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Fort Worth Live Stock Market.

Still Keep Up to the $6.65 Mark.

BUYER ON LIGHTS.

Corn-Fed Hogs Topped the Market.

CATTLE WERE ACTIVE.

Lower for a While, Closing Unchanged.

THE MARKET TODAY.

Top	$6 65
Bulk	$6 25@6 40
Top, Steers	$3 30
Top, Heifers	3 05

COMPARATIVE RECEIPTS.

	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
	559	453	100
Last week	395	887	—

THE HOG MARKET

(Reported up to 3 p. m. daily.)

Market opened with 4 cars, 375 in the pens, with prices steady on and 10 to 15c lower on lighter. Morning showed two cars of the hogs yet put in the new pens, were admired and bid on by the with active competition. One shipped from Cedar Hill, Texas, pretty as pictures and smooth fed granite. They averaged lbs and sold for $6 65—the 250 class. The other was shipped Valley, I. T., averaging 243, weight $6.65. These hogs were on molasses.

Hogs were cleared by 11 o'clock, none in sight for the balance of Yesterday's quotations were today, except weak on lights. for all grades not half satisfied. Following were representative sales

HOGS.

Average.	Price.
190	6 00
235	6 10
330	6 35
240	6 35
310	6 40
179	6 45
194	6 65
243	6 65
Southwestern 160	5 95

PIGS.

110	5 50
97	5 75
115	6 00
130	6 30

THE CATTLE MARKET

(Reported up to 3 p. m. daily.)

Yards had 15 cars and 50 driven head, on at the opening this which averaged a fair grade

Opened weak to lower, but the buyers agree that considering, the prices were fair and Two cars of 630-pound calves $6.05. They were only fair in Twenty-two head of 1050 cows $2.75. They were "grassy" lacky, not good dressers, and less than their weight would bought with a good finish.

Started draggy, but by 12 o'clock were nearly clear.

Market ruled steady to a few lower, but active, and closed with today on yesterday's quotations. Representative sales:

STEERS.

982		3 30
868		3 00
1126		2 75
735		2 75
560		2 00

COWS.

1120		2 75
754		2 60
756		2 60
825		2 45
800		2 45
838		2 45
831		2 45
858		2 45
930		2 45
753		2 30
704		2 30
696		2 25

HEIFERS.

638		3 05
441		2 50
2	415	2 50

CALVES.

1	235	3 75

BULLS.

1	850	2 45
1	1520	2 25
1	1250	2 25
1	1200	2 25

Sales after 3 p. m., yesterday.

STEERS.

6	841	2 75
1	840	2 40
3	690	1 80
1	630	1 75

COWS.

2	650	2 00
1	650	2 00
41 mixed	550	2 00
1 canner	690	1 90
1 canner	730	1 25

BULLS.

3	690	1 80
1	630	1 75

YEARLINGS.

3	503	1 90

Market Quotations Today.

CATTLE.

Steers—Choice fed	$3 40@3 65
Medium fed	3 00@3 40
Good grass	2 75@3 00
Light thin	2 25@2 75
Cows—Choice heavy fed	2 60@3 25
Medium butcher	2 25@2 60
Light thin	1 6 @2 25
Canners	1 40@2 10
Bulls, stags and oxen	2 00@3 00
Veals and calves	2 00@3 50

HOGS.

Choice, 200 lbs. and up	6 50@6 70
Fat smooth medium	6 20@6 35
Light	5 50@6 00
Southwestern pigs	4 50@5 00
Stockers	4 50@5 00

SHEEP.

Lambs	$3 50@4 50
Wethers	3 50@4 00
Ewes	3 00@3 50
Bucks and culls	1 50@2 50

RECEIPTS AT OTHER MARKETS.

CATTLE.

Chicago	6,500
Kansas City	3,600
St. Louis	3,000
St. Joseph	2,000

HOGS.

Chicago	39,000
Kansas City	8,000
St. Louis	8,000
St. Joseph	6,200

SHEEP.

Chicago	10,000
Kansas City	4,600
St. Louis	2,000
St. Joseph	400

RECEIPTS TODAY.

CATTLE.

A. D. Hotchkiss, San Antonio, 32.
W. O. Schultz, Alvarado, 30.
J. H. Paine, Denton, 22.
L. B. Hmma, Commerce, 36.
Cisco Oil Mill Co., Cisco, 78.
W. Scott, Dublin, 150.
Cage Cattle Co., Stephenville, 88.
A. O. Blake, Henrietta, 19.
M. Ward, Iowa Park, 30.

HOGS.

W. Bryant, Duncanville, 83.
W. W. Mayor, Midlothian, 86.
W. L. Lott, Worthan, 110.
W. Hampton, Paul's Valley, I. T., 59.
Hagler & Jordan, Vernon, 90.
J. I. Ivey, Oakwood, 77.

CATTLE PURCHASES TODAY.

Swift and Co.	313
Fort Worth Packing Co.	86
Miller, of Dallas	35

HORSE AND MULE MARKET.

The demand for mules is getting more active. Cook & Simmons report a number of sales, and buyers are on this market for more.

A sale of mules was made by this firm to Hughes Bros. of Dallas that calls for special mention. These mules were 16½ hands high, weighed 2800 pounds, were 5 years old, and sold for $450. They were raised in Tarrant county.

Among other sales made by them were:

To Val Driscoll, Italy, Tex., one load.

To E. J. Gill, Ruston, La., one load.

To Long & Overton, Tyler, Tex., one load.

To Cooper Bros., Shreveport, La., one load.

ON THE MARKET.

The following buyers are now on this market for mules:

Mr. Dees, Little Rock, Ark.; W. O. Addison, Caldwell, Tex.; Dunlap & Lewis, Little Rock, Ark.

W. T. Wilson received a load from Wichita Falls.

Will Black shipped a load from Mangum, O. T.

Stanfield shipped a load from Amarillo.

Receipts at Cooke & Simmons': One carload from each Hillsboro, Chillicothe, Roscoe, Vernon, and Coleman City.

Today's quotations are as follows for sound, serviceable mules, 4 to 8 years old, in good hair and flesh and well broken:

13½@14 hands, fat	$ 45@ 50
14@14½ hands, fat	60@ 75
14½@15 hands, fat	85@105
15@15½ hands, fat	110@120
15½@16 hands, fat, with quality	125@140
16@16½ hands, ex., 1,250@1,500	145@160

These quotations are based on sales out of first hands. Sorted and selected loads are quoted some higher by speculators.

STOCK YARDS NOTES.

W. E. Jerry of San Antonio is visiting at the yards.

Bert Simpson, a cattleman of Monahan, was looking over the stock yards.

M. Reynolds, manager of the Cisco Oil Mills at Cisco, was at the yards with stock.

Seats are being placed in the north end of the hog pens for use during the Fat Stock show.

The Fort Worth Packing and Provision company killed 98 cattle and purchased 146 cattle Wednesday.

A. G. Pannell of Minco was on the market and purchased two loads of yearling steers, which he will put on grass.

W. O. Shultz of Alvarado sold 23 head of steers of good quality on the market, which brought $3 30, and averaged 982 pounds.

J. R. Dendinger had in 100 head of sheep from his pens in North Fort Worth. They averaged 87 pounds and brought $3.00.

J. W. Head of Cleburne was at the market and purchased 36 head of cows and calves, which averaged 754 pounds, and brought $2.60.

Austin and Smith had 40 cows and 14 calves on the market. They were driven in from Jack county, about sixty miles from here

J. H. Wild of Weatherford had 21 head of driven-in cows, calves and steers on the market. Six cows sold for $2.60 and weighed 756 pounds.

