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CATTLE

THE CHAMPION HEREFORD HERD.

Texas cattlemen are justly proud of the enterprise and industry of their number in recent acquisitions of Hereford cattle, by virtue of which it may now be claimed that the premier herd of Hereford cattle in America is located in the Lone Star State. We, of course, refer to the purchases made by Col. C. C. Slaughter, Dallas, first, of 2000 head of Hereford cows, being the renowned JJ herd of Armstrong county, which he bought last January of Mr. John Scharbauer of Fort Worth. Mr. Scharbauer having purchased them of Mr. Charles Goodnight in July, 1895. This deal Col. Slaughter has now supplemented by his more recent operations, as reported in the Journal, whereby he has purchased the champion bull at the World's Fair with nine of his sons, and nine others bought of the most noted breeders in the United States, and pronounced by expert judges to be the finest bunch of Hereford bulls ever collected in one lot. A brief sketch of the "JJ" herd, whose cows will now be mated with the above mentioned aristocrats, will be interesting to the many who are handling this most popular breed of cattle in Texas.

The foundation of this herd was started in 1874 in Pueblo county, Col., by that veteran front Texas representative stockman, Chas. Goodnight, with forty thorough-bred and high grade cows and one pedigreed bull. In 1876 Mr. Goodnight moved these cattle to Palo Duro canyon, Armstrong county. Shortly after, the firm of Adams & Goodnight was formed, Mr. Adams being an English gentleman with considerable property interests in the Panhandle. The new firm, in 1877, purchased the herd, then numbering about 200, Mr. Goodnight being manager. Other cattle were bought by them, but the JJ's were kept separate, and the first barb wire ever seen in that country was used for fencing a pasture for these "white faces." In 1888 the firm was dissolved and the cattle divided between Mrs. Adams, Mr. Adams having died some time previously) and Mr. Goodnight, the former retaining two-thirds and the latter one-third, this one-third share coming to Mr. Goodnight numbering about twenty-five hundred head. Mr. Goodnight then adopted what is termed the "JJ cross" bred, formed by running a small bar or line across the middle of each J, in order to distinguish them from the original JJ herd. The Goodnight cattle were then removed from the old Adams-Goodnight Palo Duro canyon ranch to the Buffalo ranch, owned by Mr. Goodnight and situated east of where Goodnight station is now located, where they were held under six barb wire fence entirely to themselves until purchased by Mr. Scharbauer in July, 1895.

Reverting to the herd during which these cattle were held in partnership—from 1877 to 1888—it should be stated that the herd was being continually improved by the infusion of new blood, among which might be named the purchases in 1882, from O. H. Nelson of Burlington, Kan., of 150 registered Shorthorn heifers at \$150 per head, and in 1883 the purchase from the same party of 300 thorough-bred and high grade Shorthorn and Hereford cows and 150 calves—the best that could be found in Kansas, Missouri and Illinois—at \$75 a head, everything counted. After Mr. Goodnight obtained possession of his share he commenced their systematic improvement and continued as long as the cattle were in his possession. His first move was to cut the herd down to about one-half, culling and shipping out 1200 head and retaining 1300 head of the choicest. This plan he pursued from year to year, culling every year, keeping only the best, which existed in the fact that the herd when sold to Mr. Scharbauer in 1895 numbered about the same as Mr. Goodnight started improving on in 1888. In addition, Mr. Goodnight every two years procured the best Hereford bulls that money could buy, thus changing the blood, and in fact improved them in every possible manner that his matured judgment suggested, sparing no expense in doing so. The result is best described by quoting the words of Mr. Goodnight who has stated that from 1883 to 1888 he bred the original JJ herd to imported males, and after the division of the herd he bred his portion to the best Hereford males that could be found, adds: "Every one of them are entitled to a register, as I watched and selected only the best or individual animals to propagate from, believing in the survival of the fittest. I firmly believe, as a cattle breeder and one who has studied this subject of breeding for over a quarter of a century, that this herd of cattle, taking them for vitality for form, color and beef making, or range purposes for raising beef, are the best cattle now in the world."

Mr. Goodnight also stated that he had one time complete pedigree of the animals used in this herd from every leading strain in America and Europe, which were filed in the office of the JA (the Palo Duro) ranch, but accidentally destroyed by fire about two years ago.

The above will give some idea of the excellence, individually and collectively, of this magnificent herd consisting of cows exclusively. Mr. Scharbauer having retained the bulls when selling the herd to Col. Slaughter, Col. Slaughter's subsequent purchase of bulls to head the herd will insure the preservation of their excellent qualities and the still greater improvement of their progeny. These bulls number about 100 head and include such animals as Ancient Briton 55749, the champion World's Fair winner, valued at \$2400, with nine of his progeny from the noted Redhead herd, Des Moines, Iowa; a lot from the Vanata herd of Tower, Ind., the Adams Earl herd of Lafayette, Ind., and the Gudczek and Simpson herd of Independence, Mo. The lowest price paid was \$100, with several at \$250 each and upwards. It is a magnificent collection, equal and some of the animals superior to anything either in this country or in England. All Texas and Texas stockmen more particularly, should be proud of the luck and enterprise displayed by Col. Slaughter in these transactions, which are exciting comment and admiration in cattle circles throughout the United

States. Besides being the possessor of one of the finest herds living, from a business standpoint, and in view of the almost universal demand by breeders and market buyers for well-bred cattle, Col. Slaughter's investment can not fail to prove highly satisfactory. The Journal joins his many friends in hearty wishes for the greatest success with his magnificent herd, and trusts that his example will be emulated by many of our cattlemen throughout the state.

THE FARM.

Pop corn makes an abundance of fodder. It is superior to field corn for that purpose.

The government estimates are that there were 1,164,000,000 bushels of corn still in farmers' hands on March 1. This is the largest amount ever held by American farmers on March 1.

Where it can be done, it is almost always the case that an indirect method of selling the crops is the better one. A drove of hogs fattened on cheap corn or wheat will usually bring a double price for that grain.

There is a great talk at all of the institutes and farmers' meetings about educating the farmer in the arts and sciences. Education in these lines is not to be despised, but a greater need of the farmer at this time is education in business principles and business methods, and to have his eyes trained to see values in little things. He needs, too, to have more confidence in his neighbors and others of his own calling, and less faith in the promises of agents; trust more in those with whom he comes in contact, and less to those whom he knows only from their letter-heads.

In our opinion the most suitable all purpose shelter that can be built upon the Western farm for live stock of all kinds is the long shed running east and west and facing south. It has two or three main points of advantage over barn shelter, or that which is entirely enclosed with a more or less pretentious and costly structure. It forms a long and continuous line of wind-break, which is a consideration all through the winter season aside from the main one of overhead shelter. During the day it has the inestimable advantage of being open to the sun. Another advantage to the farmer is in the matter of cost of construction. We would always build such a shed upon raised ground so that it will keep dry. This is a most satisfactory arrangement for the feedyard.—Nebraska Farmer.

In time of peace prepare for war, and in time of plenty prepare for famine. Now is the time to plan and act for the insurance of an abundant feed crop for the winter. Do not depend on corn and corn fodder; plant plenty of sorghum and Kaffir corn; the latter is the best drought resistant crop we know of. In West Texas and Oklahoma it is the stock farmer's sheet anchor, rarely failing to make a fair grain as well as forage crop. The seed of the grain as a food for man and beast is well known—the good qualities of the fodder not so well known however, as they should be. It is nutritious and highly relished by stock. Sorghum of the Amber variety is also good forage. Sow it broadcast, rather thickly, so that the stalks will be small, then cut when the heads are ripe and you have grain and forage feed for your horses, besides plenty of scattering grain for the chickens as long as the forage lasts.

Take care of the farm implements and machinery. It would seem that no warning is necessary on this point, but it would surprise the general reader if he were traveling over the country to note the evidences of carelessness that are so often seen. The prudent and painstaking farmer has a place for his implements where he sees to it that they are housed and properly cared for when they are no longer required in the cultivation of crops. His neighbor sometimes leaves his implements where they are used last or about his premises, without shelter. Even his harvester or mowing machine is left in the field long after it has been used, subjected to all kinds of weather and inevitable injury. The cost of repairs necessarily increased under such inexcusable neglect, and the period when a new machine will be necessary is much shortened. The care of tools is an important factor in farm economy, and a word in season, while not necessary for the prudent man, may be serviceable to such as are too remiss in this direction.

IMPROVED COTTON BALES.

President E. S. Peters of the Texas Division Cotton Growers' Protective Association has addressed a letter to the cotton ginner of the state on the subject of the better handling of cotton in which he states:

"No bale of cotton should be larger than 28x58 inches when turned out in the gin box; that is, all gin boxes should be cut down to that size which are larger.

"Ginners should be careful to see that gin stands are so fed that the condensers deliver cotton to the press evenly and that the bale is turned out even at the ends and sides.

"Side and door of gin boxes should be tightly closed while the box is being filled.

"Bales should be tied out of the gin box so that all the bands bear their strain evenly.

"Use nothing less than 24-pound bagging, six yards to the bale, and six ties of 45 pounds to the bundle.

"If the bales are turned out in good shape and covered with good heavy lagging in the gins, the compresses can then turn the bales out for final shipment in good shape, and the present losses in waste, extra insurance, and freight will be saved, and this saving will go into the pockets of the man who produces the staple, thereby benefiting us all. We, as producers, will try and do our part, and we ask you as ginners to meet us, so that, working together, we may turn out a bale of cotton that will compare favorably in the markets of the world with the bales from other cotton-producing countries."

HORSES AND MULES.

The small horse is the cheapest kind of horse in all our markets, and is the hardest to sell, even at the insignificant price of \$25 to \$50. Like a small mule, there is no place or use for them.

The total exports of horses for the past eight months from the United States were 18,931, valued at \$2,476,828, as against 12,821 horses exported during the same period of 1895, and which were valued at \$1,972,129.

There are plenty of sagacious dealers as well as breeders who see a brighter future for the harness horse, and who feel so sure of it that they intend holding on to their promising animals, confident of being repaid for so doing.

The New England Trotting Horse Breeders' Association leads all organizations of its kind in the East as to disbursements of moneys, having paid out at its two meetings \$65,565, an amount equaled only by the Kentucky Trotting Horse Breeders' Association.

From Kentucky and other parts of the country come reports of the scarcity of good horses, and if there is any virtue in signs, there is bound to be a greater scarcity in the near future, while the demand is not likely to fall off. Prices, therefore, are bound to go higher.

The shipment of American horses to England is steadily increasing. In 1893 Great Britain took 13,737 American horses, nearly 2,000 in 1894 and 34,000 in 1895, but during the first nine months of 1896 more American horses were shipped into England than in any previous twelve months.

Among late important sales of high-class horses for export to Europe is Falkland, 2:13 1/4, for \$1200. He is by Happy Medium, dam by Princess, and has always been a consistent race horse in his class. Trevillian, 2:08 1/4, the fastest of Young Jim, was lately purchased for \$950, and will go into the stud at Vienna, now one of the greatest European centers of harness racing.

Breed for size, style and beauty in any breed of horses, and you will get top prices. Breed to the best pure bred sires to be had, and it will take several years to grade up. No time should be lost.

Is there going to be a horse famine one of these years? The best information available from detached communities here and there over the United States, as well as from general intelligence on the subject, is to the effect that the proportion of good horse flesh to the population of the country has seldom, if ever, been as low as it is now. The discouraging conditions surrounding the horse market everywhere have had the natural effect of turning stockmen away from the growing of good horses, until the result aluded to is so plainly manifest as to admit of no question. What may be the cause of this? Is it legitimate? Many things have a bearing on the demand for horses for purposes of transportation and in the industries, but we fail to read the signs aright if the tendency, despite all this, is not toward a situation in which the demand for good horses will be the supply. That day may not be just at hand, but it certainly should be coming.

The large majority of farmers who own horses seem to be quite anxious to get rid of them, even at low prices. When the farm is sold, every horse that can be spared better than anything else on the farm, this is all right, as it is better to lose the horse than the home; but where it is not, we regard it as very unwise and foolish, says the Kentucky Stock Farm. In a country like ours, where one extreme follows another, it is not wise to float with the current or follow the herd. From 1880 to 1890 we bred entirely too many horses of all classes, and as a natural consequence we are now suffering a period of low prices. Our next predicament, if all signs do not fail, will be a great scarcity of horses. We base this opinion upon the fact that everybody is selling and that very few are breeding. We do not believe there are more than 10 per cent of the horses being bred in the United States to-day that there were six years ago. This can not possibly help but produce a great shortage, and this shortage in supply can have but one effect—namely, to increase the price. As it takes five years to produce a four-year-old, and as the time can not be bridged by any possible means, and the demand follows to fall off quite materially in 1898, four years ago, the shortage is bound to begin to manifest itself inside of the next two years. The produce of mares bred this season will not be four years old, or ready for market, before 1902, and between this and that time we predict that there will be a much greater shortage of horses of all kinds than has been seen in this country for many years.—Breeder and Sportsman.

HORSE TRADING BILL.

The following bill has been introduced in the house by Mr. Wolters of Fayette:

An act to prevent the selling or trading of animals of the horse and mule species affected with a discharge from the nose.

Be it enacted by the legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. If any person or persons shall trade or sell or offer to trade or sell any animal of the horse or ass species affected with a discharge from the nose, knowing said animal to be so affected, he shall be fined in any sum not less than \$25 nor more than \$200 or imprisonment in the county jail not less than ten days nor more than thirty days.

Sec. 2. The fact that many cases of glanders are now prevalent throughout the state, and the further fact that horse dealers are carrying such diseased animals from county to county, spreading this and kindred diseases throughout the state, creates an emergency and imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that this bill take effect from and after its passage.

SWINE.

It is now said that Argentine has more than double the number of sheep owned in the United States, and has been increasing fast, and is rapidly improving them in better blood.

The first three months of a pig's life settle its worth. The flow of milk is then at its best, and the capacity of the youngster to consume it is yet slight. Somewhat depends upon the number of pigs in the litter. The rub should not come until they begin to look for sustenance from outside source.

One of the most common mistakes in the management of pigs is to allow them to grow up on a single ration, to creep in between the seasons of the different foods. For instance, if corn is not quite ready when the peas are gone, unless more food is given in some other form, there will be a period of stagnation in growth on part of the youngster. The grower cannot afford, if his pigs are to be put upon the early market in good form.

A strong, vigorous pig, from strong, vigorous parents, well fed and nourished, but not overfed, from birth to time of farrowing, is reasonably sure to make a profitable development, to creep in between the seasons of the different foods. For instance, if corn is not quite ready when the peas are gone, unless more food is given in some other form, there will be a period of stagnation in growth on part of the youngster. The grower cannot afford, if his pigs are to be put upon the early market in good form.

Those having pigs in hand during the period between the weaning season and the time of finishing should bear in mind that this is a period of growth, hence whatever feeds may be used, these should be largely nitrogenous in character. When the frame has thus been built up with a fair degree of quickness, and when it has been kept in a reasonably plump condition by feeding a certain amount of carbonaceous food, it is then easily fattened when the season of foraging arrives.

An Iowa farmer thus describes his management upon the appearance of hog cholera: "My plan would be to kill all animals that are stricken with the disease and burn them. Breed to bred sires to be had, and it will take several years to grade up. No time should be lost.

