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[dec 3-11] TEXAS.

THE LIVE STOCK JOURNAL is zealously endeavoring to prove that Northwestern Texas is not a good farming country, and exerts its utmost to discourage immigration to that section. It is not a good farming country, but a certain class of our population, is, of course, expected to advocate their interests, consequently, the Live Stock Journal is misled by the peculiar circumstances surrounding it. There is no doubt, from all the information obtainable on the subject, that Mr. Taylor and other adjoining counties, who have largely devoted to stock raising, will in time be able to produce all the agricultural products especially for small grain. Being traversed by the Red River, the country is well watered, the bottom and valley lands must be very fertile and susceptible of a high state of cultivation. It is not a good farming country, but is utilized by stock raising interests, millions and millions of dollars being invested in cattle and horses. If the country is not adapted to farming, yet there is a vast area of it now occupied by countless herds of cattle and horses, and the country is being cultivated that begins and ends with the plow."—*Marlin Ball*

We would advise immigrants who contemn "farming" on these northern lands of the West that "must be fertile and susceptible to high state of cultivation" to interview the *Marlin Ball* editor and get his recipe for a substitute for "rains" and "seasons," which are lacking in the country west of the Upper Cross Timbers.

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SHEEP AND WOOL.

Little's Chemical Fluid.

The true test of merit in any animal placed before the public is the opinion of those men who have given it a fair trial. Measured by the highest standards, Little's Chemical Fluid, advertised on this page by T. W. Lawford, of Baltimore, Md., is entitled to a high place in the esteem of those who are interested in the raising of sheep. A large list of the most flattering testimonials is placed before you, including many expressions from men of high position and well-known integrity. The need of a good sheep dip is felt by thousands of farmers who are regular readers of this paper. Write to Mr. Lawford for circulars.—*Pittsburgh Stockman.*

This new sheep dip is rapidly making its way into general use and favor in all parts of the sheep raising world. As yet it is a new thing in Texas; but is slowly and surely making its way among our flockmasters. We append one testimonial from Texas raisers who have just begun the use of Little's Chemical Fluid:

BERNARD RANCH, San Angelo, Tex., Dec. 7, 1881.

Dear Sir:—Yours of the 23d Nov. received, but owing to a week's dipping recently, we have not been able to answer till now. We dipped about 700 sheep in Little's Fluid—proportion 1 to 100 except rams which we dipped in 1 to 50. The result was most satisfactory. The Mexican assisted us in that we take only half a gallon of liquor per head. We were in the fall for this purpose, thinking a sign of sea in our horde at present we did so last year, and intend doing so every year. The fluid is good we consider it good, believing that "prevention is better than cure" as well as that it is healthy and safe. The earliest time of the year for dipping is that of our sheep being "clean," as we before told you, we shall not dip them until they are clean. The efficiency as a cure of the Fluid, but what we can say about it is this: that it gave us entire satisfaction. It mixed with cold water, in the soft stuff (if I may use a word) was made, in the healthy action on the skin noticeable in the dipping pen after immersion, as contrasted in the trying ordeal of hot dip and cold water, and in the skin heatiness of the sheep after dipping. I think we shall certainly use it as long as we live. We will not be the only ones in this part that will do so.

Indeed I have no doubt you have already heard from some other Texas country sheepmen who have some of the circulars you sent us.

Yours truly, T. W. Lawford.

From Falls County.

PEYTON, Dec. 26, 1881.

Editor Texas Live Stock Journal:

I was glad to see your call for a convention at Austin of men representing the stock interests of Texas, and hope you will call the attention of cattlemen to the "herd law" of the last legislature, which discriminates against the sheep interests. It was passed at a late hour, only read by courtesy in the senate. A proper representation to the governor would induce him to include this with other special subjects in the call for session. I know it cannot be that the cattlemen and horse raisers want to antagonize the sheepman to such extent that it will force the latter to strike hands with the farming interests and call for a general "herd law." Unless something is done immediately, the sheepmen have a few dollars and some time to spend in that direction. A word to the wise is sufficient.

Not only do you want a stock trail, but there must be some way of getting to the various shipping points. Suppose a drover wants to drive cattle or sheep for shipment from any point? How many "hang-high" fences offering no protection, if he has sheep; gates through farms; crops each side of a 12 foot (shall I call it) road—making it impossible to move in the summer season. Our legislators do not think of this. It seems as though it has become one of the laws of the state that the politician must be elected and a third house called lobby of practical men sent to do the business. Let us accept the situation and make provision for the same.

We are now joined by rail with you. How will it suit for a Northwest Texas association, to hold meetings alternately at Waco, Fort Worth and some point on the Pacific west, to be selected by the extreme western sheepmen? The state association is a fixture at San Antonio. Speak out, flocking men, and let us take it over.

Yours truly, H. N. DENTON.

Petitioning Congress.

The flockmasters of Western Texas are taking a step in the right direction, petitioning congress for an appropriation and the appointment of a commission to investigate the diseases of sheep and the maladies that infest them from the eating of poisonous herbs. Each one has a theory upon these questions, none of which seem satisfactory, and the immense losses that sheepmen sustain from unknown causes demand action on their part and aid from the government in ascertaining what produces such fatality in sheep and the best means of preventing it. The following petition is in circulation, and if all of our flockmasters will move in harmony upon this important subject much may be accomplished.

To the Congress of the United States: We, the citizens of the state of Texas, and flockmasters, interested in the growth and development of the wool interests of our country, having been sorely impressed by the heavy losses sustained in this industry through the devastating diseases of sheep, and the ruinous fatality attending them from the eating of poisonous herbs, which are unknown to the flockmaster, with the urgent need for a thorough and enlightened investigation of the causes of, and the remedies for, the diseases of sheep, do hereby petition the legislative body of our country, asking for the aid necessary to effect the objects desired. The livestock interests of the United States are of immense magnitude, and daily assuming greater proportions in which the sheep rank second only to the cattle industry as shown by the reports of the census bureau of statistics; and the great benefits that result to the cattle industry from the investigation of the diseases of sheep, particularly pleuro-pneumonia and the remedies for their diseases, induced us to petition for similar appropriation in behalf of the wool industry of our country. We possess neither the skill nor the means to conduct such an investigation, and believing that it can be accomplished by government supervision, respectfully ask that you cause to be appointed a commission to visit our plains and sheep walks, with instructions to examine the diseases of sheep, and to analyze the same; to investigate the diseases of sheep and report upon them; to visit the best breeders for sheep, lambing and other maladies that infest the sheep of our country.—*Wool Growers' Association.*

Sheep on Alfalfa.

It appears that alfalfa is constantly growing in popular esteem as feed for sheep in the southwest, in Colorado and the Pacific States. One of our California contemporaries says that alfalfa growers from as far north as Russian river to the famous alfalfa grounds of Kern county, and even to the moist lowlands of Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties, have found that the great amount of alfalfa which can be grown to the acre and the high price which can be had for the clean bright wool which comes from alfalfa pasturage, are great inducements to the same style of wool growing on lands which are suitable. The same course of conduct is spreading in the newer states of the Rocky Mountain district.

The Liver Rot in Sheep.

[Correspondence San Antonio Express.]

KNOX'S RANCH, December 19, 1881.

Rot in sheep is a more serious form of parasitic disorder than hark or worm in the throat, even if it is not so widely diffused, as the malady is due to the flukes of fluke in the liver, the worm being introduced in the inchoate state in bodies of fresh water molluscs which are swallowed by sheep when feeding in low, wet lands, or when drinking from stagnant ponds. The process of the liver rot is slow or rapid, according to the circumstances in which the animals are placed. If the flukes are few in number, and the pasturage is of tolerable good quality, and if the flockmaster is aware of the character of the land, and has taken the precaution to move to high and dry lands, such as the Wahio hills, where there is plenty of herbage, the sheep may remain some time before they show much evidence of derangement, but in more common cases the disease is more rapidly fatal. Besides the disturbance to the digestive functions, which results from the parasites in the liver ducts, and in such cases the sheep are very much emaciated, the flukes in the gallbladder, and usually an opportunity will occur for a post-mortem examination, which will find the matter by the appearance of the eye is a symptom on which the shepherd places his chief reliance. The final test, however, is the detection of flukes in the gallbladder, and usually an opportunity will occur for a post-mortem examination, which will find the matter by the appearance of the eye is a symptom on which the shepherd places his chief reliance.

First—It is well to be quite certain whether or not the sheep became infested on the ground where the disease is discovered. A mistake in this direction may be serious, because it is most important that the animals should be moved from the place where the larvae of the fluke are found; and it may be the case that the ground on which the sheep are at the time of the investigation is perfectly healthy. When it appears on inquiry that the affection has originated in the pastures where the animals are still feeding, it becomes a more common sense proceeding to move them to higher and dryer land. From any cause this essential step cannot be taken, treatment is not likely to be of much use. Experience has proved over and over again that rotten sheep have a fair chance of recovery if they are taken in the early stages of the disease to a bare, dry manure where they will be required to hunt their living; whereas if they continue on wet ground, even if they do not take up more larval forms of the flukes, which they are most likely to do, there is little opportunity for the restoration of the digestive organs, and the majority of the sheep will die of debility. Undoubtedly the successful treatment of the rot necessitates the placing of the afflicted animals in a favorable position, and supplying them with plenty of salt and ashes combined, so that every sheep can get about one ounce per day.

I endorse an article taken from the New York Times. It says that sulphur is a dangerous remedy for sheep.

It is well known that I have tried it in different ways and at all times of the year and derived no benefit from it as with any change of the atmosphere they will take cold. As I saw some sheep man writing sometime ago in the Stock Journal describing the disease as pale disease, mangel skin, anamia, bloodlessness, Cough Hark, Hoarse, etc., etc., and persons will be inquiring what shall we do to save our lambs? Here is another serious trouble which has a most simple remedy. All that is required is to keep the lambs away from pastures where old sheep run. The old sheep void in the dung myriads of eggs of the worms—that is the fine hair worms which cause in the lambs this disease with so many names. The eggs adhere to the grass and are taken into the lambs' mouths, or they are also taken in with the matter that is drunk, and from the stomach the worms proceed to the intestines, causing trouble there or ascend the gullet and pass into the windpipe and descend into the air passages and the lungs, causing catarrh or pneumonia, as the New York Times call it. Now these fine hair worms form one of the very causes of so many spotted sheep in this climate.

H. N. DENTON.

Wool Growing in Texas.

Chicago Times Correspondence.

OSTROM, Wiscon:—Wool-growing in the Lone Star state early attracted the attention of some able men, who made a success of it. Such men as Geo. W. Kendall and others fully demonstrated before 1860 the peculiar fitness of the climate and grasses of Texas to the production of mutton and wool. But the civil war threw this new industry into the background, and many highly improved flocks were broken up. At the close of the war the flockmasters began to build up the flocking business. The destruction and loss to many of the improved flocks during the war very materially retarded the full and quick resumption of this industry, but the high prices that followed the war for wool stimulated production, and wool took rank among the leading growing states of the Union. The Mexican sheep formed the basis for a stock to breed from, and the Merino flocks from the North and East the stock for improvement.

THE MEXICAN SHEEP.

