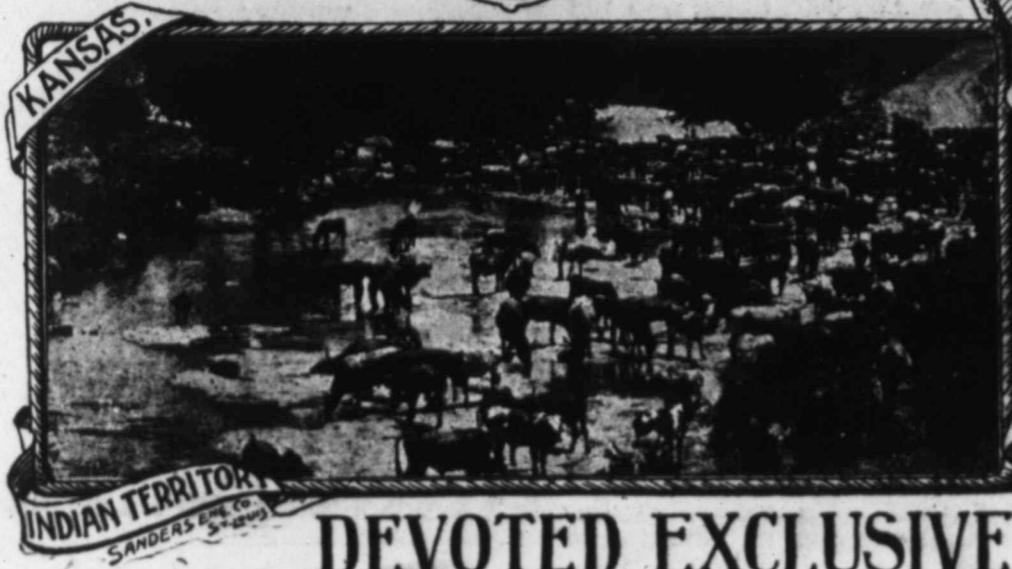


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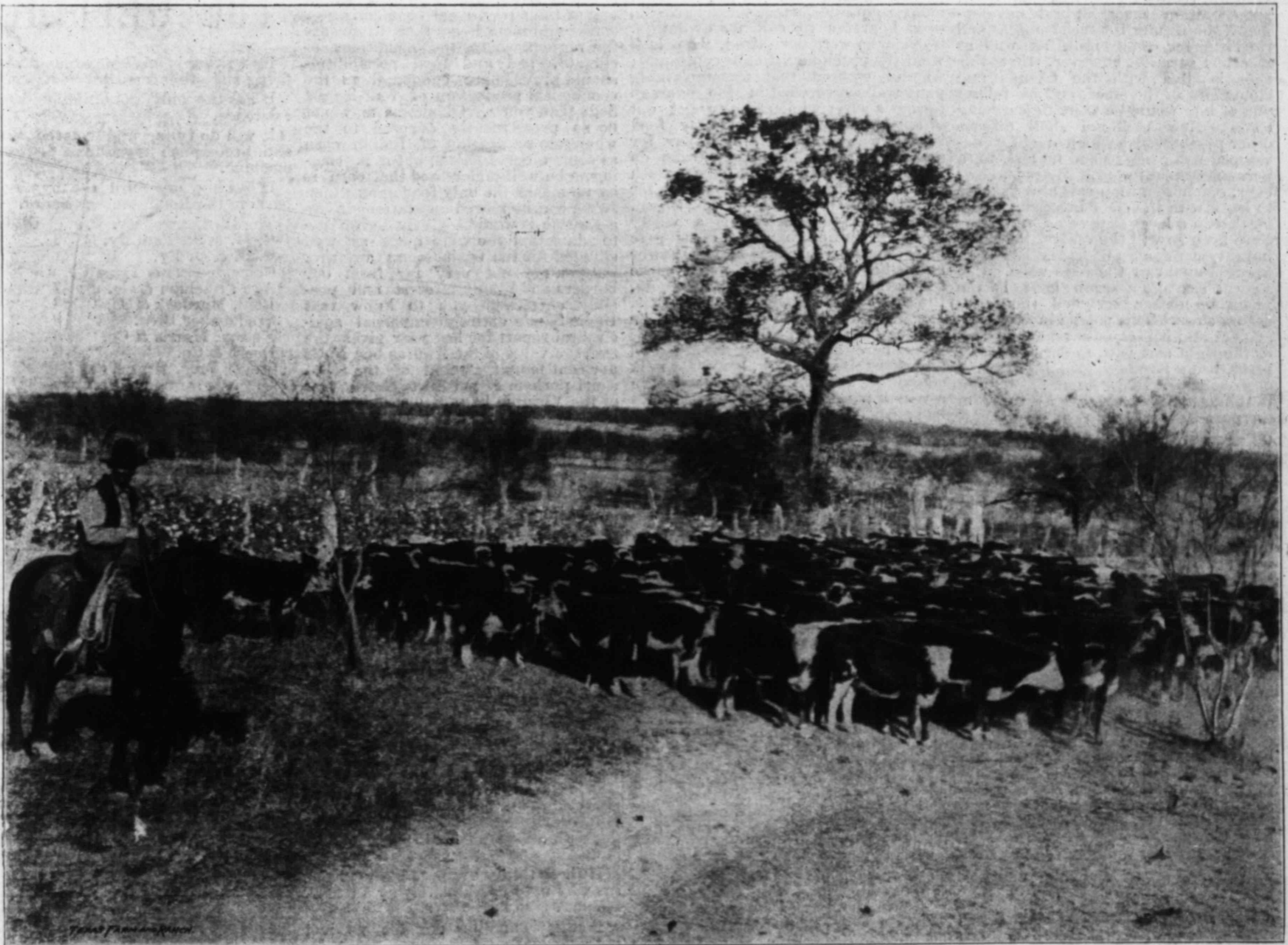
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Some Oklahoma Possibilities.

Address by Hon. F. D. Coburn, Secretary Kansas State Board of Agriculture, to the 5th Annual Convention, Oklahoma Live Stock Association, February 14, 1899.

Minerva was said to have sprung in full armor and with a mighty war shout from the brain of Jupiter. This is a wonderful fiction; yet we at this hour are in the theater where was ac-

complished a still more wonderful fact. Where, as the notes of a bugle floated out upon the soft air of a spring-time noontide, there sprang into being an empire of 50,000 courageous souls. At noontime American genius and enterprise said presto; at the going down of the sun a wilderness had slunk away, and lo, gardens were in its stead and hearthstones and

altars had been builded there. History, sacred or profane, furnishes no parallel to this.

In this imperial domain I am told there are nearly 40,000 square miles; a population reaching nearly a third of a million; 2,000 organized school districts; sixty banks; the innumerable appurtenances of modern civilization and a total public debt of less than

one dollar per capita. Having done this in less than a decade of years what may her people not hope to do in the decades to come!

As a Kansan in every fiber, and proud, almost to vanity, of the state from which I come, I can assure you that Kansas is proud of Oklahoma—not after the manner which says "I will always be a sister to you," but as

a parent loves her first-born; for we consider Oklahoma our great big, sun-kissed, rosy-cheeked daughter.

Happy to accept the invitation of your association, with which he has been honored through your accomplished secretary, your speaker has come here, not in the capacity of advisor nor as a schoolmaster, offices for which he is in no way qualified, but as a neighbor with a warm personal interest in the welfare of a people bound very closely to us by many ties, and what he may say will be intended as only in the line of helpful suggestion.

You are located here in the realm of the grasses; ages before your coming Nature planned that they, in their many forms, should find here their congenial habitat.

It is to be assumed that whatever many and varied other resources Oklahoma may have the chief measure of her future prosperity must come by and through her soil products or largely the grasses, of which Indian corn and the sorghums, the grammas, the blue stem and timothy are but varieties and to which the wonderful alfalfa is so nearly akin in soil and climate requirements, and possibilities for wealth-making. Here, in a climate so evenly balanced between the severity of the North and the enervating heat of the South, and in your rich verdure, the beef steer and his sister should attain their highest development, the former for the shambles and the latter for their milk as well as meat. I surmise, however, that this room is filled with the friends and champions of the steer, and as telling you of him would be akin to carrying coals to New Castle I shall discuss other possibilities which rightly developed will perhaps add no less to a permanent prosperity. There is, however, one admonition it is always safe to leave with the steer breeder, which is, that in a large degree as the sires have been so will the steers be. The improvement of all herds has been brought about by the sires used. Use a scrub sire and a scrub herd is the result, no matter how good the foundation cows. This is true in every instance; and it is equally true that sires or the right sort will, under fair treatment, bring any herd to a high plane of excellence. Don't be simple enough to think that you can save a sire from the pure-bred bull and a scrub cow that will answer your purpose for future breeding. It is not on the line of improvement and has brought sorrow to many a deluded breeder's heart.

Given abundant grass, a variety of grains, low-priced lands and a mild climate it is easily demonstrated that the region having these can produce beef at an average nowhere surpassed.

Closely related to the steer in agricultural economy is the milch cow, a possession which I think the average western stockman fails to rightly appreciate. In neighboring states where winters are longer, the climate more rigorous and the conditions far less favorable than here, entire herds of cows are maintained that yield from each animal an average yearly return of from \$40 to \$75, and more, and I have within a recent period seen two cows the milk of which at the then depressed and depressing factory prices sold in a twelve month for \$119 and \$125 respectively. One of these belonged in northern Iowa and the \$125 cow did business away in frozen Minnesota.

One of the most important features connected with this business of cow culture, especially where creameries are maintained, is that those who are properly in it, with many or few cows, have money every month in the year and are thus able to take the benefit of those advantages innumerable which are always confronting a cash buyer and as invariably eluding the man who must ask for credit until this or that uncertain crop is grown, harvested and marketed.

A striking illustration of what a proper appreciation of the cow will do for a people is afforded by that speck on the map described as "little, insignificant, ice-bound Denmark," a country perhaps one-third the size of Oklahoma, away toward the North Pole.

Not many years ago, when their soils had become so impoverished by it that ordinary farming was no longer affording any profit, her people cautiously and in a small way took up dairying. Entering upon the work in earnest they now monopolize the importing butter trade of Great Britain, from which country alone they receive about \$25,000,000 per year for butter, while the whole United States sells there but \$700,000 worth. Canada with her high priced lands and cold, long winters is coming to dominate the English cheese-markets in the same way, and a continuous stream of British gold is flowing into the pockets of those slow-going Kanucks, not because their natural advantages are superior or in any wise equal to yours, but because of their skill and mother wit, which enables them to successfully and at the same time milk the cow with one hand and John Bull with the other.

Please do not for a moment infer from any remarks of mine that I wish to encourage all the people of this territory to rush headlong into dairying, for to many it would mean only a new brand of "calamity." Being a successful dairyman or dairywoman comes, as a rule, only through having somewhat of a natural talent in that direction, developed by a gradual process of education and patient effort along right lines, which means growth, or as I prefer to call it, evolution. Those who were born tired, who lack what the phrenologist calls continuity; who are without that uncomplaining patience best typified in the average farmer's wife; who expect to get out of any machine more than they feed into it; who are not willing to pay for and read a good dairy paper; who do not like a cow, and who don't wash before breakfast are not cut out for dairying in Oklahoma or elsewhere. I only claim that the cow is a vastly better institution than most of us give her credit for; that it is in her power and is her pleasure to do much more for us than we as yet permit her to do, through doing a little more for her. If she, with the care which might be well bestowed on her and the feeds raised here in a profusion unsurpassed anywhere else on earth, can yield milk containing 200 pounds of butter-fat in a year it is a folly well-nigh wicked to be satisfied with a yield only half as great; if by churning her cream with brains the product will sell for 12 cents instead of 6 cents per pound, or 20 cents instead of 10, the cow-owners owe it to themselves to put in the requisite brains.