"There is not the least doubt but that all the hogs now in existence which are actually worth one thousand dollars each can be counted upon the fingers of one hand. But prices have climbed upward all winter, in the face of the great financial stringency, until \$4,000 has changed hands in the sale of a single animal. Who are we to blame for this? The final end of the porcine species is simply to furnish a portion of the meat supply for human consumption, and that they multiply faster and mature earlier than any of their competitors, the absurdity of such prices can be readily explained. We are speculating, pure and simple. Within the past month we heard one of the noted professional fine-stock auctioneers, in urging bidders to raise their bids on a promising sow, inadvertently gave utterance to the secret of many high prices. "Do not bid on speculation. Bid. The more you pay for her, the more you can get for her pigs." To be strictly truthful he should have added, "If you can find the dupes." While it is true that all the best thoroughbreds are high priced, it does not follow that the wolves are accustomed to them, or that their progeny will have all the good points of the parents.—American Swine Breeder.

MEXICO AS A HOG MARKET.

During the past few months Texans in various portions of the state, have made shipments of hogs to Mexico with very satisfactory results. Shippers here in Waco, where the Journal is published, say their experiments have paid net profits. A recent shipment of 700 hogs to the City of Mexico brought \$12,000 in round numbers. Harry L. Anthony, of the Kansas City stock yards, who has also shipped several carloads of swine to the sister republic, says that the unusual demand there for American hogs is caused by the demand for lard. In a recent interview he says:

"There are few hogs raised in Mexico, and of course the demand is far greater than the supply, making a good price of 25 cents per pound for lard. The hogs for meat would be of little value, as the Mexicans are not much on eating pork. The way they use an American hog is to butcher him and render all of him except his hams and shoulders into lard. The hams and shoulders are then salted and turned over to the meat market and sold—not cured."

"What is the reason that hogs are imported into Mexico, then, instead of lard?"

"The reason is that the duty on lard in cans or tierces is enormous. It would make the Eiffel tower look low and dummy when stood up beside it, whereas the duty on hogs is low—\$1.08 in Mexican money, which is a little over 50 cents in American money. By shipping in the hogs the duty on lard is knocked out by a great saving and profit to the slaughtering houses in Mexico."

"There has been a great deal of money lost in shipping hogs to Mexico from the fact that all kinds of animals are not good for shipment. The greatest mistake chippers have made in the past was to get hogs too large and fat and heavily laden. They could not stand the trip. In Kansas City we select in the stock yards hogs that weigh from 250 to 350 pounds. Those that have good feet and the best of health only are used for shipment, and where others have lost all of their profits by having a heavy percentage of their stock die, we come out whole by having little or no death loss."—Cotton Ginners' Journal.

SHEEP AND GOATS.

Sheep are getting on top once more. An attractive offering worth the attention of intending buyers will be found in our advertising columns of this issue.

Lime water is considered very good for scours in lambs. Where it is to be fed to all the sheep, a quart of slacked lime is put in a trough and fifty gallons of water put in. When thoroughly settled the sheep will drink it without hesitation.

Pay a good price for a ram rather than have a poor one as a gift. The farmer who then takes good care of his sheep is generally satisfied with the flock and provides no prospect of better for them is ever looking for a better breed.

To keep the fleeces of your sheep free from chaff and grass seeds, have the hay racks for them resting on the ground, that the sheep may eat from the top or sides. Endeavor to fill these racks while the sheep are away from them, and avoid the fouling of the fleeces.

It is evident that sheep values have touched bottom and flockmasters are looking uphill, expecting good things to come their way. As we see it, the tendency is toward a complete sheep mania, based on mutton and wool, better, cleaner farming, to which sheep are an essential factor.

A small flock of sheep is a satisfactory mowing machine on a dairy farm. They go admirably with Jersey cows, or rather they follow Jersey cows with profit to the pastures. Sheep fertilize a pasture more evenly than cattle or horses, and do not tear up the grass like hogs. They are fond of most young weeds and so keep them cropped down.

Two ranch firms in New Mexico are in the market for 400 Shropshire rams for July and August delivery, and at least a dozen more are casting about for an early purchase of some 1500 more of the same sort. Only early purchasers will get rams at current prices. At least 10,000 Shropshire rams will go before the 10th of October.—American Sheep Breeder.

The Southdown sheep is not as large as the Oxford or Shropshire, but it still holds its place at the head of the mutton breeds for quality of meat. One thing of its favor also is its hardness and ability to forage overfields where the larger kinds are not well adapted. Where the common flocks are to be improved it will be an advantage to begin with the Southdown, as a change for the better will be noticed the first season.

Our farmers make a mistake in breeding. No matter how good the males they breed from, they will not make much progress in breeding up to a higher degree of excellence until they take more pains in selecting their ewes. Sheep are so susceptible to improvement as any stock, and the short time it takes to grow a ewe to an age for breeding, renders this class of stock one of the best to make improvements upon.

It is unfortunate at this juncture that wool growers are so wide apart in the expression of their views on wool tariff legislation. The lack of thorough organization, and the wide diversity of opinion among them as to the measure to be adopted, has placed the industry on a prosperous footing, leaves them open to criticism from their enemies and naturally enough neutralizes their influence with congress and the public.—American Sheep Breeder.

"A correspondent of the American Sheep Breeder advises with plenty of good, clear, sharp sheep bells on sheep to scare off dogs. One or two bells on a flock will do little or no good, but twenty or fifty vigorously jingling at one time is said to be too much for the sensitive ears of dogs." The Journal doubts it. Mr. Alfred Giles of San Antonio, at the recent meeting of the Cattle Raisers' association stated that he belted an entire flock of sheep as a protection against wolves. The plan worked all right for a few weeks till the wolves got accustomed to them, when their depredations were resumed the same as before the belting.

According to a report from Casper, Wyoming, the prospects for a new tariff on wool have been felt already. Ten eastern people are there trying to buy stock ewes. They are offering \$3.50 per head, delivered after shearing. This is 75 cents more than the same sheep brought this time last year. If the Dingley bill passes 1,000,000 head of sheep will be sheared next year. From the number of people wanting to buy sheep it looks as if everybody wanted to go into the business. All the hotels are crowded with guests. The rate of interest has gone up from 10 per cent to 12 per cent in local towns.

USE GOOD SIRES.

In South Africa, where the Angora industry has become established, breeders recognize the value of good sires, at no matter what expense. Three times during the past two years auction sales have been held at the Cape of pure-bred goats from Asia Minor. Top prices for rams were respectively, \$2500, \$1650 and \$1900, and at the last sale (Jan. '97) \$1025 was paid for a doe, the highest price ever paid.

In America the industry has not advanced sufficiently to warrant any breeder in paying any such prices. The risk would be too great and the demand for progeny would not be great enough to insure a reasonable return upon the large investment. We hope the time is coming, however, when the mohair industry will assume such proportions that some of our experienced breeders will feel warranted in securing for their breeding farms some of the finest Angora bucks to be had, regardless of expense. A good sire in careful hands is cheap at almost any price.—Oregon Agriculturist.

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OUTSIDE MARKETS.

GALVESTON MARKET.

Stock Yards, Galveston, Tex., April 10.—Present quotations: Beves, choice per 100 pounds gross, \$3.00@3.50; common, \$2.25@2.50; cows, \$2.50@3.00; common cows, per head, \$12.00@14.00; yearlings, choice, \$2.50@3.00; common, \$2.00@2.25; calves, choice, \$3.00@3.50; common calves, \$2.50@2.75; sheep, choice, \$3.50@4.00; common, per head, \$1.00@2.00; hogs, corned, \$3.50@4.00, matted, \$2.25@2.75.

KANSAS CITY MARKET.

Stock Yards, Kansas City, Mo., April 13.—Cattle receipts were 2000. The market varied from steady to strong; Texas steers ranged from \$3.00@4.20, natives from \$2.25@3.10, native steers from \$3.00@4.10, cows and heifers from \$1.50@4.35, stockers and feeders from \$2.75@4.60, bulls from \$2.25@4.00. Hog receipts were 6000. The market was strong for weak, the bulk of sales ranging from \$3.85@3.95, heavies from \$3.80@4.00, packers from \$3.65@3.85, mixed from \$3.80@3.95, lights from \$3.65@3.85, yorkers from \$3.80@3.85, pigs from \$3.00@3.50. Sheep receipts were 2000. The market was strong for weak, ranging from \$4.60@5.25, muttons from \$2.50@4.60.

ST. LOUIS MARKET.

National Stock Yards, Ill., April 13.—Cattle receipts were 10,000, shipments 1000. The market was strong for natives, other grades steady. Texans were steady, fancy export steers going from \$4.25@5.00, bulk of sales from \$4.65@4.85; dressed beef and shipping steers from \$3.65@4.80, bulk of sales from \$4.25@4.45, steers under 1000 lbs from \$3.50@4.25, bulk of sales from \$3.75@4.00; stockers and feeders from \$3.00@4.50, bulk of sales from \$3.60@4.25, cows and heifers from \$1.50@5.00, bulk of sales from \$2.25@3.35; bulls from \$2.10@3.85; Texas and Indian steers, fed, ranged from \$3.60@4.40, grass from \$2.65@3.85, cows and heifers from \$2.00@3.75. Hog receipts were 4000, shipments 3000. The market was strong and 5c higher; light from \$3.30@4.05, mixed from \$3.75@5.00. Texas sheep, grass and fed, from \$3.00@4.50.

CHICAGO MARKET.

Union Stock Yards, Chicago, Ill., April 13.—Only about 14,500 head of cattle were received to-day. After last week's reduced supply there was naturally a rather lively demand and prices were stronger, with an average advance of 10c per 100 pounds in fat cattle. Sales were made of 14,500 head, \$3.75@4.00 for a few lots of very common dressed beef steers up to from \$5.00@5.35 for choice to prime cattle, with fancy heaves salable at from \$5.45@5.50. The bulk of cattle went at from \$4.30@5.00, choice stock being in light supply, and there was a good export and shipping demand at from \$4.60@5.30. There was a good stocker and feeder trade at steady prices, sales being made at from \$3.40@3.60 for common lots, up to from \$4.20@4.40 for the best feeders. Cows, heifers and bulls sold from \$2.50@3.85, prices and calves were unchanged with fair offerings. Texas cattle were active and firm. The advance in the price of hogs that took place last week failed to stimulate the receipts to-day, only about 20,000 hogs being received. The light receipts are attributed to bad country roads. To-day's supply was soon disposed of at 5c advance, sales ranging at from \$3.80@4.20, with the bulk going for from \$4.10@4.15. The market closed weaker after most of the hogs had been taken. The week starts off with a "run" of about 16,000 sheep and lambs. There was an active demand and prices ruled stronger. Sales were made of common to prime sheep at from \$3.00@5.25, with offerings mostly made up of the westerns. Lambs sold actively at from \$2.75@6.00. Most of the flocks went at from \$4.50@4.75 for westerns. Receipts of cattle were 14,500, hogs 20,000, sheep 16,000, lambs 200.

NEWS AND NOTES.

William Hutson of Mineral Wells shipped a train of cattle Saturday to Catonsville, I. T.
Amarillo Democrat: S. P. Delatour of Nebraska bought 100 yearling steers of Mac Moore at \$15.
Alfalfa has been tried on the uplands in the Denison neighborhood with splendid success.
L. M. Coates of Corsicana shipped Sunday to H. B. Spalding, Muskogee, I. T., 900 two-year-old steers.
Five cattle trains were loaded at Houston Saturday by Vinyard & Walker for Oklahoma Territory.
The Interstate commerce commission will hold a meeting at Fort Worth on April 19th to take up the terminal charge question.
J. W. Kennedy of San Saba started from Benjamin Saturday with 2000 three-year-old steers for Byrd and Watkins, Quanah.
A fire in Galveston on morning of the 10th inst. partially burned 540 bales of cotton, the property of Harris Kemper. Loss \$8000; insured.
Eagle Pass Guide: Jno. R. Blocker bought of J. E. O'Meara this week 250 head of ones, twos and threes at \$10, \$15 and \$18.
Eagle Pass Guide: Robert Thomson purchased from W. W. Vivion 300 cows at \$12 per head—all increase since December thrown in.
Kerrville County Citizen: Nat Sandherr sold a bunch of three-year-old steers to Wm. Hall at \$17, and a bunch of ones and twos to Wm. Graham at \$11 and \$14.
Frank Vaughan, late inspector for the Cattle Raisers Association at Colorado City has been transferred to Eddy, N. M., and is succeeded at Colorado by Jim Smith of that place.
A bill has passed the house authorizing suit to be instituted to recover four leagues of Green county land set aside for school purposes which Green county was under Texas jurisdiction.
A severe storm was experienced in the Moreau river country, South Dakota,

recently, and cattle losses in that section are now stated at from 40 to 50 per cent.
Mr. J. B. Wilson of Dallas received a cablegram April 7th stating that the cattle he had recently shipped from Terrell on his way to Liverpool in prime condition.

Some miscreant poisoned several head of fine Jersey cattle at Mumford, Robertson county, by mixing Paris green with cotton seed and placing the latter at a watering place.

St. Louis Reporter: D. B. Corley of Roanoke, Denton county, Texas, marketed 116 head 88 pound sheep, sold at \$4.60. They were better mutton sheep than usually arrive from Texas.

Waco horse show was held on April 6th, 7th and 8th, and was a grand success. A sale was held during the show when several standard bred horses changed hands at from \$110 to \$175.

The V. V. N. ranch of Eddy, N. M., (Capt. W. J. Good and Sons) sold 1000 steer yearlings on April 7th to the American Pastoral company at \$16, and 600 head of heifer yearlings to Mr. Lucas of Nebraska.

Twelve thoroughbred yearling Hereford bulls were recently exported from Great Britain for the purpose of improving the stock belonging to the Leibig's Extract of Meat company in South Africa.

Greenville Independent: We were out at Clinton this week and found that all who planted corn in February had a good stand, but those who planted in March have to plant over and some have planted three times.

The Childrens Budget, Miss Louie Harrison editor, and the Quana Observer, Miss K. C. Perry editor, are the latest weekly journalistic ventures in the Panhandle. The Journal extends best wishes for the success of each.

Burnet Bulletin: Bob Moseley of Llano bought 600 head of cattle from Kimble & Young, paying about \$10 for yearlings. Frank P. Green of Bluffton also bought 70 head of Bob Thomas and E. M. Jones and others at the same figures.

Hardesty Herald: The register and inventory kept at the CCC ranch of those who pass by in search of work, sweaters, etc. show that OK spurs are not so much used as formerly, and that Cross L's will be all the rage during the coming season.

The Jennie Achley Bee company of Beville, received an order last week for a carload of bees, from Beaumont, Cal. This firm during the past few weeks has handled orders for bees to many distant parts including New Zealand and South Africa.

Drovers Telegram: At Davidson, Kas., Saturday 62 cars of Texas cattle arrived. T. A. Colman had 15 cars from Catfina, Tex.; H. G. Dearing, 13 cars from Hitchcock, Tex.; J. M. Slater, 13 cars from Llano, Tex., and R. H. Mosley, 21 cars from Lampasas, Tex.

Kansas City Stock Yards receipts for week ending April 3 were as follows: Cattle, 27,232; calves, 691; hogs, 47,801; sheep, 40,106; horses, 842. Corresponding week last year: Cattle, 10,800; calves, 638; hogs, 3389; sheep, 4383; horses, 503.

Receipts at Union Stock Yards, Chicago, for month ending March 31st, were as follows: Cattle 209,500, calves 10,855, hogs 576,018, sheep 303,326, horses 17,782. For March, 1896, the receipts were: Cattle 203,043, calves 12,994, hogs 596,165, sheep 291,419, horses 14,639.