J. H. Paine of Denton had in 22 head of good cows, which were fed for 115 days on full feed, and are fat. They sold for $2.75, and weighed 1120 pounds.

W. A. Richardson of Athens had 22 head of steers on the market. They averaged 843 pounds and sold for $2.75. Seven cows also sold at $2.25 and weighed 876 pounds.

The stock yards company have placed a new bulletin board in their office, which shows the arrival of all cattle at the yards, and is much more convenient than formerly.

Mr. Wade Hampton had in from Paul's Valley, I. T., a bunch of the prettiest hogs ever seen on this market. They weighed 243 and sold readily at $6.65. Mr. Hampton knows how to raise good hogs.

O. W. Mathews, secretary and treasurer of the Stock Yards Co., returned today from attending the cattlemen's convention at Oklahoma City, and reports a large attendance, and a great deal of work done by it.

The Cage Cattle company of Stephenville had three cars of 88 head of steers on the market. They were fed 103 days on cotton seed hulls and were in good condition. John Cage, D. Cage and H. O. Pemberty came with the shipment.

The Cisco Oil Mill of Cisco had 77 head of yearlings on the market. Sixty-nine head averaged 638 pounds, and sold for $3 05; six head averaged 441 pounds, and brought $2.50, and two head weighed 415 pounds, and brought $2.50.

Mimms & Wilson of Cleburne were at the market for 300 head of 3-year-old steers, which they will feed. If they are unable to purchase what they want here they will go to the territory after them. They now have 700 steers on feed, which they expect to market soon.

Winfield Scott, the big cattleman, who has feeding pens at Brownwood, Dublin and Hico, had in five cars of cows again. Mr. Scott is marketing five cars per day at present, and will continue to send that number for somedays. He has 6500 head of cows on feed, and has been feeding them for some time. He recently lost 480 head of cows at his Brownwood pens, from fever.

With 91 head of cattle, mostly cows on hand, at the opening of the market, and receipts of 511 head of steers and cows, with one car of good fat cows, which averaged 1120 pounds, and sold at $2.75, the prices were steady, and demand good, although opening prices were somewhat low and market draggy.

J. C. Mayes of Frisco had 74 hogs on the market yesterday that averaged 191 and brought $6 65. The hogs were his own breeding, Berkshires and Poland Chinas, and were eight months old. They were run on wheat and were fed some corn daily until forty day ago, when they were taken off the pasture and fed corn liberally until shipped. This illustration will show what can be done with hogs.

OKLAHOMA TO TEXAS.

Resolutions Adopted by Oklahoma Cattle Raisers' Association

The following resolutions were adopted by the Cattle Raisers' association of Oklahoma, yesterday, in convention:

"Whereas, The Texas legislature, now in session at Austin, Tex., is considering a bill to modify the quarantine line insomuch as to grant a four months' period of non-operation of said quarantine restriction; and

"Whereas, Such a policy would serve to cast suspicion upon the cattle of the whole state and interfere with the marketing of Texas cattle; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That we, the Oklahoma Live Stock association, now in session at Oklahoma City, having a vital interest in the development and protection of the cattle industry, not only within the boundaries of this association but in Northwest Texas and Indian Territory, adjacent thereto, north of the quarantine line, do petition your honorable body not to interfere nor permit any change in the law as it now exists, as such bill now pending seeks to abolish the quarantine line, which would insure great losses and would not only be disastrous to the people of the district affected, but would damage the whole state and serve to check and set back, at this time, the entire cattle industry of the northwest."

They all Want The Reporter.

Copy of a letter received by a commission firm from one of its customers:

Naruna, Burnett Co., Tex., Feb. 4.—Dear sirs: I am receiving my paper all O. K., and am glad you are sending it to me. Any time I have cattle to market I will send them to you. Will be glad to assist you in any way that I can. I think The Reporter is a good paper.

Yours truly,
WM. ZIMMERMAN.

Cause of Creeps in Cattle.

The Irion County Record says: Creeps is a strange malady. It is not contagious, but fat cattle as well as poor ones are attacked by it. It, very likely, is caused by a neglect to keep stock well salted. Salt is the principal food for the bone, in fact is essential to animal life. J. H. Lindley has never known a case of creeps among his cattle, and he buys eastern cattle, western cattle, fat cattle, and poor ones. He keeps salt out in his pasture all the time, his cattle use it at their will, he sees that salt is never out even a week at a time. In the pasture joining him are many cows not only seriously affected, but are dying. There is plenty of water in this pasture, but the salt troughs are empty, occasionally wagon loads are emptied out, the cows soon use all that, then they have to do without for awhile, and probably creeps follow as the result.

A Celebrated Criminal Case.

Word comes from Dallas that the Bain burning cases will be tried in Tarrant county as per agreement. Eugene Faulkner, John Chapman and W. M. Renner are charged with the murder of Wm. Bain in Chapman's saloon in East Dallas on the night of December 2, 1900. Faulkner received a death sentence while Renner and Chapman were given life penalties. The jury verdict was reversed by the court of criminal appeals on several different propositions, one being that a change of venue should have been granted.

At a meeting of farmers and stock raisers of Briscoe county, a resolution was adopted protesting against a change in the quarantine law.

Llano Times: J. B. Middlebrook shipped a car of horses to the territory yesterday. "Pomp" says he will use them in his farming this year. He expects to put in a string of cattle this spring from this county, and will also cultivate about 400 acres of land.

ENCOURAGE HOG RAISING.

Work of R. A. Riddels, an Indian Territory Shipper.

R. A. Riddels of Caddo, Indian Territory, is a man who believes in hogs. He is a buyer and shipper, and has found by experience that Fort Worth is his market. Though his field of operation is between Fort Worth and Kansas City, he gets better net prices at this point, and that makes him a Fort Worth customer. A study of the Daily Live Stock Reporter will show that his shipments to this market average three or four cars a week.

Mr. Riddels encourages the farmers around Caddo to raise good hogs by paying them good prices, and as a further inducement he offers a premium of $10 to the farmer who brings the best load of hogs to that place, between Feb. 28 and March 3. Another premium of $2.50 is offered to the farmer who brings the best individual hog.

Showing the active efforts of Mr. Riddels to bring about a greater interest in hog raising, we reproduce the following lettler, written by him to the Caddo Herald:

Nearly three years ago I addressed a letter to the farmers about hogs. That letter contained some free advice, also some promises. I advised you to raise hogs, setting forth the advantages of having a few to sell, three or four times a year, and called your attention to the all important point of grading up and improving the breed, so that these hogs might compete with other hogs in all the markets of the country. I promised to furnish you a market right here in Caddo. There has not been a day since the publication of the letter that I have not been on the streets or had a representative ready and anxious to buy every merchantable hog offered.

The object of this letter, however, is not to bore you with a lot of "I told you so's," but to again impress you with the vital necessity of grading up and finishing your hogs better.

