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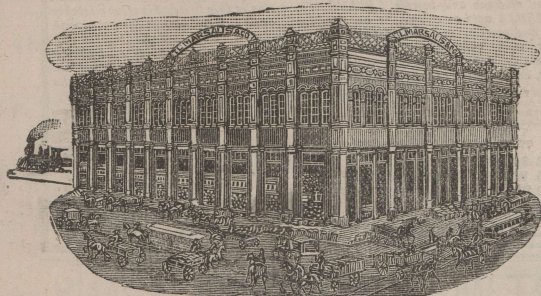
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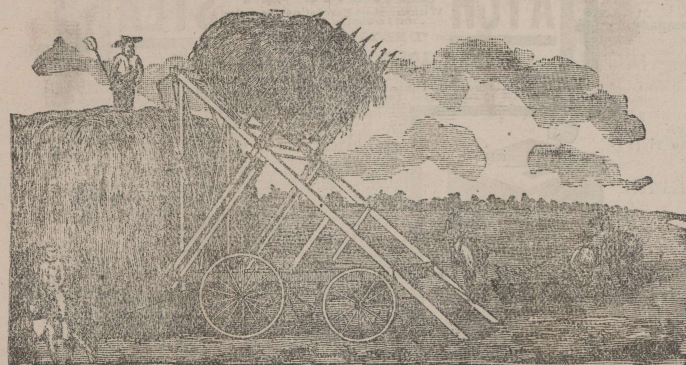
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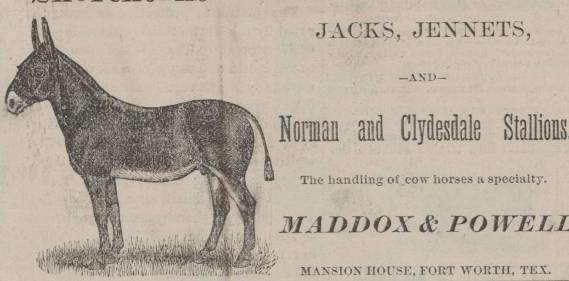


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LIVE STOCK MARKETS.
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CHICAGO MARKET.
UNION STOCK YARDS, }
CHICAGO, ILL., May 13, 1886. }
Special to Texas Live Stock Journal:
Total receipts of cattle to-day 5,000; very light. No Texans here to-day. General market very active and prices 50 to 60 cents higher than Monday and 15 cents higher than at any time this spring. Native corn-fed steers sold at \$5 to 6; Texas cattle quotable at \$4 to 5.40 for common to good 830 to 1,150 pounds corn-fed stock. General market very buoyant, some danger of excession runs, but general outlook fairly encouraging. Texas sheep shorn quotable at \$2.50 to 4.25. Texas hogs at \$3.50 to 4.25.

ST. LOUIS MARKET.
NATIONAL STOCK YARDS, }
EAST ST. LOUIS, May 13, 1886. }
Special to Texas Live Stock Journal.

The run of Texas cattle very light to-day also of natives. Market active and prices higher. Demand very liberal. J. H. Campbell & Co. sold 8 cars of Texas for W. C. Bryson of Caddo and J. H. Nail, Ladonia at good prices. Hunter, Evans & Co. sold some corn-fed Texas at \$4.50 to 5; but few grass Texas coming and are quoted at \$3 to 4.10 for fair to choice. Texas and Indian hogs at \$3.70 to 4. Cassidy & Carter of San Antonio, 1,000 fair Texas clipped sheep of 85 pounds at \$3.30 and 150 sheep of 67 pounds at \$3. Texas horses fairly active.

KANSAS CITY MARKET.
KANSAS CITY, Mo., May, 13 1886.
Special to Texas Live Stock Journal.

Live stock receipts for the past two days large and the demand for all grades of fat cattle strong with market 10 to 15 cents higher. Fifty-three Texas half breed corn-fed, 1,256 lbs. at \$4.75; 50 Texas corn-fed of 1,182 lbs. at \$4.70; 1 car Texas corn-fed of 1,000 lbs. at \$4.70. The above were yesterday's sales. To-day 200 Texas corn-fed steers averaged weight 1,124 lbs. at \$4.84; 95 Texas half breeds weighing 1,175 lbs. at \$4.95. The market closed strong with an upward tendency demand for good muttons strong with prices from \$3.50 to 4.50 for fair to good. Hog market closed 5 cents higher.

CHICAGO MARKET LETTER.
Change from Corn to Grass - Canners Waiting for Texans.

UNION STOCK YARDS, }
CHICAGO, ILL., May 10, '86. }
Regular Correspondence TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL.

Texas cattle sales this day were at \$4.50 to 5.10 for averages of 920 to 1084 pounds. At the highest point last week these cattle would not have brought more than \$4.60 to 5.20. But few corn-fed Texas cattle are coming in now and they are little if any better than if they had been entirely grass fattened, as the change from corn to grass made them very soft.

The demand for fat, light and medium weight cattle is now stronger than for choice heavy beefs suitable for London or Liverpool. All this is in favor of Texas and southwestern cattlegrowers. A very low price for tallow is given as one reason why dealers are showing a preference for fat, smooth, 1000 @ 1200 lb carcasses and even lighter weights, over 1400 and 1600 lb steers. There is undoubtedly something in that, but there is more in the fact that it is not every butcher who can or wants to handle light or medium weight cattle.

The canners are now running at the lowest possible rate, and one or two of the larger establishments still remain out of the trade. They are waiting for Texas cattle to come freely and sell at very low prices. Texas stockmen cannot serve their own interests better than to see to it that their cattle are in good condition to sell better than canning stock. Texas cattle ought to grade higher than last year. Sales are bobbed up and down lately, is a caution. During the first week in the month, the strikes and rumors of strikes so thoroughly demoralized trade that receipts were very light. The result was an advance in prices of about 50 cents. The reports flew to the contrary. Hundreds of wise cattle men thought they would get ahead of other people. Result: nearly 10,000 cattle to-day and more than half of last week's advances gone at one lick. That is the way violent fluctuations work. It takes 3 weeks to gain what is advanced on continued light receipts, but one day's oversupply will knock half of it, or more. These violent changes are generally beneficial to the few and disastrous to the many.

The general hog market is liberally supplied just now, and values are a shade lower than last week. Sales are making at \$3.50 to 4.20, according to quality, and as has been observed before Texas hogs sell right along with hogs from this and adjoining states. In fact, a man sold a consignment of what he supposed to be Missouri hogs last week at the top price of the market. In fact, a man sold a consignment of what he supposed to be Missouri hogs last week at the top price of the market. In fact, a man sold a consignment of what he supposed to be Missouri hogs last week at the top price of the market.

fed cattle, and have averaged better than ever before.

W. R. Lagow shipped from Dallas, Texas, four loads cattle, which sold from \$4.50 to \$5.10, by Hunter Evans & Co.

Doran Brothers & Co., of Dallas, Texas, had 1,037 sheep on the market, most of which sold at \$2.25 to 2.50. They averaged less than 70 lbs, being shorn.

The sheep market is not very lively, but prices for good stock hold their own moderately well. The extreme range of rates just at present is \$2.00 to 5.25 for shorn sheep. Texas sheep are salable at about \$2.50 to 3.25 for very poor to fairly good shearing, while nearly fat 90 pound carcasses would sell at \$3.50 to 4.25.

The general outlook for the live stock trade is reasonably encouraging.

There are some who think the run of Texas stock at Chicago will be exceedingly heavy this year, but the trails are open; there is not the amount of quarantine restriction that there was one year ago; we are not likely to have a repetition of the Cheyenne and Arapahoe scare, and Chicago receipts and Texas stock may be put down at less than 350,000.

The wool market is quiet, at the following rates:

TEXAS.	Bright	Short or
	12 Mos.	Light
Fine, heavy to light	16-21	14-18
(Bucks 10-13).....	22-24	18-22
Medium.....	21-23	18-22
Coarse.....	17-20	16-18
Kempy.....	12-14	12-14
Earthly and heavy, 10 to 12c.		
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ST. LOUIS MARKET LETTER.

A List of Sales--Hog Trade and Horse Business.

EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL., }
May 11, 1886. }

(Regular Correspondence TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL.)
We had a good cattle market up to yesterday (Monday) 10 when a break occurred all along the line. New York, Philadelphia, Boston and Chicago were all crowded with stock and the decline at those points quite marked. The run at this point was fair and among which was some Texas.
The leading sales were by J. H. Campbell & Co.: C. F. Wantland, Caddo, 1 T. 34 Texas steers, 919 lbs at \$4.50; R. M. Harris, 20 Texas 930 lbs at \$4.50; J. H. Nail, Ladonia, Texas, 69 Texas 940 lbs at \$4.50; 12 bulls 1645 lbs at \$3.124; James Dulin, Caddo, 46 Texas 1005 lbs at \$4.55; 26 Texas 900 lbs at \$4.30; S. Holder, Gainesville, 18 Texas 874 lbs at \$4.30; 20 oxen 1485 lbs at \$4.30; S. L. Langdon, Caddo, 23 Texas 972 lbs at \$4.40; 23 Texas 893 lbs at \$4.30; 24 Texas 917 lbs at \$4.20; 25 Texas 858 lbs at \$4.25; Ben Barnard, Grand View, 40 Texas 904 lbs at 4.35; 19 Texas 743 lbs at \$3.90; J. M. Wantland, Clear Lake, 44 Texas 1018 lbs at \$4.55; 50 bulls 1316 lbs at \$3; 17 Texas 954 lbs at \$4.50; 18 bulls 1092 lbs at \$3.25. By Cassidy Bros. & Co.: Gohber Bros., Merritt, Hunt county, Texas, 44 Texas 884 lbs at \$4.40.

To-day good Texas cattle sold well enough and prices quite decent, all things considered. Buyers operated freely in face of unfavorable reports from other points. Concessions of 10 to 15 cts per hundred pounds were attained by them on all grades. Grass Texas are now coming in. Mr. G. B. Withers, of Ft. Worth, Texas, obtained \$3.55 to \$4 per hundred pounds for fair to good fat grass Texas. By no means ship poor grassers to market, for it will not pay; there is only loss in such a proceeding. This season undesirable long-horns have not the least show, be the market active or dull.

The hog market is not very active and the offerings quite liberal. However, all find sale at prices ranging in extremes from \$3.75 to 4.10 per hundred pounds for native Texas and Indian hogs. They must be fat to bring the prices. Here are a few Texas hog sales: Cassidy Bros. & Co.: J. H. Doman McKinney 67 hogs 205 lbs at \$3.35; 70 hogs 200 lbs at \$3.35; J. H. Campbell & Co.: John Dulin, Caddo, 1 T. 80 hogs 250 lbs at \$4.10; 55 hogs 228 lbs at \$4.05; 150 hogs 240 lbs at \$4; 51 hogs 157 lbs at 3.30; G. W. Bryson, Caddo 317 hogs 288 lbs at \$4.124; 37 hogs 139 lbs at \$4.

These horses are selling somewhat slow. There is no active demand except for good mares for breeding purposes, for such there being plenty of orders and only a light supply. Sam A. White, superintendent of the horse department of the national stock yards, wants the fact to be known in Texas that cow ponies, geldings and the like are very dull of disposal and will continue so. Prices range in extremes from \$20 to \$60, the best figure for good breeding mares.

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C. W. MAYES.

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The indications are favorable for a strong beef market for fat cattle. Whenever prices rule strong at Chicago, the receipts are quickly increased, if the country has a strong supply of matured cattle. The receipts of cattle at Chicago during the past week have been not nearly so large as was expected, and it was asserted that no great supply of beef is in the country. On Tuesday last 63 fat, 913-pound steers from Hillsboro sold at \$5.00, and 21 1084 pound cattle from Dallas also sold at \$5.00—45 492 pound grassers from Victoria sold at \$3.50, and 54 extremely poor bulls sold at \$1.624. Some \$240 pound corn-fed steers sold at \$4.60. These prices are better than any realized one month ago—and look promising for the June market.

The Cattle Trade.

Several transactions consummated at Fort Worth during the week show, to use an old saying, that "there's life in the old dog yet." Behind the actual movement there is an inquiry for cattle. Local dealers so report it and say the trade is not over. They say, also, that any advance in prices is resisted on the part of purchasers. We believe—and no one need doubt it—that the prices ruling low will increase the number purchased, while at the same time the weakness of the market is largely due to small lots being offered at low figures, making it easier for the buyer to find leverage for lower figures on large lots. At the price yearlings have sold anyone in Texas could hire pasturage and make considerable money by holding over the stock for two years. There is no need to drive to Montana. At present prices the maturing can be done anywhere. It is not surprising that the only sales of yearlings and two cows in Texas, but it is surprising that values in Central and Northern Texas are not, as is usually the case, higher than Southern cattle. The only explanation is that the Southern stockmen are in better circumstances and their necessities force no sacrifices.

The price of cattle centering on Fort Worth, and from ranges in three or four counties each way, can be quoted at \$9 for yearlings, \$14 for two and \$18 for three, steers; heifers a fraction lower.

Association Work.

In this paper will be found a list of the members of the Northwest Texas Cattle Raisers association. The organization is a strong one, but not nearly so strong as it ought to be. The members pay a fee at entrance of \$10 and \$5 annual dues thereafter, and at the present and usual assessment the annual payment by the owner of 1,000 head of cattle amounts to \$20, making the annual expenditure of \$25; more or less, according to the number of cattle, the amount to be figured at 2 cents per head.

Now the question is: What does a man get for his money? What benefit is this association? We are not prepared to answer the question fully, but will say that in the first place the association makes the appointments for working the range, and publishes the appointments for systematizing the work, regulating the conduct of the cattle business, in the most important features.

Next, out of the funds of the association there is offered and is often paid a reward for the recovery of stolen horses, coupled with the requirements that the thief must be recovered also and put where his pursuits are less congenial, but more regular. This necessitates an expenditure for legal purposes. There are court fees and attorneys' fees, and the cost of following up horse thieves. If the expense was borne by different parties and every man looked after his own, and all the neighbors looked after their own, the expense, trouble and time lost would be greater, and the stock would not be any where so secure as now.

The cattle stealing is not looked after by offering rewards. The association trusts to the employees of the association to find and hold all stolen cattle. To catch stolen beef steers and dry cows, all the markets are provided with inspectors who have a duty to perform. They inspect all cattle entering their markets, and whenever finding cattle belonging to members of the association in the wrong bunch, the inspector takes immediate charge, disposes of the animal, and with due regard for all legal formalities acts for the owner of the stock. So far as the cattle on the ranges are concerned, members knowing who are members, are of themselves a detective force in each others behalf, and besides this there are inspectors

ways, highways and trails for stolen stock. To such an extent is this detective business carried on that the gamut of inspection has to be run several times before cattle are disposed of. The association has satisfactorily disposed of several thieving gangs, and made it impossible to be a profitable dealer in association cattle. The work is not perfect by any means, but it is becoming so nearly perfect, that cattle thieves have to kill the cattle in the woods and bury the hides in order to get away with them, and the order has gone forth that this also must be broken up.

The association is now under arrangement whereby names of all joining and belonging to the association shall be published regularly, once each month, and the same publicity given to the withdrawals. A new member shall receive the benefits of the organization immediately after joining and shall be deprived of the same immediately after leaving. This, the secretary says, is for the purpose of bringing the whole time and attention of inspectors to bear upon stock of those who do pay, and to relieve the inspectors from looking after stock of those who do not pay.

The JOURNAL would submit to the stockmen of North and West Texas, that if every man owning cattle was a member of this association and paid his dues, the benefits could be doubled and the pro rata expense could be reduced one half. The association is a strong one, but could be stronger. There are many cattle stolen now that need not be stolen. The thieves don't want association cattle when they can get anything else, and if stockmen would combine as they should do, there would be nothing else.

THE CATTLE TRAIL.

Healing of Old Sores—Saving off Litigation and Commencing Anew.

As published in the TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL of last week, a conference concerning trail matters was being held at Trinidad, Colorado, between Messrs. F. B. York and Arthur Gorham, representing western stockmen and Cherokee strippers, and R. G. Head and H. M. Taylor, representing the Texas trail interests. The purpose was to heal up old sores, save off litigation growing out of the blockade of last year, and to make such arrangements as would prevent any difficulties of the same nature in the future.