Brownwood Banner-Bulletin: Brownwood will ship 25,000 cattle from Mason and Menard counties this year. The people in the Chris. DeBusk neighborhood have been alarmed by a huge cougar. It killed two horses, was pursued and lost in the brakes of Jim Ned.

Seymour News: Chas. McFarland went out with Geo. Simmons Wednesday for the purpose of looking at the large pasture of the latter with a view of purchasing. Mr. Simmons informs that he will sell all his interest here and make his home in the future at Weatherford.

Chartered—The Fowler Live Stock company of Fort Worth. Capital stock, \$10,000. Incorporators: George G. Gray, Marion Shackelford and Lou Fowler; the Sanger Mill and Elevator company of Denton. Capital stock, \$25,000. Incorporators: Frank C. Thacher, Joe S. Gamble and Sam H. Hoskins.

About half a mile of wire fence, the property of W. G. Wilks of Childress county, was cut Monday night. Mr. Wilks leased and fence some open land about two months since at which time an anonymous notice was posted threatening the wire cutting which has just been done.

Canadian Record: The cowmen's leases in the Kiowa country which the government will not allow to be renewed expire in a few weeks. The cattlemen are considerably worried. Grass in the Osage country has been burned off and 10,000 Texas cattle which had been shipped in are suffering.

Hallettsville Herald: After conversing with farmers from all over the county the results of last week's frost can be summed up as follows: Nearly all young cotton killed and one-half of the corn and melons killed and damage was quite heavy, but of course it is early enough to replant and grow a good crop.

Snyder Coming West: E. B. Weaver, who lives over on the river, was in town last Tuesday and remarked that it was not generally known that the acreage in cotton in his community would be enormously increased this year. He stated that he could on his fingers count up enough cotton land already prepared and fit for planting to amount to 1000 acres.

Pecos Valley Argus: The sugar company continue to send out seed to valley farmers who are desirous of engaging in beet culture this season. Planting is still continuing and will for some weeks yet. About 2500 acres have been contracted for by the sugar factory. There will probably be from 2500 to 2800 acres of beet planted.

An epidemic of some unknown disease is raging among the work stock in Cherokee county. About twenty head of horses and mules died in forty-eight hours in the Alto neighborhood, and a large number are still afflicted. The loss is particularly heavy just at this time, as the spring at hand and only work stock is affected.

On the 7th a terrific hail storm visited Hamilton, Texas, enormous stones falling. Shingle roofs were all chopped to pieces, many holes being punched in them, while the hail made steves of corrugated iron and windows on north sides of buildings are very scarce. The damage to crops was very considerable.

Childrens Index: The following cattle deals were made in Childress Wednesday: Ed. Nidever sold his brand—T. E. Britt & Aston, about 200 head. Ed Davis bought 300 head of yearling steers from Adams; price, \$15. W. C. Quinlan bought 2000 ones and twos from Ed Davis. Did not learn figures, but they were good.

Geo. B. Loving & Co. of Fort Worth sold Wednesday for the Stafford Land and Cattle company, Colorado county to J. E. Campbell of Al-lu-wee, I. T., 3500 head of one, two and three year old steers, at \$10, \$13 and \$16, respectively, delivered at shipping pens in Colorado county, whence they will be shipped to Mr. Campbell's ranch in the Indian Territory.

Buffalo gnats are killing horses and mules in Upshur, Cherokee, Gregg and Cass counties. They are blown in there by recent high north winds. Several hundred head of horses have already died. This gnat, or rather small fly, appears in spring along the river regions. They bite the horses severely all over, and fly up into the nostrils packing them to suffocation.

Arizona Kicker: On Tuesday and Wednesday of last week, at the port of Nogales alone, over 4000 head of cattle were brought across the line, and it is likely a greater number crossed at Bisbee. One man alone paid about \$5000 duty on one entry. Everybody wanted to get their cattle out before the new tariff bill became a law. A large portion of the herds brought over belong to people who live on this side of the line.

American Economist: One hundred million dollars of hard cash, good American gold coin, can be retained in the United States every year by producing our own sugar instead of buying it from foreigners. This amount of money, if circulated in the United States, would benefit farmers, manufacturers and wage-earners. It would also add to our national independence through the home production of one of the necessities of life.

Hall County Herald: Curtis & Davidson have sold their D. Z. yearling steers for \$18. ... S. G. Carter of Miami, bought the cattle of W. P. Hedgecock and W. M. Milan; prices, \$14 and \$16. ... Beef cattle are almost out of the question these days. Wheat & Jones have been unable to find any at all in this country the past week and had to get a half a beef from Fort Worth.

Oleasa News: An Omaha buyer purchased of the S. ranch 1962 large steers for \$54,972. These cattle are pastured in Frio and Tom Green counties. The old Fuchs pasture was bought this week by Eugene Clark at \$2000. He has moved his cattle from the Quinn ranch and placed them there. ... E. H. Estes and John L. Fous sold 200 yearlings to Mussett and Smith of Kansas at \$10 around.

Drovers Telegram: The arguments in the stock yards case were concluded last Saturday afternoon and Judge Foster took the case under advisement. The judge announced that he would make a decision one week from to-day unless he finds evidence as to the reasonableness of the charges filed by the legislature is necessary. If he finds that testimony is not necessary, the decision upon the application for an injunction will be handed down at that time.

Rapid City Stockman: The first litter of young gray wolves presented for bounty this year was on March 29th, by Louis and Oliver Johnson at Interlor, S. D. They found a den with eleven young gray wolves in it. It took just \$55 out of the local wolf fund or bounty on them. Let the good work go on. We are still convinced that the wolf fund seems like a drain on the stockmen's pocketbooks. It has been the means of making them dollars just the same.

Stockman and Farmer: South Texas cattlemen are complaining of an unjust discrimination in freight rates. The rate on a thirty-six foot car of cattle, for example, from San Angelo to the territory is \$57.50, while the rate on the same sized car from Pearsall to the same point in the territory is \$74.75, the distance being about the same. Here is a difference of nearly \$17 per car in favor of the San Angelo shippers. It is no secret that live stock shippers from South Texas are discriminated against in the matter of freight rates. Just why this should be we are at a loss to know. The railroads of this section of the state have the stockmen at their mercy, and it appears hard to shake off the yoke.

Weatherford Republic: Prospects for a fruit crop were never better. Every tree and fruiting plant is loaded with buds, and fruiting fruit, but with more cold comers and no more big hail storms reach our section, we may expect a bountiful crop. But how can we utilize it? Freight charges are too high to ship to distant markets. We suggest that our good women can as many as possible, and dry them in a sun. There is money in dried fruit. It always sells well.

Jefferson Jimplecote: The Nellie, Capt. Will Mason and Pilot John Gaudier, came into Fort Worth morning with about 65 tons of cotton seed. She had been brought from Leggy bayou, making the trip in seven days. The seed were on a large barge that was towed ahead by the little steamer, The boat is owned by the Jefferson Oil Mill and used to bring seed from all along the rivers to Shreveport and then shipped by rail to Jefferson. This load that was brought through without transferring saved the mill considerable on freight. The boat left on Tuesday for another load of seed and carried out a large amount of meat.

Wichita Herald: Mr. Will Carrigan passed up the road to-day on the way to his home at Beaver, in this county. Mr. Carrigan is getting home from a trip to Europe where he had gone with a large consignment of cattle, sold by W. T. Waggoner, of this county. He came from New Orleans over two months ago and was twenty-two days in reaching Liverpool. He paid a short visit to London, and stopped a day or two in Edinburgh. He reports a great trip, but says he is glad to get back to Texas again.

The Sterling County Stock Association held its annual meeting on March 27th at Sterling City, H. Davis, president. Executive committee's report was read and adopted. Among their recommendations was one suggesting that a sum be raised to employ an inspector to watch transient herds and prevent members' cattle being driven off, and recommending the appointment of County Inspector M. T. Sullivan for the purpose; recommended also that F. C. Sparksman be allowed remuneration for voluntary services rendered in enforcement of quarantine regulations. Messrs. Henry Davis, W. L. Foster and W. F. Kellis were elected to the respective offices of president, vice-president and secretary, for the ensuing year.

El Comerciante (City of Mexico): Messrs. Morris and Butt of Kansas City, Mo., commenced importing hogs into this country in the year 1889. They have shipped as many as 25,000 hogs in a single year, and their total business since they began has amounted to \$16,000,000. Armour and Company, Kansas City, likewise ship hogs to Mexico. An important real estate transaction has recently taken place. It was the sale of 100,000 acres of land to the well known family of Gano, of Texas. The tract is situated in the state of Chiapas and at least two members of the family named intend to settle on the land in question. Friends of the Messrs. Gano will also take portions of the property; a prosperous colony will soon be located on what are, at the present time, unyielding lands, though naturally, they may be classed among the most fertile in this republic.

Devil's River News: F. Mayer & Sons of Sonora, bought steers from the following: W. A. O'Neal, 50 ones at \$12; E. A. Drake, 250 ones and twos at \$11 and \$14; W. A. Glascock, 75 ones at \$12; E. Cone, 50 ones at \$12; J. C. Barksdale, 225 ones at \$12; R. T. Baker, 150 ones at \$12; Sam Cox, 75 ones at \$12; R. F. Halbert 200 ones at \$12; C. John W. Reiley, 200 ones at \$12 and \$15; E. K. Fawcett, 100 ones and twos at \$12 and \$15. J. C. Johnson sold his yearling steers to I. W. Ellis for \$11 a head. S. J. Palmer bought from Grady Wallace of Kimble county, 1400 stock sheep at \$1.50 a head. John W. Reiley sold 1000 short muttons to Sol Mayer of Sonora at \$2.25. H. H. Sheard sold to J. E. Bradford of Kansas 500 unshorn muttons at \$2.75; 600 at \$2.50 and 500 at \$2.30. Coleman Whitfield bought 200 head of stock cattle from Ben Novel at \$12 a head, calves not counted. John Smith sold to I. W. Ellis 35 head of two-year-old steers at \$15 a head.

San Angelo Standard: L. L. Farr sold to Fred McKenzie of Mitchell county, 43 eastern heifers at \$10.50. J. I. Hutto sold 700 yearlings and two sheep—to R. L. Dameron at \$1.75 and \$2. M. B. Pulliam sold to F. M. Lebow 1900 shorn muttons at \$2.60. John Lee has vaccinated fifty of his fine white face bulls and heifers. ... G. Yates sold to G. C. Arnett of Coke county, 100 East Texas cows at \$12.50. Fred McKenzie of Mitchell county, 62 East Texas cows and 81 heifers at \$12.25 and \$10.50. Messrs. Perry & Dooley bought 800 head of Comanche county steers and stock cattle at \$12.50. George Miller bought 55 steer yearlings from H. M. Wells at \$10.50. John W. Light, Chickasaw, I. T., is here preparing to ship 5000 steers and cows from his ranch, the T5, on Independence, Pecos county, to his 300,000 acre ranch in the territory, to which some of the steers will be moved from his county four years ago. Mr. Light is one of the largest cattle owners in the West and in the 30's used to drive cattle by the thousands to Kansas.

San Angelo Press: Sam Oglesby to P. H. Wiley, 825 muttons at \$2.25. Albert Turner to G. S. Long, 44 head of 2's. H. H. Sheard bought from Neal Bros., 2500 shorn sheep at \$2. R. L. Dameron bought from J. I. Hutto, 700 yearlings and two-year-old sheep at \$1.75 and \$2. ... 1000 steer yearlings from H. M. Wells at \$10.50. J. I. Hutto sold 700 yearlings and two-year-old out of a bunch of 27 bought by Mr. Kelly six months ago at \$10 around, and six sold to date out of the bunch have brought \$200. Judge Allen reports a small brown louse infesting and doing much damage to plum trees. He will send some specimens to Prof. Malley, state entomologist, at the Huling experiment station. A kerosene emulsion will kill them, but no preventive is known. A local butcher has inaugurated a new industry in shipping feed from Santa Fe. He has already shipped several hundred pounds and his enterprise is worthy of being well rewarded by paying returns.

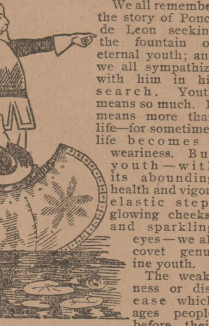
SOME TEXAS SALES LAST WEEK. At Chicago—M. Half cattle, 980 lbs, \$4.10; Blewell & B., 955@1023 lbs, \$4.15; Doherty & Lowe, 805-lb grassers, \$2.40; S. Danahery, 982 lbs, \$4.10; Ardmore, 1046 lbs, \$4.20; the M. Sanson cattle, 1142@1310 lbs, \$4.10@4.15; W. A. Blackwell, 968@1045 lbs, \$4.10, with 1086-lb bulls, \$3.00; Baker & S., 1114@1264 lbs, \$4.35@4.60; Baker & S., 1048 lbs, \$4.10; Baker & L., 1041 lbs, \$4.10; Baker & E., 997 lbs, \$4.00; 240 grassers belonging to J. M. Chittim, 960 lbs, at \$3.75; Silberstein, 27, 837 lbs, \$3.80; 44, 1046 lbs, \$4.25; 135, 1014 lbs, \$4.05; 131, 909 lbs, \$4.10; J. Fossett, 65, 1021 lbs, \$4.20; Campbell, 42, 1082 lbs, \$4.20; 14, 1087 lbs, \$3.85; A. G. Storm, \$2.25@3.50; the J. B. and E. D. Dale cattle, 943@960 lbs, sold at \$3.90@4.00, with 1121@1220-lb bulls at \$2.75@2.90. The Ardmore cattle, 1045, sold at \$4.20.—Drovers Journal.

At Kansas City—59 steers average 1025 @4.05; 100, 1088 @3.85; 29, 1242, \$4.60; 99, 1187, \$4.30; J. A. Smith's, 81 head 828-lb steers at \$3.60; Smithers & Saubrey, 77 head, 847-lb steers at \$3.60, and 62 head, 1063-lb steers at \$3.85; Wyley Saubrey, 159 head, 1117-lb steers at \$4.20; G. A. Sutton, 25 head, 1102-lb oxen at \$3.50; Chorn & Reemer,

12 head, 924-lb heifers at \$3.15 and 4 head, 1330-lb steers at \$4.10; Green & Co., 10 head, 926-lb stags at \$2.90 and 7 head, 1200-lb oxen at \$3.30; J. A. Stone, 17 head, 1232-lb oxen at \$3.55. The \$4.60 Texas steers sold in the Southern division were bred and raised by James Doolittle, of San Saba, Tex. They were sold by him to Tom Smith, of Ponca, O. T., who fed them 150 days, the gain being about 350 lbs; yesterday they weighed 1242. Over 2000 Texas, mixed, sold Monday at \$4.10.—Drovers Telegram.

At St. Louis—Bland, Robertson & Pumphrey 1288-pounds at \$4.25 and Bland & Robertson 1185 at \$4.25, and \$75 at \$3.85. J. M. Dobbie 1242-pound oxen at \$3.75, 1022-pound steers at \$4.25, and J. M. Dobbie & Bro., 1157, at \$4.40. Davis & Damon, 906 at \$3.85. A. W. Allen, 981 at \$4.00. DuBose Bros., 943 at \$3.75. V. Baugh 1028 and 1179 at \$4.30. Patricks & Beggs, 1053 at \$4.35, 1021 at \$4.30, and G. Beggs, 939 at \$3.85. O. T. Cardwell, 1029 at \$4.20, and 128 at \$4.20. J. W. Earnest, 915 at \$4.00. C. W. Schrimpf, 909 at \$3.70. B. Hutchinson, 1005 at \$4.25, and 880 at \$3.85. Sackville & Ritchie, 797 at \$3.60, 721 at \$3.50, and 914 at \$3.70. Holt & Carrow, 968 at \$4.00 and J. T. Holt 724 at \$3.50. H. B. Woodley, 881 at \$3.75, and Woodley & McCormick, 916 also at \$3.75. They were grass cattle from Sabin, Uvalde county, Texas.

