ranch in Motley county passed through Dallas this week en route to his old home in Ennis where he will spend the holidays.
Jno. S. Powell, the bull man of Fort Worth, was here this week to see the Estado Land & Cattle Co. about a large consignment of Hereford and Durham bulls for their ranch.
L. B. Collins was in Dallas Monday and again on Thursday. L. B. is closing up his shipping business for the past season and says he will be in the field again next year.
J. G. Johns, the live man of the Live Stock Exchange has a big trade on the

to get the points but must wait until the deal is consummated.
L. V. F. Randolph left Dallas last Sunday night for his home in New Jersey via Kansas City. The next time he returns there is a strong probability that he will remain with us for good.
The STOCK JOURNAL representative was pleased to meet in Dallas this week Mr. J. M. Aston of Abilene, Taylor county. John says it is a little dull out his way and that they expect to have rather a dull Christmas.
Major A. C. Irvine of the Live Stock Exchange went to Wills Point last Tuesday evening. He is not expected home for several days, and while absent may purchase a couple thousand of yearlings on his own account.
The Dallas representative of the JOURNAL acknowledges receipt of a season ticket to the Dallas skating academy and returns thanks to Messrs. French & Beck for their courtesy. So does the manager of the paper for like courtesies extended.
Mr. John Anderson, of Corsicana, bought of Burk Burnett of the Fort 133 head out of his 6666 herd, delivered at Wichita Falls, at \$30.00 per head. These cattle were shipped to New Orleans for the Christmas trade. How is this for grass-fed Texas beef in December?
Capt. W. R. McEntire, of the firm of McEntire & Barnett, Dallas cattle dealers, stated to the JOURNAL'S representative yesterday, that his firm sold during the past season \$63,000 worth of steers off their ranch on the Concho. They have 15,000 she cattle left on the range and they will hereafter sell off only the young steers.
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