The meeting was held at Trinidad, Colorado, and on Thursday last the following preamble and agreement was entered into and signed up:

Whereas, as F. B. York, of St. Louis, Mo., representing certain parties holding and ranching cattle on what is known as the Dallas trail upon the one side and R. G. Head, of Colorado, certain drovers of Texas cattle on the other, realize that great annoyance, the loss of property and general dissatisfaction affecting both parties hereto, have resulted in the movement of cattle in previous years over the various trails leading from Texas, and more especially during the year 1885, over what is known as the Dallas trail, which trail runs north from Wichita Falls, Tex., passing through the western portion of the Indian Territory, and from thence through the western portion of the Cherokee strip, thence to a point near the northwest corner of the Panhandle of Texas; and

Whereas, it is believed that cattle from certain sections of Texas might migrate from south to north have impaired or communicated to the native cattle of this trail with which they came in contact, splenic fever, and

Whereas, the absence hitherto of any rule or requirement, by which the movement of such trail cattle might be governed with a view of respecting and protecting the rights and property of each, has caused much inconvenience and given rise to rumors of general discontent and dissatisfaction, to say nothing of the heavy expenditures of money and losses of property entailed upon each side, the interested parties of inter-state commerce which has followed,

Therefore we, the representatives of the above mentioned interest, have formally made and entered into the following agreement, and we firmly believe that by a strict observance of the same, by all parties, each and every interest involved will receive just and adequate protection, that friendly relations will be restored and cemented, and that the general welfare of all concerned will be promoted to a high degree of satisfaction.

The following is the agreement: That all cattle driven or shipped from that portion of Texas lying west and northwest of the following line, which area it is believed is absolutely safe ground and free from contagion or infection, are to be permitted to pass on what is known as the Dallas trail through the Cherokee strip without hindrance or restriction.

The following is the line: Beginning at Red river at the northwest portion of Wilbarger county, thence south along the east line of Baylor, Throckmorton, Shackelford, Callahan and Coleman counties to the Colorado river, in the south-east corner of Coleman county, thence with the Colorado river to the south-east corner of Llano county, thence along the east line of Gillespie county, the east and south line of Kendall county, the line of Bandera county, the east and south line of Zavalla county, from thence due west to Eagle Pass, on the Rio Grande.

2. All cattle moved from that portion of Texas lying east and south of the above described line and west and north of the following described line, are to be permitted to pass over what is known as the Dallas trail through the Cherokee strip, when driven on the entire distance by trail from their native ranges; but when shipped by rail any part of this distance, 45 days must elapse from the date of being unloaded from the cars before an entry shall be made into said Cherokee strip.

The following is the line to which these restrictions will apply: Beginning at a point on Red river in the northwest corner of Grayson county, thence south to Dallas, and from thence due south to Waco, thence south following the line of the Missouri Pacific

railroad to its junction with the International & Great Northern at Taylor, thence southwest following the line of said International & Great Northern railroad to Laredo on the Rio Grande.

3. All cattle moved from the remaining portions of Texas east and south of the last described line shall be permitted to pass over said trail through said Cherokee strip after a period of 50 days, when driven the entire distance by trail from their native ranges; but when shipped by rail any portion of the distance, a period of 50 days must elapse before an entry shall be made into said Cherokee strip. In the absence of other evidence as to the elapse of time when cattle are driven by trail the bill of sale and inspector's certificate will be accepted as evidence, and where cattle have been shipped by rail the shipper's contract showing date of release from cars will be accepted as evidence. All cattle driven over said trail through said territory shall be confined strictly to the limits of said tract; and further, all cattle so driven shall pass through the chutes or lanes connecting along the line of the trail by order of the Dallas convention and the ranchmen along the route to cross the trail with their cattle so as to secure freedom from exposure to disease. It is expected and most respectfully requested that Texas drovers will use all possible care in passing over the route indicated to protect the range interest and not permit their stock to mix with the range cattle along the route when it is possible to avoid so doing.

F. B. YORK,
R. G. HEAD.

FORT WORTH

And General Range Notes.

Considerable country extending westward from Fort Worth is badly cut up by rain. It is dry up the Fort Worth & Denver road and westward for considerable distance. The plains country has the advantage of better rains, and the Panhandle also, but a good general rain would do no harm.

Messrs. Estill and Burgess have a blooded stock farm near Blue Mound, this county, Territory on the south. The firm advertise thirty head of Short-horn bulls and will sell or trade for stock cattle. These young Short-horns were brought here as calves and have gone through one full season in Texas, consequently there is no danger of loss by acclimation.

Mr. L. Dahlman is on his way home from England and may be in Fort Worth during the coming week. His coming will be anxiously looked for by the stockmen who most sell fat beef at home. The works are bright as a new dollar, and in good shape and can be started up at a day's notice.

K. M. Van Zandt, jr., of this city made an important addition to Live Oak Stock Farm during the week by arrival of three pure, imported Holstein heifers. These were purchased at the Archibald sale at Memphis, Tenn., since, but were held back on account of the strike. The Live Oak Stock Farm will be represented at the State fair at Dallas.

Frank Holland of the Farm and Ranch of Dallas, is secretary of the State fair, and has put in his time during the past week securing exhibits of live stock. During the balance of the time he has turned his energies to closing up the TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL, by running off the editorial and business force from their duties. The bold Frank returned to Dallas Wednesday to escape arrest. Next time he comes to Fort Worth he will be met at the depot by the sheriff.

A. S. Nicholson and J. C. Richardson, who are in the Texas City 800, heifer yearlings on Thursday. They go to fill a government contract on the San Carlos reservation in Arizona.

Fort Worth is coming to the front with fast teams. W. F. Lutz, a stylish pair of bays that trot over the road at a three minute gait. R. E. Maddox matched a team of fast stock this week and they are expected to show Mr. Lake the dust when they get used to the pole. When we ride behind them we will judge of the fast pair.

A. S. Nicholson advertises in the JOURNAL this week some choice Fort Worth property. Mr. Nicholson is buying and selling property daily, and while he is chiefly engaged in real estate, he also deals in city property and wild lands.

Messrs. Mitchell Bros of this city buy and sell large numbers of mules and sundry other classes of stock. Their sales amount to several thousand each year. Last Saturday the firm sold to Mr. Dan Carey, railroad contractor on the Ft. Worth & Denver, 22 head of 165 half-breds, Texas bred at \$14.25 per head; this was an extra lot of Texas mules. Messrs. Mitchell Bros say they will furnish plenty more.

Mr. A. S. Nicholson, of this city sold for Messrs. Corn & Hunter of this county, to Mr. J. M. Coburn manager for the Hansford company 500 one-year-old steers, 1000 two-year-old steers and 500 three-year-old steers. We were not permitted to obtain the figures paid but believe prices about the same as quotations.

Mr. M. C. Campbell sold last Saturday to Julius Schloss, of Clarendon, Donkey county, 300 head of ones and two graded steer cattle. Prices well shield.

J. Smith, of Hardeman county, sold to Jno. S. Andrews & Co. 100 head of mixed steers, ones, twos and threes, the cattle to be delivered on the trail at Harrold in 20 days. Will price cattle are a good lot and in fine condition.

In the district court of Tarrant county the Espuela Land and Cattle company have brought suit against H. J. Hensley and Z. S. Oliver, of Dallas, for damages and against J. S. Price and J. H. Hensley for amount of \$24,000, and allege in both cases that in a purchase of cattle by range delivery, the cattle fell short one thousand head in each case. The plaintiffs allege that the defendants falsely represented the number of the cattle and warranted the same, but failed to make the guarantee good. These are similar suits to those in the federal courts grew out of the rulings in those cases.

Mr. F. M. Houts, of Hereford ranch, has for sale of his own raising 18 head of yearling grade bulls. These bulls are averaging close on 800 lbs. and are fit for service. Mr. Houts also has for sale a lot of pure bred Hereford Hereford bulls from yearlings to three-year-old. He has fifteen such bulls in his barn now, running in weight from 1000 pounds to 2500 pounds. A visit to Hereford ranch will repay any lover of fine stock.

Mr. Rossborough, of the Espuela ranch, came in about the end of last week. He verifies the account of well boring operations as published in the Ft. Worth Gazette and appearing in this issue. He says the account is slightly colored. At the Spur ranch and south to Colorado City, rains have fallen also considerably north of the ranch. The tanks built on the trail contains water, and the road up on the plains is completed.