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THE GYPSY'S WARNING.

Trust him not, oh gentle lady, Though his voice be low and sweet, Heed not him who kneels before thee Softly pleading at thy feet. Now that life is in its morning, Cloud not this, thy happy lot, Listen to the Gypsy's warning; Gentle lady, trust him not.

Lady, once there lived a maiden Young and pure, yet like thee fair; For he wooed and wooed and won her, Filled her gentle heart with care, Then he heeded not her weeping, Cared not for her life to save, Soon she perished, and his sleeping In the cold and silent grave.

Lady, turn not from me coldly, For I only speak the truth, From a stem and withering sorrow, Lady, I would shield thy youth, I would shield thee from all danger, Shield thee from the tempter's snare; Lady, shun that dark eyed stranger; I have warned you, now beware.

Take your gold, I do not want it; Lady, I have prayed for this, For the hour that I might fail, And rob him of expected bliss, Aye, I see thou art filled with wonder At my looks so strange and wild; Lady, in that green grave yonder, Sleeps the Gypsy's only child.

TO HOUSEHOLD.

Circle Dot has been well trained but might make his visits oftener and longer without fear of cooling the warmth of his welcome. In this about "manners making the man" more is meant than that of the different members and I find them quite interesting. The one from Artist in the recent issue was certainly remarkable. One thing, among a number of others, that appeared particularly startling to me was the capacity of the flask he carried hunting with him. Thirteen gallons. Think of it! I presume it was quite full of milk when he started, for surely he did not carry such a huge flask merely for ballast. By the time he reached the bee tree, he goes on to relate, the flask was empty. The natural conclusion is that he emptied it down his throat. What an undertaking!

Don't you think, dear members, the Big Horn mountains must have a wonderful effect upon the imagination? I cannot help liking Bran New Girl; her frankness is really refreshing; and I do not believe her little independent ways would be carried to the point of obstinacy, do you?

Somewhat like Falcon in my views, I believe that life is real, yet at the same time we should endeavor to lift it above the level of the common place, not by "southern yearnings," etc., but by brave, earnest efforts. Not content with making our own lots brighter, we should pause to help lift the burden from other shoulders, weaker than our own. Charity of thought, speech and action is the sweetest flower that blossoms in the human heart. It is that which links the human with the divine. Good bye. "OLGA."

Eastland, Texas. DESIRES INFORMATION. Dear Household Friends: May I come to the office awhile? I have been reading and admiring for ever so long, and I am anxious to join such a happy throng.

I think Texas Tom writes such nice letters. Woods Boy writes good letters, too; in fact all of the members write good letters.

Will some of you who live near or at Memphis, tell me what kind of a place it is? How large, etc. I think I will live there next year. With best wishes to Mrs. Buchanan and others of the Household, I am, "JEANNETTE," Pine Ranch, Magdalena, N. M.

ALAMO RIDES THE "BIKE." Dear Mrs. Buchanan: If my letters come too often, you know what you can do with them, don't you? I am sure your waste basket would hold a few of them, and while I shall try to not send so many that you will tire of them, still I may do so, for to be quite plain, you have flattered and now I am inclined to think that most anything I may write would be accepted. When you say I write good letters of course I think you mean it, and am not afraid to "fire" another at you.

No, I shan't beg for an introduction to Bran New Girl. I don't say this because I should not like to meet her, but because I am not going to run the risk of being set down again. You haven't forgotten my unsuccessful attempt to secure an introduction to Purple Pansy. I could enjoy knowing Bran New Girl very much if I were living near her, for we could have lots of good times riding wheels. I have only just learned to ride and enjoy it very much. But there was a time when I not only did not ride, but was not in favor of anyone riding. However, I am a good, strong convert now, and I think there's nothing like it. But I had some painful experience learning. The first time I got on a wheel, I rode it right off and went a dozen blocks without a fall or mishap. Then I got off to rest. It was night and the street where I was was dark. When I attempted to mount again I had a little trouble, but finally got started off again only to have a collision with a small boy who was coming towards me. Our wheels crashed together and when we had picked ourselves up and got the dirt out of our eyes, we found that the other fellow's wheel was badly wrecked. But mine was not hurt.

My next ride and the third were uneventful and for the fourth attempt I invited a young lady to go with me. She was a good rider so she said. We took a good road to the country and when several miles turned to come back. Just after we were fairly well started she made a bad break and upset both herself and me and both wheels in a ditch. Result: One badly broken wheel (mine) and several yards of broken sidewalk, some bits and lots of dirt all over me. I was hurt somewhat and she badly frightened. But we have had lots of fun about it since then, and aside from my bruises (she came out without a scratch) and the \$7.50 repairs on the wheel, we rather enjoyed the accident. I am all right now however, and would enjoy a spin with Bran New Girl.

But I don't think Purple Pansy is hurting herself any with that fellow-feeling she entertains for me. But then, I'm going over into Wilson coun-

ty some time soon and hunt her up. If she don't dodge me I'll find her too. I enjoyed Falcon's letter no little and agree with him, too. I, too, am a bachelor and believe I ever shall be, but should I ever marry I doubt if even I, who love, adore and worship woman-kind, would be so unselfishly devoted after marriage as before. If married I would always love my wife, and would ever seek to give her pleasure, but I would not, probably, be quite so much of a sweetheart as I had been when I was trying to show her that I did love her well enough to want to do so always. I expect some of the ladies to think I am a little bit of a hypocrite. But I have expressed myself on this matter. But I don't think I am.

ALAMO. San Antonio, Texas. FROM A RANCH GIRL. Dear Mrs. Buchanan: I write, trusting you will place my letter in a "corner." Spring time is again with us. After so long and cold a winter, it is highly appreciated. Though if we did not have winter snows, we would never know how to appreciate spring flowers. Yes, spring would be just as good weather if we had nothing else but spring. The prairie is covered with a lovely green carpet. Oh, how the hungry cattle seem to enjoy it, too. So you see I am a ranch girl. And a lonely old ranch also, out on the rolling prairie. Our only company is books, and a sweet-toned piano, where we pass a great deal of our time. I must bid you all farewell for this time. I would like so much to correspond with some of the Household, for company and improvement. Write to Mrs. B. for my address. Your well wisher, "ZORA."

A NEW MEMBER. Mrs. E. S. Buchanan: Being a reader of the Journal and an admirer of the Household, by your permission I will enter your charming Circle and try to govern my talk according to your wish, and if interesting will come again when I have longer to stay. And as to when I am you may call me "C. Kid." Canyon City, Texas. C. KID.

SWEETHEARTS ALWAYS. Dear Mrs. Buchanan and Household Band: Imagine my delight when, after three weeks of disappointment, two Households came to me, one on one and reread portions. I was much interested in Isabelle's letter and would like to say a few words in extenuation of that "selfish" husband. We all know that that sex are selfish, as a rule, but some are not so deeply dyed in the bias as others. I think of the letters. In the behalf of these we should say a few kind words, for men are, or ought to be, too gallant to contend with the gentler sex. I think it is a sad mistake when a young married couple drift into a morose life, from which all the approach of love has vanished, all tender endearments fled. I may be in the minority, but I believe that husband and wife should be "sweethearts" always. Not silly, of course, a silly show of affection to a disinterested party, but the heart should be suited in true love and husband and wife are each thoughtful of the other's taste and comfort, surely the warfare of life is less hard. But the thoughtfulness must be on both sides. A selfish man and not a careful wife, is not a success; neither is a selfish woman and an indulgent husband. There is a happy medium and it is not found when there is a lack of love on either side?

Selfishness is a noxious weed which should be destroyed and not allowed to grow as it oftentimes, Isabelle says that men are often unconscious of this fault of selfishness. How is that? Has the long years of indulgence given by mother and sisters so blinded him to what he should be? Has his wife been indulgent when she should have strengthened the habit? Is there not a way to destroy the weed instead of encouraging its growth by supplying the needful material and making other opportunities? Mrs. Buchanan, am I not right in thinking that a young married couple should begin like they mean to continue. If they are at first profuse in their attentions to each other and afterward withdraw them, then the loss will be noticed and resented. "A tree is known by its fruit." True, but true, will be known by the thoughtful attentions, the little sacrifices for the other's good. Go put it into practice, is the greatest test of love. Enough of this—and now for Mrs. Buchanan's theories and remedies.

I enjoyed L. K.'s description of Evening on the Ranch. I have witnessed just such scenes. How rich is nature in beauties to delight the beauty-loving soul! Just now every one is "speaking of spring. One cannot be oblivious of its approach when it spreads o'er all a mantle of green and sprinkles the earth with flowers. As I watched the green buds put out I thought how great a change they wrought in the once bare landscape, just so the hope and duty that heart which has dwelt in gloom and gloom, fresh flowers which cheer us so how like the blossoms of love which shed perfume in a lonely life. Dear nature, how we love thee and above all, how we adore nature's God, who showers such blessings upon us.

Ab, Elsie! Babies do require much attention, but the dear little cherubs how richly their trusting love compensates us. We have a dear little dimpled darling in our home. Her bright presence is a source of constant pleasure and it ever a duty arises we perform it willingly because we love her so. Just think if baby's little demands were withdrawn, the dear eyes closed and baby's lips still in death, how we might reproach ourselves, and vainly! Then let us not call baby a nuisance, but a treasure in which we may rejoice.

I, too, like Marguerite's letter, and hope she will write often. I appreciate your compliment, Marguerite, and am glad that it should argue that she is, but if short lived it is a blessing. If Escero's fishing trip brought to mind some of my experiences. One time I fished all the morning, catching a turtle and a single trout, until at last, my cork went under and I had a "great bite" certainly! I traced my way to the wonderful fish, which the line snapped and the hook was left with the fish, but do you know that to this day I harbor a suspicion that "that fish" was a big stick in the mud, which caught the hook when I threw it? Dismissing! I spent the remainder of the day reading "neath the willows."

How much I should appreciate your aid, Mrs. Buchanan, in the Household!

I cannot fail to appreciate the influence you wield in your sphere, but how can you be so gentle towards? Your reproofs even have no sting, while I almost scold when some one unwittingly touches the discordant keys.

I must stop now and admire the butterflies that are drawn to me and my lamp. One is silver white, with tiny black dots, a little messenger from the other world. "AU REVOIR."

HAPPY DAY IN HAPPY VALLEY. Dear Mrs. Buchanan and Household: I take the liberty of sending you a short account of a trip to the Happy Valley, which I hope will prove acceptable to you.

It was a lovely spring morning when several of us started out, some going on horseback and others in buggies, according to the taste and inclinations of the various individuals. Away we went, but I did not get into the golden meadow, just beginning to look fresh and green, pretty little flowers peeping out here and there and scenting the atmosphere with their pleasant perfume. It has been written, "Pleasant is it for the eyes to behold the sun," but it is not less pleasant to the ear, and to the senses, especially after the cold snows and stormy winds of winter, to see nature putting out the "tender leaves of hope," and whilst we gaze around "we feel that it is good for us to be here."

Whilst driving over the very rough portion of our trip, I find myself moralizing again, and would like to exclaim with Alexander Selkirk of old, "Oh, solitude, where are the charms that sages have seen in thy face? Better to dwell in the midst of alarms than to reign in this desolate place." But after going over this, the roughest part of our journey, we came to the creek, and at its head is one of the most delightful little water falls I have seen in this part of the country. It is in the shape of a horse shoe and in fact, a miniature Niagara. Here the water comes dashing, splashing and gurgling along and falls over at least three cliffs before it reaches its base. Pretty little fishes glide along hither and thither, and whilst the water goes rushing along on its headlong way, I seem to hear it say, "Now then take a lesson in usefulness from me. Just watch me, as I go speeding on my course; how I water the cattle, horses and sheep on a thousand prairies! I try to cool the head and soothe the hungry, and refresh the weary traveler on his way. I make the parched land to sing for joy. I carry in safety vessels laden with merchandise to their desired haven, and finally glide smoothly and gently into the bosom of the ocean." Along with the water, the summit and under the cliffs we could find some pretty little ferns growing, and as they are rather scarce in this part, we felt glad that we had made the discovery. After forming ourselves into a group and having our photographs taken, we returned to the ranch, and thus ended our visit to the Happy Valley and also a happy day.

A GREEN TEA. Do not be misled by the name and think it is an elegant and green tea, for refreshment, for it is nothing of the kind. The rooms are decorated with green—green vines trimmed over the pictures and caught gracefully in the curtains, and on the white table cloths. Several tables large enough for a party are arranged about the room. The invitations are of dainty white tied with green baby ribbon. The company is first welcomed and entertained in the parlor with music and recitations. Every one is made to feel at home, and conversation respectful with wit, and towards the hour of the picnic, each person is furnished with a menu card of white and green paper, on which they will find such dishes as: sweetened boiled down (preserves), love's token (pickled sandwich (jelly cake), preacher's delight (chicken), upper crust (cream), dessert (tooth pick).

The waters only know what the things are, and much merriment ensues when some one orders cream and love's token or some other fancy dish. Perhaps grandma's pride (tea) and love's token will be taken together. A variety of dishes may be served under the new names and much amusement result. It need not be expensive and may be delightful.

A nice way to pass off a few minutes is to pass around a box containing folded slips of paper on which answers are written: as "yes," "no," certainly not," or any ingenious answer. Any one wishing to know something asks the question aloud and draws an answer, which is read aloud to all. Perhaps a conceited young man asks if all the girls love him and draws the answer "no, of course not." Many questions may be asked and the answer is nearly always funny. This may be introduced at the "green tea" with success.

A nice party for children is the soap bubble party. Each child is furnished with a clay pipe or a large soap. A bowl of soapsuds for each group or two or four, then the fun begins. Each one tries to see who can blow the largest bubbles. How their eyes sparkle with enjoyment as the bubbles take all the colors of the rainbow, or reflect their own happy faces and the surrounding objects. Some toss off the bubbles and let them blow them up in the air. They enjoy them as we enjoy our rose-tinted air-castles and when they burst go to work to make others as beautiful.

A woolen shawl or blanket may be spread upon the floor and rolled up around the edges to hold them on. With a little practice the bubbles may be thrown on this and several lovely ones seen at once.

Refreshments may be served—sandwiches, cake and lemonade. If fruit is in season it will delight the children and is very healthful.

The invitations may suggest the entertainment by a sketch of bowl, pipe and flying bubbles.

PURPLE PANSY. According to Dr. James Cantlie, in the Lancet, the disease called the bubonic plague, now raging in Asia, attacks rats before it makes its appearance among human beings in the same locality. A month before the plague broke out in the city of Bombay, it was observed that the rats were dying by thousands. Other animals are also affected, but none so soon or so fatally as rats.