The great modern packeries of Fort Worth are nearing completion. They promise a permanent market for thousands of hogs daily the year round; surely they would not have been built by such men as Messrs. Armour and Swift, to stand idle. They are not running any bluffs but are enlarging their trade from a business standpoint along economical lines. They first sent business associates on a tour of inspection all over this country. They reported that in Texas, Oklahoma and Indian Territories was a vast area adapted to stock farming and hog raising. They figured this whole country on the verge of great development. They looked on the map and located Fort Worth as near the center of the field. Every move they made was methodical. The time was ripe to build packeries to take care of this surplus, and they are built, for that is their occupation. Now, farmers, it is up to you Are you going to get in the class by raising a grade of hogs that will compete on the market with Texas and Oklahoma? Already those countries, notwithstanding the drouth, have been sending some good hogs to market. As you all know, hogs have been abnormally high for the last two years. Most any old razorback brings a good price in Caddo, but let me now go on record with a forecast on futures—just as soon as the North, which was severely drouth stricken two years ago, can get back to normal conditions on breeding hogs, down will go prices. They have great bins of corn, and are now working might and main to raise hogs. It only takes eight months to grow a 225 pound hog, which is a popular market weight. When that time arrives, the "doubting Thomases" and the razorback hog will be out of a job. My advice is to go to one of your neighbors who raises good hogs, pay $10 or $15 for a boar pig, and commence grading up and taking better care of them. Throw every scrub hog you own in the feed lot right now. Give them all the 50 cent corn they can eat if you have to buy some. If you will swill the corn 24 to 30 hours, and place a box of salt and ashes where they can get to it, you may be able to market them before prices go down. The good ones you are going to raise will wait until the market goes down, and still be your friend.

Respectfully,
R. A. RIDDELS.

About 2000 head of beef steers are on feed at Taylor from the products of the Taylor cotton oil mills, owned by the following parties: Ripley & Connell, 600 steers; John B. Pumphrey, 300 steers; J. B. Willis, 200 steers; Scruggs & Pumphrey, 300 steers; Kennedy, Brookshire & Graves, 400 steers. These cattle will be ready for shipment in the early spring.

AT OTHER MARKETS

CHICAGO.

Special to the Reporter.

Union Stock Yards, Ill., Feb. 12.—The Drovers' Journal reports:

CATTLE — Receipts 6,500. Market steady to strong.

HOGS — Receipts 39,000. Market averaged 5c lower. Top $7.12½.

SHEEP — Receipts 10,000. Market strong.

KANSAS CITY.

Special to the Reporter.

Kansas City Stock Yards, Feb. 12.—The Drovers' Telegram reports today:

CATTLE — Receipts 3600. Market steady to strong. Top $4.75. Cows and stockers steady to 10c lower. Texas steady.

HOGS—Receipts 8000. Steady to 5c lower. Top $6.95; bulk $6 70@6.75.

SHEEP — Receipts 4600. Active, steady.

NATIONAL STOCK YARDS.

Special to the Reporter.

National Stock Yards, Ill., Feb. 12.—Receipts and quotations of the market, as reported by the National Live Stock Reporter:

CATTLE—Receipts 3000; Texas arrived late; steady. Natives slow. Top $4.75.

HOGS —Receipts 8000. Market 5 to 10c lower. Top $6.90; bulk $6.65@6.80.

SHEEP — Receipts 2000. Steady. Lambs $6.40

ST. JOSEPH.

Special to the Reporter.

South St. Joseph, Feb. 12.-The Stock Yards Daily Journal reports:

CATTLE — Receipts, 2000. Market steady to weak. Natives $3.15@4.65; Texas and Westerns, $3.10@4.50; cows and heifers, $1.50@4.25; stockers and feeders, $2.25@4.40.

HOGS—Receipts 6200. Market about 5c lower. Top $6.97½; bulk $6.70@6.85.

SHEEP—Receipts, 400. Steady to strong.

GRAIN AND HAY.

Quotations at Fort Worth, Wholesale and Retail Prices.

The grain and hay market at Fort Worth is quoted as follows. Prices are for car lots. In smaller quantities, add 2 to 5 cents per bushe for grain and 5c per cwt. for bran and chops:

CORN—No. 2 mixed, 54c; No. 2 white, 55c.
WHEAT—75c.
OATS—50c.
BRAN—$1.05 per cwt.
CHOPS—$1.10 per cwt.
KAFFIR CORN—$1.15 per cwt.
CANE SEED—$1.25 per cwt.
MILLET SEED—$1.75.
HAY—Prairie, choice, $12 50 per ton.

Cotton Seed, Meal and Hulls,

COTTON SEED—Car lots $17.00 to $18.00 ton.
COTTON SEED MEAL—Car lots, $22.00 to $23.00.
COTTON SEED HULLS—By contract, $6.50; retail, $7.00.

Hides.

DRY FLINT—Heavy beef, 13c; heavy fallen, 12c; light, 10c. Dry salt, 10 to 11c, culls and bad damaged, 5 to 9c. Green salt, 5½ to 6½c.

Wool.

Light medium, 12-mos., 12 to 14c; 6-mos., 11 to 13c. Heavy, short and sandy, 10 to 12c.

Live Stock Commission Houses.

Following are the members of the Live Stock Exchange now doing business at the Fort Worth Stock Yards:

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FOR SALE—About 2500 head of 3 and 4-year-old steers, ranging in Harris, Fort Bend and Waller counties. Address, Dunn Com. Co., P. O. Box 422 Houston, Tex.

FOR SALE—Small ranches, well improved. 1100 acres in Burnett county, 1100 acres in Jack county, 2800 acres in Montague county. H. H. Cobb, Fort Worth, Texas.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

W. M. MASSIE—General land agent. Panhandle and western lands only. The Central Plains a specialty. More than 12 years as surveyor and land agent at Floydada, Floyd county, has acquainted me well with the beautiful Plains and northwest Texas in general. Home office, Floydada, Texas; branch office, Room 507 Hoxie building, Fort Worth Texas.

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THURSDAY, FEB. 12, 1903.

AN UPWARD MARKET.

As a matter of importance to the farmers and stock raisers tributary to the Fort Worth market, we reproduce quotations showing top sales of hogs at Fort Worth for the last three weeks:

Jan. 19	$6 25	Jan. 31	$6 45
Jan. 20	6 32½	Feb. 2	6 50
Jan. 21	6 30	Feb. 3	6 50
Jan. 22	6 30	Feb. 4	6 50
Jan. 23	6 35	Feb. 5	6 50
Jan. 26	6 35	Feb. 6	6 52½
Jan. 27	6 40	Feb. 7	6 40
Jan. 28	6 40	Feb. 9	6 55
Jan. 29	6 35	Feb. 10	6 50
Jan. 30	6 40	Feb. 11	6 65

The course of the market has steadily moved upward, the first quotation noted being $6.25, and the last $6.65. On but four days out of 21 embraced in the comparison was there a decline, and this was owing more to the poor quality of stock than to a weak market.

At the Northern markets quotations have gone up and down, and the general advance has not kept up with that at Fort Worth. Top prices at Kansas City on the 20th of January were $6.70, and on the 11th of February they were $6.95. The last quotation was less than 4 per cent above the first. In the same time the advance at Fort Worth was more than 6½ per cent.

A steady market, with a constant trend upward, is better for a shipper than is one that see saws. With a variable market he cannot foretell what to expect. He may start his hogs on a day when prices are up, and they may strike the market on a day when prices are down, and he has to pocket the loss. There is less risk to a shipper in sending to Fort Worth than to any other market, as the figures quoted will plainly prove.

A SHEEP MARKET.

The Amarillo Champion asks this question:

"Why would it not be well for our stock farmers to run a small flock of mutton sheep? A good market is always found for muttons. The packing houses of Fort Worth have a capacity for slaughtering 3000 sheep daily. A decade ago Texas was the leading wool growing state, and if our small stock farmers would now make it a point to raise a few score muttons each for the block, we would speedily become again the first of the sheep growing states."