The firm of G. J. Mortimer & Co., land and general agents, office corner Main and Second streets, Fort Worth, have a card in the JOURNAL, and attention is invited to the same.

Jerry Beauchamp, and his brother H. M. Beauchamp, of Ennis, came to town Friday and visited the JOURNAL, seeking the latest on the market.

D. D. Swearing, representing Messrs. Gregory, Cooley & Co., of Chicago, returned to Fort Worth from a trip to the short run on the Ft. W. & D. C. Ry., looking after the shipment of beef for his firm.

Mr. J. T. Walling, of Desdemonia, Eastland county, was in town during the week, he has some very handsome grade Shorthorns and is after a few bulls to continue the improvement.

Mr. J. W. Blewett, of Decatur, was in town and visited the JOURNAL. He is an active stockman and has just finished the delivery of a lot of cattle at Harrold, and is now purchasing.

W. P. Somerville, of Messrs. Somerville & Chase, returned from the Matador ranch on Thursday. He reports good water plentiful and his cattle in good shape.

Arthur J. Weir, connected with the Matadore Land & Cattle company, was here on Thursday, and left for the ranch the following day.

Mr. B. H. Dennis of Hood county, was in the city during the week to sell some ones and twos. Mr. Dennis reports grass and stock in good condition.

Mr. A. Gregory, the senior member of the Short-horn Society of Chicago, was in the city yesterday. He came to Texas on business, and returns to Chicago on a few days. Mr. Gregory is well and favorably known by the cattle raisers of the state, and has a host of pleasant acquaintances among them. He is anxious to know that the gentleman is strong in the future prospects of the live stock industry in Texas, and his views coincide with the JOURNAL. Mr. Weir, as the future live stock chief of the state.

W. H. Doss, manager of the Day Cattle company of Coleman county, spent several days in the city this week on business.

Mr. G. N. Karnes of Coryell was in the city during the week on cattle business. Mr. Karnes reports good rains and stock in good condition in his county.

A few drives of cattle are reported from Coryell county as follows: viz., A. P. Bush, 1,800 head ones and twos, for Alabama & Texas ranch; the Morrison boys, 1,000 head ones, to A. W. Dunn, Colorado City; Montgomery, 2,000 ones, steer cattle, north.

L. B. Collins, who represents Gregory, Cooley & Co., the popular commission dealers in live stock at the Chicago yards, spent most of the week here.

Mr. J. B. Dale of Bonham county, ranching near Colorado City in Mitchell county, was in the city during the week on business. Mr. Dale will start a herd of 2,000 head of ones and twos, the 15th of the month from Fannin county, to the extreme northwestern county of the Panhandle. This herd will be started into the Indian Territory on the south line of the Choctaw Nation and driven northwest through the Cheyenne and Arapahoe Nations into the neutral strip, thence west to Dallas county, where the Capitol Syndicate company will receive them.

Major Will Polk, from Middle Tennessee, arrived at the Polk stock yards Wednesday, with a fine lot of head of yearling Polled-Angus bulls, all out of Short-horn cows by an imported and valuable sire. There is one of nice heifer in the lot, also one Jersey bull from a choice heifer and sired by Tormentor (a bull \$8,000 will not buy). This young bull is a young clip of the old blood, and although like the Jersey family, small in size, has a spirit of his own. He is of a famous butter family. The Polk Bros. are to receive shortly ten or twelve pure blood Hereford bulls from the breeding farm of H. H. Robinson & Co., Illinois. The record and registration of this stock is guaranteed. The Missouri Pacific railroad has now put in a switch and will unload all stock directly into the yards, at Polks.

In conversation with a representative of the firm of Gregory, Cooley & Co., of the Chicago live stock yards we were informed that the firm had arranged to do a larger business from Texas this year than ever before. We are authorized to say that the pioneer Texas cattle salesmen, Mr. Levy R. Hastings, who is the member of the firm that has heretofore sold the Texas beavers will continue as the Texas cattle salesman this season. Mr. Hastings is the oldest salesman in the Chicago yards of Texas cattle, having been on the Union yards in that capacity since the arrival of the first car of "longhorns" at Chicago. He has given universal satisfaction and is a careful, prudent and efficient salesman. The firm is very strong financially, having at one time in the Texas trade alone \$1,200,000 invested to carry the immense stock of the ranges. J. C. Chicago market. They have representatives at all the shipping points this year.

A. F. Traut of Fort Worth, sold to E. L. L. of Illinois, a fine lot of head of bulls, two Angus and 100 whitefaces, for \$600. The bulls were acclimated and high bred.

J. B. Bowdoin of Weatherford, breeder of choice stock, has just brought his lady to the Fort during the week on a purchasing expedition. Mr. Bowdoin is advertising some young stock of his own raising.

While in town Frank Holland secured a strong list of stockmen who applied for space to exhibit cattle, horses, hogs, sheep and Angora goats. Frank says many of the stockmen brought with them the only exhibition in Dallas, consequently there will be only one stock exhibit, and naturally only one fair.

Mr. Sam J. Wilin of Kopperl, Bosque county, made the journey a very pleasant one on Tuesday of the past week. On his way up he stopped off at Cleburne where he sold two cars of cornfed steers to Mr. John Gage. They are to be weighed and delivered at Kopperl on June 5th, and he is to receive \$2.25 per pound for them. Mr. Wilin is putting a Hereford bull on his ranch in a short time.

Mr. H. C. Graves of Sandwich, Illinois, called on the JOURNAL while in the city, and showed us some of the best stock he had in his ranch in Kent county. Mr. Graves has been "taking in" the northeastern portion of the state and is very well pleased with its appearance. He expects to visit and examine other parts of the state before returning to his home in Illinois.

Colonel Wiley Jones of Waco, an old timer in the live stock trade, struck Fort Worth with a load of mules and horse on his way to the Kansas City market. He had not decided whether to drive or ship.

M. S. H. Barton of Benbrook, was in town during the week and visited the JOURNAL.

Mr. J. H. Slaughter of Danville, Kentucky, member of the Lexington Ranch company, arrived in town during the week.

The fashion turns to making Texas ranches produce fat beef from grass, and the necessity of holding up the condition of the cattle during winter. This is recognized by many of the pasture owners, and especially by the Kentucky companies. The Magnolia company and the Kentucky Cattle Raising company have outlined their programme. The latter company has 500 acres under cultivation this year and will enter a respectable number of their steers.

Tom Wood returned from Dallas yesterday. He says a letter from the Word & Hyler ranch, fifty miles below Pecos City, reports a fine rain on the 2d instant.

Andrews Bros. & Co. sold at their stock yards this week forty head of cow-horns, at \$43 per head, to the Hansford Land & Cattle company, also twenty head to Frank Smith, at \$35 per head, twenty-five head to the Day Cattle company, at \$40. They also sold several head of work mules, prices ranging from \$100 to \$150.

Messrs. Maddox & Powell sold a fine Jack to General Knight of this county, for \$600 this week.

John S. Andrews & Co. have received and have on the trail 12,700 head of ones, twos and threes, steers, en route to Montana.

The cattle were passed upon at Harrold within the past ten days by the Messrs. Andrews. The delivery was completed in the main in a satisfactory manner.

A. S. Nicholson sold to C. B. Willingham, fifty head of the yearlings.

Andrews Bros. & Co. have on hand yet about 150 head of cowhorses.

W. Hunter, of the well-known firm of Hunter, Evans & Co., is in the Fort looking out for the interests of his firm.

H. H. Player of Chicago, interested in the stock business in Wyoming, was in the city yesterday looking over the state.

There was shipped from Saltville, West Virginia, on the 6th day of May one car load of Polled-Angus bulls, to Mr. A. F. Traut, who will at once put them on the market for sale or trade.

Frank Holland of the Texas Farm and Ranch is making a tour of the state in the interest of the Texas state fair, and it is learned that he has secured a large stock exhibit.

S. F. Wiles of San Antonio, a dealer in horses was in the Fort during the week after an extended trip through the counties of the Northwest. His field of operations is in the state of Tamaulipas, Mexico, where he purchases and most of his stock are sold at San Antonio.

John Simpson came down from the Continental ranch on Tuesday. He says the range is dry.