The pure Mexican sheep has very coarse wool and but little of it, hardly averaging two pounds per head. They are long in the leg, flat in the rib, and thin in the quarter, and weigh light in the carcass, as well as wool. The stock of the Mexican sheep is somewhat increased as we go back from the coast to the high table lands of Mexico. They possess the desirable qualities of the ewes being shrew breeders and good nurses. Now the practical wool-grower will seek to improve that Mexican sheep in a remarkable degree, just those qualities that the Mexican sheep are deficient in—short in the leg, compact in form, firmness or density and weight of fleece, and well calculated by judicious crossing to produce the desired improvement. The improvement of Mexican sheep in Texas opened up a lucrative business in Merino sheep, with the North and East, and while substantial and rapid improvement was made, yet many a confiding wool-grower was the victim of fraud in the purchase of inferior stock at high prices.

DIVERSITY OF CLIMATE, SOIL AND VEGETATION.

As Texas has the area for an empire, and all parts are not equally well adapted to wool-growing, for the sake of brevity we will give those parts of the state not especially adapted to this industry only a passing notice.

Eastern Texas abounds in pine forests and timber land, with a few small prairies, and has not the necessary soil or vegetation for a good sheep country, but is well adapted to cotton, and produces good crops of corn and small grain, and probably will prove the best part of the state for fruit. Central Texas, the great prairie belt running from Red river southward, and intersected by the so-called Cross Timbers, and skirted with timber along the streams and with a deep, rich black soil, excellent for cotton and good for grain, has but little to recommend it as a great wool-growing district. Where suitable kinds of grasses abound, the cheapness of cotton seed for a winter feed to help bridge over the lack of first-class winter grazing, will assist materially, but this can never be a great wool-growing district.

A wide belt of the country north of the Rio Grande river, from the Gulf of Mexico westward, has long since made itself conspicuous as a great wool-growing district. The winters in this district are very mild, and sheep have generally thrived remarkably well.

But experience has demonstrated that even in this favored locality has its drawbacks; but with all those its winters are usually mild, but sometimes they are wet and subject to storms of sleet; and as sheep in Texas generally have no shelter, they sometimes suffer from storms. A few of the more cautious have some shelter, but they are the exception, not the rule.

Again, another difficulty, called the lumbrix, in the lambs, often causes heavy losses of lambs. As to the cause of this complaint it is not generally well understood as yet. The lambs, we know—those that die with it—have immense numbers of fine, thread-like worms in the stomach, but the cause that produced them is not as yet satisfactorily known. Some have alleged, and with some degree of evidence, that sheep watered from water holes or pools of stagnant water are the worst affected. But so prolific are sheep that, with these occasional drawbacks, wool-growing in this district has generally been profitable—much more so than Northern farming.

A GOOD SHEEP COUNTRY.

There is a fourth district, which in soil, climate, and character of its grasses, differs materially from either of the other preceding named districts. This is the high table lands drained by the upper Colorado and its tributaries, on the west side—such as the Main Concho, the North Concho, the Middle Concho, the South Concho, Good Spring creek, Dove creek, Kickapoo and Lipan springs, the San Sala, and the upper Neches—lies between the third and fourth districts, and partakes partly of the climate of both. I have been thus particular to mark out the location and boundaries of this new wool-growing district, and what appears now to be the most desirable one in Texas. It consists of high table lands of a limestone formation.

It has numerous valleys, and clear running streams of water, supplied by springs, some of which are very large. Its grasses are of fine quality, and its winter grazing excellent. The climate of this district is just north of latitude 31 degrees, and west of longitude 100 degrees, and a mean altitude of about 2,000 feet. Now all these combine to give this region a mild, cool, but dry winter, but with sufficient rainfall in summer to insure a supply of good feed for the year. Lands are yet cheap, but the price is advancing, and the foundation to many a future competence will be laid in this district in the next five years, if wool-growing should prove as successful as now in this locality.

OTHER GOOD REGIONS.

The fifth district consists of the fifty-four counties forming the so-called Pan Handle, or Northwest Texas except the south tier, which belongs by their position to the fourth district. Here the winters are colder and possibly subject to more storm in winter, and shelter and some winter feed will be necessary.

On a portion of the grasses are fine for sheep, and flocks of sheep are being scattered over it, but so far the result has not been near as satisfactory as in the fourth district, which lays immediately south of it.

There is a sixth district, consisting of the country drained by the Pecos river and the Rio Grande, above the mouth of the Pecos. This lies west of the fourth, and has much less rainfall and presents less of the desirable conditions of a good sheep country. But it is yet new and untried, and many good sheep ranches may be found in it.

Of the mode of handling sheep in Texas we shall treat in subsequent numbers.

Wool-Grower.

Wool Growers Convention.

The regular annual meeting of the "Williamson County Wool Growers and Sheep Breeders Association," for the election of officers and other business, will take place in Taylor on Wednesday, January 11, 1882. All wool growers are invited to be present and to join the association.

C. R. HUBBARD, Sec'y.

Some Principles in Breeding.

Mr. J. Howard, M. P., of England says: From my own observation, and conversation with Mr. McCombie, and comparing notes with other breeders, I have come to the conclusion that the following cardinal points in the art of breeding have been fairly established:

1. That from the male parent are mainly derived the external structure, configuration and outward characteristics—the locomotive peculiarities inclusive.

2. From the female parent are derived the internal structure, the vital organs, and in a minor degree, temper and habits.

3. That the purer the race of the parent, the more certainty there is of transmitting its qualities to the offspring. Sixty to ninety per cent, if of purer descent than the other, he or she will exercise the most influence in stamping the character of the progeny, particularly if the greater purity is on the side of the male.

4. That, apart from certain disturbing influences or causes, the male, if of pure race, and descended from a stock of uniform color, stamps the color of the offspring.

5. That the influence of the first male is not infrequently protracted beyond the birth of the offspring of which he is the parent, and his mark is left upon subsequent progeny.

6. That the transmission of diseases of the vital organs is more certain if on the side of the female, and the diseases of the joints is on the side of the male parent.

—Don't forget Zack's barber shop when you are in Fort Worth. 43 Main street.

STOCKMEN'S CONVENTION.

Big Preparations Being Made at Austin.

We believe it has been definitely settled that a great convention of the stockmen of Texas will be held at Austin on the 14th of February next. The benefit that will accrue to stockmen from this convention is incalculable. The mere fact of getting acquainted with each other will be of benefit to one and all in the future. Resolutions, recommending changes and amendments in the stock laws, will be adopted, and will have great weight in moulding future legislation on matters pertaining to the stock interests of Texas. The different modes of stock raising, with the advantages and disadvantages of each, will be discussed by experienced stockmen, and the oldest man in the business will doubtless learn something from the exchange of ideas. The convention is not to be confined to cattlemen; sheepmen and horse raisers are taking part in the movement that promises to bring together as large a gathering as has ever met in convention in Texas. Stockmen from all parts of the state have expressed themselves as much pleased with the selection of Austin as the place where the convention is to be held. The citizens of Austin are making preparations to compliment the stockmen with an elaborate entertainment when they come to the convention. Mr. J. B. Neff, one of Austin's liberal citizens, has rented the Opera House from the 1st of January until the 20th of February, and has generously offered it free of charge to the committee, to be used for the meetings of the convention.

The railroads will give reduced rates to the convention of the stockmen. We urged all stockmen, who can spare the time, to be present.—*Texas Siftings.*

Polled-Angus Cattle.

EMPORIA, KAN., Dec. 15, 1881.

Editor Texas Live Stock Journal:

I see an article Dec. 3rd in the Journal, headed, "Cost of Fine Bulls." While the age you recommend and the mode you get them acclimated may be all right, you seem to be at a loss to know which breed would be best to cross on the native cattle. You seem to think the Durhams are good and the Herefords are better, and I believe you might with propriety have said the Polled-Scotts are the best. I use the term "Polled-Scotts" because I use the same of the same family, that is the Polled-Angus, Aberdeens and Galloways. These are all black in color and hornless, all possessing the same form and peculiarities in a great degree, and they get their name from the section they are bred in.

I am glad to see that Messrs. Lee & Reynolds have introduced a herd of these Polled-Scotts in Texas. I feel assured that these gentlemen will make a success of the Polled-Scotts, for there is no breed of cattle in the world that possess a stronger constitution and vitality or that will subside on herding, or do better on scanty fare, or make better returns for the amount of feed consumed. I have seen these cattle grazing on the mountains in their native country at an elevation too high for tame grasses and grain to grow; but they had to subsist on heathly shrub and wiry grass where you could stand and see the mountain tops covered with snow during the winter months. There they have been bred from time immemorial, for there was nothing to dispute their claim on these mountain ranges but a black-faced sheep. There was no danger from those favored few from the south, who were raised in the lap of luxury, with high sounding titles, such as Duke, Dutchess, etc., for their days would have been soon numbered. High-headed, long-legged and narrow-waisted couldn't stand such scanty bill of fare.

But, Mr. Editor, I do take exceptions with you in recommending Messrs. Lee & Reynolds' cross of Polled-Scotts on the Herefords for the purpose of getting Scotts with horns and retaining their other good qualities. Messrs. Lee & Reynolds are the Polled-Scotts on the Herefords, but nine times out of ten they would be hornless, for the potency of Polled-Scotts far surpasses any of the improved breeds of cattle, and he impresses his likeness on his offspring in a high degree. There will be no need of Messrs. Lee & Reynolds branding the calves from their Polled bulls, for they will brand them more effectually than any iron in Texas.

In your article you admit that the Polled-Angus is a healthy animal and will stand this climate; but the objections of no horns will rule him out of the ring in this country; we cannot handle them with our long horns. Messrs. Editors, I think your cross is groundless. I think the objection you put is merely a suggestion on your part, for my experience is quite different. I now have 60 head of thoroughbred cattle in my yard, consisting of Polled-Scotts, Herefords and Durhams. I do not at all discountenance the same cross, but I think it is a mistake. I find they are equal to the emergency and capable of taking care of themselves on the range or in the corral. Yours is virtually a grazing country, and your cattle are numbered by the millions. Mr. Editor, why not advocate the raising of beef in place of horns? Our markets are paying fancy prices for the first quality of beef, and it stands your stockman in hand to produce that which will bring the best price. In order to produce this you must breed from the best, and the Polled-Scotts stand second to no breed of cattle in the world for quality of beef, and the dry is not very distant when you will find the Polled beef on the bills of fare in all our first-class hotels. All those that have used Polled cattle in Southern Kansas pronounce them a success. In less than 20 years, in the Southern and Western states, you will find the Polled-Scotts will be as numerous as the Durhams as popular as the Durhams are to-day. It will be but a few years before the producer and consumer will unite and say, God bless the Polled-Scotts.

Yours truly,

F. M. HARDY.

Every Stockman Should Have It.

The LIVE STOCK JOURNAL, of Fort Worth, contains much interesting and enlarged. The paper is one that every stockman should have, whether he has horses, cattle or sheep.—*Turnerville Effort.*

Beyond All Precedent.

If the TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL does not cease enlarging we shall have to get an injunction issued. The idea for a year and a half old paper to come out as an 8-page 7-column paper is beyond all precedent. But then you know, Texas is a big cattle state and the stock raisers need a big organ to represent them. C. G. Love, Editor. We are waiting you and if our blessing can help anything you're welcome to it.—*Red River (N.M.) Chronicle.*

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serting their brands. For terms, see
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page.