There is evidence that the stock farmers of West Texas and the Panhandle, as well as the farmers of the grain and cotton growing counties of North and East Texas are turning their thoughts to mutton. Let a shipment of real good mutton sheep find its way to the Fort Worth market, and the prices will stir up a further interest all over the state. There is no danger of overdoing the market. The demand now is for a car-load of sheep a day at this market, and in a short while this demand will be increased to 3000 head. When the farmers are able to supply more than that number, the capacity of the plants will be enlarged to handle them.

American Generosity.

Under the title, "Gifts and Bequests," Appleton's Annual Cyclopedia enumerates gifts and bequests for public purposes which were made, became operative or were completed in the United States to the amount of more than $85,000,000. This list does not include amounts less than $5,000 nor denominational contributions for educational or benevolent purposes, nor state or municipal appropriations. Among these excluded contributions are those to the American board of foreign missions, over $18,369,163.

COWEN SPEAKS.

Asserts the Miners' Union Has No Theory Relative to Securing More Pay.

Philadelphia, Feb. 12.—The case of the Lehigh Valley Coal company was argued before the coal strike commission by Attorney Francis I. Cowen, who dwelt at some length with the demand of the Miners' union for an increase of 20 per cent in wages. Mr. Cowen criticised the manner in which the demand was made, claiming the union has no theory regarding the method desired for an increase. He asserted that President Mitchell, when on the witness stand, was either unable or unwilling to commit himself regarding earnings of contract miners. Mr. Cowen declared also the miners of the Lehigh Valley Coal company in many cases earned more annually than the standard of wages fixed by the union.

BILLS PASSED.

Insurance Measure of Hicks Put Through in the Senate.

Austin, Feb. 12.—The senate passed bill by Hicks, embracing fire, marine and accident companies in list of companies that have to pay 12 per cent damages for failure to pay promptly insurance policies. Also passed house bill authorizing suburban railroads to issue bonds with the consent of the railroad commission. Also passed bill by Savage requiring railroads to provide all their depots with lavatories.

A Frisco consolidation bill was introduced in the senate seeking to consolidate Santa Fe with Beaumont and Kansas City road with the Gulf, Beaumont and Great Northern.

Wilson introduced a bill carrying $250,000 appropriation for pensions.

In the house a sine die adjournment for April 6 was sent up and went over

DIVORCE DECREE.

How the Document Granted to the Crown Prince Reads

Dresden, Feb. 12.—The divorce granted the crown prince reads thus:

"The ties of marriage of the parties are dissolved on account of the adultery of the respondent with M. Giron a teacher of languages. The blame attaches to the respondent, who is ordered to pay the costs of the proceedings."

Although the special court declined to take into account the contention of the former crown princess lawyers that she was deranged, this theory is fully accepted by King George, Crown Prince FFrederick and the Saxon court as the view to be put forth within the kingdom in future and that reasons of state required the separation. The same reasons also require that the people shall be brought to believe that the princess acted in an unroyal manner because she was demented. This legend will be nourished until so far as Saxony is concerned it will become princess, it is said, is considered conduct of the princess is considered by the monarchists to be most destructive to respect for the crown and they assert every care must be taken to gloss over the misdeeds of the princess.

Escaped but Captured.

Cleburne, Tex., Feb. 12.—Two alleged car-breakers knocked down a detective and escaped. They were captured.

Smoot to Present Credentials.

Salt Lake City, Utah., Feb. 12.—Reed Smoot, it is announced, will go to Washington next week to present his credentials of senator to succeed Senator Rawlins. "The protests against my being seated in the senate will make no difference with my plans," said Mr. Smoot. "Iexpect to take my seat and I do not anticipate any serious interference. I see no reason why there should be. Nothing can be brought against me except that I am a member of the Mormon church."

Arguments Being Heard.

Indianapolis, Feb. 12.—The trial of Dr. J. C. Alexander, in the grave robbery case, ended, so far as evidence is concerned. Mr. Mugg, for the defense, has finished his argument. Mr. Spaan says he will take up half a day in the defense. Mr. Rucklehouse opened for the prosecution; Mr. Brown will close for latter.

To Advance Their Interests.

Toronto, Ont., Feb. 12.—The National Trades and Labor Congress of Canada has issued an appeal to organized labor to join with it in advancing the interests of Canadian labor.

Crown Prince Secures Divorce.

Dresden, Feb. 12.—The crown prince of Saxony was granted a divorce from former Crown Princess Louise after several doctors had furnished expert testimony.

Pitcher McMackin Dead.

Columbus, O., Feb. 12.—Sammy McMakin, the well known baseball pitcher, died here of pneumonia. He was a member of the famous Texas steers, Ted Sullivan's team some years ago in the Texas Baseball league.

Dreadful Deed of a Mother

St. Charles, Mo., Feb. 12.—In a fit of mental aberration Mrs. Henry Guplemann shot and killed her sixteen-year old daughter, near New Mills, and tried to murder her infant.

Two Minutes the Time Limit

New York, Feb. 12.—Magisthate Mayo rules a man can linger only two minutes in one place on a street on a windy day while ladies are moving by.

In a State of Seige.

Berlin, Feb. 12.—Advices recived here from Guatemala announce the entire republic has been declared in a state of siege.

Gone to Inspect Building

Austin, Feb. 12.—The Governor and comptroller have gone to San Marcos to inspect the building for the state normal institute, nearing completion.

AMERICANS WIN.

They Will Receive Six Hundred Thousand Dollars by an Award.

San Francisco, Feb. 11.—The Salvador Commercial company, composed of a number of capitalists of Oakland has a claim for $600,000 against the government of Salvador, and the money falls due next month, or about the time the Pacific squadron arrives in the vicinity of the turbulent Central American republics. The company was organized in 1896, Americans retaining control, although considerable stock was sold Salvadoreans. Docks were constructed and a thriving business was done. The Americans were frozen out and the property confiscated by the government. The matter was directed to the attention of Secretary Hay, who appointed a committee to investigate. After long deliberation the commission awarded the Americans $600,000.

SWEPT INTO A GULCH.

Freight Train Falls Many Feet and Several of the Crew Hurt.

Missoula, Mont., Feb. 12.—A snowslide occurred at the "S" bridge on the Northern Pacific railroad between Mullen and Dorsey, destroying seven bends of trestlework and sweeping a freight train into the gulch many feet below. Every member of the freight crew was injured, two probably fatally. The injured: Conductor A. C. Smith, seriously; Brakeman Fred Grant, seriously; Engineer Phillips, Fireman Sodeman, Brakeman Medditt.

AS ONE POWER.

The Triple Alliance Will Appear Before The Hague Tribunal as Such.

London, Feb. 12.—Minister Bowen's formal acceptance of the British protocol it is not believed here will be likely to hasten to any great extent the conclusion of the Venezuelan negotiations. The Associated Press is informed the allies' ambassadors have been strictly enjoined not to sign any protocols until all three powers are satisfied with the terms, when the signature will be simultaneous.

When the question of separate treatment of allies is brought before The Hague court the triple alliance will appear as one power, their interests being regarded as identical.

Bglage Authorized.

Washington, Feb. 12.—Governor Odell of New York was on the floor of the house. Senate bill was passed authorizing the Memphis, Helena and Louisiana Railroad company to construct a bridge across the St. Francis river in Arkansas.

Agreement With Great Britain.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 12.—Having reached an agreement with British government for settlement of the Venezuelan claims, Mr. Bowen endeavored to close up negotiations with Germany and Italy.

Other Securities Allowed.