A TEXAS GIRL'S ADVENTURE. While traveling in the great West as a missionary for the great Texas Stock and Farm Journal, I had some rare experiences—look at a bird's eye view of some wonderfully strange country, and rubbed up against bankers, merchants, cattle kings, railroad magnates, farmers, good people, bad people, tramps, Mexicans, etc. In turning over and reviewing memory's pages, I find none that exceed in quiet pleasing recollections, those incident in two days spent at Van Horn, than in all the other places visited. Van Horn is a nice little village of say fifty to seventy-five people, situated in a great rich valley on the Texas and Pacific railway, about one hundred miles east of El Paso, in the Davis mountains, and while the valley is 5,000 feet above sea level, yet it is surrounded by great bald mountains, having the appearance of being baked crisp and brown under the broad golden sheen of sunlight that spreads all over this wonderfully beautiful country 350 days in the year. But why continue to harp on a subject about which the Journal's missionary has had a deal to say heretofore, when as a matter of fact he commences this letter for the purpose of giving the Journal's readers a bit of frontier history—a thrilling experience with a bold bad panther.

MISS MATTIE KING. W. A. King was a well-to-do sheepman in Palo Pinto county until the range and protection on wool got too hot for him, when he moved his family and flocks to Ward county and settled in a section of country called the Sand Hills, two miles south of Monahan Station on the Texas and Pacific Railway, a country of shifting sands, cat claws and cactus, the dwelling consisted of one room, and while Mr. King possessed a section on the railroad his "gude wife" and little girls kept the ranch, while the boys followed the flocks. One day about the 23d of April, 1888, Mr. King returned home and was sitting in the house while Mrs. King was cooking the meal and arguing the point of a special Providence always having an especial care over the helpless when in danger, when all at once she heard her daughter, Mattie, a fat, jolly little girl, scream. Mrs. King went out, thinking that Mattie had an old hen with a new brood of chicks had gone to bed, and to her astonishment the child was running towards the house and dogs, while a big panther was jumping over and around her as doubtless the reader has seen the house cat toy and play with the wounded mouse or bird; one lick from the big panther's paw put each of the dogs to flight, and his pantherish went in at a window and seemed quite content leaping from one bed to the other right over the baby sitting on a pallet between Mr. King, with double-barrel shotgun in hand, went in at the same window the panther did, and while one barrel of his gun was charged—of course he pulled the trigger of the one empty, and when he did get the right barrel off it was not pointed towards the panther, his son Oscar King, in the meantime, had gotten a ball hung in his rifle and was powerless, but he finally got his gun to rights and shot and killed the panther on the bed. The panther's tail hanging on the wall led the Journal's missionary to inquire as to his history, and the young lady related the foregoing bit of frontier experience with as little emotion as if it had been only a common occurrence. She said she was sitting on the end of a castaway railway and up-to-date Texas girl, and deserves a place in the history of the heroes and heroines who braved the dangers of the frontier and made possible the good things we enjoy.

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A TEXAS GIRL'S ADVENTURE. While traveling in the great West as a missionary for the great Texas Stock and Farm Journal, I had some rare experiences—look at a bird's eye view of some wonderfully strange country, and rubbed up against bankers, merchants, cattle kings, railroad magnates, farmers, good people, bad people, tramps, Mexicans, etc. In turning over and reviewing memory's pages, I find none that exceed in quiet pleasing recollections, those incident in two days spent at Van Horn, than in all the other places visited. Van Horn is a nice little village of say fifty to seventy-five people, situated in a great rich valley on the Texas and Pacific railway, about one hundred miles east of El Paso, in the Davis mountains, and while the valley is 5,000 feet above sea level, yet it is surrounded by great bald mountains, having the appearance of being baked crisp and brown under the broad golden sheen of sunlight that spreads all over this wonderfully beautiful country 350 days in the year. But why continue to harp on a subject about which the Journal's missionary has had a deal to say heretofore, when as a matter of fact he commences this letter for the purpose of giving the Journal's readers a bit of frontier history—a thrilling experience with a bold bad panther.

MISS MATTIE KING. W. A. King was a well-to-do sheepman in Palo Pinto county until the range and protection on wool got too hot for him, when he moved his family and flocks to Ward county and settled in a section of country called the Sand Hills, two miles south of Monahan Station on the Texas and Pacific Railway, a country of shifting sands, cat claws and cactus, the dwelling consisted of one room, and while Mr. King possessed a section on the railroad his "gude wife" and little girls kept the ranch, while the boys followed the flocks. One day about the 23d of April, 1888, Mr. King returned home and was sitting in the house while Mrs. King was cooking the meal and arguing the point of a special Providence always having an especial care over the helpless when in danger, when all at once she heard her daughter, Mattie, a fat, jolly little girl, scream. Mrs. King went out, thinking that Mattie had an old hen with a new brood of chicks had gone to bed, and to her astonishment the child was running towards the house and dogs, while a big panther was jumping over and around her as doubtless the reader has seen the house cat toy and play with the wounded mouse or bird; one lick from the big panther's paw put each of the dogs to flight, and his pantherish went in at a window and seemed quite content leaping from one bed to the other right over the baby sitting on a pallet between Mr. King, with double-barrel shotgun in hand, went in at the same window the panther did, and while one barrel of his gun was charged—of course he pulled the trigger of the one empty, and when he did get the right barrel off it was not pointed towards the panther, his son Oscar King, in the meantime, had gotten a ball hung in his rifle and was powerless, but he finally got his gun to rights and shot and killed the panther on the bed. The panther's tail hanging on the wall led the Journal's missionary to inquire as to his history, and the young lady related the foregoing bit of frontier experience with as little emotion as if it had been only a common occurrence. She said she was sitting on the end of a castaway railway and up-to-date Texas girl, and deserves a place in the history of the heroes and heroines who braved the dangers of the frontier and made possible the good things we enjoy.

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San Antonio & Aransas Pass. For Boerne and Kerrville, leaves daily except Sunday at 7:45 p. m.; Sunday at 9:30 a. m.; leaves daily except Sunday at 10:45 a. m.; Sunday at 11:30 a. m. For Houston, Cuero and Waco, leaves daily at 1:50 a. m.; arrives at 8:35 p. m. For Rockport, Corpus Christi and Alice, leaves at 1:50 p. m.; arrives at 11:30 a. m.

SAN ANTONIO MARKET. San Antonio, Texas, April 9.—The inadequate supply of the San Antonio horse market was strongly emphasized to-day by the presence of several buyers who would have paid cash for mules and horses in hundreds of lots if there had been any for sale. Stags have been taken to remedy this condition of affairs to a certain extent at least. Prospectors have been sent out to the ranges to look up available stock and head it in this direction. It is confidently predicted that within two weeks the result of this move will become apparent in increased transactions and renewed activity in the horse market.

Business was brisk at the San Antonio Union Stock Yards to-day, as is shown by their official report, as follows: Receipts—Cattle, 129. Sales—Cattle, 51; calves, 53; hogs, 2. Shipments—Cattle, 90. Supply on hand—Cattle, 27; hogs, 3.

Local quotations on live stock are as follows: Beves, choice shipping, \$2.50@2.60; beves, common to fair, \$2.00@2.25; best cows, \$2.25@2.50; common cows, each, \$1.00@1.30; yearlings, \$2.25@2.50; spring calves, \$3.00@3.25; dairy cows, each, \$15.00@25.00; good fat muttuns, \$2.50@3.00; common to fair muttuns, each, 75c@1.50.

William Keeler of Bartlesville, I. T., is here to-day (Saturday).

James Stone of Del Rio, a well known cattleman, was here Wednesday.

George L. Leigh of Kerr county, is among the visiting women in the city to-day.

A heavy rain, accompanied by a stiff norther, is reported from Kennedy on the 8th.

Leo Bros. of Gonzales, shipped forty-five cars of cattle to the territory on the 5th.

R. H. Mosely of Llano, shipped a train of cattle from Georgetown to the territory Tuesday.

C. W. Merchant & Son have been shipping from Floresville to the territory the past week.

Capt. J. P. Moore of Fort Worth, live stock agent of the Frisco, spent the week in the Alamo city.

John Blocker came up from Cotulla the other day; has been superintending his shipments from that point.

S. R. Stiles of Victoria, was here for a day this week. He says his section is all right and the people generally are feeling good.

The heaviest rain of the season fell at Lubbock Thursday. It was accompanied by a very severe wind, which blew down many trees in the city.

W. H. Jennings showed up for a couple of days this week; came in quietly and left the same way. The Journal could not get any news from him.

J. W. Carter, live stock agent of the Chicago, Rock Island and Texas, was here for a day this week on route home from a trip to Houston, Galveston, etc.

A rain and hail storm was reported from Eagle Pass on the 6th. The same storm visited Rio Grande city and some damage is reported to crops from it.

J. H. Gage of Hico, who went home last week, returned here Tuesday and went to Cotulla Wednesday to receive a lot of cattle which he will ship to the territory.

Capt. B. L. Crouch of Pearsall, always well known among cowmen and now famous as the author of the noted Crouch bill, spent a day in the Alamo city this week.

Chittim & Clare have been shipping cattle from Eagle Pass to market almost daily for a week, and are still at it. Their cattle are fine and fat and bringing good figures.

John H. Belcher of Henrietta, has just completed the purchase of a large ranch in Dimmitt and LaSalle counties. He contemplates moving his family to San Antonio at an early date.

John W. Gibson of Waggoner, I. T., was here the other day on route to Uvalde, where he goes to receive cattle bought some time since and which will be shipped at once to the territory.

John Kokernot of this city, is just back from a trip to his ranch at Alpine. While on this trip he bought out his partner, J. R. Holland, the consideration being about \$30,000. He reports cattle in good condition and says his range is also in good shape.

Col. William Hunter of Fort Worth, manager in Texas for the Strahorn-Hutton-Evans company, came down

from Fort Worth last night and spent Saturday here. He believes there will be just as many Texas cattle go to the territory this year as went last year. North Texas, he says, has had plenty of rain.

Walter W. Daly, Southern Texas representative of the Evans-Snyder-Buel company, returned yesterday from a business trip to Alice; says rain is badly needed all through that section just now, and if it does not come soon grass will be very short. Up to date, however, cattle are doing very well, and will continue to do so for a short while.

Home Eads, of the International and Great Northern line stock department, reports a rush of business in shipping to the territory; says in that line business is every fattening, although he says it in such a way as to clearly indicate that he would prefer that these cattle should be fattened and marketed from this section. Of course, his apparent selfishness is excusable under such circumstances.

L. W. Krake of Fort Worth, traveling representative of the National Stock Yards, East St. Louis, has been here most of the week, telling of the good markets and substantiating his talk by exhibiting daily telegrams from St. Louis telling of sales of Texas cattle. Tuesday the Nance fed cattle from Hearne, weighing 881 pounds, sold at \$4.25, and the Caldwell cattle from Gonzales, 1128 pounds, brought \$4.40, while grass steers were selling at \$3.80 and better.

John Bluntzer, of the well known firm of N. Bluntzer & Sons, cattle raisers and dealers of Bluntzer, Nueces county, is here to-day. This firm is now shipping cattle to market about delivering to territory parties about St. Louis. Mr. Bluntzer says it's very dry in his section, though grass is as yet very good and cattle are in good shape. A good rain is needed, however, to make the grass good and put the ground in good shape for farming.

Albert Gottlett, Bartlesville, I. T., an alternative cattle dealer who has been spending some months in Texas buying cattle, is here to-day en route to Frisco county, where he goes to receive a string of cattle which he will ship to the Osage county. Mr. Gottlett also has a lot of cattle yet to receive in Nueces county, a portion of which he says are fat enough to go to market, and which he says will make him money if the present good market continues for a few days longer.

Heard B. Deas, one of the humble cowboys of the West, who had toured Europe with Buffalo Bill's Wild West aggregation, was tried as to his sanity in the probate court here Friday, and was adjudged insane. The evidence introduced in the court was to the effect that the touch of high life in Europe had led to dissipation and dissipation had brought about his insanity. The young man is the son of Capt. George Deas, known throughout this section as the "One Horse Farmer."

J. I. Clare of Beville, who with his associate, Jim Chittim, has been shipping to market from Eagle Pass, came up Tuesday for a day's rest; says grass had started up, but is now dying for lack of rain; believes in the Dingley bill, and while it will hurt those who have already entered into contracts for Mexican cattle, yet, in the long run, will be of great benefit to Texas cattlemen; thinks the Mexican cattle brought into this country two years ago hurt our cattle not less than \$2 per head, and he is glad to see a prohibitive duty placed on the Mexicans.

Ike T. Pryor of this city, through his agents, Geo. B. Loving & Co., sold to J. E. Campbell and others, of the territory, Wednesday last, 3500 head of one and two-year-old steers out of the Stafford cattle.

A. Eadley of Dimitt county, a well known cattleman, was here Tuesday; says his section is very dry now. Mr. Eadley was here in quest of some good one and two-year-old steers out of the Stafford cattle. He says he has been grading up his herd for several years, but the time has come when he wants a change of blood, but he must have something as good or better than the old before he will change. And he's quite right, too. Anything good will do, but when it comes to improving a herd, the best isn't a bit too good.

George B. Keeler of Bartlesville, I. T., arrived in San Antonio to-day from Alice, where he has been shipping out a lot of cattle which go to his pastures in the Osage country. From here Mr. Keeler goes to Pearsall to-morrow, where he will receive another lot of cattle during the next week. He says the roads are now so busy with their shipments that it is a hard matter at times to keep sufficient cars on hand to fill the demand. Speaking of the Osage country, Mr. Keeler says they have had too much rain up there and farmers are far behind with their work on that account, and the indications are that the grass will be so sappy that cattle will not fatten as rapidly and well as would have been the case with less rain. Like all other territory buyers, Mr. Keeler says the cattle owners in Texas have been holding their cattle too high. Notwithstanding all this, Mr. Keeler purchased several thousand head of steers of different ages and is apparently satisfied with what he has done.

John Gamel of Mason, one of the best known of all old-time Texans, spent a portion of the week in the city, meeting old friends and enjoying himself a little preparatory to going to work receiving the cattle recently bought by him for shipment to the territory, of which there are several thousand head. Mr. Gamel is a walking encyclopedia of "cow knowledge" and can tell more about the business, its past, present and future than 90 of every 100 men in it. While entertaining a few of his friends with a hunt for "Guss" in the Southern the other day, he looked around and smilingly said: "Boys, the old man (himself) used to be a high stepper. Right here in this room, and on that very table over there, about fourteen years ago, I witnessed a very interesting dice game. I saw \$3500 change hands on one throw of the dice, and John Gamel was the lucky thrower. Things were different then from what the now are, and I did not hesitate then to stake \$100 on a single throw, but I might hesitate a little now if I was invited to throw the same way for even \$19."

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PEARSALL SHIPMENTS.

O. Fuller shipped 400 head of the Cassin cattle to the territory on the 9th... Dobbie & Lowe shipped about 400 head of cattle Friday to market... Sam Roberts shipped a car of mixed cattle to San Antonio Friday.

DEL RIO STOCK NOTES.

A special from Del Rio on the 8th says: Messrs. Lytle & Moore crossed 2800 head of cattle here from Mexico, which they bought from Senor Lorenzo Gonzales Trevino, and shipped them from here to the Indian Territory... D. Hart sold to James McLymont 3000 fine ewes at \$2.75 per head. This is the biggest price paid for sheep in this section for many years, and this price was paid after the sheep had been sheared... W. Vivian sold to R. W. Thompson of Maverick county, 325 head of cowboys in it in such a way as to clearly indicate that he would prefer that these cattle should be fattened and marketed from this section. Of course, his apparent selfishness is excusable under such circumstances.