Here and there men are doing this, and wherever and whoever they are they have money, their conditions are improving and they are not talking of emigrating. They are here to stay and will build up the country by building up themselves. "Free coinage" and "16 to 1" will be the medium; free coinage of golden butter and cheese, at the rate of 16 ounces to the pound.

With her soil and climate this Territory should be the sheepman's paradise. One stumbling block which has thus far been and still is in the way of such a consummation in adjacent states, is that they have too many coyotes and waste too much time in dog culture. Sheep and the average dog do, to be sure, frequently lie down together in peace, but very rarely except when the sheep is in pieces, inside the dog and the only "whole thing" is the dog outside the sheep. This of course is fun for the dog. I have made a lifetime study of this quadruped and am fully persuaded that his sphere of usefulness is not in animal husbandry nor in agriculture, but in pomology. The same as to the coyote. If planted early (and it is never too early, nor too late) half a dog beneath a pear tree will aid its growth and bearing prodigiously; and the books give no record of such a pear tree having blight, or anything the matter with its bark. The wolf makes superior fertilizer and a dog is worth even much more. There probably isn't a quarter-section farm in Oklahoma that not only would be the better and cleaner thereby, but more

profitable, if it supported from fifty to two hundred good sheep. Their owner would need to understand "finance" very thoroughly if he was ever able to discover that their keep and increase cost him anything.

In four of the best counties in one of your neighboring states the assessors, in a house-to-house enumeration, found 28 sheep and 6058 dogs, and yet the people there complain of hard times and that farming doesn't pay, expecting the meanwhile that prosperity will come to them ready-made from Washington, if they only elect to office this or that smooth-tongued candidate who claims to be introducing a new and only genuine brand of reform; a sort of prosperity too that one or the other half of our voters are ready to swear means little short of revolution and ruin. No less an authority than Secretary Wilson is quoted as saying that the salvation of the Southern farmer lies in growing more legumes, more sheep and cattle and fewer dogs. He estimates the cost of feeding one dog at about the same as two sheep or one hog. Much of this wholesome advice is applicable to many another farmer and to other sections, no less than to the Southerner and the South. It seems to me that any rural community, wherever situated, which cultivates more dogs than sheep is struggling with the wrong end of the agricultural problem.

It would seem to me that there are few regions where the conditions of climate, soil and food possibilities should prove more congenial to the economical production of four-legged hogs than yours. Oklahoma may not be so preeminently adapted to the wholesale production of Indian corn as some other sections, but it is coming to be well understood that corn is by no means the only food upon which swine can be reared and fattened. As a Kansan it would scarcely do for me to admit that you were quite as well situated for the business as we are, but you are not very far from our borders and it may interest and possibly encourage you to know that Uncle Sam's entirely impartial agricultural report for last year gives the average value of the Kansas hog as 28 per cent more than that of the Missouri porker; 47 per cent above that of the Virginia hog; 51 per cent above his Kentucky relative; 62 per cent higher than that of the Texan; 134 per cent in advance of the Arkansan and 139 per cent above that of the Florida hog. Likewise the same report shows but eight states with more hogs than Kansas, and but four in which the aggregate value was larger. Kansas, young though she may be, has now more hogs than New England and 15 states and territories added and with a value exceeding that in 18 sister states. In fact, on the fertile plains of Kansas the hog finds the favored zone—his Eldorado. Here he attains the qualities which make his flesh a delicacy sought of epicures in Occident and Orient, no less than a fit and staple ration for men of heroic undertakings, iron nerve and cool brain like those who at Manila and Santiago fired the unerring shots that wrenched loose the props of a throne, revised the world's map, replaced tyranny's flag with Old Glory, and are now teaching the misguided and deluded Filipinos that fooling with a loaded buzz saw gathers no moss.

If these things are possible in Kansas why not approximately so in Oklahoma?

Poultry is another possible product not sufficiently taken into account by most of us, but worthy the attention of thousands who ignore it as being of too small consequence for a man to be bothered with; and yet on many a farm, although overworked and burdened with a multitude of other cares the good wife by her flock of hens procures more that goes to make the comforts of a home than does her liege lord who farms a quarter section and understands finance. Four farmer women out of five, if unhampered and given the opportunity to carry out their ideas, would support their families in reasonable comfort from their flocks of fowls and would raise on two

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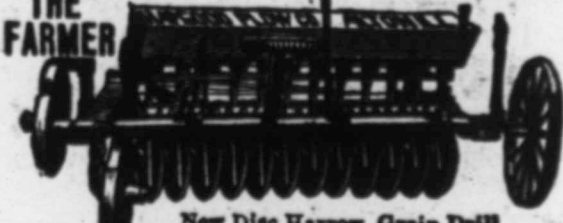
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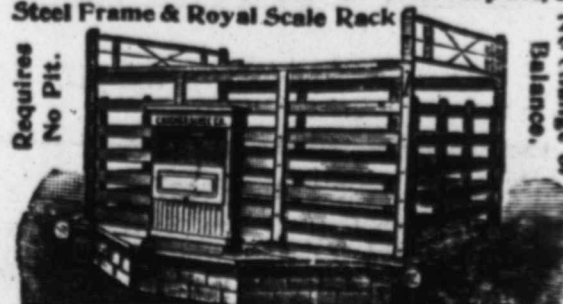
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acres of land all the grain necessary for the purpose.

Kansas is not making a specialty of poultry to any such extent as she could profitably do, yet the poultry and eggs sold by the good wives in that state in the year ending March 1896, amounted to 19 per cent more than the entire value of the rye, barley, buckwheat, castor beans, cotton, hemp, tobacco, broom corn, milo maize, Jerusalem corn, garden and agricultural products marketed, honey, sheep and wool of the same year. No field crops, with the exception of wheat, corn and hay, equaled in value the surplus sold from our hens, ducks, turkeys and geese in the year named. It meant a sum sufficient to pay all the state and city taxes of the preceding year; it was 25 per cent more than the total cost to the state for teachers' wages and school supervision; in fact came within about 14 per cent of paying the entire cost of the public schools. Their prices were not high in that year but the surplus sold amounted to within two per cent of the total value of all milk cows owned in the great cattle raising regions of Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona and Utah; more than the value of the cattle owned in Oklahoma with the swine of Colorado, Montana, Nevada and Wyoming added; or about the same as all the sheep in the six New England states and that of New York and South Carolina added; nearly as much as all the sheep owned in Texas were worth; or as much as the value of the corn of new England with that of North Dakota, Montana and Wyoming thrown in for good measure.

Figuring on the basis of the census taken in 1890 the value in 1896 of all the gold, and of all the silver and of the wool and of the sheep in the United States was \$222,000,000 and the earnings of poultry at the time were \$290,000,000.

What business institution is there on earth, size, room and running expenses considered, that beats the business hen? What reasonable excuse could be proffered for Oklahoma's failure to develop her in highest excellence at a minimum of cost?

The openings in the line of horse production seem to me unlimited. To what extent they have as yet been demonstrated is not known to me, but it is true that Oklahoma was a natural horse pasture centuries before the covetous eyes of white men had feasted upon her virgin beauty. Many of you know that Kansas, southern Kansas if you please, your nearest neighbor, produces flyers that have been the wonder of two continents. This surely is a line of stock husbandry which nature has here afforded encouragement equal to that of any region whereof we have knowledge.

This evening would be entirely too short for enumerating all the possibilities of this fair region, and your program properly suggests that I was to only touch upon "some" of them, and these only in the line of what might interest you especially as stockmen and farmers.

There is one commodity which thrives and flourishes and in fact grows beyond all control on innumerable farms in other states, that I recommend the people of this region to religiously avoid so far as possible. It is known as the farm mortgage.

Did you ever see a mortgage big?
A mortgage big;
It eats the farm, the cow, the pig,
The cow and pig
It eats the butter and the cheese;
It eats the hives of honey bees;
It eats the peach and apple trees,
The apple trees.
It eats the handsome two-year-old,
The two-year-old;
The pretty gelding must be sold,
He must be sold.
It eats the wheat, the oats and corn;
The farmer's heart with grief is worn;
His overalls are soiled and torn,
Are soiled and torn.
It eats the duck and it eats the hen,
It eats the hen;
It comes in the dark, you know not when
You know not when.
The farmer's wife is filled with sighs;
It puts the tears in her eyes;
It steals her plums and apple pies,
Her apple pies.
It makes her wear an old print dress,
An old print dress;
It fills her soul with great distress.

With great distress.
It hurts and injures every arm;
She knows down in her bosom warn
That's why the boys all leave the farm,
They leave the farm.

Did you ever see a mortgage big?
A mortgage big;
It eats the goose, the colt, the pig,
The colt, the pig.
It eats the haystack and the hen,
It makes a wreck of perch and pen,
And oh! it makes a wreck of men,
A wreck of men!

In the west generally the people are in urgent need of studying the benefits to be derived from building up home enterprises and spending their money at home. A tremendously important point upon which we are weak is our failure to produce more of the articles we use, and we go on in this way until it amounts to business suicide. Buying Colorado potatoes at \$1.25 per bushel and Chicago or Kansas City bacon to feed hands to harvest 40 cent wheat, 4 cent cotton or 10 cent corn are surely not the best methods of acquiring a competence or repressing plutocracy. We export money and import clothing when home-grown wool should be made to pay the bills; export money and import fruits, vegetables and canned goods when intelligent attention to orcharding, vegetable farming and gardening would enable us to procure nearly all these articles at home in ample quantities, and we ignore the idea of home manufactures while the people who produce in other states so large a part of the commodities we consume grow wealthy as the results of their thrift and our thriftlessness. And then, to cap the climax, the absorbers and the absorbed get at loggerheads because, in the natural run of events, the former class had money to loan and the latter class over-borrowed. As a sovereign remedy for the evil effects of ignoring the plainest rules of business management, a portion of our people have swallowed the mischievous doctrine that they can be legislated into prosperity. We raise dogs and buy hogs. We let our manure go the waste. We grow weeds and buy vegetables and brooms. We catch 5 cent fish with a \$5 rod. We build school houses and send our children away to be educated. And lastly we send a boy out with a \$40 gun and a so-called \$20 dog to hunt ten cent birds.

A well-known southern writer in describing the condition of affairs in his state where they were always buying but never producing, and hence were always poor, draws this picture of one of his fellow citizens, which would only be too true in many another community outside of Georgia. He says: "They buried him in a marble quarry; they had to cut through solid marble to dig his grave, but the tombstone they put over him was brought from Vermont. They buried him in a pine forest, but the pine coffin they put him in came from Connecticut; they buried him in touch of an iron mine, but the nails in his coffin and the shovels with which they dug his grave were imported from Pittsburg; they buried him in the midst of the finest sheep grazing country in the world, but the woolen bands on his coffin were made in the North; the South did not furnish one thing for that funeral but the corpse and the hole in the ground. They threw the clods down on his coffin and they buried him in a New York coat, a pair of Boston shoes, a Chicago vest and a Connecticut shirt, giving him nothing to remind him of the state in which he was born and for which he valiantly fought four years, but the chilled blood in his veins and the marrow in his bones."

I do not need to reiterate that you are in a land of tremendous possibilities. Many of these are founded on grass. In common with the people of my own beloved state you possess grasses' empire. You should not fail to appreciate the great opportunities—not in the remote distance, not "over the divide," but right here, stretching at your feet and beckoning you to grasp them, not alone by the forelock as they are said to be grasped elsewhere, but by the hindlock, fetlock, any lock, every lock.

Nowhere else in this broad central

basin of southern North America, filled with the silts of the centuries, on these great expanses of smiling valley and fertile plain do the grasses grow in such variety and unending opulence.

Oklahoma School Lands.

ADDRESS BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE, AT NORMAN, FEBRUARY 21, 1899, BY F. S. ELDER, OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA.