Washington, Feb. 12.—Senate committee on finance authorized a favorable report on bill of Senator Aldrich to permit secretary of the treasury to loan money to national banks on other securities than government bonds.

Will Round Them Up.

Manila, Feb. 12.—The government is preparing to thoroughly round-up the disorderly persons in the province of Bulcan and Rizal, where the constabulary in accordance with orders received from the war department will be reinforced with several companies of natives. The rumors from the disaffected provinces are believed to exaggerate the number of hostiles, of whom it is said there are 2000 in the field. More trustworthy reports say there are not over 500 natives in arms and that the bulk of these scattered after Sundays' fight. It is believed there will be difficulty in cocnering them.

Passengers at Hamilton.

New York, Feb. 12.—At the office of the Quebec Steamship company it is said the firm has not yet considered any definite plan for the excursionists who were in the Madiana wreck. Passengers are all ashore at Hamilton. The company's agents at that point have been notified to see they receive every attention. Any who care to continue the original cruise, except so far as it included all ports in Porto Rico and Cuba, will have an opportunity to do so on one of the company's West Indian boats.

Five Story Building Burns.

Salt Lake, Utah, Feb. 12.—The Atlas block, a large five-story building, was totally destroyed by fire. The fire burned fiercely and spread to the Central block, in which is located the immense store of the Salt Lake Hardware company. The loss is estimated at fully $250,000. The origin of the fire is unknown. Nothing was saved by the tenants.

Gone to Honduras.

San Francisco, Feb. 12.—All the war ships in Admiral Glass' squadron sailed from this port for Honduras Tuesday. With the New York are the Boston, Marblehead and Ranger. On the New York there was a small fire in the paymaster's cabin Monday. It was easily extinguished only part of the wood work in one room being destroyed.

Noted Cotton Buyer No More.

New Orleans, Feb. 12.—Victor Meyer, one of the founders of the New Orleans cotton exchange and head of the old cotton firm of V. & A. Meyer, is dead. He was the surviving member of the committee which built the exchange. He was a brother of Congressman Adolph Meyer.

Young Quite Sick

New York, Feb. 12.—William Hooper Young, the convicted murderer of Mrs. Pulitzer, is a very sick man. He, acording to the warden of the Tombs, is suffering from general nervous collapse.

TEXAS RATES ON LIVE STOCK.

FIGURES OF INTEREST TO SHIPPERS TO THIS MARKET.

They Can Estimate the Cost, and Compare It With of Cost Reaching Northern Markets.

A Texas market for Texas stock raisers means a great deal in the way of freight charges. We speak for Indian Territory and Oklahoma stockmen as well, for the latter, though not strictly shipping under the Texas commission rates, get the benefit of a short haul when sending to the Fort Worth market.

The following tables give the rates on beef cattle, oxen, cows, calves, goats, hogs and sheep; also on cattle three years old and over, for distances from 10 miles to 750.

DISTANCE—Miles.	RATES No 1	RATES No. 2
10 and less	6	8¼
15 and over 10	6¼	9
20 " 15	7	9¾
25 " 20	7¾	10
30 " 25	8	10¾
35 " 30	8¼	11¼
40 " 35	9	12
45 " 40	9¾	12¾
50 " 45	10	13
60 " 50	10¾	13¾
70 " 60	11	14¼
80 " 70	11¼	15
90 " 80	12	15¾
100 " 90	12¾	16¼
125 " 100	13¾	17¾
150 " 125	15	18¾
175 " 150	16¼	20
200 " 175	17¾	21¼
250 " 200	18¾	22¼
300 " 250	20	23¾
350 " 300	21¼	25
400 " 350	22¾	26
450 " 400	23¾	27
500 " 450	25	28
550 " 500	26¼	29
600 " 550	27¼	30
650 " 600	28¾	31
700 " 650	30	32
750 " 700	31¼	33
Over 750	32¼	34

Column No. 1 is for shipment over a single line of road, or over two or more lines under one management. Column No. 2 is for shipments over two or more lines under different managements.

CHARGES FOR SELLING.

Rates Fixed by Live Stock Exchange for Handling Stock.

The commission charges for selling and handling stock consigned to the Fort Worth market are fixed by the Live Stock Exchange and are as follows:

Cattle, 50 cents per head, but not more than $12 for a carload; calves, 25 cents per head, $12 for single deck and $18 for double deck cars.

Hogs, 10 cents per head; $6 for single deck car and $10 for double deck.

Charges for sheep are the same as for hogs.

FEEDING CHARGES.

The charges by the Stock Yards Company for yardage are fixed as follows:

Cattle, per head	25c
Hogs, per head	8c
Sheep, per head	5c

Prices charged for feed by the Stock Yards: Hay, 80c a bale; corn, $1 a bushel; oats, 80c a bushel; chops $1 50 cwt.; bran, $1.30 cwt.; straw, 40c bale.

OFFICERS OF THE EXCHANGE

Officers and directors of the Live Stock Exchange are:

W. B. King, president.
R. H. McNatt, vice-president.
V. S. Wardlaw, treasurer.
O. W. Matthews, secretary.

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A Modest Aspiration.

A man was asked recently by the gruff clerk at the stamp window, after he had deposited two cents, "Well, what do you want?" He answered gently, "An automobile, please." Verily, a soft answer turnest away wrath. —Albany Argus.

Jewish Student and Author.

Sir Francis Montefiore is deeply interested in the subject of Zionism, and he is also an author, having written a monograph on the life and tragic death of Mme de Lamballe, one of the heroines of the French revolution.

Religion for Eastern Peoples.

Bishop Partridge of Kiota is quoted as saying that there must be an oriental type of Christianity, just as there is an occidental, and that the Protestant Episcopal church of America cannot be transplanted to Japan.

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THE POINT OF RESEMBLANCE

Wherein Modern Statesman Was Like Unto Daniel Webster.

There was in Washington a few years ago an old negro who was noted for his recollections of all the famous statesmen of antebellum days. To him one day came a rather pompous member of a comparatively recent Congress, who resembled some of the famous forensic giants of old only in his capacity for ardent spirits. He had his customary cargo aboard and was inclined to be colloquial. So he addressed the old negro patronizingly: "Uncle Daniel, I understand that you used to know Webster, Clay, Calhoun and all the celebrated statesmen of before-the-war times." "Oh, yas, suh; I 'members dem all," responded the old negro. "Well, Daniel, I have been told that I look like Daniel Webster. Can you see any resemblance?" "Well, yes, suh; yo' does 'mind me pow'ful o' Mars Webstah in some respecks." "Indeed! In what particulars do I remind you of Daniel Webster?" inquired the now thoroughly flattered statesman. "Mos'ly in de bref, suh," responded Daniel; "mos'ly in de bref."

END OF A CAMPAIGN.

Opinion of Relatives as to a Wedding Anniversary.

Things had not always run oil-smooth in the couple's domestic life; in fact, rather the reverse. Both were self-willed, each with strong opinions. But the thirtieth anniversary of their wedding had arrived and they decided to "kiss and make up" once and for all," and to celebrate the occasion fittingly invited a houseful of friends and relatives. A pair of irrepressible brothers-in-law were among the guests.

Said Brother-in-law No. 1: "What on earth has gotten into the old pair, and why are they making such a fuss over each other?"

"Because this is the thirtieth anniversary of their wedding, of course," answered No. 2.

"H'm," said No. 1; "the end of the Thirty Years' War, so to speak."

Modern Scarecrows.