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card or otherwise.

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Also above brand on
either side of hip, in
various marks.

With various marks
under bar.

Some cattle have
above brands on left
side.

Also above brand on
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JAMES RENNIE.
Postoffice, and ranch
at White Head Hill,
Chickasaw Nation, In-
dian Territory. Horse
brand left hip. These cattle
have triangle on right
side.

J. D. SUGG.
P. O., Fort Sill, I. T. Ranch, Cash Creek,
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E. C. SUGG.
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ensaw Nation, I. T.

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This paper, usually called the St. Louis
Republican, published in the great trans-
Mississippi emporium, was established in
1838, whilst the now flourishing state of Mis-
souri was a small territory and St. Louis a
small outpost, headquarters of a few gov-
ernment officers and Indian traders. The
REPUBLICAN has steadily increased from a
diminutive sheet printed weekly and con-
taining but little more than local and unim-
portant events, to a representative American
newspaper, holding place in the front rank of
the great newspapers of the world. Its history
is the history of the West, and its influence
and power in all the material, political and
social interests of the country. It is the
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of the extensive region in which it circulates.
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throughout Missouri, Illinois, Kansas, Iowa
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widely by state and territory, be-
sides going to all important points in Europe.
Its various editions reach over one hundred
thousand homes, counting rooms, stores and
offices; this fact growing out of a steady and
uniform growth, as population has increased
and mail facilities expanded. Its readers are
the "home and shine" of the country, well in-
formed and influential.

The REPUBLICAN, from the care with which
it is edited and conducted, the enterprise
manifested in the collection of news from all
quarters, its consistency in the advocacy of
principles, and its wise and judicious
well-being of the people, has built up a cir-
culation not to be estimated merely by its nu-
merical strength.

The REPUBLICAN is published by men
chiefly who have grown up from boyhood in
the business and have made the printing of
a newspaper the study of their lives. It is
practically impossible that any event of im-
portance could occur anywhere on the civi-
lized earth and not be published in the Re-
publican before the rising of the next morn-
ing. With the means and the purpose to publish
all the news, readers of its columns will have
a right to look for a history of the day's
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To those engaged in commerce, and indeed
all who buy or sell, are concerned in what
is bought and sold, the REPUBLICAN will
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leans Times, Consolidated Dec. 1, 1881.

A representative newspaper must find its
way into every business establishment and
to every well-to-do citizen, and the most
ordinary intelligence. Is there any ques-
tion in the minds of the people living in the
Southwest and Gulf States that the
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bodies the elements of the most complete
and reliable information and the most
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a waste of time to enumerate the extent of
its issues. It is the embodiment of the
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been raised to the highest standard. The
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The Weekly is never less than 12 pages in
size, and is really the best and cheapest week-
ly paper published.

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of the Ohio river, for one year, and a copy
of charge, postage prepaid. The club
rate applies only to subscribers who pay in
advance.

—Don't forget Zack's barber shop
when you are in Fort Worth, Main
street.

FROM MINNEOLA.

A Fine Stock Farming Country—Buying a
Coat.

MINNEOLA, December 17, 1881.

Minneola is situated at the junction of
the Missouri Pacific R. R. and the L. &
G. N. R. R. in Wood county, 80 miles
east of Dallas, and is the liveliest little
town I have visited in North Texas
outside of Fort Worth and Dallas.

Notwithstanding cotton and corn
have made almost an entire failure
during the last season owing to the un-
paralleled drought, business is good
and the country is improving rapidly,
owing to the completion of railroad
business here as a point of transfer.

Wood county has long ceased to be
a stock country of much importance,
nevertheless there is quite a sprinkling
of cattle owned by the farmers of the
county, every one owning a few. Stock
cattle are now worth from \$7 to \$9 per
head all round. I think from 1,000 to
1,500 head stock cattle could be bought
in this county at the above named fig-
ures for spring delivery.

The cattle in the river bottoms of the
Sabine river, and Lake Fork, so I am
informed, was never better, and stock
are going into the winter in much bet-
ter condition than for many years
previous. There is no apprehension
left as regards the wintering of cattle
throughout this entire section.

There is, in my judgment, no county
in Texas better adapted to stock-farm-
ing than Wood. Lands are cheap;
unimproved can be bought at from \$2
to \$4 per acre. It does seem strange
that immigrants will give this county
the least consideration, timber and water
all combine to make it so desirable as
an agricultural country, and persist in
going to the far west and northwest
parts of the state, where certain failure
awaits their efforts to make farming a
success in those localities that nature
always intended should be the grand
grazing grounds of the state.

Strolling around the streets to-day
hunting up subscribers for the JOUR-
NAL, a Jew spied me across the street
and wanted to know if I had sold my
cotton. Being assured in the affirma-
tive, he proceeded to tell me that I
ought to have a new coat, that if I was
going to Austin I would not look as I
ought to in the capital city without a
new coat. He had coats of any make,
size, or previous condition. He took
every advantage of me, knowing my
small size, and dragged me into his
shop and showed me coats that were
made before the war, and any other
time during the nineteenth century.

Finally I selected a coat which I
thought would suit me, and asking the
price was informed that it was \$10, but
as it was mine I could have it for \$8.
We disagreed about the price. The
Israelite said he would call his wife
(who was in the store) and leave the
cost of the coat to her. She came up
smiling and said that the coat mark
on the coat a moment ago, and then
said: "Abraham, dot coat just cost
you two dollars and a half."

Abraham turned red and then black
in the face, and his eyes twinkled like
the little stars as he yelled out at the
top of his voice, "You go to h—l, and
let me know if you know of any
business?"

And whilst Abraham was
reading the riot act to Rebecca I
slipped out of the house and off to the
train feeling happy that I did not
have a wife to cure and abuse when
other people made of me a laughing
stock, and that I was not the man
they used to do, when the miners used
to pay \$100 a sack for flour in
CAL. I. FORNEY.

Brahma Cattle.
VICTORIA, December 3, 1881.

Brahma cattle in the coast counties
of Southwest Texas are attracting con-
siderable attention among the stock-
men. Heretofore, certain prejudices
have existed against this peculiar
class of cattle that have kept them, as
it were, in the background; but as
this is an age of progress, and espe-
cially so in the live stock business, every
distinct class or breed of cattle, horses
and sheep, has its admirers and
enemies. This is a natural thing, al-
ways causes a full development of the pecu-
liar advantages of each distinct breed.

No man will deny that the Short-
horn is the most popular breed in the
world; and neither can it be denied
that the Brahmas are the most popular
breeds in which the Short-horn
is not a success. And so it is with
every breed of stock; certain breeds
are adapted to certain climates. This
fact is forcibly demonstrated in the
coast counties of Southwest Texas.

Have conversed with a great many
about this subject, and I find that Brahma
cattle are peculiarly adapted to the
climate of Southwest Texas, especially
the coast counties. They are not sub-
ject to the diseases that are peculiar to
this climate, such as the Short-horns,
Herefords and other breeds.

It is a well-known fact that ticks,
flies and mosquitoes are great obsta-
cles to the growth, health and pros-
perity of the cattle of this section. It
is claimed that the Brahmas are not
affected by these pests. On the same
range when other cattle are covered
with ticks and have a sickly, unthrifty
appearance, the Brahmas have a
healthy, sleek appearance and are en-
tirely free of ticks. This is attribut-
able in a great degree to the toughness
of their skin.

It is further claimed that at a year
old they are larger and thrifter than
any other class of cattle, and conse-
quently bring from \$1.50 to \$2.00 more
per head, and as Southwest Texas is prin-
cipally devoted to the breeding and
raising of cattle, and furnishes more
young cattle for North Texas and the
drive North than any other portion
of the state, and as the majority of
these cattle are sold when yearlings,
this fact is of a great argument in
favor of the Brahma cattle.

It is claimed by those who have
tried it that a cross of the Brahma and
the Short-horn is an improvement on
both breeds and gives very satisfactory
results. If it is a fact, that using
Brahma bulls with the common or
graded cows enhances the value of the
yearlings from \$1.50 to \$2.00 per head,
this consideration alone would add at least
\$300,000 annually to the income of the
cattle interest of Southwest Texas.

Putting the driver in the Derby
of 1883 also contain a number of en-
tries. In fact, Mr. Lorillard is the
principal contributor to both, having
in the former five and in the latter six
entries. Mr. Keene also has two en-
tries in each.

Worth the Money.
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Live Stock Journal.

Our Gorgeous Income.
The Fort Worth Stock Journal
continues to enhance in value and
improve in appearance. To-day it has
probably the largest circulation as any pa-
per in the state, and it deserves it.
—Pleasanton Monitor.

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SOUTHERN TEXAS

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D. W. HINKLE, --- Manager.

BRANCH OFFICE STOCK JOURNAL,
SAN ANTONIO, JANUARY 7, 1882

Hints to the Convention.

The state convention of stockmen to meet in Austin on the 14th day of February next, will have no more difficult problem to solve than the one of illegally handling cattle and how to stop it. We believe there is but one way to put a stop to cattle stealing, or (to use a milder term) illegally handling cattle. Let the stockmen of the entire state appoint a central committee and give them authority to offer a reward of \$500 for the arrest and conviction of any person found guilty of handling cattle illegally. Let the reward be certain, no doubt of its being paid, and the officers of the law all over the state will be on the alert to catch guilty parties.

This reward would not have to be paid more than five times, to scare all the thieves out of the state. Twenty-five hundred dollars would put an end to cow stealing, if it were properly used.

The laws of the state are good enough, but the execution of the laws is left undone for want of money to defray expenses in hunting up criminals. This is one of the knottiest questions to be solved by the stockmen; they must take the bull by the horns, and do with their money what worlds of law has failed to do. Stop stealing, and the stock interest would advance by more rapid strides than ever before.

Kansas, Indian Territory and Texas.

The call for a state convention of stockmen, has caused the newspapers of Kansas to urge a similar convention in that state. The interests of Kansas and the Indian Territory are so closely identified with the Texas stock interests that we hope to see both of them represented in the state convention at Austin. Their stock interest is so closely interwoven with ours, that any laws or usages affecting Texas is felt by them. We are mutually dependent upon each other. Let the stockmen of Kansas and the Indian Territory join Texas in her first, pioneer, convention. Let them all meet as stockmen, ignoring state lines and work for the general good of all sections.

West Kansas has passed through what West Texas is now undergoing. She had her day of grangerism and was ruined by it; but the grangers were ruined too and had to leave the country. Stockmen have built up the ruins, and to-day West Kansas is rich and prosperous, and rest assured that no farmer will ever be bold enough to risk his all in trying to develop the agricultural resources of the great west. Her stockmen are certain that the country will be open to them for all time. With her past experience, West Kansas can aid Texas in organizing a general western stock association.

The Indian Territory is almost a part of Texas in her stock interests. Her stockmen are mostly old Texans and to them we extend the invitation to meet us in a state convention. Let the word stockman be sufficient to bind all together, for the general welfare of the stock interests.

Quality vs. Quantity.