CAPT. SNIDER FAVORS IT.

Capt. A. J. Snider of Kansas City, was here one day this week on business connected with the well known house of Evans-Snyder-Buel company. He sees no reason why the present cattle should go lower, and he anticipates even a better market; noticed but little grass in the territory as he came down, but saw lots of cattle en route there and supposes the shippers know what they can do with the present cattle would not be sending them in. The Captain is much pleased with the Dingley tariff bill, as regards the importation of Mexican cattle. "Of course," said Capt. Snider to the Journal representative, "the works some time back and will doubtless cause many thousands of dollars to be lost, but the ultimate good to be derived therefrom can not be approximated. We all know that the heavy importation of Mexican cattle for the past two Stock Journals... years has lowered the value of our native cattle from \$2.00 to \$4.00 per head, and this bill now puts a stop to the rush of Mexican cattle to this side of the river, hence there is no need to fear competition from cheap, common Mexican cattle, and I can't see anything but good to come from it."

The Captain handed the Journal representative the following special from Washington dated the 3d, and which appeared in a St. Louis paper of last Sunday:

"The cattle dealers of the Southwest are much alarmed by the provision of the Dingley tariff bill which renders stock imported into the United States after April first liable to a tax of \$6 a head. Hundreds of telegrams of protest and inquiry have been sent to the treasury department and upon the congressmen from the districts affected by this provision. It is estimated that upwards of one million dollars worth of cattle already bought by American cattle dealers will be affected by a tax which is in effect retroactive. The stock dealers make their contracts in winter for Mexican cattle for feeders to be shipped when ordered, money being paid on them to insure contracts. The time of future shipment depends upon the condition of the pasturage in Oklahoma, Indian Territory, Kansas and elsewhere in the Southwest.

"During the last winter the usual contracts have been made and many thousands are under contract. Every after the first of the present April, To-day Congressmen Cochran and Cowherd of Missouri and Peters of Kansas visited the secretary of the treasury to secure from him a ruling upon the provision imposing the \$6 a head tax. They were advised that Monday a circular will be issued covering the points raised in the numerous telegrams received from cattle dealers.

"The treasury officials said to-day, however, that the \$6 tax on imported cattle will be paid by the American importers and this will of course increase greatly the cost of cattle already bought for delivery during the coming spring.

"Many of the dealers inquire if the Mexican cattle can be held in bond upon this point. The officials state they cannot be so held and that the importer will be held liable personally for the tax.

"The matter is one of great importance to the cattlemen and one which has indicated here a great effect of greatly increasing the cost of stock they have bought during the last winter and not already delivered. The railroads of the Southwest will also no doubt suffer seriously by this tax in the matter of decreased shipments of cattle from Mexico for the feeders in the Southwest.

"From this article," continued the Captain, "you can see that already the bill is getting in its work, and those people who went into Mexico without first opening their eyes right good, are now somewhat worried, and the ruling mentioned therein gives them anything but relief."

The following special from Eagle Pass, directly upon the same subject, appeared in the Express of the 8th inst.:

"The retro-active tariff law is creating no end of trouble with the stock business on the border. One interesting item, after several days' exchanging of telegraphic messages between the department at Washington and the collector at this place, was concluded to-day.

"On March 15 last Senor Trevino, a citizen of Mexico, sold to J. T. Lytle 3500 head of cattle to be delivered at Del Rio on March 25. Owing to the inability of the service to have an inspector at that place on time, the cattle could not be crossed as per agreement, and in the meantime the new law went into effect. After numerous telegrams the following message was received by Collector Pich from Washington:

"We decline to give any instructions. The new law provides that goods purchased and directed to be shipped for exportation to this country prior to April 1 shall come in under the present Wilson law."

"On the strength of this message the 3000 head of cattle will be permitted to come in under the old law, which they will do to-morrow.

"The impression seems to prevail that the present bill will never become a law, but it has practically killed the cattle business until it is finally disposed of.

ed homo. He says it is too uncertain to risk much on it. "Mr. Brown, another large buyer, has declared his intention of remaining passive for awhile. "Mr. Schrimpf, however, is continuing his old game. He has just purchased 1000 muttuns, which he will ship next week. He says the government can hunt them up and collect on them if it wants to. He intends shipping them to market."

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\$7.75 Houston and return, account meeting Mexican Veterans; sell April 20th and 21st, limited for return to April 23rd. \$7.55 Houston and return, account meeting Travelers Protective Association; sell April 15th and 16th, limited for return to April 19th. \$7.35 Houston and return, account Grand Community Ass'n; sell April 15th and 16th, limited for return to April 19th. \$7.25 Houston and return, account meeting Y. M. C. A. Sell April 14th, 15th and 16th, limited for return to April 18th, 19th and 20th, limited for return to April 24th.

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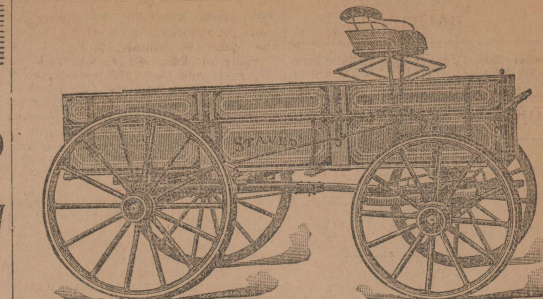
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Table with columns for Texas Trunk, Arrive, Leave, and arrival/departure times.

THE DALLAS MARKET.

The live stock market has been dull during the past week compared to the week previous, the sales and receipts running lower than they have for some time.

The Dallas Dressed Beef and Packing company report fat receipts, a lively demand for everything in the hog, cattle or sheep line, and prices on hogs 5c per pound higher.

Some of the representative sales made at the packing house during the past week are as follows:

Carload hogs—P. W. Treese, one car averaging 210 pounds at \$3.45 per hundred; J. Fields one car, 185 pounds, \$3.40; H. E. White one car, 195 pounds, \$3.50; W. C. Stevenson one car, 190 pounds, \$3.45.

Wagon hogs—G. B. Reedy one load averaging 190 pounds at \$3.20 per hundred; W. L. Bullock, one load, 250 pounds, \$3.35; Henry Wilson one load, 190 pounds, \$3.15; S. M. Cullom one load, 200 pounds, \$3.30; W. H. Moore, one load, 200 pounds, \$3.30; R. L. Barton one load, 230 pounds, \$3.15; W. J. Carter one load, 185 pounds, \$3.30; T. M. Walse one load, 250 pounds, \$3.20; J. R. Aterbury one load, 250 pounds, \$3.20; C. J. Eversfield one load, 265 pounds, \$3.30; S. H. Mills one load, 110 pounds, \$3.00; W. P. McGlothlin one load, 270 pounds, \$3.25; J. V. Betham one load, 185 pounds, \$3.20; W. Grane one load, 250 pounds, \$3.30; J. H. Young one load, 115 pounds, \$3.00; W. E. Hubbard one load, 360 pounds, \$3.25; E. C. Clark one load, 120 pounds, \$3.00; R. L. Clark one load, 120 pounds, \$3.20; G. L. Ford one load, 210 pounds, \$3.25; J. S. Dennis one load, 180 pounds, \$3.55; W. B. Dennis one load, 180 pounds, \$3.35; W. J. Julian one load, 220 pounds, \$3.35; W. J. Shannon one load, 210 pounds, \$3.30; T. Demise one load, 240 pounds, \$3.25; C. J. Eversfield one load, 180 pounds, \$3.35; W. Dewberry one load, 165 pounds, \$3.30; J. M. Burk one load, 370 pounds, \$3.25; H. G. Martin one load, 195 pounds, \$3.30; W. M. Cochran one load, 270 pounds, \$2.50. Cattle—Brown Bros. one bunch veal calves at \$2.75 per hundred; W. B. Brazzale, bunch of cattle averaging 550 pounds at \$2.40 per hundred; J. H. Young, bunch of cattle 400 pounds, \$2.50; C. C. Hill, bunch of veal calves at \$2.75.

Thomas & Seary report receipts short, the market good and demand active for fat stock of all kinds. Their quotations are:

Extra choice fat steers, \$3.25@3.50; common to good steers, \$2.35@3.15; extra choice fat cows, \$2.60@2.85; common to good cows, \$1.25@2.50; extra choice fat heifers, \$2.25@2.50; common to good heifers, \$1.50@2.10; choice milch cows and springers, \$15.00@35.00; choice veal calves, light, \$3.00@3.50; common to fair veal, \$2.00@2.50; bulls and stags, \$1.35@2.00; steers 3 and 4 years old, per head, \$17.00@25.00; steers 2 years old, per head, \$11.00@15.00; steers 1 year old, per head, \$8.50@10.00; cows 3 to 9 years old per head, \$10.50@12.50; heifers 2 years old, per head, \$8.00@9.50; heifers 1 year old, per head, \$6.00@7.00; choice corned hogs weighing 175 to 350 pounds, carload lots, \$3.40@3.55; choice corned hogs weighing 150 to 350 pounds, wagon loads, \$3.10@3.40; stock hogs, \$2.00@2.25; choice fat mutton weighing 90 to 110 pounds, \$2.75@3.00; choice fat mutton weighing 70 to 80 pounds, \$2.50@2.70; common to fair mutton, per head, \$1.00@1.75.

Some of Thomas & Seary's representative sales are as follows: Cattle, one bunch each—Anderson Bros., averaging 550 pounds, \$2.00 per hundred; A. J. Pulaski, 700 pounds, \$2.60; Haynes & Shankle, 550 pounds, \$2.60; Harry Scott, 1010 pounds, \$2.10; D. M. Whitfield, 800 pounds, \$2.35; Starks Bros., 779 pounds, \$2.60; Rector & Combs, 36 cattle, 740 pounds, \$2.75. Wagon hogs—M. Shelton, Dallas county, one load averaging 120 pounds at \$2.15 per hundred; E. A. Deam one load, 150 pounds, \$3.35; B. C. Ryan, two loads, 205 pounds, \$3.37; T. H. Fogan one load, 110 pounds, \$3.00; Wallace & Black stock hogs, 65 pounds, \$3.00; C. Goforth one load, 130 pounds, \$3.00; S. H. Canby one load, 170 pounds, \$3.25; S. Worthington one load, 200 pounds, \$3.00; B. L. Johnson one load,

200 pounds, \$3.30; W. W. Glover one load, 150 pounds, \$3.25; C. C. Wilson one load, 160 pounds, \$3.35; T. F. Thomas one load, 162 pounds, \$3.35; N. C. Arnett one load, 175 pounds, \$3.35; A. Grayson one load, 200 pounds, \$3.35; A. J. Wynn one load, 170 pounds, \$3.35; W. R. Duckworth one load, 169 pounds, \$3.35; Jackson one load, 150 pounds, \$3.35; Luther Lagow one load, 225 pounds, \$3.30; G. W. Ashby one load, 180 pounds, \$3.30.

T. H. Fogan of Haughts Store, was in the city this selling hogs.

E. I. Grubbs of Mesquite was in the city with hogs Saturday.

D. O. Lively of the Fort Worth stock yards company was in the city this week.

Church Goforth, a substantial farmer, sold fat shoats at the Central Stock Yards this week.

W. R. Duckworth and J. R. Jackson of New Hope were on Thomas & Seary's yards with fat hogs Saturday.

A. Grayson, a prosperous stockman and farmer of Hutchins, was a visitor at the several stock yards this week.

Haynes & Shankle of Ennis, shipped in some fat cattle this week. Thomas & Seary bought them at good figures.

Rector & Combs, the well known stockmen of Alpha were on Thomas & Seary's stock yards with 35 head of fat cattle Saturday.

The hog receipts at the Central Stock Yards last Saturday were largely in excess of any Saturday's receipts for more than two months.

President Lawrence Kenedy of the Texas State Fair association departed a few days ago for Key West, Fla., where he will remain some time for his health.

T. F. Wynn & Son of New Hope, were on Thomas & Seary's yards Saturday with a load of fine hogs. Messrs. Wynn say the people in their vicinity all take the Journal and would not be without it.

A. J. Pulaski, a well known farmer of Mesquite, was in the city this week. He says they have had their share of rain this spring and would like clear weather for a few weeks to come so the farmers could catch up with their work.

W. K. Bell of Palo Pinto, proprietor of the famous Galloway herd of cattle was in the city this week on legal business. He says the cattle interest in his county are improving and that prospects for a good year in all lines of business are very bright.

Lon Ledbetter of Mountain Creek was in the city this week exhibiting the pelts of five large timber wolves he had killed on his place. Mr. Ledbetter said the losses of stock had been very severe during the spring and winter in his locality, and after deciding to put a quietus on some of them, killed five of the largest of the first night out.

The editor of this department took a flying trip down the Central Sunday and saw enough to convince him that the cattle shippers appreciate the good service they get on that road. Between Dallas and Kossage the Journal man counted eight train loads of cattle en route to Dallas, Fort Worth and Northern markets—a pretty good record considering that but little more than three hours were consumed during the passage of the eight trains.

The Dallas manufacturers met in regular monthly session Thursday night. About twenty members were present. The freight rate question was discussed extensively and in a very business like manner. Mr. Dorsey introduced a resolution that the freight rate committee be requested to wait upon the interstate commerce commission when it meets in Dallas and lay before them any grievances which the manufacturers of this city may have. Mr. Dorsey's motion was carried unanimously.

N. C. Arnett, a prominent stockman and farmer from the New Hope community, was in the city Saturday. He was interviewed by a Journal representative and in speaking of crop prospects said: "You have heard the old saying about counting your chickens before they are hatched haven't you? Well, it applies to the farmers in my neighborhood particularly. A great many of us planted in February and were beginning to think we were going to make such good crops that we could live in sort of an Oriental splendor all winter, but this last rise of the Trinity and the big hail storm and premature cyclone that visited us last Thursday evening shattered all our hopes we had. We have got to do our work all over again."

W. C. Lively, a well known stock farmer from the Kit community in this county, was in this week with cattle. He was interviewed by a Journal representative and said: "The late rains have played smash with a great many farmers in our neighborhood. Every one of them suffered except those who planted in February. All the young corn was washed up and will have to be planted again. So much damage was done to corn that only about one-half as much will be planted as was first intended. More cotton is being planted this year than for several years past. The farmers are all behind with their work but are working hard and within a week will catch up provided another rain does not force them to stop."

TEXAS STATE FAIR. After several months' hard work the management of the Texas State Fair and Dallas Exposition have planned to have the fair come off on schedule time—October 16th to 31st—and assure its patrons that the event will eclipse all former efforts; that the twelfth annual fair will be greater in every feature than any ever held in the state. The following letter from the management sets forth the purposes of the association:

Texas State Fair and Dallas Exposition, Dallas, Tex.—The twelfth annual entertainment of the Texas State Fair and Dallas Exposition association will be held in the city of Dallas from October 16 to 31 next, and the following officers have been selected by the board of

directors to prepare and conduct the same, viz: L. M. Knepply, president; W. H. Geston, vice-president; J. B. Adoue, treasurer; Sydney Smith, secretary and general manager, assisted by J. T. Trezvant, Alex Sanger and J. E. Schneider as their advisory and executive board. It is the determination of the management to have nothing undone to make the coming event greater, grander, more instructive, more pleasant and more enjoyable than any preceding entertainment ever before given by this association; and for that end they propose to make many radical changes in its running operations, chief among which will be to provide a greater number of out-door amusements, and to permit nothing on the grounds the exhibition of which can cause the slightest offense to any visitor.