Messrs. Corn & Hunter of Bear Creek, Parker county, are successful feeders and have had considerable experience in this line. Mr. J. W. Corn of the firm says that blooded cattle will feed 40 per cent better than scrubs, and can be put up to feed one year earlier and make respectable beef. The firm put up cattle to feed last November, and some after the turn of the year. He feeds two-year-olds over until three, and three over until four. Mr. Corn says he has shipped corn-fed cattle as late as July, and has no fear that thin early grass cattle will interfere with obtaining good prices for good corn-fed steers. He is of opinion that he will make more money out of the younger cattle than the older and has not cut his stock put up after the turn of the year than the cattle fed since November.

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A Trial Run.

The Victoria Refrigerator contract, mention of which was made last week in the STOCK JOURNAL, now hangs on a trial run of a couple car loads of meat, which is now on its way to Baltimore. As far as the condition of the heaves was concerned, it was highly satisfactory, and should the result at Baltimore approach the expectations, the contract will certainly be closed, a consummation devoutly to be wished for. A success at this point, and every practical man believes that it will ultimately be a success, means refrigerators at other points, and a home market for all Texas beefs.

Selling Beef on Its Merits.

The alleged conservatism of Southern Texas ranchmen is often severely criticized by men who do not really understand the case, and in no matter more than in continuing to breed scrub or longhorn stock. This can be very easily and satisfactorily explained. It is conceded that the great majority of cowmen in Southern Texas, as well as elsewhere, are trying to make the most money possible out of their business, and are as ready to try all practical methods to further that end. They like their brother ranchmen in other portions of the state and the great northwest, took a bad case of the grading fever, and have passed through its various stages. Everywhere high prices have been paid for thoroughbred and pedigreed bulls and cows, severe acclimation fever losses have been sustained, and good half, three-quarters, and seven-eighths calves and yearlings have been raised and put upon the market. But when once there, the man who has bred from a bull worth him at least \$500 from \$50 to \$300 finds that his product will not bring more money than will the produce of a scrub Texas bull worth only his hide when his energies are expended, and which only cost him to raise and feed \$15 at the most. It does not take the cowman long to see that improving his breed of cattle does not pay. Nor will it ever pay so long as he sells yearlings or two-year-olds, because the buyers of the grazing ranges of the northwest refuse to classify stock except as to locality of birth, i. e. coast cattle, Middle Texas cattle, Panhandle stock, etc., and not half-blood, three-quarter-blood, although they certainly know the value of the improved breeding when once put into the beef market. These deductions are the result of experience. The only incentive to improvement of blood is the entire change of the manner of handling stock in Southern Texas, and it is finally believed that such a change is in the eve of realization. When ranchmen raise their steers to three or four years old, and sell them to shippers for feeding purposes, or feed themselves, and put them into the beef market themselves, in other words when the stock is so handled as to be sold on its actual merits, and not on its supposed merits, a new classification, then will blood tell, and largely; then will be seen and felt the difference of a \$15 and \$500 bull. When every cowman has scales set up at his branding pen, and he comes to San Antonio and sells his beefs at so much a pound he will easily reimburse himself for the cost of thoroughbred Herefords, Shorthorns, Galloways and all other beef breeds. The recent sale of Mr. Henry Shiner of 423 head of steers that averaged 917 pounds, to Naylor for 24 cents a pound, and the netting of \$23, when otherwise the highest offer he could get round was \$15, opened the eyes of many a stock man in this section. If he wants to get any of his money back that he has been paying for improved bulls, he must put up scales and sell his stock on its merits. And it is just to remark that such would be more satisfactory to the buyers as well as to the sellers. Mr. Shiner, one of the largest in this market, openly advocates the buying and selling beefs by weight only.

The San Antonio Horse Market.

The horse market for the week just past has verified the prediction of the JOURNAL's last report, and the transactions were increased 25 per cent, with an encouraging prospect for several weeks to come. The market for saddle stock is decidedly off, with a falling market and a crowded market. The offerings largely exceed the demand for cow ponies, but good smooth stock 14 to 15 hands high that can be disposed of north can be sold at prices and little of this class is on this market. Mares are in good demand with rising market. Good smooth mares are scarce, the demand far exceeding the supply with large number booked to arrive from the lower country. The aggregate sales for the week were 2,195 head, of which 335 were horses, 1,050 were mares, 475 mixed stock, 50 fillies and 285 of horses, mules and mares sold at retail in the yards. Prices vary so much, governed by condition and size, that an intelligible quotation is almost impossible, ranging for horses from \$25 to 40 and for mares from \$15 to 30. Sales by car loads were as follows: 2 cars good Spanish horses, \$32.50; 2 cars horses and mares, \$18; 2 cars horses and mares, \$25; 2 cars horses and mares, \$30; 2 cars mares, \$20; 1 car medium mares, \$16.50; 4 cars small Spanish horses, \$23.50; 1 car small mares, \$15; 1 car mares, \$17; 1 car fair to good mares, \$20.50; 1 car fillies, \$11.50; 1 car small thin mares, \$13.50; 2 cars of medium mares, \$19.50; 2 cars good mares, \$22.50; 1 car of good American mares, \$22.50; 1 car horses thin, \$25; 1 car mares, \$17.50; 1 car fillies, \$11; 1 car mares, \$20; cars mares thin, \$16; 3 cars mares, \$17; 1 car mares, \$21; 1 car thin horses, \$20.50; 4 cars of small Mexican mares, \$16; 2 cars of smooth mares, \$23.50; 1 car of prime smooth mares, \$26; 1 car small Mexican mares thin, \$15; 1 car mares, \$16.50; 4 cars mares and mules, common, \$17; 2 cars mares, \$18; 11 cars of horses, mares and mules mixed, \$19.50; 2 cars horses and mares, thin, \$16.50; 1 car horses and mares, small and thin, \$11; 1 car thin horses, \$20; 1 car horses and mares, fair, \$24; 1 car of fair to medium mares, \$23; 1 car horses, \$30; 2 cars horses light, \$16; 2 cars mares to be delivered at Pearsall, good and smooth, \$23.

Shut Down for the Summer.

The Eagle Pass refrigerator has shut down for the summer, not because no market could be found for the meat, nor because cattle could not be had at reasonable rates, in fact not because there was no money in refrigerators, but because the railroad company, the Southern Pacific, made it impossible to carry it on in the summer for lack of accommodation. It is charged that said railroad company often allowed the cars to be sidetracked, and the meat arrived at its destination, New Orleans, in a damaged condition. The prices realized in that market when the beef arrived in good condition, was satisfactory, and about two car loads a week have been sent down during cool weather, just as soon as if because it was necessary to put the cars through on shortest time, losses were sustained from causes above mentioned. The company has sued the railroad for \$2,200 damages for meat spoiled and has shut down. The lack of accommodation and extortion in live stock freights of the Southern Pacific Railway company under its present management have already been mentioned by the STOCK JOURNAL, and the assertion made that it kills the goose that lays the golden egg. In the matter of live stock freights and also that of carelessness in regard to the transportation of refrigerated cars, it simply destroys the business. Is there no common carrier law in this state that applies to such case, and if there is none, it is high time one was made.

The San Antonio Cattle Market.

The feeling of the cattle market is decidedly better than it has been for several weeks, although it has a very slender thread on which to hang its hopes, being no more than the arrival of a few very cautious buyers, and some orders to commission men, with no transactions yet reported except that of Dwyer, reported elsewhere. It is the general belief that considerable trading will yet be done, and at reasonable figures. In many of the lower counties there are really two stocks on hand, last year's yearlings, and some few sales would come very handy to have in the house. In the greater portion of Southwestern Texas the grass is in most excellent condition and the recent showers have made stock water plenty, and the weakening so much hoped for by those wanting to buy is not very likely to be realized to any considerable extent. The buying of Colorado bottom cattle by Dwyer, the President of the New Mexican Live Stock association, is very significant, and almost warrants the assertion that it makes a great difference who wants to pass stock through the quarantine. It would be invidious to venture quotations on live stock in the present condition of the market, and as a proof that little change has taken place, it is but necessary to point to the fact of no trades, although offers are being made in orders received and not accepted. The coming week is expected to witness some good trades and an easier and better feeling. Many grass beefs will soon be shipped from this section to St. Louis and Chicago, thus relieving ranges, and bringing in a much needed supply of cash.

The Angola Industry of West Texas.