So many cases of troublesome short circuiting of electric wires have occurred recently by owls, crows, hawks, eagles, etc., lighting on the wires that the Electrical Review suggests the expedient of putting scarecrows on the tops of the poles. The electrical inventors have found ways to head off most of the technical troubles of electric distribution, but these pranks of animals are more difficult to prevent. When a bird or cat makes a bridge between two highly charged wires it is instantly cremated by the current, but this is small satisfaction for the damage and scare at the central station that this sudden short circuit causes.

Certainly Not.

When you see a young man sitting in a drawing room with the ugliest 4-year-old boy that ever frightened himself in a mirror clambering over his knees, jerking his necktie out of place, ruffling his shirt-front, pulling his hair, kicking his shins, feeling in all his pockets for coppers, while the unresisting victim smiles all the time like the cover of a comic paper, you may safely say that the howling boy has a sister who is in a room not twenty feet away, and that the young man doesn't come there just for the fun of playing with her brother.

Religious Zeal Too Strong.

John Newdick, a citizen of [illegible] Ind., is of a strongly religious [illegible] but Mrs. Newdick is a trifle [illegible]erate. The other evening [illegible] nounced family prayers, but [illegible] moment it was inconvenient [illegible] wife to attend, as her hands [illegible] the dough." John was already [illegible] knees, but he arose and [illegible] irreligious spouse, after [illegible] concluded his devotions [illegible] with all due reverence. Next [illegible] had him up before a magistrate [illegible] morning and his excess of [illegible] him $25 and costs.—Exchange.

Natural Cause for Alarm.

Chief Justice J. M. Fitz[illegible] the New York city court [illegible] story recently of his experiences [illegible] the oil regions many years [illegible] were working hard for a [illegible] boring night and day, and [illegible] evenings were cold, a fire [illegible] One night a vein was struck [illegible] which the gas rushed to a [illegible] over a hundred feet, and a [illegible] fire shot into the air. The [illegible] Tim McCarty, rushed to the [illegible] a yell, "Get up, get up. Fire [illegible] We've broke through into [illegible]

Honesty Among Chinamen.

Honesty is a prevailing [illegible] among most Chinamen. Stores [illegible] in their native towns and [illegible] leave their places of business [illegible] guarded while they go [illegible] or more. Should customers [illegible] the meantime, they find the [illegible] goods plainly marked, [illegible] they want, and leave the [illegible] them.

Still Vigorous in Old Age.

Mrs. Sarah Rumbley, the [illegible] mother of the late Gen. [illegible] Gresham, is now over 96 years [illegible] The old lady is still wonderfully active, however, and this [illegible] been amusing herself shelling [illegible] on a farm ten miles west [illegible] bany, Ind. She also busies herself about other chores.

So They Did.

"Doctor," she said, and [illegible] physicians say kissing has [illegible] you know. What do you think [illegible] "Well, really," replied the [illegible] young doctor. "I don't think [illegible] should attempt to decide [illegible] hand. Let's put our heads [illegible] and consider."—Philadelphia [illegible]

A Painful Marriage Custom.

The penalty among the [illegible] for widows who marry [illegible] somewhat severe one. It [illegible] among these people that [illegible] marrying, a widow must [illegible] joint of a finger and present [illegible] new husband on the wedding [illegible]

Worthy Philanthropic Object.

Ophthalmic research in [illegible] been endowed with a gift [illegible] by Sir Ernest Cassel. The [illegible] ject to be attained is the [illegible] native doctors to diagnose [illegible] ophthalmic diseases among [illegible] poorer countrymen.

Point in Dispute.

It is said that the amount [illegible] national "conscience fund" [illegible] year over $30,000 in excess [illegible] fund of the year previous, [illegible] dicates either that the [illegible] science is growing tender [illegible] the thefts are growing large [illegible] which the pessimists and [illegible] ists may comfortably fight [illegible] tween them.

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GERMANY BACKS DOWN

She Ignores Her Agreement With Minister Bowen.

WANTS CASH OR LIEN

She Demands $340,000 as Security. Great Britain and Italy Renounce Responsibility for Action and Regret It.

Washington, Feb. 12.—Germany has ignored her previous agreement made with Minister Bowen by Count A. von Quadt Wykradt Isny, her charge d'affaires, and has insisted on a cash payment of $340,000 on a lien on the customs receipts of one of the Venezuelan ports until this amount is paid. This information was communicated to Minister Bowen by Baron Speck von Sternberg, the German minister. Mr. Bowen immediately informed the German minister that he refused to yield the services of any port prior to The Hague's decision, saying that that would be preferential treatment. As to the cash payment of $340,000 demanded, Mr. Bowen left the matter to the German minister to determine, saying to him that if Germany can afford to make public confession that it does not stand by agreements signed by its duly accredited diplomats, he (Bowen) is willing that they shall receive on the day the protocol is signed, the total amount asked in the original ultimatum. The response has been cabled to the German foreign office.

Great Britain and Italy have renounced any responsibility for the action of Germany and expressed their regret. Through their representatives they have informed Mr. Bowen that they will stand by all agreements they have made with him, and will not be influenced by the action of Germany. Both the British and Italian protocols provide for a cash payment of 5,000 pounds and for the submission of the question of preferential treatment to The Hague.

They contain recommendations for the renewal of all previous treaties of amity and commerce, and the Italian claims, which never have been adjudicated without further arbitration, after her commission has arbitrated the other claims.

With the exception of the demand for an increased cash payment, the protocol of Germany in all essential respects will conform to that of Great Britain, but will be somewhat more concise. All three protocols, it is understood, will provide for the immediate return of all vessels seized by the blockading ships.

It is said that the action of Germany in asking for $340,000 instead of contenting herself with 5500 pounds, is due to the misunderstanding of certain steps in the negotiations which had been passed on by Count Quadt before the arrival of Baron von Sternberg. Mr. Bowen holds that Germany is bound by the act of its representative.

TURF INVESTMENTS.

Officers of Various Companies Are Gathered at St. Louis.

St. Louis, Feb. 12.—The offices of the various turf investment companies were thronged from an early hour Wednesday with depositors, many of whom were from out of town who wished to withdraw their money. At the office of E. J. Arnold & Co. the announcement was made by Attorney L. D. Goodman, acting for Manager Gill, that the company had no money to pay either dividends or principal. Attorney Goodman stated that E. J. Arnold was detained at Hot Springs until he could close out his interests there and that he would return here at once.

At the offices of the International Investment company payments were resumed Wednesday to a large number of depositers, among whom were many women.

The Christy Syndicate Investment company, which began paying off Tuesday, was Wedresday crowded with investors, who desired to return their money. John O'Neill, who with W. C. Christy composes the company, announced that payment on withdrawals had been suspended thirty days, but that dividends might be had by any one wisning them.

"We had to take thirty days to protect our customers," said Mr. O'Neill. Our assets are $60,000, and we only owe $30,000, so by taking thirty days we shall be able to turn ourselves around, and no one will lose a dollar."

Excitement is intense among depositors of the various turf investment companies.

In Conferring.

St. Louis, Feb. 12.—A special from Hot Springs, Ark., says: E. J. Arnold is holding conferences with his local agent and several local customers who are making vigorous protests because of their inability to withdraw funds. Arnold is accompanied by a detective. He says Gill, his St. Louis manager, has called him over the long distance telephone and said they have not stated they have no money for they have, and will pay in full. Arnold denies failure. He states he has $350,000 assets and this will fully cover all liabilities. His book will open here as usual.

Kansas City Office Closed.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 12.—The Kansas City office of E. J. Arnold & Co. was closed Wednesday by a constable, who attached the office furniture on a writ obtained by stockholders. The manager of the office said the amount invested in Kansas City did not exceed $30,000.