Members of the Legislature and Citizens of Oklahoma:—

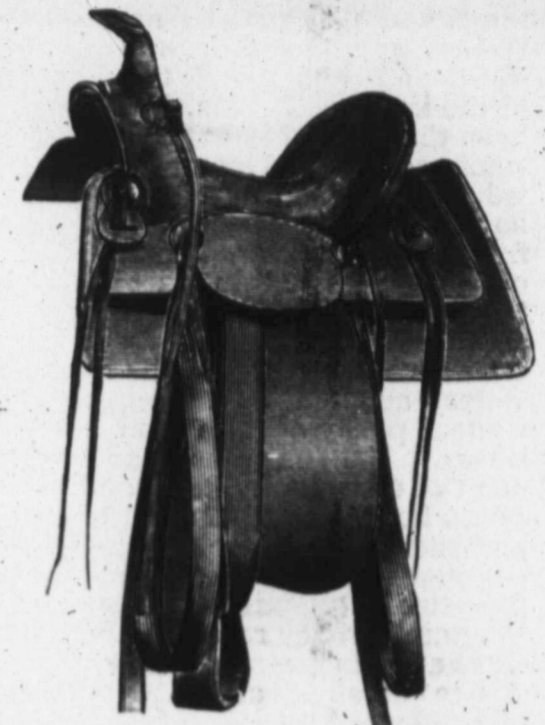
In the view that I have of society I hold myself to be first, evolutionist, and second, disclaiming the possession of either bombs or dirks, I am a revolutionist. I am an evolutionist in the sense that I see society a living organism whose existence is but one of the phenomena of nature, and that I feel the law of that existence to be the law of growth, progress and unending development. With every succeeding generation

"The heir of all the ages
In the foremost ranks of time,"
who so bold as to prophesy what the coming centuries will see! I speak not, sirs, of our material progress. This never lacks a companion. This is but the natural result of the struggle for existence and will advance unceasing with society's growth. This is a necessary basis for that other and nobler development of which I speak. I mean to say that on what is termed the social side the world is bound to see and do undreamed of things, and the revolution which I see is but the act of passing from the Now to Then. But the future fills me with no alarm. I see neither bloodshed nor civil strife. The change will be a quiet revolution; the conflict will be that of the forces of Reason against Unreason, and the triumph of Reason will bring justice between man and man and make prevail on earth the will of God. My hope for the future lies in the strength of the cohorts now marshaled and drilling in Reason's camp. The army of revolution, the hope and strength of our nation, is the fifteen millions of our sons and daughters now performing their daily tasks in the institutions in our incomparable system of free education.

Not from the days of Adam has the world seen such a system. A century ago it was not conceived. Material prosperity must provide it, yet it in turn, reacting, must send the former on by leaps and bounds. Truly did Governor Crawford say to the Kansas legislature in 1866. "Liberal and judicious legislation in behalf of our educational interests is the highest economy of the State. In such things to be mean is to be poor, to be generous is to be rich."

I would speak to you this evening, citizens of Oklahoma, in behalf of these interests and that with reference to a single feature—I mean the policy that I believe should be pursued regarding our Territorial educational land endowment. For what reason, may I ask first, do all our political parties handle this question with such a lily-finger touch? Is it that they fear the people? That, in the nature of party organization and existence, can not be. It is because they know the people are asleep—dead indeed to the possibilities these lands contain if managed right and because they know that other and well organized forces are wide awake and in the field. Let the people but once fully realize what have been hatched from the egg they have and political incubators will spring up as by magic from the ground. Our egg is the grant of a million and a half acres of land with much yet to be added. In area it is more than an eighteenth of our entire state. As I see it the interests here involved are second to nothing that can now come before our people. Such indeed is its magnitude that an average gain or loss of but sixty cents per acre means a gain or loss of a million dollars to our state, while the adoption of an unwise permanent policy may mean practically the disinheritation of the generations yet unborn and result in saddling upon

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I postulate that in the treatment of these lands the first interests to be considered are those of the schools; second, if it be not already comprised in the first, the interests of the State; third, and of grave importance even though mentioned last, the interests, rights and security of the occupants of the land itself. This, in essence, has been the avowed intent of every state whose school land history I have studied, yet of seven, but one, Nebraska, has made in reality even a pretense of following the order given. With all of the others, and in part with her, the interests of the schools and state stand last.

Ohio with no precedents from older states, adopted a short-sighted and ruinous policy of sales and perpetual leases. With a school-land endowment of nearly a million and a half acres, her constitution contained no provision to guarantee the safety of this enormous trust and it became at once the prize of organized plunder. In the Virginia military reserve alone 10,000 acres are under perpetual lease at twelve cents per acre. The university endowment to two full townships of the choicest lands of the state, 46,080 acres, is under perpetual lease at less than ten cents an acre and a third township, 23,040 acres of university lands under perpetual lease at less than twenty-five cents per acre. A fractional section adjoining Cincinnati was leased in 1821 for forty dollars per annum and all future revaluations were dispensed with. This tract in 1839 was estimated by the auditor of state to be worth not less than \$100,000. But such losses would be as bagatelles if that were all. Thousands of acres sold for fifty, twenty five and ten cents per acre and that is not the worst. The resulting funds which ultimately reached four and a quarter millions of dollars were borrowed by the State as a perpetual loan and spent. The people are to-day, by taxation, grinding out a yearly interest of \$250,000 on this fund.

Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin each has its story of folly and loss which can not be touched upon here. Kansas and Nebraska I investigated in much detail, spending an entire summer digging through the archives in Topeka and Lincoln.

With an educational land grant of over 3,000,000 acres, the attitude of Kansas toward these interests may, from the day of admission until today, be characterized by the one word indifference. A general election in 1864 established a policy of selling the land—yet of a total vote of 20,000, but 5,800 voted on the question of sales; 3,500 for and 2,300 against. Of the subsequent history of the lands it may be said that there has been no management, no system, no policy, neither realization of the possibilities of the endowment. Governor Martin in his message in 1885 said to the legislature—"No interest of Kansas has been so recklessly improvidently managed as the State School Lands—a more absurd system—it would be difficult to devise. Under its malign influence the permanent School Fund has been deprived of probably one half of the amount that should have been, and under a proper system would have been realized from the lands already sold." Every governor—during the past eight years has directed the attention of the legislature to this reckless and improvident system—but nothing has been done to correct the defects and abuses—nor to protect the magnificent school domain of the state from despoilation." He urged the creation of the State Land Department to be under the control of a state land commissioner. Nothing was done. Two years later he repeats himself showing that almost no fact relating to the lands of record in any state department—neither the amount of land sold, the amount unsold, nor the amount of the principal or interest due on lands sold on time. "The determination of this question," he says, "involves probably four or five millions of dollars, yet it has been treated by every legislature for ten

years past as if it was a matter of no interest to the State or its people." And since that time nothing has been done.

From the land sales and other sources a fund of \$7,000,000 has arisen; apparently enormous until one considers the magnitude of the grant from which it came. This is now held by the Treasurer of the State and invested in county, city and other bonds.

Repeated losses to this fund have occurred through embezzlement, bad legislation and fraudulent and unwise investment, while the income has steadily suffered by the decline of interest rates from twelve per cent to four. Besides this the uninvested cash balance of the common school fund alone has averaged more than \$112,000 a year for the twenty-three years ending 1896. The income of the State Agricultural college from its share of the land endowment decreased from \$71,808.10 for the two years 1885-86 to \$56,378.82 for the two years 1895-96.

For Nebraska this much can be said. Though unwisdom has in part marked her treatment of her school land grant, though speculation and the exploitation of the lands took place on an enormous scale, yet one cannot but feel that the course of legislation there has truly been to conserve the interests of the schools and of the State.

Her minimum selling price was seven dollars per acre, while that of Kansas was but three. She established a strong central management for her lands while Kansas had none. She adopted a policy of twenty-five year leases with provisions for revaluation of the land, regardless of improvements, every fifth year, while Kansas never leased. Her land sales fund like that of Kansas suffered, however from the decline in interest rates, from embezzlement and from enormous uninvested balances in cash.

The history of these two states show us this, that such funds as these by their very magnitude, work their own destruction as an investment, and that safe and permanent investment, at even as low a rate as four per cent is far from being possible.

At no time since 1886 has Nebraska's uninvested cash balance been less than \$244,000, nor less than \$417,000 since 1890. At times it run up to more than half a million. In January 1897, however, this bursting pressure in the treasury was unhappily relieved to the extent of \$335,878.08 by the retiring Treasurer of State, who is now making such restitution as he can by serving the commonwealth in striped clothes. That same year the State abandoned the policy of sales and strengthened the policy of leasing, feeling that in the lands themselves they had a sufficient investment; an investment whose principal need never be idle, neither subject to loss by embezzlement nor falling interest rates, but one which would yield an ever increasing income for the growing state.

To show by one more illustration the possibilities these lands contain as population grows I will cite the school lands in the city of Chicago. The heart of the city from Madison street south to Twelfth and from State street west to Halstead was once school section number sixteen. Here is where the twelve and sixteen story buildings stand. Here you find the Postoffice, the Rookery, the Women's Temple and scores of others like them. By some strange fortune hardly understood a block at State and Madison was reserved from sale with certain other sundry lots. These with a few more tracts acquired later are held today by the Chicago Board of Education and the ground rent, amounting now to nearly a half million dollars annually, is being turned into the school fund for the payment of teacher's salaries. These leases are for fifty or a hundred years. The ground alone is rented and the lessees put up buildings worth hundreds of thousands of dollars. Of these the Chicago Tribune pays \$30,000 a year for one-fifth of an acre. The McVicar Theater \$27,000 for .36 of an acre. Joseph E. Otis \$25,500 for .0882 of an acre; this last being at the rate of \$289,115

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But I am limited to fifteen minutes talk and give but a fraction of the argument I should like to give. The protection of the occupants of these lands, a subject of gravest importance I have not touched upon at all.

My object is to apply these facts and many others to the condition existing here with us. The conclusions I have reached, in brief, are these. When we secure statehood our Constitution should provide:

1. That none of these lands shall be sold.

2. That no perpetual leases shall ever be given.

3. That the lands shall be leased on fifty year leases with provisions for their reappraisal at the end of, say, the fifth, the fifteenth, the thirtieth and the fiftieth years perhaps.

4. That there shall be a Department of Public Lands and Buildings with a Commissioner at its head possessing executive, administrative and discretionary powers.

5. That there shall be a School Land Council consisting, say, of the Governor, Attorney General, Auditor, Superintendent of common schools and Commissioner of Public Lands and Buildings which shall act as a Board of appeal and which at stated meetings shall consider questions of policy only, leaving details to the Commissioner of Lands.

If it is not the best policy it is at least a fair one. With it we can make no great mistakes, and with it time and the schools may be safely trusted to give us the best. As was once said in Nebraska in the early days, "Well may citizens of all classes, of all parties unite here and yet unborn demand an exercise of greatest prudence."

BROUGHT OVER \$420 A HEAD.

The 133 Herefords at the Three Sales Made a Great Record. Who the Buyers were and Items of Interest.

In order that the public may have some idea of where the appreciative Hereford breeders came from to the beef cattle center of the great West, who they are and the money invested by each at the sale—March 1st, 2nd and 3d, the following summary has been compiled. It will be observed that the offerings went to fourteen states extending from Maine to Utah, 77 per cent going to the territory contiguous to the Kansas City market. Another very encouraging feature is that a major portion of the 133 head that brought an average of \$420.45 were under 2 years of age.