The grounds and buildings will be vastly improved and beautified, and the exposition building remodeled, roofed and repainted. The floor space in all of the buildings on the grounds will be changed entirely and all future exhibits will be located with the view of harmony, comfort and attractive appearance.

Premiums will be given in every department equal to those of any first-class fair and exposition in the Union, and race purses will be hung up that will attract the best runners, trotters and pacers in the land.

A commodious wagon yard will be fitted up inside the grounds, where farmer visitors can park their vehicles free of cost, and they and their families are cordially invited to participate in the enjoyment of the occasion.

While the management, through the liberality of the citizens of Dallas and other friends of the association, have been furnished with funds sufficient not only to pay their present indebtedness, but also to pay for all that may be needed in the preparation for this grand coming entertainment, they appreciate the fact that without the moral support and hearty co-operation of the people at large, their efforts will be of little avail; hence, to the citizens of every town and city, and to every farmer, stock raiser and property owner in the broad domain of Texas they especially desire to appeal for their co-operation in this enterprise.

It belongs to no one town nor to any one section of Texas, but to the state at large, and has always been run for the general good of all concerned. No stockholder has ever expected to receive one cent of profit from his investment, and no director a dollar for his services in building up and running this grand enterprise; but, on the contrary, every man who has taken part has been given back to exhibitors for premiums, to material dealers for supplies, to mechanics for their services and to laborers for their hire, in the attempt to make each succeeding entertainment grander and grander than the last.

L. M. KNEPPLY, President, SYDNEY SMITH, Sec. and Gen. Mgr.

SEVERE DAMAGE DONE. The hardest hail, wind and rain storm that has visited this portion of the state for many years swept over the eastern portion of Dallas county Thursday evening. Hail fell in vast quantities followed by a hard rain. The towns of Mesquite, Orphans Home, Haughts Store, Seviere were all more or less damaged. The young corn and oats just coming up were almost totally ruined. The farmers are all very blue as they will have to do their planting all over again. At Orphans Home a great many small out houses were demolished and the seed house and smoke stack of Umphrey's place were blown down. At Seviere a fine barn belonging to W. E. Gross, a well known stockman was wrecked. A number of farmers were in the city this week and all report a very gloomy outlook from their respective sections.

FARMERS' AUXILIARY. Mr. C. L. Wakefield, chairman of the farmers' auxiliary branch of the Dallas Commercial Club received the following communication Thursday last: "Cray Book, Tex., April 7.—Mr. C. L. Wakefield, Dallas, Tex.: Dear Sir—I see in the Dallas News an organization called the farmers' auxiliary. If I understand it, I think I should like it, and I think it would be a good idea to organize the whole state on the line suggested by you. If you will send me all the information you have at command, I will take it up in Franklin county, Yours truly,

JOHN P. GARNER, P. M. Regarding the above letter Mr. Wakefield said: "I have supplied with Mr. Garner's request concerning the information he desired, and have written him a letter in which I suggested that he send the comparative table of freight rates to some good man in each school district in his county and urge them to call mass meetings of the people in the school houses for the purpose of discussing the rates now in vogue and appoint a committee of three from each meeting as delegates to the big convention to be held in Dallas on May 2.

The blackboard of Texas freight rates has been the cause of much discussion in the house of representatives at Austin. I have just received a letter from Mr. W. C. McKamy in which he says the blackboard was kept hanging in the legislative hall for two days and that its presence will have the effect of securing the efforts of the representatives which will benefit our cause very much and will in all probability terminate successfully."

EXHIBITION OF HEREFORDS. Col. C. C. Slaughter's recent purchase of Hereford bulls, a lengthy account of which is given in another department in this issue, is the most extensive purchase ever made by a single individual in the cattle history of the state. In an interview with a Journal reporter Col. Slaughter said: "The purchase of bulls bought by me is 85 head; 59 of them I have selected for my own use to breed to the 2000 cows and heifers recently purchased by me from the Goodnight herd. My new ranch is located in Hockley county, this state, and is being divided into six breeding pastures. Those pastures are intended for a certain number of cows for the different classes of bulls, so we can judge the increase of the various classes. This ranch will be known as the Ancient Briton Hereford Breeding Pasture, and will no doubt be the greatest breeding ranch of thoroughly bred Hereford cattle in the world. At the request of the president of the Hereford cattle breeders association I have consented to place 56 head of the bulls on exhibition at Kansas City in the brick building known as the Kansas City horse stables for three consecutive

days, beginning April 26th. The above herd will be headed by Ancient Briton who captured the first prize at the World's Fair. I have requested the several different breeders of Hereford cattle to thoroughly inspect this herd and give their opinion of same as well as individual bulls, and to make the collection. I have labored for the past thirty years to make Texas the leading cattle state of the Union, both in quantity and quality of cattle and feel that my efforts have at last been crowned with success."

CORRESPONDENCE. (Continued from Page 4.) transformed from a grazing to a farming country, and in a few more years the wild bovine of the prairie will be displaced, being supplanted by the more modern "short horn."

While other parts of our great state have been swept by floods and winds, this section has been more favorably treated by the natural rains, which have had a very stimulating influence upon the growth of our crops.

We have a splendid growth of grass. Cattle are in good condition, and the cowboy as he rides over our beautiful prairies, rounding up herd after herd of cattle, feels that he has reached the zenith of his life, though he knows there are numbers on our broad prairies, yet he still continues to enjoy the camp-fire and the herd-pen, singing as usual his old familiar cowboy songs.

"COWBOY." Rock Island, (Crasco P. O.) Tex.

HEAVY CATTLE SHIPMENTS. Beville, Texas, April 10, 1897. Trainload after trainload of cattle has been rolling out of this territory since my last letter. Something like 150 cars have gone out from Beville to the San Antonio and Arkansas Pass railways, while the Gulf, West Texas and Pacific has taken away about fifty cars, nearly all of them going to the Indian Territory. Mr. Carver completed a shipment of 8000 head of the O'Connor cattle from Clip station, east of here, last Thursday, and they too, go to the territory. Both night and day solid trains are moving up the road from Alice and points south of here. All indications point to one of the heaviest shipping seasons in the history of this section.

Mr. J. Clare has returned from Eagle Pass, where he has been shipping from his ranch up there. The spring range is in fair condition and promises to be excellent this summer.

Farmers are well up with their work and have not suffered the many pests of the state from hail and wind storms. It is said that some big immigration enterprises are on foot for the fall season. One concern here contemplates being ready to throw open over 100,000 acres for actual settlers.

One encouraging sign in the outlook for improved cattle down here is the continued demand for thoroughbred and grade bulls. Every breeder is planting dollars in fine bulls.

T. J. SKAGGS. BIG PRICES—HEEL FLIES. Caple, Beaver Co., O. T. Texas Stock and Farm Journal.

Weather still continues dry and windy, but we always have plenty of wind in the spring in this country. If we can have dry weather during March we generally come out alright. New grass is far enough advanced so that cattle are just about holding their own. Loss among native cattle will not exceed 2 per cent; other classes will be about 5 per cent.

Mr. Franks was here from Alma, Kas., buying cattle. He bought 27 head of native 3-year-old steers from W. T. Hungate at \$3 per head, and small bunches from F. Ballard and C. M. Plynell at \$30 per head, same age and class as Hungate's cattle. He promised to return for more in May. I noticed a piece in last issue of the Journal from R. M. Collins on the heel fly. I have been as far north as Dakota and as far south as San Saba, Texas, in the range country, and wherever there is Mesquite, Gramma or Bunchgrass, there I have always found the heel fly in all his glory. Where they have all bladed or red grass I have never seen any heel flies. In eastern Kansas, Missouri, eastern Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois and further north and east they never had any heel flies, and suspended so few as to be noticed. Just at the present time old cows are on the run from them here.

J. C. DENISON. WONT DO FOR OUR BLACK LANDS. Editor Texas Stock and Farm Journal. I have just read in March 24th Stock and Farm Journal "Protect Against

SHATTERED. The precarious condition of Prof. A. H. Nye. A prominent Iowa educator's painful experience as related by him to a Newspaper Man.

From the Gazette, Cedar Falls, Iowa. persistent, hopeful, and having faith in the Pink Pills, would not let up, until he had finally prevailed upon the sufferer to send for a box, which he reluctantly did, and after receiving them decided to give them a fair trial. The first box relieved him in a surprising manner; he was not convinced that it was the medicine which helped him, but the weather which turned pleasant, and did not send for a further supply, until he was again about as well as before. Then he concluded he would make another trial, and took three boxes, and to-day is nearly in good health as well as before the attack of the gripe. It is needless to state he cannot say too much for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, for those who have been left in poor health from gripe or any other cause. Any one desiring to test the value of this letter may write Mr. Nye, No. 250 Olive Street, Cedar Falls, Iowa, and he will cheerfully recommend the medicine, and state his condition before and after using.

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Drouth by Sub-soiling," signed "Bryan Tyson, Carthage, N. C." Mr. Tyson's advice to the old red clay sub-soils of North Carolina where large quantities of manure and commercial (ready soluble) fertilizers are used is fully justified. This was Mr. David Dickson's (not Dixon) plan on the old pine lands of Hancock county, Georgia, and he was an agricultural prodigy. But the Texas black land man that tries it will surely make a complete flash with-out it rains all the time. It was extremely hard to convince him that it was not best to bar off corn and cotton just soon as they showed well above the ground. Then run a bull tongue plow in same furrow deep as I could get it. But by accident I was thoroughly convinced. Just as deep as we run the plow into black land in the spring just that deep it's going to rot out. And if the crop has put out roots and we run the plow one inch below the firm ground we sever every root that feeds the plant, and without excessive rains they will never cross that furrow again, but the seeds will be naturally covered with little white feeder roots, all confined to the space inside of the deep furrow. And roots that have not been cut will come to the furrow; if dry will starve and die at the end or turn and grow back into the hill. Then I know any kind of seed planting in the spring for spring crops in Texas is very detrimental to that crop. And sub-soiling is never the right thing to do in Texas. Then no kind of commercial fertilizer (except potash) not even the best quality will show to any perceptible advantage on these black lands.

Nineteen years of experience and experiments in field (not twenty acre plots) culture convinced me there was just one right way to proceed with these sediment depositing lands (black land of Texas) and that was for all crops to turn the land over best we could and deep as we could from two to six months before planting. And do all subsequent plowing shallow and if we could not plow until near planting time to only stir the surface sufficient for shallow planting and cultivation.

The sediment lands of Texas are capable of averaging 75 bushels of corn or 500 pounds of lint cotton per acre if the farmers will just let it be. By turning as deep as possible (so as to expose as much of the raw sub-soil to the atmosphere as possible) during the fall and winter. Plant early and shallow, and thereafter the only work needed is to keep the surface from crusting and it will make itself.

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FORT WORTH TIME TABLE.

Table with columns for DEPART, ARRIVE, and various railway routes including Chicago, Rock Island & Texas Railway, Fort Worth & Rio Grande Railway, etc.

FORT WORTH MARKET.

Reported by The Fort Worth Live Stock Commission Company.

The receipts on our market for the past week have been fairly liberal of both hogs and cattle. The hog market all over the country has declined in the past ten days from 15c to 25c, but is 5c higher in the North to-day and we quote on our market the range in fat hogs \$3.45 to \$3.60.

The cattle market is holding up well and some of our representative sales below will show you the state of the market. We have a heavy demand for yearlings and two-year-old steers and heifers and if you have anything in that line, would like to hear from you.

The following are representative sales: \$2 hogs, average 175 lbs., \$3.52 1/2; 59 hogs, 166 lbs., \$3.50; 48 feeders, 100 lbs., \$3.20; 110 lbs., \$3.20; 61 hogs, 184 lbs., \$3.45; 84 hogs, 206 lbs., \$3.55; 62 hogs, 110 lbs., \$3.25; 84 hogs, 174 lbs., \$3.42 1/2; 79 hogs, 183 lbs., \$3.55; 67 hogs, 180 lbs., \$3.55; 25 hogs, 168 lbs., \$3.55; 47 feeders, 90 lbs., \$2.60; 55 hogs, 192 lbs., \$3.40; 27 hogs, 199 lbs., \$3.40; 19 feeders, 102 lbs., \$3.00; 19 feeders, 102 lbs., \$3.00; 86 hogs, 189 lbs., \$3.50; 51 hogs, 180 lbs., \$3.42 1/2; 49 yearlings, \$10.00 per head; 33 cows, average 600 lbs., \$2.50; 12 calves, 760 lbs., \$1.80; 111 yearlings, \$10 per head; 16 cows and 12 calves, \$2.52 1/2; 3 canners, 920 lbs., \$1.75; 10 cows, 719 lbs., \$2.50; 2 canners, 685 lbs., \$1.80; 15 steers, 961 lbs., \$2.00; 25 gross cows, 804 lbs., \$2.40; 8 grass steers, 928 lbs., \$2.55; 2 yearling heifers, 600 lbs., \$2.75; 8 cows, 300 lbs., \$2.90; 59 hogs, 172 lbs., \$3.57 1/2; 61 hogs, 910 lbs., \$2.50; 112 feeders, 102 lbs., \$3.00; 84 hogs, 163 lbs., \$3.50; 71 hogs, 214 lbs., \$3.52 1/2; 92 hogs, 209 lbs., \$3.55; 67 hogs, 208 lbs., \$3.52 1/2; 2 canners, \$2.00; 4 calves, by head, \$9.00; 47 heifers, 728 lbs., \$2.75; 25 steers, 1004 lbs., \$3.30; 1 steer, 1350 lbs., \$2.75; 6 cows, 930 lbs., \$3.00; 6 cows, 693 lbs., \$2.40; 5 yearling heifers, per head, \$10; 4 cows, 417 lbs., \$2.50; 81 hogs, 208 lbs., \$3.52 1/2; 49 feeders, 175 lbs., \$3.50.

Ralph Ogden of Kroppel was in the city Saturday.

H. G. Williams, of Llano, was among the visitors in Fort Worth Saturday.

Sidney Webb of Bellevue, was among the visiting cattlemen in the city Friday.

J. A. Gamal of Chickasha, I. T., was among the visiting cattlemen here Thursday.

E. P. Davis of Throckmorton, one of the solid stockmen of that country, was in the city Wednesday.

Alfred Rowe of Clarendon, a prominent cattlemen of the firm of Rowe Bros., was a visitor here Thursday.

Mrs. John R. Hoxie, John R. Hoxie, Jr., and Miss Anna Hoxie of Chicago, were visitors in the city last week.

A. P. Bush of Colorado City, president of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, was in the city Wednesday.

John T. Shy, of Kansas City, representative of the well known firm of Clay Robinson & Co., was in the city Saturday.

Fred Horsbrough of Espuela, manager of the Spur ranch, was among the prominent visiting cattlemen here Thursday.

J. T. Clarke of Omaha, an extensive cattle operator, was in the city Friday on his way west, where he went to inspect a bunch of cattle.

Sheepmen will be interested in a bunch of sheep advertised in this issue. Look up the ad, and see if they are not just what you want.

L. C. Beverley of Clarendon, sheriff of Donley county, and also having considerable cattle interests, was in the city Saturday.

Chas. McFarland, of Aledo, the popular stockman, was in the city Saturday on his return from a business trip to Baylor county.

G. W. Bryson of Gainesville, was in the city Saturday. Mr. Bryson is a well known and respected cattlemen and with ranch interests in the Chickasha country.

J. K. Zimmerman, of Kansas City, of the cattle commission firm of Snyder & Zimmerman, and owner of the Shoe-bar ranch in Hall county, was in the city Saturday.