MUST ANSWER.

Senate Employes Are Required to Respond to Roll Call.

Austin, Feb. 12.—Mr. Bryan's cattle quarantine bill, providing for two months' open season without inspection, and passage of cattle at other times under inspection, passed to its third reading in the house Wednesday by a vote of 79 to 37.

The house committee on state affairs has favorably reported one of Governor Lanham's anti-trust measures. It is the bill introduced by Messrs. Hodges and Calvin. It limits foreign corporations to one place of business in Texas and to one kind of business; and provides, further, that no foreign corporations chartered for business for which exceptions may not be formed under the laws of Texas, shall be permitted to do business in this state.

The house finance committee has completed the general appropriation bill in so far as the support, maintenance and repair accounts of the various state departments and institutions are concerned, except as to the Southwestern Insane asylum at San Antonio, the University and Agricultural and Agricultural and Mechanical college, which are now under consideration. The amounts as above mentioned, for the two years ending Aug. 31, 1903, aggregating about $5,200,000. The Southwestern Insane asylum asks for $200,000, the university for $50,000 and the Agricultural and Mechanical college for $400,000. The two sums last mentioned include large items of permanent improvement.

The senate passed a resolution requiring all employes to answer roll call.

The senate finally passed quite a number of bills, among them Mr. Standifer's house bill, enabling suburban electric lines to issue bonds; Senator Grinnan and Hicks' senate bill limiting hours of trainmen to sixteen; Senator Wilson's bill appropriating $250,000 for Confederate pensions; Senator Davidson's (Galveston) bill providing for a state board to examine applicants for admission to the bar.

It finally passed the house bill, creating a new district court in Harris county.

Senator Willacy's local option bill wen to the third reading.

No Such Provision.

Austin, Feb. 12.—It has been the general impression on the part of members for the legislature that the bill providing for the consolidation of the three Rock Island properties in Texas contained a requirement that the Chicago, Rock Island and Gulf Railroad company, which proposes to take over these properties, shall build from Fort Worth to Galveston, in accordance with the provisions of its charter. A careful reading of the bill shows, however, that it contains no such provision.

For Cotton Seed Experiments.

Austin, Feb. 12.—A contract was closed between Assistant Government Entomologist Hunter and Jefferson Johnson, ex-commission of insurance, whereby Hunter leases 100 acres ten miles east of Austin to establish an experimental station for early maturing varieties of cotton with the view of discovering the safest seed plant cotton growing sections of Texas.

Favors Iron Furnace.

Austin, Feb. 12.—The legislative committee which went to investigate the iron industry at the Rusk penitentiary has returned. It favors a fifty-ton furnace and asks an appropriation of $150,000 for its construction.

TICKETS TO NEW YORK.

They Will Be Given Provided No Suits Are Brought.

Hamilton, Bermuda, Feb. 12.—Captain Frazer, the second officer and pilot of the wrecked steamer Madiana, remained by the ship all Tuesday night in a whale boat. The vessel was pounding heavily when the tugs left her, and it is feared her bottom is destroyed. The agents don't anticipate saving much of the cargo. The Quebec Steamship company has offered the passengers tickets to New York and to refund the money they paid for the West Indian trip on condition that the passengers sign an agreement not to make claims for damages. The captain and second officer of the Madiana were on the bridge of the steamer and the third officer was at the masthead looking for the channel light when the vessel struck.

Against Bryan's Bill.

Oklahoma City, Okla., Feb. 12.—The second day's session of the ninth annual convention of the Oklahoma Livestock association wound up with military maneuvers by the Twenty-ninth regular artillery and troops of the Eighth cavalry from Fort Sill. Preceding this was a grand street parade. Resolutions against Bryan quarantine bill pending in Texas legislature were adopted.

Join the Union

South McAlester, I. T., Feb. 12.—Thirty-five hundred coal miners in the hitherto non-union coal miners in the McAlester district have joined the United Mine Workers of America and the local operators that they sign the union scale on or before Saturday, Feb. 14.

Herds to Be Taxed.

Guthrie, Okla., Feb. 12.—The house passed a bill providing for taxing of large herds of livestock which for years have pastured on the reservations.

Eight Inches of Snow.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Feb. 12.—Eight inches of snow fell in Salt Lake City. Street car traffic is demoralized. The storm extends over southern Idaho, western Wyoming and northern Utah and trains are delayed.

Forty Peasants Drowned.

Lemberg, Austria, Feb. 12.—A ferry boat crossing the Visloka river sunk and fifty peasants who were aboard perished.

CALLED SECTION SHAM

Senator Depew So Characterized the Anti-Polygamy Clause.

HEAD OF THE CHURCH

Senator From New York Asserts the Former Was in a Position to Ask Political Leaders What They Would Do.

Washington, Feb. 12.—Hanna on Wednesday called up the conference report on the department of commerce bill and it was agreed to without debate. The bill now goes to the president.

Mr. Morgan almost immediately after the opening of the session resumed his remarks on the statehood bill, but branched off on the subject of the proposed treaty with Colombia. He referred to the concordat of Pope Pius IX, which constituted a part of the organic law of Colombia, and said that the United States intended to put the heel of ignomious contempt upon it. He predicted a return of the hostilities between the old church party in Colombia and the liberal party.

Mr. Depew spoke in opposition to the statehood bill. He said the head of the Mormon church, who is the spiritual and temporal guide of the Mormon people, was in a position to say to the leaders of both political parties, what will you do to protect Mormonism? If there is any fallibility in the world, he said, it is the judgment at election time of the political leader of any party.

"If that is true," Mr. Patterson of Colorado, inquired, "why did the Republican party two years ago make a greater bid for the Mormon vote than did the Democrats?"

Replying, Mr. Depew said both parties made every possible bid, but the "Mormons trusted the Republicans," which caused laughter. He characterized the anti-polygamy section of the statehood bill as a sham and there should be no preparation from the Democratic side to strengthen it.

Mr. Teller said that if a day would be set when a vote could be taken the Democrats would all join in strengthening the provision referred to.

Mr. Depew had not concluded when, at 4.10 o'clock, the senate went into executive session.

Taking up the subject of Mormon influence in politics Mr. Morgan referred to the election of Mr. Smoot as senator from Utah and said he would never think of opposing his entry into the senate because he was an apostle of the Mormon church, because religions in this country by the constitution are intended to be free and intended to be protected.

FAIR PROGRESS.

House Making Good Headway on Sundry Civil Appropriation.

Washington, Feb. 12.—The house made fair progress with the sundry civil appropriation bill covering 86 of the 150 pages of the measure.

The amendments of which Mr. Cannon gave notice Tuesday for the completion of the east front of the capitol and the erection of an office building for members were adopted, points of order raised against them being overcome by the adoption of a special rule making them in order. By the terms of the amendments $500,000 is appropriated for the work on the main building of the capitol and a limit of $2,500,000 is fixed.

For a site for a new office building is to be $3,100,000.

Amendments were adopted to appropriate $100,000 to defray the exhibits of the agricultural colleges at the St. Louis exposition and to appropriate $50,000 for a building for the Alaskan exhibit; $25,000 for Indian Territory exhibit.

COTTON STATISTICS.