The following shows the shipments to various states from the Sotham, Nave & Hornaday sales, and does not include those side-drafts consigned by Curry, Chappell and Eagle:

TO MISSOURI.	
Mills & Roberts, Lancaster, 1 bull.....	\$ 200
G. W. Harlan, Ottumville, 1 bull.....	280
James Tuggle, Gallatin, 1 bull.....	500
N. E. Mosher & son, Salisbury, 1 cow.....	245
H. F. Lamb, Cairo, 1 bull.....	305
Dr. James Logan, Kansas City, 4 cows.....	1,775
K. B. Arnour, Kansas City, 2 cows.....	1,345
E. Corkins, Bethany, 2 cows.....	555
T. F. B. Sotham, Chillicothe, 10 cows.....	3,630
Egger Cattle Co., Appleton City, 1 cow.....	310
Henry Fricke, Clark's Ford, 1 cow.....	305
J. E. Summers, Huntsville, 1 cow.....	200
George Hul, Fairport, 1 bull.....	240
A. J. Early, Barry, 1 bull.....	250
J. A. Funkhouser, Plattsburg, 1 bull.....	175
Total.....	29 head, \$10,235
TO KANSAS.	
W. S. Powell, Moline, 1 bull.....	\$ 290
E. W. Whiting, Castleton, 1 bull.....	385
T. J. Crippen, Council Grove, 1 bull.....	305
Frank Pets, Ellinwood, 1 bull.....	390
1 cow.....	415
J. C. Curry, Queenemo, 1 bull.....	460
W. H. H. Gray, Kirwin, 1 bull.....	315
G. F. McKee, Howard, 1 bull.....	330

Geo. W. Hussey, Glasco, 1 bull.....	350
E. A. Eagle, Rosemont, 1 bull.....	380
C. A. Stannard, Emporia, 2 cows.....	575
I. D. Brougham, Great Bend, 1 cow.....	250
Jones Bros., Comiskey, 6 cows.....	1,805
H. H. Drake, Beatrice, 1 bull.....	295
C. S. Green, Manhattan, 1 bull.....	295
G. I. Moyer, Manhattan, 1 bull.....	275
Moses Bros. & Clayton, Great Bend, 1 bull.....	250
M. Holderman, Chetopa, 1 bull.....	870
Total.....	24 head, \$ 7,815

TO INDIANA.	
Len Graves, Bunker Hill, 2 cows.....	\$ 1,370
G. W. Harness, Galveston, 1 bull.....	500
1 cow.....	225
B. E. Kyte, Newtown, 1 bull.....	450
2 cows.....	850
W. H. Young, Attica, 1 bull.....	1,100
1 cow.....	800
S. H. Godman, Wabash, 2 cows.....	615
A. P. Nave, Attica, 1 bull.....	260
F. A. Nave, Attica, 2 cows.....	975
H. E. Watson, Edinburgh, 1 bull.....	525
2 cows.....	710
Total.....	17 head, \$ 8,380

TO NEBRASKA.	
Wm. Humphrey, Ashland, 1 bull.....	\$ 225
1 cow.....	300
H. G. Clark, Craig, 1 bull.....	395
6 cows.....	1,815
Minier Bros., Craig, 3 cows.....	915
M. P. Sullivan, Spaulding, 1 bull.....	265
A. Wickstrom, Holdridge, 1 bull.....	225
Total.....	14 head, \$ 3,090

TO IOWA.	
Geo. T. Rue, Silver City, 1 bull.....	\$ 320
1 cow.....	350
J. W. Blackford, Hillsboro, 1 bull.....	450
W. J. Brennan, Mt. Edna, 1 bull.....	395
J. S. Kennedy, Yorktown, 1 bull.....	395
E. C. Maytag, Laurel, 1 bull.....	340
J. B. McCleery, High Point, 1 cow.....	325
Total.....	7 head, \$ 2,350

TO TEXAS.	
C. C. Slaughter, Dallas, 1 bull.....	\$ 5,000
1 bull.....	1,600
G. M. Slaughter, Dallas, 1 cow.....	875
The VR Ranch, Canyon, 2 bulls.....	500
R. C. Naal, Vernon, 8 cows.....	2,395
Total.....	13 head \$10,370

MISCELLANEOUS.	
Frank Rockefeller, Cleveland, O., 18 cows.....	\$ 8,590
G. F. Burleigh, Vassalboro Me., 1 bull.....	705
Byron Sessions, Woodruff, Utah, 1 bull.....	255
W. S. Manning, Elkhorn Grove, Ill., 1 bull.....	405
S. P. Kern, Blackwell, O. T., 2 bulls.....	595
1 cow.....	450
Frank Steward, Marshall, Mich., 1 bull.....	510
3 cows.....	770
Milne-Bush Cattle Co., Roswell, N. M., 1 bull.....	500
Total.....	21 head, \$12,780

SOTHAM'S AVERAGES.	
24 bulls brought \$14,385, average.....	\$599.37
22 females brought \$9,355, average.....	425.22
46 head brought \$23,740, general average.....	516.08

NAVE'S AVERAGES.	
19 bulls brought \$5,840, average.....	\$307.36
30 females brought \$12,970, average.....	432.33
49 head brought \$18,810, general average.....	383.87

HORNADAY'S AVERAGES.	
4 bulls brought \$2,300, average.....	\$575.00
34 females brought \$11,070, average.....	325.58
38 head brought \$13,370, general average.....	351.84

GENERAL SUMMARY.	
47 bulls brought \$22,525, average.....	\$479.25
86 females brought \$33,995, average.....	388.31
133 head brought \$56,520, general average.....	420.45

A RETROSPECTION.

If the reader interested in improved beef cattle will note some of the features concerning the result of the three days' Hereford sale held at Kansas City it will doubtless convince him that it pays to select the best blood obtainable in the beginning; to study how best to commingle it; to give the herd more attention in its handling, and to exercise better care of the calf from its birth to the end of its usefulness or its departure from the farm.

The question very naturally arises, how can the general average, \$516.08, realized by Mr. Sotham's 46 head, be accounted for? There are no conditions at this time that tend to advance the price of good Herefords beyond those that were realized last year, unless it is that their merits are becoming better understood and more extensively known. Hence, to arrive at a solution a brief history of Sotham's methods and a glance at the herd is in order. It is one of the maxims of Sotham's that the foundation must of necessity be right to begin with, as he believes and works on the theory that there is something in "individual excellence by inheritance." In the selection of his bulls and cows a careful consideration is always exercised on the probable outcome of the result before the mating has been accomplished. Then, the subsequent care is not a secret one, but as natural as the habits of the individual animal will permit. How well he succeeds one need not refer to the show ring record during the past ten years other than



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Among other things accomplished by his premier herd bull Corrector 48976, is the amounts realized for three of his sons, viz: Sir Bredwell 63685, \$5,000; Sir Comewell 68776, \$1,600, and Excellent vol. 18, \$1,575. These prices exceed any ever realized at public sale or the get of one sire in this country, aggregating \$9,175 for 3 individual animals.

POINTERS CONCERNING MR. NAVE.

In noting some pointers concerning Mr. Nave's Hereford experience and success, it may be encouraging to the young breeders or those that contemplate embarking in the business of breeding Whitefaces, to state that Mr. Nave started into the business of breeding high class Herefords less than three-years ago. In making his selection he adhered to uniformity of character as near as possible. Late in 1896 the opportunity presented to secure his premier herd bull Dale for \$1,100. Many of his cows and heifers cost him \$800 to \$1,000. If the animal, both in breeding and individuality, conformed to his ideal a few dollars did not stand in the way of its becoming a member of his herd. His success last year, as a new breeder, was a phenomenal one at the New York, Indiana, Illinois state fairs and at the Trans-Mississippi exposition at Omaha. In details he pursues a course similar to Mr. Sotham, especially in one thing, and that is "the best is none too good." While there were no phenomenal prices realized in the recent sale, the 3-year-old bull Gold Dollar 73652, brought \$870, and the 49 head, most under 2 years old, made an average of \$383.97.

THE HORNADAY RESULT.

It was on October 19, 1896, at the public sale held at Independence, Mo., when Grant Hornaday bought 15 head, mostly bred two-year-old Gudgell & Simpson heifers as the foundation of his registered herd. They cost him an average of \$135. The following spring he secured the bull Sir Comewell 68776 at Mr. Sotham's annual public sale for \$840. This was the highest price paid for a yearling bull of any breed in 1897. Thus the reader will see that Mr. Hornaday started about right; at least one concludes so when it is taken into consideration that the bull Sir Comewell 68776 brought an even \$1,600 and the 38 lots that went through the sale made an average of \$351.84. The calves by Sir Comewell 68776 that were sold singly and a foot with dam were a very strong illustration of what can be done by having both sire and dam right in the beginning—not a second class lot among the entire lot of youngsters.

W. P. BRUSH.

The Sunny Slope Sale.

The writer takes pleasure in calling the attention of all interested in choicely bred registered Hereford cattle to the sale announcement made by Mr. C. A. Stannard, the late successor to the ownership of the noted Sunny Slope herd at Emporia, Kas.

The visitor at this noted farm now finds—since the consolidation of the Sunrise herd, founded on owned by Mr. Stannard, and the herd owned by the lamented late Mr. C. S. Cross, known as Sunny Slope—the combined herd aggregates over 500 head from which 100 head, 45 bulls, 5 cows, 40 2-year-old heifers and 10 yearling heifers, have been selected and will go to the highest bidder at Kansas City on Tuesday, April 18, 1899. It may with propriety be stated here that 35 of the 2-year-old heifers that will go into the sale, are those that Mr. Stannard had heretofore selected as the younger division of the Sunrise herd. This being the case the prospective buyer need not expect anything but extra good ones; especially will these females be appreciated as they were

bred and safe in calf by either Wild Ton, Imp. Keep on, Imp. Sentinal, Kodax of Rockland, or Java. Among the 5 cows is a daughter of the noted Beau Real, Esmaralda 57555, that is one of the best producers on the farm. Then comes Ashto Bloom 65877 with a bull calf at side by the \$3,000 Imp. Salisbury. If a little different breeding is wanted there is the cow Belle Washington 51165, she a daughter of Imp. Washington 22615, a great show and breeding bull in his day and time. She will come into the ring with a son of Java at foot. If one a little more up-to-date be preferred then Cordelia 2d 71966, by Cadalac, the son of Mr. Sotham's noted Corrector, will be sent in with a bull calf at side by Imp. Iron Founder. The fifth one or these older females will be Pulvisa 2d 38105, she by Hendricks 26193. She is an excellent breeder and in near expectancy by Java.

A word concerning the 10 long yearling heifers will not be amiss to those that want some extra well-bred. These young things are taken out of a lot that Mr. Cross had reserved for future usefulness in the Sunny Slope herd. It may occur to the reader that the female offering is the peer of anything in Hereford kingdom. They are certainly bred right and individually the equal of any.

THE BULL OFFERING.

The 45 head of bulls were selected out of a lot of over 100 head and if the reader will consult a copy of the sale catalogue he will find them sons of Kodax of Rockland 40741, Archibald Me 60922 he a son of Archibald 5, Lomond and Stone Mason 12th 42397. This array of noted sires needs no introduction to the American Hereford public. Kodax of Rockland will be included in the offering and the prospective buyer will have an opportunity to see both sons and daughters, hence will be able to judge of the value of Kodax as a sire of extra good ones. Such is the reputation of the merits of the cattle that will go into this sale that it ought to bring out one of the largest convocations of Hereford and beef cattle breeders ever gathered together in this country. For further information consult the announcement elsewhere in this issue and govern yourselves accordingly.

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PERSONAL POINTERS.

Dr. Craft was up from Higgins the 20th.

Joe Brezile was up from Camargo the 18th.

A. C. Scott of Supply, was a Woodward visitor the 18th.

W. S. Baird, of Curtis, was a Woodward visitor the 20th.

John T. Jessie was up from Taloga the 26th on business.

C. E. Roberds, of Tryo, Kan., was a Woodward visitor the 29th.

Anc Hazlewood, of Canadian, Tex., was a Woodward visitor the 28.