The article in the last week's JOURNAL taken from the Pacific Rural Press will be read with much interest by the numerous subscribers of the STOCK JOURNAL in West Texas. The erroneous impression still exists that California is the American home of the Angola goat. Texas has not only more goats of this breed, but an association was started in San Antonio last February, calculated to be national in character, in which it was proposed to establish a register for Angola goats. The next meeting of the association takes place in San Antonio next October, at which it is to be hoped there will be a good representation of Angola goat men from all parts of America. The industry is believed to be in its infancy, but Western Texas will be the Angola of America. There are already many good flocks in Western Texas, numbering several thousand, that are held for the growing of mohair alone, and they will be increased as rapidly as they can be bred, as without a single exception where proper attention has been given them they have proven the most profitable live stock that can be raised in this section. Five years from now the rough mountainous country of Western Texas will be largely devoted to growing mohair to the exclusion of all other business. As for the proposition that an importation is necessary to preserve the purity of the stock, the fact alleged in the article above referred to, that in Asia Minor no regular breeding system exists should be argument sufficient of its impracticability. It is indisputable that the well-bred American Angola goat is already superior to the native Angola, and it would be more sensible for the mohair growers of that country to buy goats here to improve their stock, just as the woolgrowers of Spain could use the Vermont Spanish Merinos with unquestioned advantage to their best flocks. With a register established for the American Angola goat, this portion of the country can begin to breed up practically and systematically.

The San Antonio Wool Market.

The past week has been simply a repetition of the preceding weeks, until at the last hour of writing, when a light break has occurred by the sale of one of the best clips, and other small transactions, which has caused quite a ripple among everybody, which is to be hoped will not be allowed to die out, but will be increased to a grand rush. Never before have buyers and sellers come so near together and not traded, and they seem to have been imbued with the epidemic stubbornness that is the characteristic of the prevailing labor troubles. In fact it is the playful remark that they both are on a strike. The chief cause of the break in the lock is alleged to have been the orders shipped one of the largest and best clips. The Lytle & Thompson clip of 6 months wool, the largest except one, the Callaghan clip, in the state, comprising some 125,000 has been ordered shipped to New York, and conditionally sold. As this clip had been on the market here, it is fair to presume that the shipment was made on a higher offer. D. & A. Oppenheimer sold the M. A. Jess, Dimmitt county, 6 months clip, 45 bags, and the Rheme, Uvalde county, 28 bags 6 months, on private terms, but enough is known to warrant the assurance that it was not far from 17 cents. Ed. Kotula sold the Thuber & Co., Pecos county, 12 months clip, 236 bags at private terms. It was bought by G. Hellemann, and goes to Hartford, Conn. He also sold a clip of 49 bags just on the eve of sending off this report, the particulars of which could not be learned in time to make a mail. Buyers manifest a greater interest in the business and offerings are being made, and it is firmly believed that by next report the market will be open and in full blast. The assertion in a former report as to the general condition of this spring's clip is now reiterated, as continual arrivals are in keeping with those already in. The wool in the San Antonio market was never before so light and clean, and free from burr. It is just that the condition should be recognized by the buyers here, as should it go into the eastern market it would be sold on its actual condition and merit, to the certain benefit of the seller. The apparent lack of appreciation of this excellent condition of the wool, is principally the cause of the many shipments that have been ordered to St. Louis, New York and Boston. The well-known J. A. Carr clip, of some 234 bags 6 months wool from Dimmitt county, which has always sold readily, and which has been offered here for several days, is about to be shipped to St. Louis if not sold very shortly. It is also rumored that St. Louis commission men got good orders from several Maverick county wool growers. It is impossible to intelligently advise in this matter, as past experience has usually been against making consignments, but it is a very prominent state of this market, the temptation to do something is very strong and it may result in good results. The following commission men report complete clips:

Ed. Kotula:	
D. Walker, Maverick county	18 bags
J. F. Sevin, Val Verde	39 "
Jas. Dawson, Pecos	39 "
Chas. Mavrick	35 "
Grass & Boyer, McMullen	35 "
J. M. Campbell, Val Verde	46 "
F. A. Piper & Co., Uvalde	131 "
W. W. Lawhorn, Kinney	71 "
E. K. Davis, Maverick	39 "
C. W. Thompson	32 "
Incomplete	60 "
D. & A. Oppenheimer:	
H. S. Donoho, Uvalde county	70 bags
Pat O'Neil, Atascosa	65 "
A. W. Hart, Karnes	40 "
A. J. Davenport, Uvalde	18 "
Mrs. Thompson	42 "

Wild and Woolly vs Meek and Lowly.

True to their declaration on their arrival, that they came down for their health instead of buying wool, the merry genial wool buyers are devoting more time to athletic sports than to securing the crack clips at top prices. Last Saturday, May 8th, another game of base ball was played between a nine of wool buyers, and a nine of westmen, an admission fee of 25 cents being charged, the wool men paying at the gate like the rest of the crowd, the proceeds to go to the Alamo monumental fund. It was extensively advertised, and a large crowd was in attendance, with a large representation of the fair sex, who came to see the Wild and Woolly wool buyers, and the Meek and Lowly newspaper men who were inveigled into this thing for the amusement of the jolly crew from Yankee land. The nines were made up as follows:

Wool buyers, Positions. Newspaper men.
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The Sheep Business of Texas.

The sheep business of Texas has been under a cloud in common with the same industry of other states and territories. It is now down lower (if we take the estimation of the people as a guide) than ever before. So much so, that amidst the industry as it stands in Texas where one can be found to stick to it under any and all circumstances five others are determined to cast it away.

This is due wholly and solely to three causes.

First. The decrease in the price of wool.

Second. The inability to ship muttons, except at exorbitant chances.

Third. The inability of sheep to make money for owners who will not take care of them.

The first and second reasons have forced good men to quit the business, while the latter cause was the means of hastening men out of the business who were not fitted for it, but it is the combination of causes that leads to the general depression of the industry and forces a marked decrease in the numbers of sheep on the ranges of Texas.

If we were to admit that the causes of depression could not be removed, and would not be, there would be very little to say in favor of the sheep business. In finding a remedy for existing troubles sheepmen would have to make further sacrifices and to get out of business would have to simply quit the sheep, disown them and turn them loose.

But in the sheep business there is no need of such a remedy. The business has its ups and downs, its troubles and vexations, scab and poverty, bad changes of weather, high priced railroad facilities, but there are to be found successful sheep raisers in sufficient numbers to prove conclusively that the difficulties and troubles have not been sufficient to drive them out, or to prevent them from obtaining remunerative figures for their wool and muttons; they are successful sheep raisers and conduct the business at profit, and they are not difficult to find. To mention one hundred would be to only mention a fraction of the number of successful sheepraisers, while to mention a thousand discontented and unsuccessful men would not over state their number, and yet considering opportunities, the past and present values and the future prospect they are in the best business in Texas, which can be conducted on cheap lands.

The sheep business of Great Britain comes in direct competition with the wool raisers of Australia, and in the matter of wool is greatly at a disadvantage, yet being supported by a density of population the sheep is profitably raised for mutton, with wool raising as an incidental and secondary product, and if this country was in the same position as regards population, the sheep raisers industry would prosper. As it is the distance to the center of population is so great and transportation charges so high that the wool growers of Texas besides losing part of the weight of the sheep by the long journey to Chicago have had to pay in addition one cent per pound freight upon sheep which have sold on an average of 24 cents per lb. This now changed (or it is officially announced that it will be), the cost of shipping sheep being reduced to a reasonable basis, the business encouragement to prepare our sheep for market will be such that grazing sheep and feeding sheep for market will be sufficiently profitable to be conducted permanently, and the profitable production of meat will throw the energies of sheep raisers into a different channel.

Heretofore we have raised sheep for wool and let mutton take care of itself. Now we can raise mutton and let wool take care of itself, and in so doing we can carry on the business with a greater assurance and security for our profits in the future, and this alone is sufficient to change the conditions of sheep industry from the fluctuating tendency on the wool basis, to the greater stability of an ever increasing consumption, and decreased production of meat on the mutton basis.

The price of wool is no guarantee for the range sheepmen, but the price of mutton is a guarantee, and under the influence of a legitimate freight rate we hope to see a revival in sheep husbandry so that the careful and painstaking sheep raiser will make more money, and the others will not be driven to sacrifice their own interests.

We should advise all sheep raisers having sheep now to keep them. We have seen sheep bought at four dollars sold for one dollar, and now hope to see sheep bought for one dollar sold for four dollars, and do not think the time very distant when the poor sheepmen will once more be in circumstances of affluence by the natural changes of a good and legitimate business.