If contentment makes happiness, and money, stock and lands make wealth, the stockmen of Texas should be rated as happy and rich. Every class of property owned by them has enhanced in value 100 per cent. In the past twelve months, and the future is as bright as the past. Their riches have grown more rapidly than ever before, and on every hand one hears the expression, "I am satisfied with the present price of cattle."

Our winter is so nearly past that we anticipate no losses from cold weather; stock of all kinds are as fat as were ever known and are even now improving. Our spring generally commences February 14th, and new grass begins to grow.

The sheepmen are all happy; their flocks are fat, and they know that fat sheep produce better and more wool than poor ones. They have had no losses from any cause this winter; their crop of spring lambs will be larger and stronger than usual, owing to the fine condition of the ewes.

The stockmen have every reason to congratulate themselves, and they should commence the year with renewed determination to improve the quality of their stock. Add good blood as long as it will pay; use none but good males; cull out all scrubby stock and let them go to the beef market.

The present prices of stock can be nearly doubled in a few years, if the proper care is taken to improve the quality. We can never overstock the market with good stock; there are too many mouths to feed to fear a surplus of meat; the demand is now greater than the supply, and the world is raising people to eat the meat faster than we will ever be able to produce it. make the same number of cattle, sheep and horses more valuable on account of quality, and the saving in grass will in a few years pay for the trouble and expense, and buyers will always seek sellers to purchase their stock at big figures. Let quality not quantify be the motto for 1882.

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HORNS AND HOOF.

No market reports this week.

Henry Shiner, De Witt county, is here on a visit to his relatives.

Col. A. H. Belo is here looking after the interest of the Galveston News.

Sheep Taylor is again in the state. He is well-known as a dealer in Merino bucks.

Albert Rachal passed through here going south; did not get a chance to shake hands.

W. C. Bishop paid a short visit to the city this week. He looks as young as in bygone years.

Dewees & Co., bought of Col. Mayfield 123 head of East Texas stock cattle—private terms.

The representative of the JOURNAL has been too sick this week to keep up his end of the row.

J. M. Campbell, a prominent fine sheep breeder from McMullen county, is spending a few days in the city.

Rufe Moore, McMullen county, is in the city. He has been buying some one and two year old steers for the spring drive.

T. N. Upton, Tom Green county, is spending the holidays with his old friends in the lower country; is having lots of fun.

Capt. Oglesby has just brought in two men charged with robbing the Corpus Christi stage near Oakville. They were arrested at Laredo.

Curtis Herring, Live Oak county, is here with 23 head saddle horses. Foster, Clark & Calver have the sale of them. Horses are very scarce on this market.

L. B. Harris, Tom Green county, is here looking after his land interests. He is having trouble with the county commissioners of Tom Green about his pasture fence.

The weather this week has been like spring. Clear and warm; no frost to hurt grass yet; stock of all kind fat. Christmas holidays passed off very quietly; very few strangers in the city.

Mr. Kneese the inspector of Gillespie finds many lost cattle by the use of our brand sheet. He has notified several parties lately of lost stock. If every inspector would do this it would help all stockmen.

H. G. Williams, one of the Austin trading men, spent a few days in the city. He is emphatically a trader; will buy or sell cattle just as it happens; wake him up at night and he will loan you for a trade.

If every inspector in the state was as careful and particular in the discharge of his duties as the one in San Antonio, many cattle would be found by their owners. We hope he will continue to use the columns of the JOURNAL.

Mark Withers has contracted nearly all the stock in McMullen county. This was the only large lot of uncontracted cattle in this county. They are good ones, and will show well on the Kansas markets. Terms private.

While San Antonio is one of the greatest cattle trading points in the state, there are fewer cattlemen who have their homes there than many smaller places. Austin, Gonzales, Corpus Christi, all have more wealthy cattlemen.

We had a pleasant call from H. C. Dimick, Uvalde county. Mr. D. is one of our practical sheepmen and is fully posted in all that pertains to the business. His communication on "Scab in Sheep" has created considerable discussion. We hope he will continue to use the columns of the JOURNAL.

J. R. Hamilton, De Witt county, is here on a business trip. He is strongly in favor of a state convention; says South Texas needs it more than any part of the state; says the stock interest of his section has been depreciated on as long as the people would stand it and that the association of his county is now doing all it can to put a stop to it.

W. C. Irvin has 1,000 head of cattle on route to his ranch in La Salle county. He has been cleaning up the small stocks in the farming country. He has purchased over 6,000 head of cattle in the past six months. If the farmers cannot raise food enough to keep their stock they can always find ready buyers among the stockmen of "our herd."

B. C. Flowers, Dimmitt county, paid us a call. He used lime, lye and sulphur as a dip for his sheep, and says it cured the scab without injuring the wool or sheep; says a man must be very particular in proportioning the ingredients, or he will ruin his flock. His sheep are in fine healthy condition; have not gone into winter quarters yet; has had just enough frost to stop the grass from growing.

Col. J. F. Ellison paid us a visit this week. He is well called the Nestor of the cattle trade. One of the first Kansas drivers, he has been on the market every year since the drive commenced; has operated largely all the time and with unvariable success. No man stands higher in the trading world. His word is good from Oregon to the Gulf of Mexico. He will be on the trail next spring with a big string of young cattle.

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FROM CUERO.

One Man's Account With the Stock Journal, Etc.

On the morning of the 22d we left San Antonio over the San Set route for this place. Flatonia is about 100 miles from San Antonio on the San Set road; population, about 1,200 or 1,500. Being the trading and shipping point of this county and part of Lavaca, makes Flatonia a lively business place. As we were compelled to make our visit short here, we started out on our mission of mercy to round-up the boys to introduce the best paper in the state and show 'em our branding iron, which was red hot and ready for business.

The first stockmen we met was Sam Moore, of the firm of Moore & Allen, who own a large ranch near Arcola, Fort Bend county. In a few minutes we had all of their cattle branded into "our herd."

We next round-up Jack Mangum, and in a few minutes conversation with him we saw that we would have to use our branding iron again, so we pulled it out and went to work, and in a few minutes had all of his brands represented in "our herd." The Mangum boys have a good herd on their ranch in Runnels county. Jack is enthusiastic in his praises of the JOURNAL. Besides information and news, his account with the STOCK JOURNAL stands thus:

To 3 horses recovered by "stray" list \$100
To three head of cattle recovered 75
Total \$175

By subscription one year \$2
By balance due JOURNAL 173
Total \$175

To say nothing of the increase of the cattle in five years and the prospect of finding others. We think the Mangums have been subscribers only a short time.

While here I met Mr. Cockerill of the firm of Tuttle & Cockerill, who carry the largest stock of general merchandise in Flatonia. They have the largest house in town and it is chock full of goods. In connection with their mercantile pursuits they do a general banking business. Mr. Cockerill also is engaged in the stock business, being of the firm of Cockerill & Martin. Their ranch is in Mitchell county. Besides their brands already published in the JOURNAL, he will in a short time patronize us more liberally.

The stockmen of Flatonia and vicinity almost to a man patronized us with their subscription. In the near future we intend to pay Flatonia another visit.

From Flatonia we went to Harwood. This is a small town on the San Antonio road where the stage line from Goliad, Cuero and Gonzales connect with the train. Travelers are frequently compelled to lay over here on account of not making connections. In such cases we would recommend the Harwood hotel, J. Y. Starnes proprietor.

On the night of the 23d we took the stage for Cuero, and after a long and dreary night's ride we find ourselves comfortably quartered at the Mute Hotel. If there is anything that the weary, worn-out traveler appreciates more than anything else it is a first-class hotel, and without exaggeration John Mute keeps the best hotel in Texas. Being a professional cook himself he superintends that most essential part of the business, the food. Mute gives her personal attention to every department of the business, and nice rooms and beds are to be found nowhere. In fact, all the drummers and stockmen that we have met join in saying this is the best hotel in Texas.

Joe Collins of Colorado City passed through here, en route to his home in Goliad. We understand Mr. Collins intends moving his family to Colorado City and make it his home in the future.

Cathie Bros. of Cheyenne, Wyoming, left San Antonio on the 21st. They came to Southern Texas to buy cattle for their Northern ranch but found cattle much higher than they expected that they left without purchasing. One of the Messrs. Guthrie goes to Southern Utah to buy; says cattle are cheaper there than here. They report the weather fair and cattle going into winter quarters in unusually good condition.

Weather fair and pleasant; only one frost this winter. PATSON.

Nueces County.

DEVIL'S EXEN, Dec. 22, 1881.

Editor Texas Live Stock Journal:

I saw an article in the San Antonio Express that Live Oak county was a good farming country. Mr. Greeley said it. He came from San Antonio the roads bad; stopped at Oakville; thence to Gussetville; next place, Bob Johnson's, Greeley No. 2, said Johnson made corn. He reads Greeley, and he made corn. Greeley got corn for his horses. Johnson always makes corn—he reads Greeley. The next place was Bill Staple's. He reads Greeley. Staples was actually selling corn, and says there is no mistake about its being a farming country. Greeley got corn fodder for his horses, and says Staples reads Greeley. Greeley No. 2 says when he got ready to leave next morning, Staples got on his horse and galloped him, (Greeley No. 2) out of his pasture. Then to Beeville in Bee county. On the head waters of the Aransas, Greeley No. 2 found more corn, and says Bee county is a splendid farming country. How is it the people have never found out they were living in a farming country? There is not a single man who ever made a living by farming alone in Live Oak or Bee. Greeley No. 2 says Staples has got the largest short-horn bull he ever saw. I will bet him I have a bull as big, or bigger than Staple's bull, that has no horns. I have also got a long-horn cow that beats anything I ever saw or heard tell of. One of the boys drove her up one evening with a very nice young bull calf; in six days the same cow had another bull calf as good as the first; both calves are doing finely. I have also a big hog—the biggest I ever saw, and others say he is the biggest they ever saw; he is Berkshire and Essex.

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WEEKLY ROUND-UP.

The ox contains, in proportion to its weight, a larger amount of nitrogen and a much larger amount of phosphoric acid and lime than either the sheep or pig. Of all the animals raised on the farm, the pig contains least of all the important ash constituents.

It has been noticed as one effect of pink-eye in the West that mares in foal attacked by the epidemic in most cases lose their foals. This is a singular circumstance, but if true, in our locality should be in another, although we have not yet seen it mentioned in connection with the disease in this region. —Pittsburgh Stockman.

English Shire-bred horses are coming prominently forward in this country. By the way, about the hottest live stock competition we will have in the next year or two is to be in the department of draft horses. With so many unquestionable good strains in the field, it is bound to result in a marked improvement of this stock in the United States. —Pittsburgh Stockman.

It has been proved by experiment that the more rapidly an animal is fattened the less quantity of food is necessary to sustain its mere vitality. Thus an animal can be more cheaply fattened by consuming ten bushels of corn in two months than if four bushels were consumed in the same time. Liberal and abundant feeding is the most economical, and a saving of time in producing the same result is a gain in the profits.

The following from an exchange has a point in it worth remembering: "Stables should be warm enough so that horses may be comfortable without blankets, then the blankets will do good service as coverings when the animal is left standing out in the street. The practice of covering a horse with a blanket is like taking out a man wearing his coat and trousers and leaving him when he goes out into the open air."