C. R. Camen, of Custer, transacted business in Woodward the 18th.

C. E. Crews, of Childress, Tex., was in Woodward the 20th on business.

S. A. Pfrimer, of Waynoka, transacted business in Woodward the 18th.

W. M. Byrd, of Quanah, Texas, transacted business in Woodward the 26th.

A. L. Gear, of Ashland, Kan., transacted business in Woodward the 29th.

J. C. Hogle, of Pueblo, Colo., transacted business in Woodward the 29th.

R. W. Brook, of Denver, Colo., transacted business in Woodward the 14th.

Alex. Lawrence and M. C. Helder, Barns, Okla., transacted business in Woodward the 11th.

J. A. Cox and John W. Brown, of Liberal, Kan., transacted business in Woodward March 27.

Chas. Rineasan, stockman, of Higgins, Tex., was in the city on business Monday March 27.

Miss Alyce Dennis, arrived last Saturday from Granbury, Texas, to spend the summer with her sister Mrs. Germany.

C. C. Wallace, of Lexington, Mo., and Jesse Evans, of Kansas City, was in town the 15th on their way to Taloga for a visit.

Frank Garst will ship 1000 head of yearlings and twos from Roswell New Mexico and unload at Woodward the last week in April.

E. P. Evans, of St. Louis, has accepted a position with the York-Key Mer. Co., as bookkeeper. He arrived in Woodward March 16.

Roy McAdams came up from the ranch at Ioland Tuesday. He reports cattle to be in good condition and everything going along nicely.

Mrs. K. A. McAdams and her mother, Mrs. Patrick, left the first of this week for Pauls Valley, I. T., where Mrs. Patrick lives.

C. C. Ward who has been engaged for the past year in drilling deep wells for the cattlemen of this county, has gone to Beaver county to operate.

Tobe Odem, a large cattleowner of the Panhandle, came in last Monday allured by the many favorable reports about Roswell.—Roswell Record Mar. 24.

Jno. E. Patterson, foreman of the C dot G ranche in Comanche County Kansas, was a Woodward visitor on the 21st. He reports a very light loss by storms.

John Pitman, wife and daughter, of Kansas City, stopped in Woodward the 26th on their way to Taloga, where Mr. Pitman expects to engage in business.

Dennis Shanahan met with quite a painful accident in about a mile from his home last week. His team became unmanagable and tipped the wagon over breaking one of the bones in his right leg.—News March 31.

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New Game Law.

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All persons are forbidden to catch, kill or maim any insectivorous birds, such as robin, red bird, wren, martin, swallow, etc.

The penalty for the violation of the law is from \$10 to \$100 in each case, and in default of payment committal to prison. The law makes it the sworn duty of all county and township officers, when such violation of the law comes to their knowledge to file complaint against such parties before some competent trial official.

A group of railroad men at the Laeclde Hotel, in St. Louis, were discussing the vast improvements that have been made in train service in recent years. Joe Herrington the oldest conductor in point of service, on the M. K. & T. said that while running a train between Sedalia and Parsons some twenty years ago a passenger inquired as to why the train had stopped, being out on the prairie some miles from any settlement. Joe told him he allowed the engineer was running cows off the track. The train proceeded for some miles and again stopped. The passenger once more inquired the cause; Joe told him he guessed the engineer had caught up with those cows again.

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Words of Warning.

The following letter from Hon. Taylor Riddle, Secretary of the Kansas Live Stock Sanitary Commission, proves the value of the recent action of the Oklahoma Live Stock Association in defeating the Wailes bill in the legislature.

M. C. Campbell, Ch'm., Taylor Riddle, Sec'y, Wichita, Kan., Marion Kan., F. H. Chamberlain, Sedan, Kas., STATE OF KANSAS.

Office of LIVE STOCK SANITARY COMMISSION, Marion, Kansas, March 20th, 1899.

W. E. Bolton, Esq., Woodward, Okla.

DEAR SIR:—I notice from various newspaper reports and from other sources, that the legislature of your state came very near passing some quarantine legislation that we of Kansas believe would have been very detrimental to you.

What we of Kansas want, who are buying your supplies of cattle, is that you watch your southern and eastern border carefully, for it is from that direction that trouble will come, should you ever have any.

On October 11, 1898, the inter-state association of live stock sanitary boards met at Omaha, Neb., and decided upon quarantine line and many other important measures, among which were that no cattle that were ticky should cross quarantine line from points south to points north of same, at any time of year.

Let me say in conclusion that your cattle association is the best, should be your greatest protection against infectious diseases and I have no doubt they are.

Now, my friend Bolton, do not treat this letter as a threat; it is simply a friendly warning that you can readily see is in the interest of the cattle men of Kansas.

Yours in the interest of the cattle industry of Oklahoma and Kansas. TAYLOR RIDDLE, Secretary.

The Texas Ranger, published at Amarillo, Tex., is a very neat and newsy eight page paper. Mr. H. D. C. MacLachlan, the editor, deserves much credit for the faithful labor that he performed in the work of incorporation of the city of Amarillo.

Miss Jennie M. Goodwin.



HEREWITH, the LIVE STOCK INSPECTOR presents a faithful portrait of the "Queen of the Kansas City Stock Yards" Miss Jennie M. Goodwin, who has been closely associated with the market for nine years past, entering upon the tenth April 2, 1899.

Concerning Spring.

Say! The calendar says It's Spring On the 21st of March. I don't believe it; Not a bit. It isn't Spring until The snowdrops begin to Bust out o' the ground And the daffodils or Jonquils.

ern cattle, trade which the general public is not acquainted with and which are enigmas even to many who are engaged in the business.

It is a singular fact that while these southern cattle are quarantined, not because they themselves are sick, but because they are infected with a cattle tick known as Boophilus Bovis, which communicates splenic fever to native cattle, yet they sell to be slaughtered at prices, quality considered, along with northern cattle.

Kansas City is the headquarters of the bureau of animal industry for the southwest, and which extends also as far west as California. The government furnishes twenty inspectors to the live stock agent of the bureau in charge at Kansas City, whose duty it is to see that the rules and regulations of the government, in regard to the transportation of cattle from south of the quarantine line, are complied with.

Easily, Walker, Denham & Caraway are in this issue and for the year following with an invitation to all readers of the LIVE STOCK INSPECTOR to consign to them and to call upon them when at the Kansas City markets.

Western Cattle Trade.

There are many things in connection with the western and southwest-



Geronimo, the noted warrior, and his family, now held as a prisoner at Fort Sill. Portrait made for the Sunday World, of Kansas City, while the old chieftain was engaged in the labor of raising watermelons during the season of '98.

A Jay in Chicago.

[Broken bits of life collected for the entertainment of readers of the LIVE STOCK INSPECTOR. Series—2.]

I may as well remark here that this is no funny business. It is too serious for that. Traveling by night and working like fermented canned roast beef all day does not lead the writer into happier expressions of fact. What you see may be of passing interest; if not, you can cuss the publisher and look contented.

Anyway, these paragraphs are simply comments, hastily recorded at idle odd moments. Perhaps they may give some one a restful moment in the busy workaday life and thereby prevent nervous prostration, unless they produce it, in which case the doctor at least may be benefited.

Is there a railway system in the world equal to the Santa Fe? Can there be found anywhere the magnificent equipment of rolling stock and such perfect roadbed for a distance measuring 11,000 miles? It has not a rival in the world and we of the west are justified in feeling the measure of pride in this colossal system, which is the only one binding the waters of the Atlantic shipments with the western coast and reaching an index finger to the warm waters of the Gulf. It hauls more people, it hauls more cattle and it hauls more general freight than any other railroad in the world. And withal, it provides the most comfort and convenience for travelers. One may go over this line for years and never see an empty coach. Had the Santa Fe been in operation at the time, Christ would never have ridden a mule into Jerusalem; he would have used the Santa Fe. It goes everywhere.

It is simply wonderful how many saloons in Chicago are run by Mr. Dewey. One can see his name on them everywhere, from the palatial cut glass clinkery to the brown mug resorts under the pavements. The Dewey family are in evidence in this man's town.

Riding up town to-day I saw a sweet feminine face from which a pair of shy modest eyes occasionally glanced at my elegant figure opposite. Thus encouraged I ventured a smile, one of those seven by nine affairs which makes me resemble a Catholic bishop dispensing reformation to a

woman suffragist. I was rewarded by a dimple of a smile in return but which was at once ordered into retreat by its owner. Here was a case at last—love at first sight. Romance and beauty. I was the proud possessor of a "mash." I sought her gaze and by patient waiting was again rewarded with a curving of the beautiful lips and a roguish recognition, half concealed. I grew bolder and admiration of the dainty creature took possession of my senses. I gazed broadly at her regardless of the other occupants of the crowded car. She had completely won my heart. What if I should lose this chance of happiness. She would soon get off the car and be lost to me in the crowd. Recklessly and regardless of the consequences, I leaned across the aisle and asked her to be my sweetheart. The clang of traffic on the street drowned her answer, which I am sure was not averse. The door opens, the conductor bawls out "Madison street—all out," and my dear little flirt of less than five summers leaves the car with her papa and I see her no more.

Weather! Chicago people claim that a heavy snowstorm the last days of March with a lake breeze freezing icicles on your lungs at every breath is unusual. But I fail to see any "old settlers" confirming the statement. It is therefore probably untrue. This weather is just the common every day dose of pneumonia which makes inheritances so popular in Chicago. Mighty different altogether from our gentle zephyrs and balmy sunshine in Oklahoma.

The "elevated road" is a popular institution in Chicago. There are just as many people compelled to stand as on the surface lines, but the straps are more convenient and half an inch wider. I climbed up the aggregation of heart failure promoters, otherwise known as two or more flights of stairs, and having produced the price was admitted to full membership with the strap for a distance of several miles. It was going home time among the city schoolma'ams and they certainly have the happy faculty of being candid in expression as well as pretty in person. And this was what I heard:

"Yes, I tell you Amiriari, I am going to apply for the principalship of some literary dugout in Oklahoma and make some dough. My pay here is only \$90 per month and the theaters get too much of my dinaro to suit my com-

plexion. I need rest anyway and it will be like taking a vacation. I have my optle peeled on a love of a location out west and you may singe my caramels if I perch on any intellectual monuments here again until I get rested."

"That's right Maude, chimed in her companion, "you get a hitch on the necessary and I'll come out and play second act in front of the salary drop curtain. I'm getting tired of Chicago; it's just too awfully slow for anything."

And as they left the car, I confess I couldn't help but admire the good judgment given.

I strolled up that magnificent mart of mail order trade, Wabash Avenue, intending to call on the proprietor of a supply company whose goods were needed by our ranchmen and stock farmers. I wanted his advertisement in the columns of the LIVE STOCK INSPECTOR for your benefit—and mine. I had called on former occasions and urged him to accept the saving grace of publicity in this paper. He had courteously refused and invited me to come again. He said: "We have our salesmen on the road who are able to do more than newspapers and I use circular letters to show the advantage in buying from us. I never advertise in newspapers or class journals; it is too expensive." I thought of all this as I neared his place of business, cudgeling the contents of my bald spot to find some argument to cause him to see the error of his belief. He was a wealthy man, conservative and square dealing; he had grown old in the business, yet I was sure his methods were not up to date. I knew we had a valuable field for his vehicles and implements and I knew that latter day progress meant hustling for trade and especially the use of reliable journals and newspapers. My arguments were formulated and I was sure of my position, but it was not necessary. When I arrived I found the sheriff had clinched my argument, and the magnificent stock was advertised at a sacrifice while the "conservative" proprietor had been forced into bankruptcy. It was an object lesson I shall not soon forget. Had he used a half dozen good mediums as the LIVE STOCK INSPECTOR he would be doing business and making money.