The State Fair.

The State fair at Dallas will afford a good opportunity for a display of sheep and Angora goats. The position of superintendent of sheep and goat department is held by L.B. Haynie of Rice, Navarro county, himself a breeder of

Merinos. He desires assistance in his department. What is wanted is that exhibitors shall communicate with him, stating how many and of what class the exhibit shall consist. The association promise all the assistance possible to make the department a success. A very handsome premium list will be published shortly and it will include fine stock of all breeds and grades and crosses. The only thing required to make the exposition a success, and of great benefit to the sheep industry, and to the Angora interest is the active support of sheep and goat raisers. They can benefit themselves by showing up in great strength. They have an active and painstaking superintendent to control the department, will be offered handsome premiums and will be able to exhibit free of expense. We advise sheepraisers to communicate with Mr. Haynie, and say what they will exhibit so that he can see that the accommodations are provided.

The Wool Trade.

At this time it seems that the wool grower must consider whether he will sell at home or ship his clip east. The advice received from the east and which are carefully studied by the Texas dealers, are not at all assuring, and it is apparent that every influence is brought to bear to weaken the market. There is an air of plausibility about the reasons for low prices which cannot be denied, but there is ten cents duty, and three cents freight and brokerage between our wool and the foreign wools. Our clips are bright and light, and there may be considerable talk of the shrinkage being less in foreign wools, but wool is raised somewhere at a loss if any one can pay duty and undersell Texas wools. The view we take of the market is that it is lower now than it will be later. We don't expect a rise until towards fall. The sheep raiser shipping his clip must expect to wait several months before selling. There is a shortage in the domestic clip which must show up and strengthen the market, but wool like corn must rise after the crop is in. It is the usual dispensation for corn at 25 cents in the fall to be worth 45 cents in the spring. So with wool; with the full weight of the years clip offered on the domestic market the weaker holders always sell first. There are always bargains in wool, and with 250,000,000 pounds of wools in many local markets, without competition, there will be found a weakness and until the clip passes into stronger hands it is only natural that prices should be low.

Good authorities quote wool differently. The Boston Advertiser of May 7th, gives figures of twelve months Texas Medium at 22 and 23 cents in Boston. The Commercial Bulletin of the 8th, quotes Texas fine 12 months at 23 to 25 cents. Here, usually, in the grease, the medium wools have sold higher than fine, and makes the difference in quotations about three cents. The commission house circulars show as wide a difference in views. The fact is the price of Texas wool has to be made.

Wool is low. Wool will go up when congress adjourns. Wool will go up when clothing wools cannot be smuggled in on the carpet list. Wool will go up when the police get in their work on a lot of imported assassins in Chicago and Milwaukee. Wool will go up when the business interests of the country are more under the control of the capital and intelligent labor than manual power. Wools will ascend later, after the clip passes into the hands of the dealer.

Concentrating Clips.

Woolgrowers' Associations by counties are coming the Farmers Alliance dodge to obtain local competition. The idea is a good one, providing each clip is sold on its merits; attention is invited to the letters from Johnson county and the proceedings of the Hamilton county meeting.

The Texas Live Stock Journal, The Texas Stockman, The Farm and Ranch, Texas Farmer and other papers will gladly assist such a movement by publishing the locations and dates of sales and all matters concerning the movement, and will be able to give a publicity to the proceedings, sufficient to notify all interested and bring on the scene the competition so much desired.

The officers of the associations know that the press is at their service, and they should not fail to keep us posted in every movement of this kind.

WEEKLY CLIP.

E. W. Gruendler was off buying wool, but up to Thursday had not bought a pound.

The woolgrowers of Johnson county would like to interview woolbuyers at Cleburne on May 25th.

J. C. Crowder of Fort Worth, went west to pick up a few clips. The house is paying 16 to 18 cents for the best local clips.

Woolbuyers are invited to read of the Hamilton county meeting. The wool is to be sold at Gatesville, Coryell county, June 3d.

This office is accumulating mail for T. S. Foster of the Western Wool Commission company, who had better say what is to be done with it.

Mr. J. M. Perea shipped to Boston one of the largest clips in the state. He put it on the cars at the new town of Odessa in Tom Green county.

Messrs. Estill & Burgess, of Blue Mound, Tarrant county (post office Fort Worth) have imported a good lot of Southdown sheep, and will sell bucks in the fall.

The labor trouble in the country is taking a couple of cents off the price of wool, and the tariff agitation is working off two cents more. Truly the farmer (sheep raiser) pays for all.

We understand sheep are in a very good condition now. The latestness of the grass worked a hardship on so no of our

sheepmen, but things look better at this time.—Big Springs Pantagraph.

Mr. Ed. Mackechnie, representing the Western Wool Commission Co. of St. Louis, informs us that 500 sacks of wool has already been bought by him and 234,000 lbs. from this point.—Columbia Voice.

Mr. W. F. Blandin, of Fort Worth, and raising sheep in Palo Pinto county, will have his clip at Ranger, Eastland county, shortly. Mr. Blandin says his wool is unusually light this year but he fears that the wool men will not take it into consideration.

Mr. A. Armentrout of Fort Worth, Woolgrower, bought clips as follows: Vernon, West county, 18 cents good medium; C. W. Zeck of Stephens county, 17 1/2 cents; Turner & McClure, clip burry, 10 cents; J. H. Brown, medium clip, 18 cents; R. H. Taylor, medium, 18 cents; G. G. Evans, slightly burry, 16 cents; 4,000 pounds of Means, Decatur, at 18 cents.

Geo. W. West, of Gainesville, again looms up in the sheep industry, he appeared in the Nation with 4000 sheep and made some money feeding them. He now wants to buy 200 heavy sheep, wethers, not less than three years old and all good size and weight for feeding. He will pay \$2.00 per head and will sell for in St. Louis. It is a good sign when George West appears on the surface and indicates that sheep are worth something. Mr. West claims to have much, but the little he does know is about sheep.

Walker, of the firm of Burroughs & Walker, located on the head of Deep creek, has sheared his flock. He got 1500 Mexican Merinos from San Antonio did the shearing; then went to Atkinson, thence to O'Reilly's, Benton's, Walker's etc., and in this way will do all the shearing in the country. Isn't it a little inconsistent in those sheepmen, who are nearly all protectors of their own shepherds in the dignity of labor, to send down to Mexico for cheap shepherds? But what is the use of finding fault; poor human nature is the same. I saw a man wrapped in the epidemic of Jay Gould or the man who has to hire one laborer three days in a year and then sell all the sheep in the country have scab, that is, every flock is more or less affected with it. This is unfortunate, as dipping adds largely to the annual expense.—San Saba News.

A Great Blood Medicine.

Rosadalis cures scrofula, swelling, gonorrhea, skin diseases, liver complaint, rheumatism, etc. Read the following: I have been a great sufferer for fifteen years; not able to walk from an injured leg. Have tried many M. D.'s and their remedies to little purpose. I believe Rosadalis will cure me. Send me one dozen. It will cost me nothing. I have taken two bottles, and find it helping me. The druggists who usually keep it are out of it, and I cannot get it until they have the slow arrival of their supplies.

Lake Irena, Florida.

JOHN T. DEWEE,
Supt. Board of Public Instruction.

OUR ST. LOUIS LETTER.

The Date Set for Double Deck—
The Prices of Texas Sheep—
The Price of Wool.

St. Louis, Mo.,
May 10, 1886.
Regular Correspondence Texas Live Stock Journal.

Sound the glad tidings through the state of Texas! for the Gould system, through its traffic manager, W. H. Newman, has on Saturday last decided to place double deck cars in commission as soon as they can be arranged for that purpose. In other words, by the beginning of June and for ever after the Texas flockmaster can ship the same show at market as shippers from any other point in the United States. I interviewed Mr. Newman last Saturday, and although he did not say "it is settled, my boy, and announce it from the house top," yet stake all your wealth, Mr. Editor, that what I write above is true and may be relied upon. What he did say was to the effect that a contrivance of a Denver newspaperman (his name has slipped my memory) had been looked upon favorably and the order has been given to place a hundred or so in stock cars to be tested by actual use. If the affair does not work satisfactorily, why the company would make thousands of double decks and ship them to Texas as there to be placed in the cars. So you see that if one style of double deckers do not work the other one will. Mr. Newman finally became less reserved and said that in less than a fortnight Texas sheepmen will get what they have been clamoring for so long a time. This victory belongs wholly to the St. Louis Live Stock Exchange, Col. R. D. Hunter, Col. W. L. Tamblin and Col. C. M. Keys, the committee, worked hard and persistently and finally gained their point. The Chicago exchange did nothing and I believe that the petition signed by the Texas flockmasters, farmers and others is still up there. Selah!!