An exchange gives the following record of a wonderful speeder: Little Brown Jay has the fastest first, second and third heats ever trotted or paced in a race against other horses, and the fastest two and three consecutive heats ever trotted or paced under any conditions. For the season of 1881 he has the fastest average for any number of heats by any animal from fourteen up to forty. His average for fourteen heats was 2:12.67. Maud S's average for the same number was 2:14. He paced forty-seven miles in the aggregate time of 1:44:22, or an average of less than 2:15. This is something unapproachable by any other animal that ever lived, in the compass of a single season.

The Pittsburgh Stockman says: "A great many people have the idea that the average cattle of the plains are a coarse and rather bad lot, and not to be compared with the herds of the states in quality. The time was when this was the case, but it is not longer true. Within the last five years thousands of thoroughbred Hereford and Shorthorn bulls have been introduced among the ranches, and the result is a wonderful elevation of the standard of the Western steer. We have many fine herds of cattle in the East with which the best of the frontier stock cannot be compared; and yet when our scrubs and 'hill cattle' are taken into account we believe the plains cattle will now average better than ours in make-up and style."

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THE Eastland *Review* is now owned and edited by Frank B. Stanley & Co., who have purchased the paper from Mr. Davenport. The *Journal* extends kind wishes.

THE JOURNAL this week is not in the shape it is to assume permanently. When we can't control the movement of freight trains, we do the best we can.

WE have received the "Census Edition" of the Galveston *News*. Like everything attempted by that excellent journal, this special edition is complete.

SO far the winter has been the mildest ever known in the state. Stock have lost no flesh, and should the winter continue as it has been thus far, they will go through in better condition than ever before.

IN 1870, there were in Kansas 373,967 cattle and 109,088 sheep, valued at \$11,671,212. In 1881, there were 1,246,457 cattle and 806,323 sheep, valued at \$35,203,674. The increase in the value of swine for the same time has been \$7,349,305.

STOCKMEN who contemplate attending the Austin convention will remember that arrangements are now being made, and will soon be perfected, whereby they can obtain a reduced rate of fare—probably about one-half the usual rates.

THE *Texan Farmer* has removed its office to Houston from Belton and hereafter will be issued from the Bayou City. The *Farmer* is an excellent paper, and deserves the success it has won. It is a consistent and sensible representative of the agricultural interests of Texas.

WE publish an interesting article on the acclimation of cattle, on our 9th page this week, from the Chicago *Breeders' Gazette*. If Mr. Hoxie recommends an unfailing preventive of losses, he has conferred a great benefit on the many stockmen of Texas who are looking to improvement.

AS will be seen by correspondence between him and Commissioner Walsh, published on our 9th page this week, B. E. Lower, of "Pease City," is notorious, is at his old tricks. Mr. Walsh seems convinced of the truth of the *Journal's* assertion more than a year ago—that Lower seeks to mislead non-residents. Mr. Walsh draws it mildly, and his allusion to Huntsville is suggestive.

WE publish elsewhere the advertisement of the Galveston *News*. This paper is identified with Texas in all respects, and as the state has expanded so have the facilities of the *News* been increased, until now, as Texas stands in the front rank of states so stands the *News* among newspapers. The *News* is in all respects a first-class journal, and no man interested in Texas life and progress can afford to be without it.

TEXAS papers have very wisely urged upon stockmen the necessity of thorough and harmonious organization and representation of their interests in the state government. The only surprising thing about the whole matter is that such a vast interest should have been allowed to shift for itself for so long a time without any voice whatever in the laws of that great state—Chicago *Drovers' Journal*.

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THE RAZOR-BACK HOG.



To the traveler through Texas one of the strangest and most peculiar features of the landscape is the razor-back hog. He is of the swiftest and sturdiest of architecture. His physical outline is angular to a degree unknown outside of a text book on the science of geometry. His ears—or the few rags and tatters of them that the dogs have left, are furled back with knowing vagabondish air. His tail has no curl in it—although our artist has decorated him with one in the above illustration—but it hangs at, limp as a wet dishrag hung out of a back window to dry. The highest peak of his corrugated back is six inches above the level of the root of his tail. He does not walk with the slow and stately step of the patrician Berkshire, but usually goes in a lively trot. He leaves the impression that he was late starting in the morning and is making up for lost time, or that he is in doubt about the moment of that check, and is hurrying to get it cashed before the bank closes.

The country razor-back prowls in the woods and lives on acorns, nuts and roots, when he is time he climbs under his fence and assists in harvesting the crop. In this respect he is only a fault and, when his owner's crop will allow, he readily turns in and assists the owner, even working at night rather than see the crop spoil for want of attention.

He does not know the luxury of a sty. He never gets fat, and, from the day of his birth, sometimes two years roll in idly before he is big enough to kill. Crossing the razor-back with blue-blooded stock makes but little improvement. The only effective way to improve him is to cross him with a rail-road train. He then becomes an imported Berkshire or Polan-China hog, and if he does not knock the train off the track, the railroad company pays for him at about the rate of one dollar a pound, for which they are allowed the mournful privilege of shoveling the remains off the tracks.

The ham of a country razor-back is more juicy than the hind leg of an iron fire-dog, but not quite so fat as a pine knot.

The city razor-back differs from his country relative only in the matter of the quality of food and in the length of his tail. The city species prey on the roots of tropical plants and other garden luxuries instead of acorns, and eat cinders and old type in the back alley instead of the acorns and pecans of the breezy woodlands, that are assimilated in the digestive organs of the country sus aper.

The tail of the city hog has usually been chewed off in early life by dogs; in other words, it has been curtailed. This, and the arid patches on his back, where the hair has been scalded off by the enraged boarding-house cook, adds much to the picturesque appearance of the brute. A man once told us that the razor-back hog was the only kind of prey that was amphibious in its habits, and that could lift a gate off its hinges without ruffling a feather.

As the novelists say, "much might be said on this very interesting subject," but time is money, and we are forced to conclude briefly with the following "home" by one of the old masters:

Ye piggy he is a pretty fowl,
And wondrous good to eat;
His ham is good, by Kew's his Jowl,
And eke his little feet.
But if you try a thousand years,
I trow you will find fault;
To make a silk purse of his ear,
Or a wisel of his tail.

—T. J. BELL.

THE JOURNAL'S advice to stockmen to keep their cattle at home is attracting favorable comment in Colorado, as well as among Texas raisers. One correspondent of the West Las Animas Leader says:

I noticed in your last two issues that matters of deep concern to the cattle interest of Colorado were mentioned: first, an article copied from the Fort Worth Stock Journal headed "Keep Your Cattle at Home," in which the subject was admirably handled. It should be read by every person owning stock. It is a well-known fact that for several years past there has been little or no attention paid to the care of stock in this and adjoining counties during the winter. After shipped out, all the hands, except a few herdsmen, are discharged and the owners go off to some city to live a comfortable life. The whole winter there is not a man to be seen on the range; cattle are allowed to drift from home, and the adjoining ranges become overstocked; hundreds die of starvation, and during the long winter the poor animals go for months without care or food, and I have no doubt many die for want merely of water, as well as food. By continually rounding-up from April 1st to December 31st many calves are destroyed. Just figures on the loss of calves and how it impacts on it is well known that 100 cows kept under control will produce 200 calves more than if permitted to range over five or six large counties. This loss alone of additional increase would more than pay the expenses. If cattle were kept at home, your stock would be better, your increase larger, and your pocket book fuller. Men would be kept to prevent unscrupulous men from killing cattle or driving them entirely out of the country. I should think the extra expense incurred in driving would more than pay for a good home patrol, and I venture to say that for every dollar invested in this way cattle owners would save and be benefited five fold.

Every Man Should Take It.
The LIVE STOCK JOURNAL, Fort Worth, is growing in size and popularity. We are glad to see it. There is not a better fellow living than Geo. Loving, nor a better business man and cattleman. Every man that runs a brand should take the JOURNAL—Castroville Quill.

BRANDS.

The TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL has a larger circulation among Texas stockmen than any paper published. Stockmen can therefore see the advantage to be derived from inserting their brands. For terms see advertising rates in 1st column, 6th Page.

Parties knowing of any stray stock in any of the following marked brands, will confer favor on the owners by notifying them by postal card or otherwise.

NORTHWEST TEXAS.

A. R. R. Anderson.

P. O., Doane's Store, Wilbarger county, Ranch on Red River same county. Horse brand same as cut on shoulder and thigh. Cattle also branded as cut, and "diamond" on hip in various marks.

S. B. BURNETT.

Postoffice, Fort Worth, Ranch, Buffalo Head Creek, Wichita county. Great many cattle branded as on cut have various marks and other brands. Horses branded as on cut have underbit left ear.

O. Baker.

P. O., Mobeetie, Wheeler county, Ranch, North Fork, Wheeler county. Horse brand 3D on each side.

G. H. Brandt.

P. O., Otta, Cottle county, Ranch, North Wichita. Some cattle have on each side 3D on side and cross on hip in various marks. Horse brand cross 3D on left thigh.

W. F. BENTON.

P. O., Riverland, Clay county, Ranch, Red River, above mouth of Little Wichita. Horse brand same left shoulder.

BAREFOOT & BRYANT.

Postoffice, Montague, Ranch, on Red River, in Montague county.

JNO. H. BELCHER.

Above cattle dewlap.

T. H. BURNETT.

Postoffice, Henrietta, Ranch, head of West Fork, Archer county. These have various marks and other brands. Horse brand T on left shoulder.

D. T. BEALS.

Postoffice, Wheeler, Potter county, (Pan Handle). Ranch, same as address. Horse brand same as above brands. Cattle also branded with bar over V with bar under V with bar under on left side of hip, in various marks.

BELCHER & EASLEY.

Postoffice, Henrietta, Ranch, 10 miles west of Henrietta, Clay county. This brand in various marks. Horse brand G on left shoulder. Cattle also branded.

T. J. BELCHER.

Postoffice, Sherman, Ranch, on Little Wichita, Clay county. This used as road brand. Horse brand same.

A. P. BELCHER.

Postoffice, Henrietta, Ranch, 10 miles west of Henrietta. These cattle are dewlapped.

BUTLER, COLLINS & PRESTON.

P. O., Postoffice, Cambridge, Clay county, Ranch, on East Fork, Little Wichita River. Also cattle have 00 on right side. Horse brand triangle bar on left hip.

P. M. BURNETT.

Postoffice, Henrietta, Ranch, with S. B. Burnett.

S. L. BALL.

Postoffice, Cambridge, Clay county, Ranch, on East Fork Little Wichita River.

B. R. COBB.

Postoffice, Archer county, Ranch, head of Post Oak Creek, Clay county. Horse brand COB on left hip.

J. A. EVANS & CO.

Postoffice, Mobeetie, Wheeler county, Ranch, North Fork of Red River Pan Handle. Horse brand the same.

C. W. EASLEY.

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L. S. CARTER.

Postoffice, Tepee, Motley county, Ranch, north Wichita, Dickens county.

JOHN FARRAR.

Postoffice, Seymour or Ennis, Ranch, Middle Wichita, King county. Horse brand on left hip.

Don't forget Zack's barber shop when you are in Fort Worth, Main street.