"Just take it with you so you can remember it," called out a big-lunged country shipper to a waiter in the dining room of the Transit House, as he

handed her the menu card. Everybody smiled, as everybody knows the Transit is the best hotel in Chicago, on the American plan. And they smiled louder as two waiters brought the order and covered a table space five feet square with the tempting viands. It was only an incident, but it serves to show the great popularity of the Transit, under the able supervision of Manager L. E. Howard. Everything is as neat and clean as freshly minted coin and the service is royal. The rates are only \$2.00 per day, big nice bedrooms and a fare that is not excelled in Chicago. The Transit is accessible by several car lines to any part of the city and is by all odds the best place in the city for western people to stop while here. This is a quiet tip to all readers of the LIVE STOCK INSPECTOR who visit the big town at any time. You will not be robbed at the Transit.

I met big handsome Jack Harris, the deservedly popular General Live Stock Agent of the Chicago markets, or, more properly speaking The Junction Ry. Co. and the Union Stock Yards Co. of Chicago. Harris is a hustler and his motion outclasses a dynamo. He may be here to-day and to-morrow at Salt Lake. All the dining room girls know him and he is the thing in social circles. I had the pleasure of a luncheon with him and find that since his visit to our convention in Woodward in February he is keenly alive to the importance of the range industry of Oklahoma and adjoining counties in Kansas and Texas. While at the yards I also met H. T. Keenan, one of the pioneers of the trade at Chicago, and learned much of the early history of the live stock exchange. I also met J. C. Dennison, Secretary-Treasurer, and his assistant, Mr. Walter Doughty, who promised it possible to be at the next annual convention of the Oklahoma Live Stock Association at El Reno. Since my last visit here many changes have been made at the yards and Vice-President J. A. Spoor has the active management of affairs. His assistant, Mr. Leonard, has the office formerly occupied by the secretary and has direct supervision of matters. Mr. Leonard is aggressive and progressive, alert and keenly discriminating and withal a very pleasant gentleman to meet. It is safe to say that the old Union Yards will easily maintain world wide supremacy under his control.

There are many matters of which I would like to tell you, but the foregoing is sufficient for this inning. I am investigating the Montana system of cattle inspection now and later on will have something to say about it. The claim is freely made here that it possesses many points of excellence over all others, and if this is verified for the best interests of our Association you will hear of it.

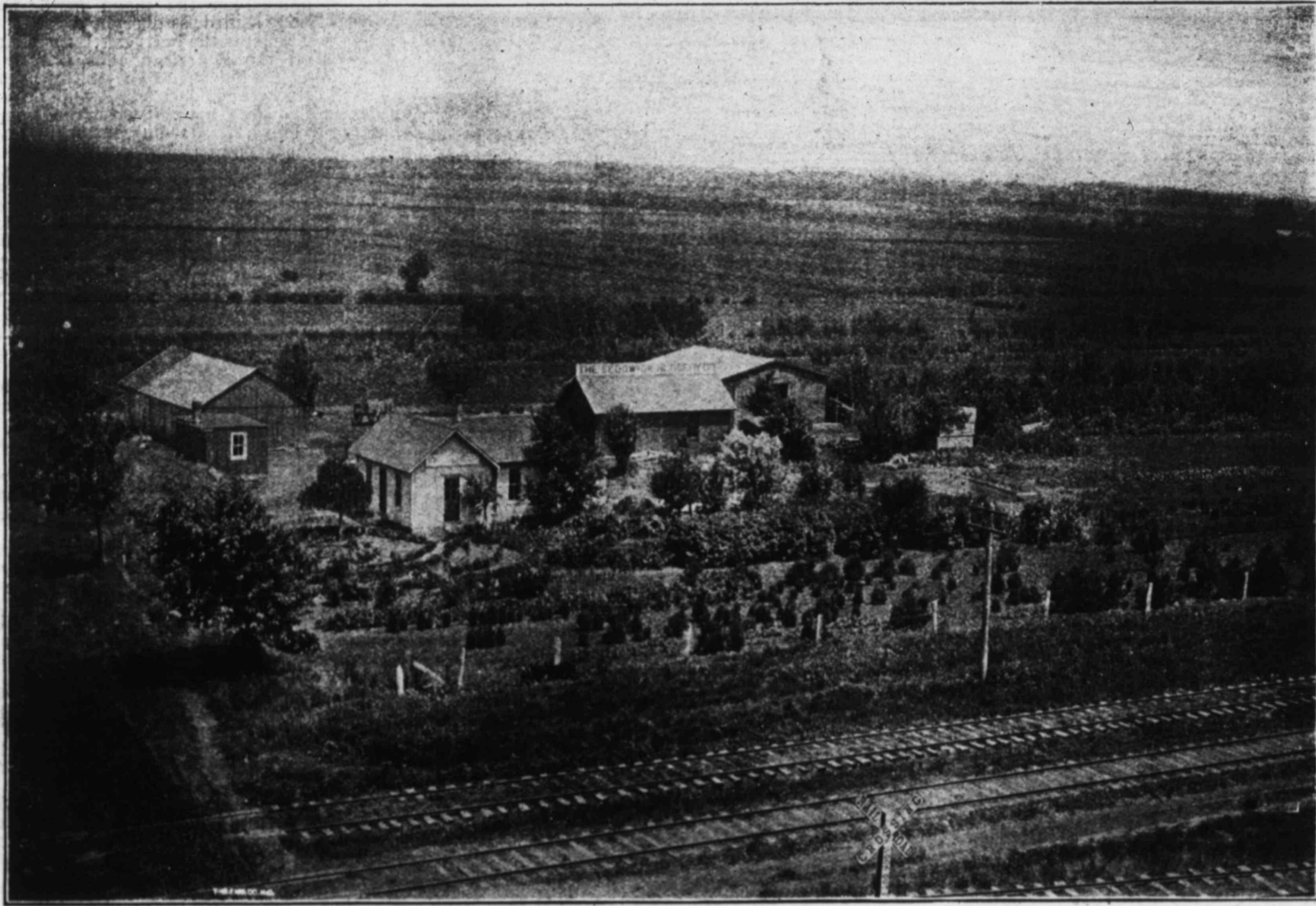
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Mr. F. B. Mills, the enterprising seedsman of Rose Hill, N. Y., whose success has been most remarkable, made so largely on account of his enterprise and fair dealing, has devised another scheme that is equally as forceful and attractive. The ten cent due bill that he furnishes to all who write him for a catalogue is proving a very liberal offer and our readers need have no fear that they will be unfairly dealt with. Better send at once for catalogue and get a due bill which will help pay for your season's seeds.

The object in making this liberal offer is to induce those not acquainted with Mr. Mills to try his seeds for this season. Mr. Mills feels confident that one season's trial will make a permanent customer.

Elsewhere in this issue is the initial advertisement of Rosenbaum Bros. & Co., of Chicago, South Omaha, South St. Paul, South St. Joseph and Sioux City. This firm is one of the largest in the trade and readers of the LIVE STOCK INSPECTOR will be pleased to learn more of them.



SEDGWICK NURSERIES.—HOME GROUNDS. (See Advertisement on Last page.)

POULTRY DEPARTMENT.

LIVE STOCK INSPECTOR.

[This Department solicits items of news from each reader of the Live Stock Inspector. It will be the aim of the publisher to make it interesting and instructive and this can best be accomplished by your aid and assistance. Direct all communications for publication to **H. L. ROCHELLE, Editor Poultry Dept., Wichita, Kansas.**

When reply is desired outside the columns of Poultry Department, always enclose stamp in your letter to the editor. All business communications should be addressed to the publisher at Woodward, Oklahoma.

Best Table Fowls.

There are two objects to be gained in keeping a flock of hens. Eggs and fine meat birds for the table. The common barnyard chicken is good but the fact is that with a little care we can have fowls that are very much better. When you set your hens this year plan to raise chicks that will have small bones and sinews, with plumpness of breast, meaty thighs and shortness of legs and neck. In other words, a compact blocky bird with plenty of meat and little bone. Do not be led off after the fine colors or chickens that are guaranteed to lay an egg every day and two on Sunday. The Plymouth Rocks and Wyandottes are the two best known and most popular American breeds. These two breeds are not perfection, yet they represent a long step in the right direction in breeding, the females coming nearer to the ideal small boned, meaty fowl so greatly desired than the males. The latter are still rather lank and bony. In these two breeds we find the best table fowl in all the long list of pure bred poultry. Of these two the Plymouth Rock is the best known and most popular. The difference however between them consists chiefly in plumage, as there is really very little difference in size, weight and the amount of edible flesh on them.

There is another breed that ranks

high as a table fowl and they are among the best layers. We refer to the Southern Game fowl, a fowl that like Topsy "just grewed," and which, despite the efforts of poultry fanciers to produce something superior, still holds its own as a table fowl. In fact a game pullet with her plump breast, broad and fleshy back and meaty thighs, combines as large a per cent of meat to the bone as any fowl grown. In addition to this there is a sweetness and bird flavor about the farm raised game fowl not found in any other breed.

Humorous Geese.

Of barnyard fowls the geese are the most intelligent. It is related of a pair of geese that they used to round up the chickens which strayed in from the neighbors and play pranks with them for the fun of it, says the New York Sun. One day a dozen of a neighbor's hen flock came visiting and the geese entertained them. The chickens were corralled in a fence corner, and the geese flapped their wings and hissed, showing great joy when the farmer came out and began to feed his flock. Between hen-baiting and eating, these geese did not know what to do. They wanted to eat, and would begin to eat. Then the chickens would start away. That made the geese so uneasy that they could not eat. After a bit the chickens started along the fence toward a little stream of water with eighteen-inch high banks. On seeing this the geese stopped eating and went to the stream and swam down it toward the spot for which the hens were headed, and ducked their heads so that the chickens couldn't see them. Arriving at the crossing place the geese jumped into the air with flapping wings and tried to catch one of the chickens, but they were too slow, and the chickens went over the fence like scared crows. If the geese had caught the chickens the feathers would have flown, for the geese delighted in plucking the feathers out of a captive.

Set eggs from thoroughbred poultry. You will get stronger and healthier chickens.

A chicken worth hatching will contrive to get itself hatched. When hatching is progressing remove gently once or twice the empty shells that might otherwise over cap the unhatched eggs, but further than that do not interfere.—Orange Judd Farmer.

Always set two or more hens at once so as to have them hatch at the same time and put two or more broods together. Do not have any hens running around with one or two lonesome chickens. It is a fact that a hen will take better care of twenty chickens than one.

Why do not farmers and ranchmen raise more ducks? The Pekin duck will give from 180 to 250 eggs every year and they do not need any more water than chickens. Then think of having a good fat duck for dinner now and then. Let us have more variety in the poultry yard and set a better table. We will live longer and be happier. It only costs a little work and better management.

Give the hen a chance. Do not set a hen in any old place. Fix a good box at least 2 feet by 2 feet and 1½ feet high. Make a good nest with a few inches of dry, clean dirt and soft straw or chaff on this. Then give her fifteen good eggs and let her alone and the old hen and Dame Nature will do the rest. I was at the ranch of one of my neighbors last Sunday and helped to gather the eggs. I saw four hens on one nest with about twenty eggs and two broken eggs on the ground pushed out of the nest. The lady complained of her bad luck in raising chickens. When I saw this sample of her efforts I did not wonder at her luck.

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Lice on Animals.

Kansas Experimental Station, Manhattan, Kan., Feb. 24, 1899.

PUB. LIVE STOCK INSPECTOR:—These wingless insects are found parasitic on all animals. Cattle are unfortunate in being the most common victims of lousiness. Sheep are rarely affected. We meet with this disease most frequently during the winter months, in neglected, half-starved, dirty animals. Young animals are especially liable to be infected. Sometimes, however, even well-kept cattle suffer severely.

So-called lice are either true lice (*Haematopinus*) or bird lice (*Trichodectes*). The former have a slender, often spindle-shaped body, a pointed head, grayish blue color, and suck blood. The *Trichodectes* are broader, have a squareish head, brown color, and have biting mouth parts, living on hair and epidermal scales. *Trichodectes* are usually found on neglected, unthrifty animals with long, shaggy hair and a dirty, scaly skin. They usually disappear as soon as the animal's condition improves. True lice, on the other hand, occur also on thrifty animals.