H. W. Creswell, of Pueblo, Colo., was in the city Sunday. Mr. Creswell is the gentleman who recently purchased 30,000 head of ones, twos and threes from the Capitol Syndicate company.

Tom Shaw of Eagle Pass, formerly of Cooke county, passed through Fort Worth Wednesday on his way to Kansas City. He will soon complete his cattle shipments from Eagle Pass.

Oakwood Short-horns Herd catalogue is to hand. This entire herd, consisting of about 70 head, will be offered for sale at Kansas City on May 5th. Extended notice will be found elsewhere.

Lloyd B. Ferrell of Wichita, Kas., has 2000 cows for sale which are worthy the attention of intending buyers. Look up his ad, elsewhere in this paper. When writing please mention the Journal.

Terry Parkinson of Waggoner, I. T., was here Thursday. Mr. Parkinson is an extensive and successful cattle dealer and was down here visiting among the brethren and was ready for any suitable trade that offered.

H. K. Eberly of Wichita, Kas., a well known dealer who has been operating on this market and at other Texas points, fell from a third story window at Bryan Saturday night, breaking his leg in three places. He had gone to bed and does not know how he fell.

S. B. Burnett is back in the city from an extended trip to his ranch in Wichita county. He reports stock and farming conditions all in extremely favorable conditions all in southern grasses on the local market this season, being two cars of cows and one car of rough steers. The Fort Worth Live Stock Commission company sold them at \$2.40 to \$2.55.

D. M. DeVitt returned Wednesday from a trip to San Angelo, where he went to attend to some business, and left the latter end of the week for Midland. Mr. DeVitt is arranging to start a herd of cattle from there to the Schriber ranch, in Hockley county, on or about the 15th inst.

W. V. Newlin, traffic manager of the Cattle Raisers' Association, left Monday night for Austin to attend meeting of the State Railroad Commission the following day as representative of the association, in the matter of state rates on cattle traffic, which was brought up for consideration Tuesday.

Walter Stewart of Gertrude, of the well known fine stock breeding firm of Stewart Bros., has been in Fort Worth for several days in attendance at the bedside of his brother Will, who, we regret to say, is very low, at the residence of his relatives Captain and Mrs. L. L. Moore.

R. E. Gatewood of Rio Vista, under date of 6th inst., writes: "I have sold my steer yearlings and will ask you to discontinue my ad, as I am getting more letters than can answer. I sold to W. W. Graves of Kansas, and the stock were good enough to bring me \$11.50 per head, with ten per cent at \$9 per head."

V. O. Hildreth of Fort Worth, whose advertisement of Short-horn bulls has recently appeared in the Journal, requests the statement made that he has now disposed of all he had for sale; this in order to save further enquiries and replies. Mr. Hildreth states he has a fine line of calves coming in which will be on the market later on.

H. E. Snider of Amarillo, was in the city Saturday on business at the office of the Cattle Raisers' association. Mr. Snider is the association inspector at Amarillo and may be understood, has particularly onerous duties, his being the largest shipping point in the country. He states that shipping will commence now in a few days, and looks for heavy business.

G. W. Simpson, president of the Fort Worth Stockyards company, in a recently published letter to Mr. Julius Runge, of Galveston, states that he has just made arrangements with one of the greatest English importers to operate on this market. He also expects, he states, to make arrangements with several steamship lines to run between Galveston and Liverpool as soon as the cattle are ready for market.

E. M. Williams, representing the Kansas State Sanitary commission, arrived here Monday and is regularly stationed on this market to inspect cattle destined to points in that state. No Texas cattle can be unloaded in Kansas except their owner can show a permit from a regularly authorized inspector, and the location of Mr. Williams here will be a great convenience to the shippers of native cattle to that state, as it will obviate unloading at inconvenient points.

Willis McCauley of Sulphur Springs, was among the visitors here Thursday. Mr. McCauley is a hustling, all-round stock raiser and dealer in his section, where he states everything in the shape of cattle is "out of sight" now and considerable rustling around to get contracts filled. Farm prospects so far are first rate, corn being high enough to cultivate. The cotton acreage, Mr. McCauley states, will be about the same as last year.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found the advertisement of the Omaha Hay Press company of Omaha, Neb. This celebrated hay press is the strongest and lightest manufactured, being constructed entirely of the best steel and weighing but 3000 pounds. Its capacity is from twelve to fifteen tons per day and with proper care will last a life time. A handsomely illustrated and descriptive catalogue setting forth the

many good points of merit, price, etc., will be mailed free to any address on application. If you need a hay press and a good one write for particulars.

W. S. D. Maud of Childress, was in the city several days last week, leaving Saturday for New York, from which point he will go to England. It is understood that Mr. Maud who has recently sold his interest in the Moon ranch to his partner, Mr. Gray, intends going to South Africa shortly, where he has some mining interests. Mr. Maud had with him as companion in his travels a magnificent specimen of the Russian wolfhound, which he purchased in Moscow some years ago. The dog was a prize winner at the exposition there, and Mr. Maud paid \$500 for him.

W. H. Doss, of Coleman, was in the city Monday and called at the Journal office to insert ad, of pasture for lease. Attention is directed to same, which will be found elsewhere in this issue. Mr. Doss states that this stock and farming conditions are all in good shape in his section. A favorable winter and spring have been enjoyed and grass is now good; cotton acreage somewhat greater than last year; some corn planted. Not many stock transactions at present. Hazzer Bros., Mr. Doss states, are preparing to ship on 2,000 three and four-year-old steers to the Indian Territory.

W. D. Johnson arrived in the city Tuesday on his return from a trip to Kansas and Missouri. He states there was to buy some bulls for his Pecos ranch, and he succeeded in obtaining a couple cars of yearlings from the noted herds of C. S. Cross, Sunny Slope Farm, Emporia, Kas., and Giddings and Simpson, Independence, Mo., at prices ranging from \$100 to \$140 each. Needless to say the stock are not only registered, but the breeding is of the most fashionable. The bulls reached Fort Worth Thursday and were the objects of general admiration. Mr. Johnson states the Northern breeders are having a lively demand for bulls from Texas cattlemen, and all report excellent trade and prospects for a continued demand.

E. M. Williams, the newly located sanitary inspector at the stock yards here for the Kansas state sanitary commission was down town Saturday evening, when a Journal reporter had a pleasant chat with him. Mr. Williams' being stationed at this point in his official capacity is quite a convenience to shippers from the "safe area" who heretofore have been subject to troublesome delays and red tape in getting their shipments forward. Speaking of recent Kansas legislation, Mr. Williams states that the legislature, which is almost entirely composed of populists, does not get the credit it is entitled to; that they have passed many wise measures which the general public hear nothing of, while anything that occurs of a "franky" tendency is put before the public. He claims they have maintained throughout a consistent record for economy in all branches of the public service. Their recently passed uniform text book bill he thinks is a good measure, and was passed in the face of the opposition of the populists. He claims they have maintained throughout a consistent record for economy in all branches of the public service.

GROVER CLEVELAND IS NO LONGER PRESIDENT. But E. A. Paffrath (or so called Pat) is still doing business at the same old stand. If you have cattle or large pastures that you want sold on either side of the quarantine line, list them with Pat. If you wish to purchase cattle or land on either side of the quarantine line, see Pat at Hotel Worth before making such purchase, or address lock box 62, Fort Worth, Texas.

REDUCE RATES VIA THE COTTON BELT ROUTE. The Cotton Belt route announces the following reduced rates from Fort Worth to points named. Corresponding low rates from all other stations: \$14.15 to Whitewright, Texas, and return, account District Epworth league permanent to April 30th and 11th. \$3.60 to Sherman, Texas, and return April 20th, limited to April 22d for return, account unveiling of Confederate monument, April 21st. \$5.20 to Paris, Texas, and return, account meeting State Medical association, April 27th-30th. \$35.80 to Wilmington, N. C., and return, May 3d and 4th, limited to 29 days from date of sale for return, with privilege of 15 days extension, account Southern Baptist convention, May 6th to 24th. \$10.00 to Hot Springs, Ark., and return May 15th and 16th, account State meeting, Uniform Rank Knights of Pythias, May 17th to 23d. \$46.20 to Pittsburg, Pa., and return account Baptist anniversary, May 17th to 24th.

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THOS. H. MASTIN'S DISPERSION SALE. Those of our readers interested in the best of beef cattle, especially high-class Short-horns, will, no doubt, be surprised to learn that the herd, entire herd, as announced elsewhere in this issue, at public sale, on Wednesday, May 5, 1897. The herd was founded in 1885, with the very choicest of popular Bates blood, regardless of cost, and shortly thereafter reinforced with the best Scotch and American-bred Cruickshanks. The reader will, he recall the buyers in attendance at the leading public sales in the United States, and the announcements from time to time of private sales, remember that Mr. Mastin in whose hands it topped the sales, and by private treaty secured the very choicest, with the end in view of ultimately having one of the few best American herds. The visitor at the 1890-acre farm now finds a grand lot of bulls ready for service, a very choice lot of cows and calves, and a smooth, typical breeding cow, and a very strong and promising lot of heifers and youngsters at side of dam. Among the bulls ready for service is one—and they are all good ones—the Crown Prince of Oakwood 122300, by Prince Loyd 1232, with West dam, Imp. Princess Alice (Vol. 35, p. 628) by Field Marshal 64894, both bred by A. Cruickshank, and the pronounced best cow ever in the Linwood herd of Colonel Harris. The dam of Crown Prince is Butterfly 58th by Lord Llewellyn 76650. If there are yearling bulls in this country worth \$100, this young fellow is surely one of them. When you see him you'll perhaps say, "he's the best yearling I ever saw." The visitor finds the herd under the supervision of the well known "Judge of cow cattle," Mr. John McDermid, whose company during a day's visit at Oakwood farm is not only entertaining socially but profitable as well. W. P. BRUSH.

DEATH OF JAMES J. WYLLIE. The Abilene Reporter of the 6th announces the death of James J. Wyllie, host of friends in Texas, who was born in Mississippi, but came to Texas at an early age and was one of our pioneers in cattle raising. His home for many years was on Barton's creek, in Brath county, though much of his time was passed in the Rio Grande, Mexico in which he and his brother were interested. During the last few years he has resided near Abilene, his health not enabling him to engage in active business. There was no one truer to his friends or to his science. He was thoroughly a good man, respected and loved by those who knew him—and they were many. Mr. Wyllie leaves a wife and two children.

TRANSFERS OF JERSEY CATTLE. The following is a complete list of the transfers of Jersey cattle sold in the vicinity of Fort Worth, for the week ending March 23, 1897, as reported by the American Jersey Cattle Club, No. 8 West Seventeenth street, New York, N. Y., J. J. Henningway, Secretary. Bulls—Blinker 33996—C. U. Connelley to E. Y. Simmons, Eastland; Brain 4167—W. H. Johnson to S. A. Briant, Sipe Springs; Signal of Bur Oaks 47086—W. R. Spann to W. H. Sadler, Honey Grove; Tom Platt 45342—W. J. Cline to Buckner Orphans Home, Orphans Home. Cows and heifers—Aggie Waters 81748—F. E. Williams to G. W. Cross, Tyler; Annie C. Pogs 62483—Est. of J. P. Neely to J. D. Jones, Hubbard; Annie Sparks 108942—R. R. Raymond to J. T. Brown, Crawford; Becky Z. 13131—M. Alexander to S. B. Hopkins, Dallas; Buttercup Pogs 611331—J. D. Gray to J. D. Muckleroy, Kaufman; Fleeter 61921—M. Lotron to F. T. Hockaday, Honey Grove; Gentle Lillian 66656—W. R. Nail to R. R. Raymond, Crawford; Happy Child 68584—J. S. Magee to Mrs. L. C. Grimstead, Houston; Jennie Sparks 108346—R. R. Raymond to W. R. Nail, Crawford; Lillian's Lucile 110385—T. L. Baker to R. R. Raymond, Crawford; Lou Eva 104327—J. A. Averitt to J. H. Bauman, Cleburne; Mand of Geneva 79744—J. M. Abbott to T. A. Graves, Conroe; Pan-Judie Queen 7571—J. E. Penner to T. B. West, Columbus; Princess Minetta 120762—J. M. Vance to A. & M. Kirchner, San Antonio; Psyche of Vineland 19280—R. H. H. Burnett to N. C. Conley, McGregor; Pub Champion 78339—H. D. Heath to H. E. Pharr, Sulphur Springs; Sarah of River Meadow 120072—McClary Bros. to J. Cassiano, San Antonio; Trilby Gray 107459—J. D. Gray to T. B. Meeks, Grand Saline.

WEEK ENDING MARCH 30TH. Bulls—In-Benton 47423, H. Benton to J. Thomas, Palestine; Johnny Stokly Pogs 40274, W. Stein to L. Kalls, New Berlin; Lytner 45709, O. W. Clark to A. Clark, Cyclone; Mark L. 45925, Gebhart & Kaufman to E. D. Douthitt, Forney; M. D's Signal of Brushy 46910.

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S. L. Burnap to Mrs. N. Cook, Hornsby; Texas Hero 40020, D. P. Mitchell to J. M. Smith, Aransas Pass; Victor Terrell 43322, W. R. Simcock to M. C. McGee, San Marcos.

Cows and heifers—Baby Lowndes 111669, P. Wipprecht to W. Wipprecht, Bryan; Betsy Lowndes 121861, P. Wipprecht to W. Wipprecht, Bryan; Canola 127487, Est. of J. A. Penn to R. A. Penn, Pennington; 120093, W. W. Lipscomb to J. A. Pryor, Luling; Colado Melrose 120062, J. A. Pryor to J. W. Persohn, McKinney; Fancy Melrose 120325, W. W. Lipscomb to J. A. Pryor, Luling; Lulling; Fancy Melrose 120323, J. A. Pryor to J. W. Persohn, McKinney; Froy to H. H. 99500, M. McKinney to W. E. Johnson, Mellican; Golden Miss 117041, Est. of J. A. Penn to R. A. Penn, Penn; Idana Melrose 120063, W. W. Lipscomb to J. A. Pryor, Luling; Idana Melrose 120063, J. A. Pryor to J. W. Persohn, McKinney; Lennie Linnwood 49071, W. W. Lipscomb to J. A. Pryor, Luling; Dexter, Alvarado; May Delta 105570, M. K. Birdsong to F. Elliston, Fort Worth; Pride of Melrose 118063, W. W. Lipscomb to J. A. Pryor, Luling; Pride of Melrose 118063, J. A. Pryor to J. W. Persohn, McKinney; Lennie Linnwood 49071, W. W. Lipscomb to J. A. Pryor, Luling; S. C. Staples, Kennedy; Suema 6th 88686, Rose Hill Jersey Farm to W. H. Abernathy, Itasca; Winnie Davis of Jackson 105256, M. K. Birdsong to F. Elliston, Fort Worth.

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LUMBERMEN'S EXCURSION TO MEXICO.

The Southern Pacific has issued an illustrated circular, giving the itinerary of a special train of Pullman Buffet sleepers which will leave Houston on morning of April 16th for City of Mexico, stopping at points of interest en route. The return trip will be made via Tampico, thus enabling the tourists to visit San Luis Potosi and Monterey, two of the principal cities in the republic. Round trip tickets for regular trains also on sale April 16 and 17 from Houston, at rate of \$30.00 going and returning via Fort Worth, and \$5.00 higher for tickets going or returning via Tampico.

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