Poor old Chicago!

"Not never rains but what it pours."

"Now that the railroad has come to time and have reduced the cost of transportation, the yard and commission charges at this point are also to be reduced. The committee decided to lower the rate as soon as the railroad made the first step. In a few days, without doubt, the announcement will be made that yardage, which is at present 8 cents per head on sheep, will be reduced to 5 cents, and commissions \$5 per single deck and \$10 per double deck, will be \$4 and \$8 respectively.

St. Louis bids well for the Texas sheep trade; now let her be rewarded for her enterprise by getting all the Texas sheep. Better prices have prevailed here right along than at Chicago, while we have plenty of buyers and large ones at that too. What more can be said? Absolutely nothing. We have larger local butchers, the dressed mutton shippers, eastern, interior and southern shippers.

Somehow or other we did not get a great number of sheep the past few days, which is not very strange, as I see that Chicago and other points were by no means crowded. No doubt the large reduction in values of common to medium sheep in the east after Easter, had the tendency to stop shipments to a certain extent. Be this as it may, the result attained is quite satisfactory for prices are not only prevented from going down further, but advances of 15 to 25 cents per hundred pounds has occurred. As yet the run

of Texas sheep is light and sent in mainly by speculators. Decent to good sheared sheep brought from \$3 to \$3.50 per hundred pounds. Good heavy Texas sheep of 90 to 95 lbs. would command just at present from \$3.75 to \$4.

Good fat Texas sheep will find prompt disposal at all times and bring fair enough figures all things considered.

Sales within the past few days were as follows:

200	Texas clipped	71	3.25
400	" "	lamb per head	1.60
721	" "	clipped	86
201	" "	" "	76
111	" "	" "	72
28	" "	" "	69

Good to choice shorn native sheep of 90 to 120 lbs at \$4 to \$5.10 per hundred pounds. Kansas sheep \$3.50 to \$4.50 per hundred pounds.

Offerings of wool were comparatively light. While the demand kept pace with receipts it was not at all active. Dealers bought cautiously, showing most timidity when trading on the larger lots, yet everything offered thus far was saleable at current quotations. Values generally were barely sustained—combing and lots running to combing declined a shade, so did tub washed but other grades steady. Medium clothing was firm throughout, being in best request. The finer staple ruled quiet.

The St. Louis Daily Market Reporter says: "The falling off in demand for, and consequent loss in price of, combing and coarser wools this season is accounted for by the fact that the leading mill heretofore working these grades (largely supplied by our market), has now changed its machinery, adapting it to the consumption of other grades; besides there was a larger foreign importation lately of goods manufactured from coarse and combing staple."

But little Texas wool coming in yet. Following are the detailed quotations of the cotton and wool exchange:

Washed	Medium	Low	High
Mo. Ill. 1/2	21 1/2	20 1/2	18 1/2
Kans & Neb	18 1/2	17 1/2	16 1/2
Tex & Colo	21 1/2	20 1/2	18 1/2
Ind & Ohio	21 1/2	20 1/2	18 1/2
Mex Col NM	18 1/2	17 1/2	16 1/2
Tex & South	21 1/2	20 1/2	18 1/2
Mont. Wyo	19 1/2	18 1/2	17 1/2
Utah	18 1/2	17 1/2	16 1/2

—Burry, 100 to 150; black, 110 to 150; cotton, 12 1/2 to 15 1/2.

Ex-Mayor Latrobe, Baltimore, Md., says the best cough medicine is Red Star Cough Cure. Dr. Samuel K. Cox, D. D., of Washington, D. C., after a careful analysis pronounced it purely vegetable, and most excellent for throat trouble. Price, twenty-five cents a bottle.

FROM PHILADELPHIA.

About the Tariff on Wool.
PHILADELPHIA, May 1, 1886.
Editor Texas Live Stock Journal.

Enclosed please find form of petition to congress for restoration of wool and woolen goods duties, this means \$2,500,000 to \$3,000,000 annually increased revenue to Texas on wool alone, not taking into consideration increased value of sheep and lambs, which would be enormous.

We see one of our free trade papers says free wool means an exchange of wool with foreign countries, each buying what is best adapted to their wants, a fallacy you can easily dispose of by sending a sample of your best clips to England and endeavoring to find customers for it at any price. It was tried in 1884 when the fall clip of Texas was as low as similar wools in England, but it could not be sold. In 1887 one of our largest firms who were financially embarrassed, shipped several hundred thousand pounds of the choicest Ohio fleeces to England, on which they obtained a cash advance to tide them through their difficulty supposing the wool could be sold as it was lower priced to the scourer pound than wools of the same quality then used in England, but not one pound could be sold there. During the war a wealthy English firm shipped as an experiment quite a large amount of Ohio fleeces to England as they were, owing to the depreciation of our currency, much lower here than nominal value in England; they could not find a purchaser for it and were obliged to use it themselves, they being manufacturers, but owing to the prejudice of their managers they sent no more.

We have wages double to treble here to those paid in England for similar employment, the increased wages allows comforts to the working people never known there, and their increased expenditures means higher values for property. We are the only country in the world not dependent upon others, why should we legislate against our own interests.

The best way to reach your congressional men is by letter as they show personal attention to this matter, but we suggest that those interested obtain signatures to this petition and forward with their letters. We will cheerfully send copies of this petition to any one applying to us.

EDWARD A. GREENE & CO.

Clips from Martin County.
(Marienfeld News)

Mr. Sam Walmsley, of the firm of Humphrey & Walmsley, reports their flock in excellent condition. They have raised a fair per centage of lambs and the clip is heavy. This firm has over 2000 head of fine Spanish Merino sheep, splendid range and good water. The well they are watering from now is only 29 feet deep, with a watering capacity of 4000 sheep. Their ranch is 9 miles north of Marienfeld.

Mr. C. D. Mulholland, whose ranch is 6 1/2 miles southeast from town, reports having raised 60 per cent of lambs. He will have a fine bunch of muttons ready for market shortly.

Considerable sorghum is being planted by our sheepmen for winter feed. Although sheep can be wintered without feeding, in this portion of Texas, it is the experience of successful sheepmen that winter feeding pays.

Messrs. Bradley & Dowrey, of this place, have just finished sinking four wells for McIntyre & Barrett, ranchmen, head of north Concho. They found a bountiful supply of the best limestone water at a depth of 175 and 200 feet. There is a very hard stratum of limestone underlying all that country.

Mr. N. L. Jenkins, the famous scout and Indian fighter, familiarly known as Buffalo Bill, has a fine flock of sheep in Martin county, 20 miles S. E. of Marienfeld. He is the very opposite of the scout heroes as portrayed in dime

novel literature. No better man, or one more universally liked resides in West Texas.

A. J. Nations has sheared his flock of 2,500 sheep and shipped his wool to the commission firm of Coombs & Bigelow, Boston, Mass. His flock are extra fine sheep, but owing to them having the scab badly they sheared only an average of 4 lbs each.

C. F. Fuller shipped his wool last week to Chicago. His clip is better than the average.

A. C. Rush, of Big Springs, president of Midland town company, recently purchased from John Kass 30 head of Yearling Durham cattle, which he has put on his Martin county ranch.

J. S. Smith, a prominent planter recently from California, has purchased a section of land 4 miles east of town, and is having 50 acres broke up for garden purposes. He has found an inexhaustible supply of water and is making an immense tank for irrigation purposes. He claims that the soil is fully equal to the renowned garden and fruit land of California. He has planted a number of grape cuttings which are doing well.

A. G. Denmark, of the firm of Bessie Bros. & Denmark sold last week 300 head of cattle to C. P. Fuller for \$4,500. We call this cheap for good cattle. Mr. Fuller will still run his sheep. He has a well improved ranch. His sheep did badly this year owing to the dry fall. Raise more feed.

Time Proves All Things.

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