Every species of domestic animal has its own specific louse, or lice (horse louse, ox lice two kinds, pig louse, goat louse, dog louse, etc., and *Trichodectes* of the horse, ox, sheep and dog). The louse of one species of animal can not exist permanently on another species.

SYMPTOMS.—Lice always give rise to a troublesome itching, causing the animal to rub and scratch the infested portions of the body. The hair is rubbed off, or drops out, the exposed skin becomes inflamed, scaly, and even covered with extensive eruption and large raw, bleeding surfaces, giving the animals an extremely distressful and unsightly appearance.

Lice seem to prefer the region of the neck and mane, the back, root of tail and, in cattle, the base of the horns, in pigs the region between the hind legs.

The presence of lice and their nits attached to the hair is sufficient evidence regarding the nature of the trouble.

TREATMENT.—There are many remedies for destroying lice, e. g., arsenic, mercurial ointment, hellebore, tobacco decoctions, the seeds of *Delphinium staphysagria* (stavesacre), creolin, carbolic acid, lysol, traia or fish oil etc.

The following are of special merit:
1. Mercurial ointment, diluted with a little oil, is very effective on horses and pigs. It is applied in small quantities to the affected parts only. It must not be used on cattle.

2. A tobacco decoction (one pound tobacco and three gallons boiling water, allow to stand for half an hour) with or without the addition of two pints of vinegar, is very effective; but often produces nausea in horses and cattle.

3. Five per cent solutions (three teaspoonfuls to a pint) of creolin or lysol, in water containing 20 per cent of alcohol, well rubbed in with a brush is very effective.

4. The remedy which has given the most satisfactory result to the writer is kerosene emulsion, made as follows:

Kerosene, two gallons; common or whale oil soap, one quarter pound; water, one gallon. Heat the solution of soap and add it boiling hot to the kerosene; then churn the mixture for ten minutes. Dilute the emulsion with twenty gallons of water and apply with a spray pump. If no spray pump is at hand, drive the animals, if many are to be treated, into a narrow chute and apply the emulsion with a common watering-can being careful to treat all parts of the body.

Select a mild, sunshiny day for the operation. In the course of four days or a week repeat the application in order to destroy those lice that have, in the meantime, emerged from the nits. Where the animals have been kept in stables or pens do not neglect to give these places some treatment; they are just as lousy as the animals, and not treated will soon reinfest the animals. Finally, avoid conditions favorable to future infections, by giving animals

proper care and keeping them in a vigorous, thrifty condition. For long-haired animals (calves), shearing might be recommended. Weak, run-down animals may require special nursing to recover completely from an attack of lousiness.

*Note.—Be sure to have the water boiling hot when you add it to the kerosene, and churn it thoroly, otherwise you will have trouble in making a good emulsion; which when made right, should have a creamy appearance.

A Letter from Oklahoma.

The following is a letter written to the Union-Herald at Circleville, Ohio, by Miss Helen Black who visited Mr. and Mrs. Patton last February:

WOODWARD, OKLA., Feb. 16, 1899.
EDITOR UNION-HERALD:—The event of the year in Oklahoma, the annual Cattlemen's Convention has just taken place at Woodward. The convention was largely attended by people from all over the west, and is a social as well as a business affair. The wealth of the country is in the cattle, so naturally such a valuable commodity receives the respect and attention due it. "Cattle King Hotel," "Cattle King Saloon," and many similar signs meet the eye in Woodward.

The business sessions of the convention are similar to those of the Farmers' institute in the east, except that about one-fourth of the men attend the sessions, the remainder enjoying themselves upon the streets, in the saloons or shooting galleries, while the ladies, largely in evidence, visit with their friends in anticipation of the crowning event of the convention, the cattlemen's ball, given in honor of the guests. Being a stranger at a western convention, it was with interest and enjoyment that I attended this ball, which to say the least was a cosmopolitan gathering and a place where one could see the westerner at his best. The ball room was a solid mass of people until about midnight, when those who had come to look on began to go home. Then the dancing began in earnest and continued until about five o'clock. There were many graceful dancers on the floor, while one would see occasionally a couple who put as much vigor into the dance as they would into lassoing unruly cattle, with the result that the rest of the dancers must keep out of their way if they would come out without a few "bumps." Withal, however, it was a jolly good-natured crowd; people who are making money and are willing to spend it for a good time, provided they get their money's worth.

Woodward is an ambitious, enterprising town of about one thousand inhabitants, many of whom are western people with large cattle and land interests near the town. The climate is delightful, being dry and clear most of the time. The people are hospitable and energetic and everyone seems to be prosperous and generous to a high degree.

Fort Supply, an abandoned military post is about sixteen miles from Woodward, and a very beautiful place. It is now a little village, the old guard house being used for a school house and the other buildings are also used for various purposes. The soldiers have been gone from the fort for three years, and it will probably not be used again.

Oklahoma is a beautiful country but as a gentleman remarked the other day, "it is according to what you are looking for in a country," whether or not it appears beautiful. Much of the land is rough and sandy, unfit for cultivation, while there are acres of fine ranches. The spring water is all that is fit for use and this sells for twenty cents per barrel. But it is very fine water compared with the river water used in many of our cities. In fact, Oklahoma, its people and its resources are fine, and it will be a pleasure always to remember this little trip to Woodward.

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LIVE STOCK NOTES.

Stockmen are requested to write postal card items for this column. The INSPECTOR desires to print live stock notes from everywhere. Send us a postal—push it along.

P. A. Fitch, of Gilman, Illinois, is in Woodward county this week looking up a location for a stock ranch. He wishes to take advantage of our delightful climate for the benefit of his health.—March 17.

The Robert Keller Ink Co., of Detroit, Mich., manufactures of all kinds of writing and copying inks, sealing wax, office and photographer's pastes, desire a first class stationer in this territory to handle our products. We will make special low figures and invites correspondence. Their goods need no pushing when once sold.

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If you expect to get top sales for your stuff don't monkey with back number firms who are not alive to their business, who do not even solicit your patronage.

On the other hand, the firms and companies below named are up to date in method; they employ the very best salesman and buyers; they thoroughly understand their business and can give you the very best service at no higher rates than is charged you by others in the business who do not even seek your acquaintance.

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Our Market Letter.

Kansas City Live Stock Exchange
March 25, 1899.

Cattle receipts for the week 28,500; same week last year 22,000. The strong demand for finished slaughtering cattle this week was very encouraging to good feeders and while values are not notably higher for the medium grades, choice cattle were in too light supply to satisfy demands and prices were materially higher. The prize load of two-year-old steers exhibited at the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show by M. Samson of Alvarado were sold here this week; brought \$5.85 and averaged 1260 lbs each, which is said to be the highest price ever realized for Texas cattle of this weight. Stockers and feeders are in good demand at steady values. Heavy native steers sold from 5.15@5.50. Medium steers 4.40@5.15. Light weight steers 4.25@4.80. Stockers and feeders 3.75@5.50. Butcher cows 3.15@4.25. Butcher heifers 3.30@5.50. Canners 2.35@3.75. Butcher bulls 3.15@4.25. Western steers 3.30@5.20. Fancy Texans 5.85. Medium Texans 3.15@4.75.
Hog receipts for the week 62,000;

same week last year 54,000. Liberal supply of hogs that sold readily at steady prices. Sales: Heavy hogs from 3.65@3.80. Mixed packers 3.50@3.75. Light weight 3.40@3.55. Pigs 3.15@3.45.

Sheep receipts for the week 19,000; same week last year 18,000. The demand for fed lambs and sheep was very active and prices for choice lots were materially higher, while last week's advance was fully sustained for the plainer grades. No real choice Colorado lambs offered; would sell at 5.60@5.75. Medium Colorado and native lambs 4.80@5.40. Spring lambs 6.00@8.00. Yearlings 4.25@4.75. Wethers 3.80@4.60. Ewes 3.25@4.35. Stockers and feeders 2.00@4.25.

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KANSAS CITY LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Monthly summary of receipts and prices of live stock at the Kansas City Stock Yards, compiled by the Kansas City Packer, and reproduced for the benefit of readers of THE LIVE STOCK INSPECTOR.

CATTLE.

Feb. 18 to Mch. 24 INCLUSIVE.	Receipts.	Dres'd Beef & Shipping Steers, Native Fed.	Texas and Indian Steers.	Texas and Indian Cows.	Okla. Cows and Heifers.	Stockers and Feeders.	Bulls
Saturday, "	18	281			2 75-3 90	4 50-4 55	3 20
Monday, "	20	3,744	4 00-5 05	3 00-4 65	2 75-3 50	1 75-4 00	3 50-4 70
Tuesday, "	21	5,930	4 00-5 40	3 40-4 55	2 70-3 00	2 40-4 90	3 00-5 15
Wednesday, "	22	4,389	4 00-5 45	2 90-4 50	3 05-3 65	2 60-4 75	4 00-6 65
Thursday, "	23	4,681	3 90-5 45	3 35-4 60	2 60-3 35	2 00-4 25	4 00-7 70
Friday, "	24	3,952	3 75-5 50	3 15-4 40	2 50-3 25	1 75-4 50	3 25-5 00
Saturday, "	25	177				2 75-4 25	3 50
Monday, "	27	4,995	4 00-5 25	3 65-4 45	2 80-4 10	2 00-4 40	3 75-5 15
Tuesday, "	27	7,240	4 00-5 40	2 95-3 50	3 00	2 25-4 75	3 25-5 25
Wednesday, Mch. "	1	8,583	4 25-5 50	3 65-4 55		2 00-4 25	3 45-5 40
Thursday, "	2	3,852	4 40-5 30	3 40-4 27	-3 25	2 00-4 25	4 00-5 40
Friday, "	3	3,170	4 00-5 20	3 30-4 55	3 35-3 75	1 50-4 45	3 25-5 30
Saturday, "	4	155				3 85 4 00	4 15
Monday, "	6	4,000	4 25-5 60	3 25-4 40	2 75-3 40	2 00-4 20	3 75-5 15
Tuesday, "	7	10,980	4 20-5 25	3 00-4 20	2 40-3 15	1 75-4 25	3 00-5 00
Wednesday, "	8	7,451	3 75-5 50	3 60 4 30	2 60-3 95	2 00-4 40	3 50-5 45
Thursday, "	9	4,970	4 00-5 25	3 00-4 15	2 40-3 60	2 15-4 35	4 00-5 25
Friday, "	10	3,270	4 00-5 37	3 50-4 35	2 50-3 70	1 75-4 50	3 00-5 15
Saturday, "	11	88					
Monday, "	13	4,741	4 25-5 20	3 25-4 55	3 15-3 75	2 15-4 25	3 45-5 00
Tuesday, "	14	6,736	4 25-5 35	3 15-4 25		1 75-4 25	3 50-5 25
Wednesday, "	15	8,243	4 00-5 35	3 25-4 60	2 40-3 25	2 35-4 25	3 40-5 20
Thursday, "	16	3,555	4 00-5 35	3 60-4 45	2 80-3 70	2 50-4 40	4 00-5 25
Friday, "	17	3,149	4 00-5 40	3 95-4 35	3 00-3 75	2 00-4 20	3 50-5 20
Saturday, "	18	110					
Monday, "	20	4,380	4 00-5 35	3 25-3 80	2 75-3 50	2 40-3 25	2 50-4 00
Tuesday, "	21	9,132	4 25-5 50	3 00-5 85	2 65-3 50	3 15-4 25	3 85-5 25
Wednesday, "	22	6,446	4 40-5 50	3 00-4 35	2 85-3 40	2 25-4 75	3 50-5 25
Thursday, "	23	4,684	4 00-5 40	3 15-4 75		2 50-5 50	4 00-5 25
Friday, "	24	3,626	3 90-5 20	3 50-4 50	3 00-3 25	2 00-4 45	3 50-5 40

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Feb. 18 to Mch. 24 INCLUSIVE.	Receipts.	Top Price.	Bulk of Sales
Saturday, "	18	3 58	3 75
Monday, "	20	8,190	3 65
Tuesday, "	21	17,865	3 70
Wednesday, "	22	18,797	3 72
Thursday, "	23	18,053	3 77
Friday, "	24	11,481	3 85
Saturday, "	25	3,586	3 82
Monday, "	27	4,952	3 77
Tuesday, "	28	11,289	3 75
Wednesday, Mch. "	1	16,404	3 75
Thursday, "	2	7,898	3 75
Friday, "	3	9,229	3 75
Saturday, "	4	4,085	3 70
Monday, "	6	3,993	3 70
Tuesday, "	7	11,280	3 80
Wednesday, "	8	10,041	3 82
Thursday, "	9	9,996	3 80
Friday, "	10	9,588	3 85
Saturday, "	11	4,273	3 80
Monday, "	13	3,811	3 75
Tuesday, "	14	10,128	3 80
Wednesday, "	15	11,028	3 75
Thursday, "	16	10,583	3 80
Friday, "	17	8,753	3 80
Saturday, "	18	3,991	3 75
Monday, "	20	5,281	3 72
Tuesday, "	21	13,764	3 75
Wednesday, "	22	14,626	3 77
Thursday, "	23	13,351	3 77
Friday, "	24	11,805	3 80

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RANGE NOTES

Clear Creek.