W. R. CURTIS.

Postoffice, Cambridge, Ranches, Buck Creek, Pan Handle and Good Creek, Hardeman county. Also crop right, sharp left, branded Z left hip, side and jaw. Horse brand D K right shoulder.

Cankle & Lytle.

Postoffice, Mobeetie, Ranches in Pan Handle, North Fork and Elm. Horse brand inverted 71 connected on left hip and 21 on left shoulder or hip. Also cattle branded SLD or 1HL or 1N (connected) on side and W on side and T on side and thigh. Young cattle branded Rocking chair on side and two bars on thigh.

J. S. CARTER.

Postoffice, Tepee, Motley county, Ranch, north Wichita, Dickens county.

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GROCERIES, LIQUORS, AND—CIGARS.

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Postoffice, Pinto, Ranch, Postoffice, Tepee, Motley county. Ranch, north Wichita, Dickens county.

HOWARD H. CRILL.

Postoffice, Dockum's Ranch, Crosby county, Ranch, Yellow House Canyon, Crosby county. Horse brand, same on left hip.

A. CRILL.

Postoffice, Dockum's Ranch, Crosby county, Ranch, Yellow House Canyon, Crosby county. Also same brand, with various marks. Young cattle have C on hip. Horse brand L A N on left hip.

GAS or AFI.

Cattle also branded (AF connected) with various marks and brands.

CURTIS & WELLS.

Postoffice, Cambridge, Ranch, Parker Creek, Pan Handle of Texas. Horse brand same on left hip.

C. C. CANNON.

Postoffice, Seymour, Ranch, north Wichita, Dickens county. Also same marks with side brand only. Horse brand same as side brand on left thigh.

DITTO & PEVELER.

Postoffice, Tepee City, Motley county, or R. A. Houston, Gonzales, Ranch on Pease River.

E. DEPEE.

Postoffice, Tepee, Motley county, Ranch, north Wichita, Dickens county.

J. M. DAWSON.

Postoffice, Fort Worth, Horse brand JZ on hip or shoulder, and on left shoulder or jaw. Cattle in same mark and brand with U on hip.

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C. H. GOWAN.

Postoffice, Secret Springs, Clay county, Ranch on Buffalo Creek, Clay county. Horse brand U D on left shoulder.

C. G. GRAHAM.

Postoffice, Gainesville, Ranch six miles north of Henrietta, Clay county. Horse brand same as left hand cut on right shoulder.

Hall & Sparks.

P. O., Gainesville, Ranch, Good Creek, Hardeman county.

M. IKARD.

Postoffice, Henrietta, Ranch, mouth of Beaver Creek, Big Wichita. These cattle in various marks and other brands.

L. E. & M. IKARD, JR.

Postoffice, Henrietta, Ranch, mouth of Beaver Creek, Big Wichita. These cattle in various marks and other brands.

H. M. KIDWELL & BRO.

P. O., Weatherford, Ranch, Yellow House Canyon, block country. Horse brand same on left thigh. Cattle also branded with various marks. HOS under half crop left and crop and split right.

MATADOR CATTLE COMPANY.

J. H. CAMPBELL, Manager. P. O., Tepee City, Motley county. Ranch, Ballard Springs, Motley county. Also cattle branded on each side, some of which have K on left jaw or 7 on each hip, marked under half crop in each ear. Also same mark, branded 71 left side and right side. Some of these also have 71 K on right jaw. Also 50 on left side and 71 K on right jaw. Also 50 on left side and 71 K on right jaw. Also 50 on left side and 71 K on right jaw.

J. G. & W. E. HALSELL.

Postoffice, Decatur, Ranch, Duck Creek, Clay county. Bought cattle are in various marks and have other brands. Some horses branded with other brands. Don't put any stock with these brands.

HOUSTON & LEMONS.

Postoffice, Tepee City, Motley county, or R. A. Houston, Gonzales, Ranch on Pease River.

HENSLEY & BRO.

P. O., Dockum's, Crosby county, Ranch, Yellow House Canyon, Crosby county. Horse brand same.

HARROLD BROS., WILSON, FOLEY & CO.

P. O., Graham, Ranch on the head of West Fork, Archer county. Horse brand same on left hip.

KEACH HALSELL.

P. O., Decatur, Ranch, with Burke Burns, on Big Wichita. Bought cattle with this brand, have also other brands and some without P on hip. Horse brand same on left thigh.

E. B. HARROLD & BROS.

P. O., Archer City, Ranch, Three Forks, Little Wichita, Archer county. Horses branded X under crop. Cattle also branded.

JNO. W. POWERS.

P. O., Mobeetie, Ranch, on Elm Creek, north Fork Red River.

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P. O., Mobeetie, Wheeler county, Ranch, with Alex Eaton—dec-10-81.

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1 bay mare, 6 years old, 14 hands high, branded FD on shoulder.

1 dun mare, 7 years old, 13½ hands high, branded H left shoulder.

1 bay colt, 2 years old, branded AB
left shoulder.
1 filly, 3 years old, 13 hands high,
dun color, star in forehead, branded
X left shoulder.
1 brown mare mule, 12½ hands high,
years old, branded K with half circle
under it, left thigh.
1 black mare, 5½ hands high, 2 years old,
branded K with half circle under it, left thigh.

1 black horse, 14 hands high, 7 years old, Spanish brand right shoulder.
1 bay horse, 14½ hands high, 12 years old, no brands.

Van Zandt.
1 bay mare, 10 or 12 years old, 14 hands high, brands 55 left shoulder.
1 dark bay mare, 13½ hands high, 5

6 years old, no brands.
1 bay pony horse, 13 hands high, 5 years old, indescribable brand on left shoulder.
1 bay horse, black mane and tail, 8 hands high, 8 years old, branded G with a bar over it on left shoulder, some saddle marks and shod in front.
1 red roan horse, branded on left

1 bay pony mare, with suckling colt, mare 15 years old, 12 hands high.
1 brown mare, 11 years old, 14 hands high, branded on right thigh **EW** (connected) blotch brand on left shoulder.
1 blaze faced 3 year old mare, 3 feet high, color, **W** on forehead.

1 sorrel 3 year old mare, small blaze
a forehead, indescribable brand left
boulder.
1 bay stallion horse, 13 hands high,
o brands.
14 year old stallion horse, light bay,
1 four feet white, branded on right
boulder X, 14 hands high, blaze face

Waller.
1 sorrel stallion pony, 12 or 14 hands
high, 5 years old, right eye out, brand-
ed PH left shoulder.
1 mare, brown color, 6 or 7 years old,
14 hands high, branded JJ left shoul-
der.
Washington.

1 bay mare, 12 years old, 13 hands
gh, branded 76 the left shoulder and
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ght shoulder TXS: also colt, about 8
onths old, roan color.
1 roan filly, 2 years old, 12 hands
gh, not branded.
1 dun horse, 10 years old, 14 1/2 hands

gn, 3 white feet, blaze face, branded
on left shoulder.
1 light brown mule, 8 years old, 13½
hands high, branded 144 on the shoul-
der and HW with bar and a 5 under it
ft hip.

Wilson.

1 iron gray horse, 14½ hands, 7 years

1 dun colored horse, 13 hands high, 5 years old, branded on left thigh AC connected.

1 sorrel horse, same height and age,
d branded (H) left shoulder.
1 bay mare, 14 hands high, 7 years
old, no brand; also horse colt, no
brand.
1 sorrel mare pony, 14 hands high, 3
years old.
1 dark iron gray, 2 years old, 12 1/2

1 bay horse, 14 hands high, branded
left shoulder **O** | | connected by a
bar at the top, 6 or 7 years old.
1 yellow pony horse, 5 years old, 14
hands high, branded **J4** on right thigh
and **U L** right shoulder.

1 bay horse, heavy set, 8 years old,
14 hands high, branded E-T on left
shoulder.
1 black pony horse, 14½ hands high,
or 12 years old, branded K on right
high and shoulder.
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high, branded M left shoulder.
1 black bay horse, 2 years old, black

gray horse, branded **T** on
right shoulder and thigh.

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they are in their third year. The same
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When twin calves of the same sex

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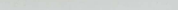
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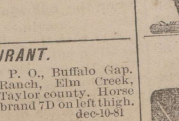
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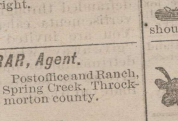
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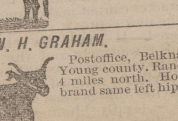
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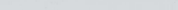
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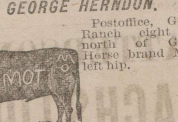
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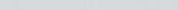
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D. C. KYLE.
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P. O., Decatur, Texas. Ranch, near Decatur. Horse brand same as cow brand.



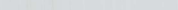
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M. LYNN.
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Favors the State Convention, and Suggests
a Stockmen's North-American
Congress.

CHICAGO, Dec. 31, 1881.
COL. LOVING:—I want you to let me
off from my promise to write you
a letter about this place and what I see
and hear. I've been here three weeks
now, and every time I've seen the
LIVE STOCK JOURNAL I've said to my-
self, by thunder! *I will* write that let-
ter next Sunday, for Loving; but
what's the use—you can't water your
horse at a dry hole, you know. I can't
find anything here that I can write
about—and I couldn't write anything
it to read, any way, so you let me off
and I'll stand a square treat for the
rowd when I get back to Fort Worth.

The other is, that since I read that invitation of yours it has run in my mind as a parson's text sometimes runs in his sermon, and I've been thinking of a good many things that a great national body of the kind could do, that no little county or state association can do for the live stock business. You know how the railroads have treated Texas stockmen—well, what can a county or a state association of cattlemen do in the case? Texas sheepmen are kept out of market with their mutton sheep by the high freight charged and the refusal of the railroads to carry two decks of sheep in a car. Then there are questions between us and the Territory, and Kansas about the trail and the deadline; in fact, there are plenty of things in which we, in Texas, need to take counsel with and get the help of others; and the same is true of every state and territory. You'll see more than enough abuses which need attention if you will stop to think of the matter and I hope you will do it now; and use your influence to push the good work until all the stockmen on this continent shall, at least in spirit, become a member of a body powerful enough to secure exact justice from all; especially from the many who stand ready to bleed us whenever they can.

Longhorns have about stopped coming to Chicago for this year, and the salesmen here are about as tickled over the high prices as we are. I'll brag a good deal about Chicago being the biggest market on earth for rough cattle, and I think they have got the biggest beef cutting shop in this world and maybe in any other. I'm going to see it before I start for home. There are some other places I wanted to see before leaving town, but I reckon I'll have to wait until another year.

There is one thing I want you to think about when you have time to cock your heels up for a quiet smoke; and that is; the fact, that we Texans pay just as much for selling a 900 lb. steer or a skinny cow worth twenty-five dollars as they charge for selling a high-toned bullock weighing a ton, and worth five times that figure. A car of our light cattle will bring us about \$700, and I am charged eleven dollars or 1-1/2 per cent, while the chap who has fat steers weighing a ton apiece is charged only about seven dollars for selling a car-load worth about \$1,900, or about one-third of our average steer. They'll tell you that these fat steers will "almost sell themselves," and that a man has got to work to sell common cattle, but I notice that a man will rattle off ten or twenty loads of Texas stock in a bunch with about as little fuss as he makes over one load of fancy cattle.