Clear Creek, March 11, 1899.
PUB. LIVE STOCK INSPECTOR:—In last issue we note among the many good many things, a letter from Clark County Kan. He says all have suffered losses from the severe weather and are now prepared to fight the heel flies and sore mouth. What does he mean by "sore mouth?" We are new beginners, with few cattle and little experience, but always ready to learn. For twelve days during February we cut ice for our stock to drink. Did not know the ice water had any effect on the mouth. How should it be treated? On the same principle that the novice wins among gamblers? We are able to report no loss up to date in our little bunch. Some of our neighbors have fared badly. No trouble to count the carcasses of dead animals as you drive along—some horses, too, have died. All told it has been the worst winter, and caused more loss than ever known—so say the oldest settlers. We are growing more and more interested in the Inspector—like wine it improves with age. Hope ye editor will live long, soon marry and proceed to show the public that he is really interested in stocking up the range. Respectfully,
 MRS. W. B. TUITE.

Milk Your Cows Clean.

It is a well known fact that cows not milked clean will tend to dry up in short order. Another important reason for milking clean is to get all of the butter fat, which is contained in a much larger per cent in the last than in the first milk dram, as is shown by the following experiment.

The college dairy has conducted an experiment showing the importance of clean milking. Five cows that were giving a fair quantity of milk were selected and their milk collected in half-pint bottles, each teat contributing its share to every bottle. These samples were tested with the Babcock test, with the following results:

Cow No. 6 varied from .6 of 1 per cent to 7.2 per cent.

Cow No. 10 varied from .2 of 1 per cent to 6.6 per cent.

Cow No. 14 varied from 1.6 per cent to 5.8 per cent.

Cow No. 15 varied from 1.5 per cent to 6.8 per cent.

Cow No. 20 varied from .8 of 1 per cent to 7.8 per cent.

The results show a gradual, although not entirely uniform, increase in the per cent of fat from the beginning to the last of the milking, except with the last two samples drawn from each cow. Here the per cent of fat would take a sudden leap, amounting often to a third or a half of the total variation. This shows very clearly how important it is to get all the milk. By averaging the results it was found that the last quarter of a pint was worth from three-fourths to one and a half pints of milk first drawn from the udder. Moral: Milk clean and get fat.
 D. H. OTIS.

Money in Rape.

(By H. P. Buckbee.)

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O'er sacred psalm and psalter,
And all the font was pink and white
With roses strewn upon it,
He saw a little maid in grey,
Who wore an Easter bonnet.

He walked behind her from the church,
And viewed her girlish graces,
And breathed the vague, delicious scent
Of dainty bows and laces.
A prayer-book was in her hand—
She kept her glances on it,
'Till came a gust of frolic wind
And whisked away her bonnet.

Her eyes were full of April tears,
Her scarlet lips were smiling;
The sunny curls about her brow
Were made for man's beguiling.
Her face was like the dewy rose
He paused to gaze upon it,
And found that he had lost his heart,
As she had lost her bonnet.

But now a spray of orange flowers
Is wreathed about the Latin;
The little maid is all in white—
A dream of lace and satin.
And, as he takes her slender hand,
And slips the ring upon it,
He murmurs softly in her ear—
A blessing on the bonnet!
—Minna Irving, in Frank Leslie's
Popular Monthly for April.

Shrubs for Home Grounds.

Plant a few small shrubs near the house, so that the foundations of the house will be screened and the house seem to rise out of its surroundings. The choice of shrubs depends somewhat on the soil and location. There are a great many shrubs that are very appropriate for planting on the grounds, but only a few will be named here.

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Horse brand same as cattle.
Mules branded 2 on right jaw
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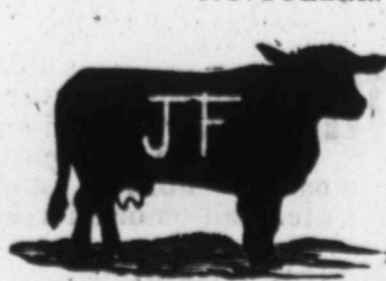
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Range: On North Canadian river, ten miles north of Woodward.



OTHER BRANDS.

On left shoulder.
On left shoulder.
Horse brands same as cattle.

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Horse brand same as main brand above.

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OTHER BRANDS.

On right side, seven underbit each ear.
On both sides.

HORSE BRANDS.

On right shoulder.

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On left thigh.

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On left loin.



On left side.



On left hip and short bar on left thigh near it.



On the side and short bar near it on thigh.

HORSE BRANDS:

Bar Z on left shoulder, or N I K on right hip. Range, same as above.

E. R. CLAUNCH.



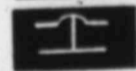
P. O. address, Woodward, Ok.

Range: 12 miles north of Woodward on Bent canon.

Ear mark: Swallow fork the right and under the left.



(On left side and hip. 77 on neck.)



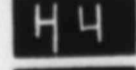
(On left side. 77 on neck.)



(On side and hip and 77 on neck.)



(On right side.)



(On left side. 77 on neck.)



(On left side. 77 on neck.)



Range, same as above.

S. C. WANE.



Post-office Address, Richmond, Oklahoma.

Mark, slit in left ear.

Range on Deep Creek.

Horse brand same as above, also same range.

J. P. CAMPBELL.

P. O. Address, Ashland, Kansas. Range.—Northeast portion of Clark county



Some cattle — on left side.

All cattle [C] on left thigh.

Horse brand J C left shoulder.

H. C. GREER.



P. O. address, Woodward, Okla. Range, 5 miles southwest of Woodward on head of Spring creek.

Some are branded same on left hip and back.

[ZTV] On right hip and side.

Horses are branded horizontal — on left thigh. Range same as cattle.

E. M. HEWINS.



P. O. Address, Woodward, Okla.

Range, on North Canadian River, ten miles north of Woodward.

Other brands are: X on left side, and some are branded with a cross on right side.

HORSE BRAND:

Perpendicular bar on right shoulder of saddle horses. Stock horses are branded cross H on left shoulder. Range, same as described above.

B. F. MAIN.

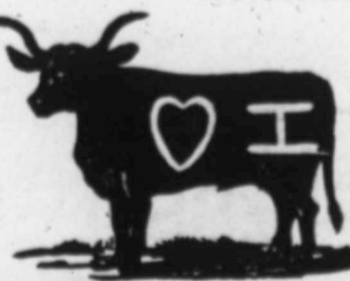


P. O.—Cline, Okla.

Range: On Beaver, eight miles east of Cline.

Also, some cattle are branded S I D. Horses unbranded. Range same as cattle.

S. B. JONES.



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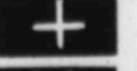
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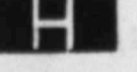
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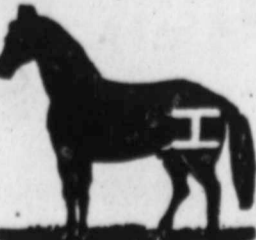


On left side and



On left hip.

HORSE BRANDS:



Also heart on left hip

Range, same as above.

OTHER BRANDS:



10 on left side.

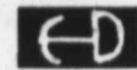
1B on left hip.



On left hip or shoulder.



On left hip.



HORSE BRANDS:

On left shoulder.

JACK LOVE.

P. O. address, Woodward, Okla. Range, 20 miles north of Woodward on Buffalo.



Other cattle are branded [7] on left hip.



Other brands are L on left shoulder

Range: Same as cattle.

W. B. GRIMES, JR.



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P. O. Address, Ashland, Kansas.

OTHER BRANDS:



On Right Hip.



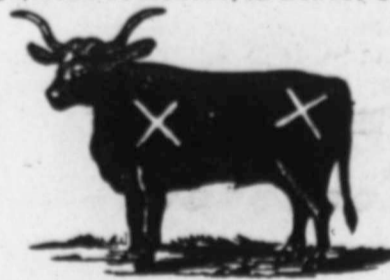
Horse Brand, Left Shoulder.



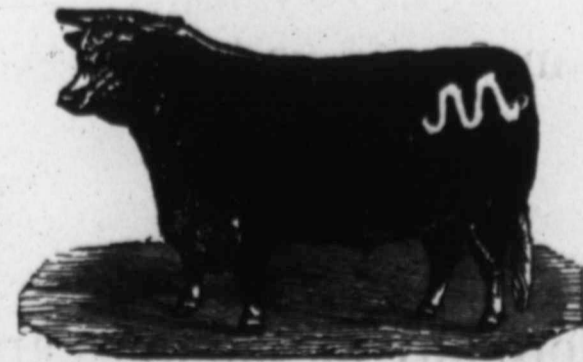
Horse range same as cattle.

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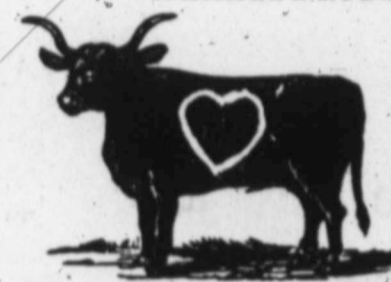


EAR MARKS: Under bit the left, and swallow fork the right.

ISHMAEL & RUDOLPH.

P. O. Kiowa, Kas.

Range on Buffalo, in Woodward county.



EARMARKS: crop and split left. Horses: branded heart on left shoulder.

F. D. WEBSTER.



P. O. Address, Gage Oklahoma.

Range, on Little Wolf east and south of Gage.

[F] On left jaw of all young stock.

JAMES CUSHNY.

Post Office, Waynoka, Okla. Range, 12 miles west, on Doe Creek.



Some cattle are branded anchor on left hip. Horses, range same as cattle.

J. S. SCOTT.



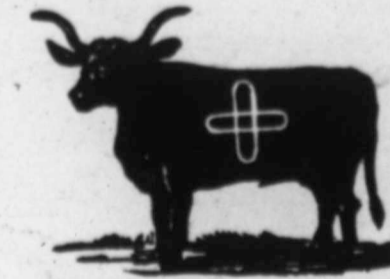
P. O. address, Gyp, Okla.

Location of Range, West Burnett Creek G county.

Horses are branded Star on either shoulder. Range, same as cattle.

W. M. BYRD.

P. O.: Quanah, Tex. Foreman, W. C. Lyon, P. O., Mangum, Okla. Range on North Fork and Haystack, in Greer county.



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Ear Marks: Crop the right and over bit the left.

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