One of the Stock Yard boys has just come in and insists on my going out with him to-night to "see stars," he says. Tell the boys I'll be home next week, for I can't stop in this damp and lonely hole any longer without freezing body and soul. Good-bye.

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SLADE ON HIS RAMBLES.

I had the pleasure while at Mobeetie of dining several times with M. C. Clark and found that he lives just as well and Mrs. Clark and the children just as pleasant as when they were at Weatherford.

The resident lawyers of Mobeetie are J. M. Browning, district attorney, and one of the best agents the JOURNAL has, A. L. Neal county attorney, W. H. Woodman, L. E. Esteban and Moses Wiley.

While lounging around in Mobeetie killing time and cheap whiskey, Messrs. C. B. Rhodes and R. Aldridge came into town and invited me to visit their ranch on the Canadian in Hemphill county. Part of my religion is to never refuse an invitation, so I went. We reached the ranch without incident. These men live like "fighting cocks." They have a good frame house with five neatly furnished rooms. The kitchen and dining room are situated just across the yard, and when the table is set, "Ah! a sunny climate" who presides over this department, toots on his bugle, you can just bet your whole stock there's something good on the table. He toots on that wind instrument three times each day, and everything there's something good there. On the morning after my arrival a hunt was proposed. Mr. R. Aldridge, Mr. Aldridge and I were soon well mounted, and followed by an eager pack of hounds, were not long in getting among the sand hills where game did most abound. Mr. R. Aldridge is the hardest rider I ever followed. Within half an hour after starting, old "Queen" sounded the key-note and the rest of the purrs joined in the chorus. Our well trained and spirited horses kept immediately under the hounds. To keep directly up with the hounds, in hot chase over sand hills filled with gopher holes, shooting as you run, is about as exciting exercise as one needs. We kept this up from early morn till the middle of the forenoon when we returned to the ranch and were met by jovial Charly Rhodes with "Well, my lads, what have you got?" "Three enormous appetites," was the reply. These were appeased, and the evening whiffled away with cigars and cards.

Rhodes, Aldridge & Co., bought out the Springer ranch, formerly owned by Messrs. Chapman & Tuttle in September last. C. B. Rhodes a pleasant gentleman from Pennsylvania, and R. Aldridge a jolly Englishman, were before the purchase of the stock, ranching with the well-known and popular Ben S. Miller in the Indian Territory. Their range on the Canadian is magnificent, and they own about 3,000 head of graded cattle. They have about seventy-five fine bulls for which they would not take a hundred dollars each. Sunday morning came and with it the Dodge City and Mobeetie stage. Bidding my friends at Springer ranch good-bye and uttering a silent prayer that I might be allowed to visit them again, I jumped into the thrice-blessed layden stage destined for Mobeetie. Our only dread was the Canadian river, for it is well known that this is one of the most treacherous streams in the Union. The driver entertained us with stories of how he had lost his wagon, cargo and all, lay imbedded in quicksand, through which we must pass, and how a detachment of soldiers had checked a piece of artillery to China by this quicksand route, and also imparted the cheerful information that we would drive over a mile across horses, mail, baggage and all, which went down in the sand sometime back, though no accident had happened here for some months. Imagine our feelings when in the middle of the river to see the wheels sinking and the stage begin to sink gradually in the quicksand. Horses were brought in from the bank and the passengers and baggage transferred to safety, and then came the work of digging out the horses. This required several hours, as the men had to dig under the stage, and after an all-day dig over the prairie, found myself again at the pleasant little town of Clarendon. The new hotel had just been opened by Mr. B. H. White, and my short stay there was made quite pleasant by this excellent landlady.

I secured the services of that tip-top gentleman, J. T. Oley, to represent the JOURNAL in Donley county, called for my horse, and in company with C. M. Hindsale, Mr. Goodnight's pleasant bookkeeper, rode to Grand Vista Ranch.

This is headquarters for all the ranches and camps of the immense stock and range belonging to Messrs. C. Goodnight and J. G. Adair. The entire range is eighty miles long with an average width of twenty miles. It includes the waters of the Mulberry, and its tributaries, the Red River, the Little Red, the Limnias, Kitauque and North Peace rivers, and covers a large part of Hall, Armstrong and Donley counties. It is the finest range in the world, and the most valuable stock range in Texas, and perhaps the best in the world.

Being out here on a speculating tour and rather liking this location, I made some inquiries and calculations as to its value, and came to the conclusion that one million dollars was a low estimate. I then ran my fingers down into my vest pocket and began fingering over and calculating the amount of my assets, and found that they footed up the grand total of \$125. If you know of a partner who can chip in the other \$999,975 send him to me and we'll make a million, and when an offer of a million million, though I do not suppose it would be accepted by them.

Grand Vista Ranch is situated near the head of Palo Duro canyon, and I don't say that grander, subtler, more wilyly magnificent scenery does not exist in this country. The plains above are as level as a billiard table, and it seems that all at once the earth has given away and left huge wild chasms three hundred feet deep, from which run the muddy waters of the famous Red River. This great gulch, the birth place and cradle of Red River, is opened into on each side by numerous other chasms of unsurpassed grandeur, and on every side giant cliffs rear their red-wooded heads towards the clouds. The whole—but why knock it with an attempted description? More facile pens than mine will be laid aside when a picture is attempted.

Let me return to matters of which I can speak knowingly. Mr. Good-

night's house at his headquarters ranch is a very commodious structure, containing all of the comforts and many of the luxuries of life. A very interesting part of its contents is a good cook and plenty of grub. No other Mr. Goodnight has such a lady's maid, but I am being so well treated by her in charge that I regret to take my departure, a matter which must be attended to at once.

Well, another day has passed, and I am still at Grand Vista ranch, and it is Sunday. I know whereof I speak, for I got up this morning feeling good and thought I'd run down to Fort Worth and see the boys some. I started off singing "Home, Sweet Home" in a high, corny voice, slightly diluted with an operatic twang. I quit singing after while, but it rained on all the same. I kept riding but didn't meet anybody except an occasional coyote and he was always going the other way, and seemed to be about something. I finally found myself butted up against the foot hills with no road in sight leading to any other station. I held a council of war. I appointed myself a committee of the whole to report on the situation. A resolution declaring in substance that I was lost, was offered. After some debate this was voted down and a substitute declaring that the Kitauque ranch was lost unanimously adopted. I was then appointed a committee of ways and means and soon offered the following preamble and resolution which were promptly adopted and acted upon with an alacrity and energy that would have delighted the heart of a Stonewall Jackson or a Napoleon.

Whereas this honorable body knows pretty well where it is situated but is harassed with grave doubts about the location of any other place or thing, and whereas it is a well-known fact that these foot-hills are well populated with bears, Mexican lions, panthers, wolves, ferrets, snakes, and serpents of all descriptions, and that while we admit that a body of this caliber, only a few days out from Mobeetie, might be able to destroy with its breath all the reptiles, yet in view of the fact that bears are too much like men to be frightened by the fumes of 150 per cent. alcohol diluted with vitriol, arsenic, tobacco juice, Prussian blue and an occasional cross-cut saw; and considering the fact that these clouds among which our encampment is, are so thick that we cannot see how to turn them into snow drifts—

Resolved, That the safest and best campaign plan for this mob is to take the back track and move freight just as if old Red was being thrust upon us as a kind of rear guard.

As I said, I am now at the Grand Vista ranch, and I have the satisfaction of knowing that I have ridden at least forty miles in the rain and am just as near home as I was this morning. That's all right. I had lots of fun, and I don't mind the banks of the Canadian watching the employees of the mail line stand in the cold water for hours trying to dig their horses and stage out of the quicksand; and then of taking a farewell look at the vehicle I had been forced to leave.

On our way back, over broad prairies, across Red river, over hills and dales, and finally to the breaks of the Little Red. What a country this is! What scenery! I have never before considered aesthetic—the contrary, I have always been set as a rough grizzled old fellow, but really the wild sublimity of the scenery near the head of Little Red river made me forget the fatigue of a forty mile ride, made me forget that I had fifteen more miles to go before there was a possibility of a night's rest, and made me forget in admiration I suffered my horse to relapse into a walk. My idle dreaming was soon interrupted by the reflection that it was now near sun down, that when night came it would be impossible for any one, much less myself, to find my way through the thick darkness which must follow; that unless I made the ranch before dark I would of course, put up for the night with wolves and skunks. Added to this, the low heavy clouds among which I was riding, portended a snow storm, which actually came. The rain began falling on me—or rather forming on me, for it did not have to fall as I was then among the clouds. I dashed on over prairies, gullies and brooks. The coyote sprang from the bushes and howled off in that familiar springing gait of his little noticed by me as a house cat would have been at home. Finally at night's sable goddess was drawing her dark veil over the earth I reached the Kitauque ranch, and was accorded a hearty welcome by Mr. Gillette, the manager of this part of the range. Next morning the earth was wrapped in snow. The far peaks made one think of the huge marble castles of which he has read in old story books, and the broad level prairie covered with a silver sea. I rode only about fifteen miles south to the headquarters camps of J. M. Hall near the head of Peace river. Mr. Hall was at some of his southern ranches but his men made me comfortable. My way lay across the plains. Riding alone over this vast level expanse of country is about as satisfactory and as satisfying as working a pump-handle in a dry well. Every place is just alike. You can not tell that you are making any progress at all. It is just like being jolted up and down by a horse "marking time." But you will think one might pass away the time whistling, smoking or chewing. I tried smoking and chewing my mouth to the size to fire off a tune of 45-caliber, and threw my whole spirit into a soul-inspiring air. When I first turned on the wind I thought that my mouth must have made long fire, as I could hear my hand, but I perceived that I was surprised, presently to hear the same tune being whistled in melodious strains a few paces leeward of me. I looked for the fellow who had thus anticipated me in the way of getting up a concert. I could see nothing but a streak of white and the music to my leeward and leeward side ceased. I commenced trying to whistle again, and again I heard sweet music to my left. Here was a mystery. My brilliant mind solved it. The wind was blowing so hard that my tune had been blown ten or twelve paces before I could hear it. There is very little satisfaction in exerting yourself to produce good music and then feel that some invisible chap is entitled to all the credit for the entertainment, so I stopped whistling and tried to smoke. The wind blew the tobacco out of my pipe, blew my pipe off the stem, blew the stem out of my mouth and then I gave up smoking and commenced to

chev. In looking at some wild horses I turned my right cheek to windward and the wind blew the tobacco out of my mouth, and also blew the plug out of one of my teeth; it blew the buttons off my coat and then blew the buttons off my hat. I don't know how long it took to blow that pretty hard wind. Yes, and then I got frightened, for as I rode along it seemed that some one must be shooting at me, though I couldn't hear the report of any gun, but every now and then it seemed that a bullet had struck just under horse's feet and I could hear it distinctly as it went whizzing off with the wind. By and by a horseshoe flew from horse's foot and went rolling like a hoop with the wind; this was kept up until all four horseshoes had been blown off. Then I heard no more bullets whizzing from under me; then I "tumbled to the racket. The wind had been blowing the nails out of my horse's hoofs and they had gone whizzing over the prairie. Now I don't like to take the credit of your readers too heavy, but I'm out here to write of things as I find them, and if the people fail to be enlightened because of unbelief, it's not my fault; my conscience is clear; I have done my duty. The fact is, the people are getting to be too incredulous; it's getting to be almost impossible for the modern traveler to get off anything to eclipse the narratives of his predecessors and have his story believed. Unbelief is a great sin. Faith is a big thing. The Good Book tells us that Father Abraham once indulged in a big war of faith, and that he was given credit on the ledger for the same number of pounds of righteousness.

I got across the plains all right, and just before night I reached

CAMP ROBERTS, in Blanco Canon, where Company F of the Frontier Battalion, is stationed. Capt. Arlington was on a scout, but Sergeant John Hoffa, who was in command of the company, gave me a hearty welcome of a soldier and caused me to fare sumptuously until morning. The property owners of these unorganized counties regard these rangers almost as their sole protection against the dishonest and desperate characters, and these picked, tried and true men, commanded by such veterans as Capt. Arlington are a terror to lawless characters of all grades. It is a well-known fact that when a few of these quiet, unostentatious rangers are known to be in a settlement, the lawless element will order, just give them a chance and you will see. They are "on the square," west side.

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WANTED. A Second-hand Printing Press and a Practical Printer. Dec-31-21

J. F. LEWIS, Junction City, Texas.

Still at the Old Stand.

We call attention to the advertisement of that old reliable grocery stand of Wm. Brown. This firm needs no introduction at our hands. Mr. Brown's success is the result of long and successful experience in the grocery line. Mr. Brown is a gentleman of large experience and takes advantage of all the fluctuations in the market and in that way he is enabled to offer goods at the lowest possible price. Don't forget the place when you want cheap groceries.

Kellner and Orrick. A STOCK JOURNAL rustler was shown through the establishment of Messrs. Kellner & Orrick, successors to Strickland & Co., dealers in saddlery, harness, etc., and being "struck" with the things he saw there, concluded to tell the STOCK JOURNAL readers of some of the wonders of the place. Kellner & Orrick have an immense line of stock saddles and stockmen's supplies of every thing in their line. They manufacture everything they sell, themselves, and knowing just the kind of material they use, and giving it with their personal supervision, they know just how to recommend their goods. Of one thing you can rest assured, that Messrs. Kellner & Orrick are in the business to stay and satisfaction is guaranteed on anything purchased of them. They make a specialty of stockmen's saddles and keep a large stock constantly on hand. If you cannot be suited in anything they have on hand an order entrusted to them will receive prompt attention, and if you don't think they can make any kind of a saddle for you, they will make you order, just give them a chance and you will see. They are "on the square," west side.

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PAN HANDLE HAPPENINGS.

MOBETIE, TEXAS, Dec. 25, 1881.

Here we are with Christmas again, and all the boys are enjoying themselves hugely. There is now and has been for some time past a superabundance of means provided for the boys to enjoy themselves during their days of leisure. Last night the hearts of the large as well as the small ones were made happy by overflowing by the Christmas tree at the court-house. The ladies of Mobeetie determined to not be left in this age of progress and set about some days ago to prepare a tree for Santa Claus to hang his many presents upon before he distributed them. It was indeed a grand success in every sense of the word. The tree presented as tasty and beautiful appearance as any one yet correspondent ever saw. There were over six hundred presents distributed from its bows. Will not the JOURNAL say that this speaks well for the heathen land of the Pan Handle? The success of the enterprise is attributable to the ladies of Mobeetie. God bless the women, were it not for them this world would indeed be a shiftless concern.

Slade was here and stayed sometime with us looking up the interests of the JOURNAL. On the first night of his arrival, after he had had a good supper and sampled divers kinds of Bourbon, Mellwood and Sour Mash, he found himself comfortably fixed in one of the popular evening resorts of our city. Here he was surrounded by an innumerable host of wealthy stockmen, as he supposed at the time, only in town for the purpose of spending a few dollars with the people and to be sociable. He sought this occasion to explain to them the peculiar advantages to be derived from a liberal patronage of the JOURNAL. In making these facts known, he grew eloquent thereby attracting the attention of all parties in the room. About this time he felt a familiar tap on the shoulder, and as he cast his eyes around to see who it was that touched him, he was greeted with a familiar smile, and requested the loan of just \$5 "till morning." Thinking it would not do to insult this fellow by refusing so small a favor, he handed down into his pocket for the "V" and handed it over; not daring to even ask the name of his friend as it might appear impertinent, and inure to the detriment of the JOURNAL. Away went Slade's only five dollar bill, but that fellow never failed to come up next morning to Slade's astonishment. He never found out who it was that five dollar bill, but he is now of the opinion that it was not a cow man that did it. Slade decided before leaving that he would be "durned" if it ever happened again.

Court adjourned last Wednesday after being in session over two weeks. No one was hung or sent to the penitentiary; but numbers of the boys who manipulate the "papers" sowed seeds of discord among the stockmen, and inure to the detriment of the JOURNAL. The weather is very pleasant. Cattle doing remarkably well, and everybody seems to be prospering. P.

The Place to Go. The JOURNAL takes pleasure in recommending Howard Tully, Jeweler, to the stockmen and to its readers generally. Mr. Tully's stock of jewelry, watches, clocks, etc., is complete and he is a liberal business man who believes in giving patrons their money's worth. He has employed an accomplished engraver, and is prepared to do all work in this line. Repairing of any kind done on short notice. His new and ample quarters on Houston street, below the Cattle Exchange, Mr. Tully will be glad to see his friends and show them the "boss" stock of jewelry. Aug 4-1mo

Christmas goods and fancy goods at Dashwood's new drug store in endless profusion. Don't forget the place. Main street, opposite the Knights of Pythias hall. George has a stock unsurpassed which he sells at prices that defy competition, and he extends a cordial invitation to all to call and see. Dec-10-11

The Central Hotel. At Sweetwater, Texas, is headquarters for stockmen, commercial men and the traveling public generally. Table always supplied with the best market affords S. F. Roy, Proprietor. Dec-10-21

Cattle Exchange at Abilene. Claib Merchant, well known as a prominent cattleman and to all stockmen, has formed a partnership with Mr. Collins of Abilene, under the firm name of Collins & Merchant. These gentlemen need no personal commendation from the JOURNAL, as we can assure stockmen and the public generally that their personal traits will influence their business conduct. They will keep none but the very best goods of all kinds in their line, and will endeavor to make the Cattle Exchange at Abilene the resort of all who want first-class goods and clever treatment. While at Abilene call and see Collins & Merchant at the Cattle Exchange and wonder how it is that men in a frontier town keep a house second to none in larger cities further east. Nov-12-11

Geo. H. Dashwood's new store, Main street, opposite the Knights of Pythias hall, is the place to go for your Christmas and fancy goods. A varied assortment and cheap prices are the attractions at Dashwood's. Give him a call, to see the beautiful stock it not to buy. Dec-10-11

Attention, Stockmen! Our experience in the CLOTHING AND FURNISHING GOODS Business of Texas for over thirty years, and having supplied STOCKMEN AND FRONTIER TRADE, We are prepared to furnish you with the best of the following goods: CLOTHING, BOOTS, CASHMERE UNDERWEAR, MERINO UNDERWEAR, SPETSON HATS. don't fail to call and SEE FOR YOURSELF the immense stock of WENAR & SAMUEL, next door to First National Bank, FORT WORTH, TEXAS. Dec-3-11

DAVENPORT & TURNER, Proprietors of the CATTLE EXCHANGE SALOON, Still Keep a Full Line of the BEST WINES, LIQUORS, CIGARS, Etc., Etc., Etc., To be had in the market, and will continue to make their resort THE HEADQUARTERS FOR CATTLEMEN. Gainesville, Texas. Sept 29-11

P. L. KROUSE, CONTRACTOR AND BUILDER, COLORADO, TEXAS. Special attention to building residences or ranches in the country. July 13-11

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Mrs. C. D. Brown is receiving her full stock of Millinery, Silks, Brocades, Satins, Cashmeres, Surah and all the newest trimmings, Ornaments, Ribbons, Buttons, Ribbons, Laces, Hosiery, Cloaks, Dolmans, Ready Made Clothing and Underwear for ladies and children. Also elegant new French and American Pattern Hats and Bonnets. Ladies are cordially invited to inspect my goods. Bridal outfits a specialty.

CONNELL & MACMINN, At Sweetwater.

Carry a splendid stock of merchandise embracing everything needed on a ranch. Always a full supply of groceries on hand; and they earnestly solicit the stockmen of Texas and other counties, feeling confident they can make it to their interest to deal with them. Dec-10-31.

JNO. B. NEFF.

ROCK FRODO. The Oldest Established SALOON In the City. Finest Liquors and Cigars, ONE OF THE HANDSOMEST BILLIARD PARLORS In the State.

ALL STOCKMEN are cordially invited to come and see when they visit the Capital of the State. Dec-11

BRANDS. The TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL has a larger circulation among Texas stockmen than any paper published; stockmen can therefore see the advantage to be derived from inserting their brands. For terms see advertising rates in 1st column, 6th Page.

PAN HANDLE BRANDS. \$250.00 REWARD. The association shall advertise to pay, and on arrest and conviction of any person or persons violating the stock laws of the state, to the detriment of any number of the association, shall pay to the party or parties securing said arrests, or furnishing information leading to arrest and conviction, the sum of \$250. The reward of \$250 will be paid in accordance with the above article in full, and the association will not be responsible for rewards where the marks and brands are not recorded in their books; nor for payment of rewards to parties in the employ of the association. J. F. EVANS, President Pan Handle Stock Association.

In order to have brands inserted in this column and obtain the length of above reward it will be necessary to accompany the brands with proof of ownership. For terms see first column on editorial page. Those desiring full list of marks and brands of the association will address W. L. R. Brock, Secy. Mobeetie, Texas. Parties knowing of any stray stock in any of the following marks and brands, will confer a favor on the association by notifying them by postal card or otherwise.

J. G. ADAIR. Range Quit 11 Qua Hall and Floyd County, Texas. This also tally brand on left side of shoulder.

W. E. ANDERSON. Postoffice, Adair, Hutchinson county, Texas, Ranch Adair. This brand also on jaw with deep jaw. Horse brand also on left thigh; when sold could not be branded same on left shoulder.

T. S. BUGREE. Postoffice, Fort El, Holt, Texas, Ranch in Roberts county, on Canadian River. In this brand with white star on left side with various marks. Some brands with bar over on left shoulder.

L. G. COLEMAN. Postoffice Clarendon, Texas, Ranch on Oak Creek, Hall county. This brand also on jaw with deep jaw. Horse brand also on left thigh; when sold could not be branded same on left shoulder.

H. W. CRESSWELL. Postoffice, Fort El, Holt, Texas, Ranch in Roberts county, on Canadian River. In this brand with white star on left side with various marks. Some brands with bar over on left shoulder.

J. M. DAY. P. O. Camp Supply, on Oak Creek, Hall county. Horse brand, over omelette of other brands, on left side.

JO or D on left side. On left jaw, side and hip. On left shoulder and hip.

W. W. DYER. Postoffice, Clarendon, Texas, Ranch on Oak Creek, Hall county. This brand also on jaw with deep jaw. Horse brand also on left thigh; when sold could not be branded same on left shoulder.

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