Favorable Report on Bill of Burleson of Texas

Washington, Feb. 12.—The house committee on ways and means authorized a favorable report on the bill introduced by Congressman Burleson of Texas, providing for the collection of cotton statistics, but amended it so as to have the collections made by the census bureau instead of the agricultural department and further by striking out the provision for gathering statistics. A toll of one mill on each bale of cotton is provided to defray the expense of gathering the information. The bill requires all persons owning or operating cotton gins to report to the director of census at such times as he may direct, the number of bales ginned during a prescribed period. It is contemplated by the bill that information will be furnished with such frequency as to show the amount of cotton that is being produced.

Texas Postmasters.

Washington, Feb. 12.—The following Texas postmasters were appointed:

Marion S. French, Alvin; William H. Harvey, Belton; H. H. Andrews, Dublin; Harry Beck, Hillsboro; J. S. Richard, Itasca; Thomas Hall, Palestine; Edward Branchard, San Angelo; James Larson, Fredericksburg; Denny E. Walsh, Grand Saline; Wm. J. Walters, Hereford; R. G. Flate, Shiner.

Payment Provided.

Washington, Feb. 12.—Senator Cullom from the senate committee on foreign affairs reported an amendment to the general deficiency bill providing for the payment of $5000 to the Italian government on account of the killing of two Italians in a riot at Erwin, Miss., in 1901.

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Why It Veered.

"What in the name of sense is this world coming to, anyway?" peevishly queried the chauffeur, as the stray planet he was guiding escaped from the vigilance of inertia and started on an interstellar hike. A cautious passenger leaned over the edge of the car and gasped: "It's the earth! Turn the lever to the right quick or we'll collide, and Pierpont Morgan will sue us for damages."—Baltimore American.

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THE PANHANDLE TRANSFORMED

Advent of Smaller Ranchman Marks the Progress of Modern Methods.

There is no better place in the great Southwest to begin a study of the transition period of the cattle business of the old range country than at Channing, Hartley county, Texas, 388 miles northwest of Fort Worth and 418 miles southeast of Denver, Colo.

The whole territory is now, at the beginning of 1903, fairly launched upon a new and inevitable career. For more than ten years, indeed, since the government at Austin has taken hold by wise laws and judicious surveillance of these great grazing plains, it has been well known of observant stock raisers and ranchmen that the day of the fenceless range and of enormous pasture tracts was nearing an end, and that an era when smaller ranches would rule, and when forage farming as an adjunct to cattle raising would be at hand. Many of the wiseacres of the older generation flouted the idea that stock raising, as they undersood it, could be profitably carried on on small tracts of 2,000 acres, for, they said, "No such patch is going to pasture any stock worth while."

The ranchman with one or two hundred thousand acres which cost him as many dollars, found that he must keep proportionately populous herds in order to realize a profit on his investment. No longer able to cross the trails to free water and fresh pastures, he was obliged to erect windmills and sink wells. The improvements of homes, barns, corrals, fences and water supplies increased the sum of his expenditures, so that the value of his holdings became enhanced by leaps and bounds. But even then he did not abandon all the reckless, open handed wastefulness of his training From the agricultural colleges and the federal experiment stations of the middle west and southwest came information of the adaptability of a number of drouth-resisting crops to the high, dry and semi-arid regions of the plains. Kaffir corn, Jerusalem corn, sorghum, Johnson grass, alfalfa and other so-called dry-sod began to "get their names in the papers," but the average ranchman, particularly the cattle ranchman, didn't take much stock in the new-fangled ideas.

"The Panhandle is a cattle country," they would say. "It always was a good pasture, it's good pasture now and it always will be a good pasture. But that's all. You couldn't make it a farming country in a million years."

In the meantime the inherent values of land and improvements continued to increase slowly. A few of the great "big fellows" began to let go of "patches" of two or three hundred thousand acres.

A few ventured to acquire small ranches, or large farms, of 2,000 to 3,000 acres, fenced them, put up wind-mills and set out such dry-sod crops as they had learned to know would take kindly to the soil. Even then some of the big holders sneered at the chances of "raising anything worth while." In many cases their own cattle perished by the scores during the unfed winters, but that was a matter of course, a part of the business. They had always reckoned on that, and figured the loss of a hundred starved or frozen calves and cows as part of the unavoidable risks of their business, part of the wastage in their almost countless herds. The "little fellows," the new-comers, however, could not afford such leaks. They meant to feed their cattle through the winters, and from the first they contrived to make enough kaffir, sorghum, alfalfa and wild hay to keep their stock stout and strong, so that in the spring their stock was months ahead of those of their bigger neighbors in size, health and general condition.

It is in these changed and changing conditions of cattle raising in the Panhandle that the most significant forecast of the future of the region must be sought. It has always been admitted that climatically and naturally, it is the ideal cattle country. The land has always been purchasable, almost for a song. But, until within the [illegible] few years, it has never been [illegible] admitted that any kind of [illegible] crop would grow either in [illegible] fied reaches of the northern [illegible] brious and sandy middle belt, or on the loamy, and more compact, soils of the high plains of the southern areas. It requires no clairvoyancy to see that the new regime is to be one of smaller ranches, and therefore an increasingly dense settlement; that the cattle produced here will be of better grades and, therefore, of better values; that the methods of cattle raising and feeding will develop naturally, essentially and inescapably, into the more economical, intensive and less precarious way that is apparent nowadays in every branch of progressive human industry. The days of enormous profits for the favored few of commensurate wealth will give way to the prosperity of the many of comparatively small means. Where once a half dozen millionaire cattle kings ruled with a high and reckless hand, thousands of thrifty ranchmen will thrive and multiply. It is logically and inevitably a part of the westward tide of emigration, of the exanding population of the United States, the gestation and evolution of national and economic progress.

It would be both idle and misleading to leave upon the reader an idea that this section of the great Southwest will ever achieve front ranking as a strictly agricultural region, as a country of small farms, big cities or closely settled population. Except in the immediate vicinity of the town, and as yet they are small, few and far between, truck gardening and exclusive farming are not now and can never be very lucrative forms of husbandry. There are many of the staple crops of the lower altitudes and more eastern latitudes that will not grow here at all, except under irrigation. On account of the flat nature of the plains and the absence of any natural or topographical facilities, irrigation on an extensive scale is impracticable and will always be so. But the success which has attended the raising of half a dozen varieties of excellent forage crops, the profusion of native pasturage, the abundance and fine quality of the water obtained from deep and inexhaustible wells, and the yet low values still placed upon the lands, insure the pre-eminence and growing importance of the Panhandle as the modern cattle country, par excellence, of the United States.

JOHN H. RAFTERY.

HE HAD USED MORE.

Soldier Explains Lack of Soap to Discomfited Sergeant.

It was kit inspection, and the different companies of the battalion were standing with their kits on the ground in front of them. The sergeant-major was making the examination, when his eagle eye detected the absence of soap in the kit of Private Flinn, and he demanded what excuse the man had to give.

"Plaze, sorr, it's all used," said Flinn.

"Used!" shouted the sergeant-major. "Why, the first cake of soap I had served me for my kit lasted me three years, while you are not a year in the ranks yet. How do you account for that?"

Flinn's eye had the faintest suspicion of a twinkle, as he replied:

"Plaze, sorr, I wash every day."

And the sergeant-major walked on, while the entire company grinned.—London Tit-Bits.

Worship of the Bear.

The curious "hairy Ainus" of northern Japan hold the bear in extreme sanctity. They catch the bear young and bring him up on milk, a nurse being deputed to him. Then he is transferred to a cage, and when he is old enough to be slain, on the day of sacrifice the whole village turns out armed with bows and arrows, the cage is opened and every one strives to send home the fatal shaft. The chief prays the bear to pardon the violence done him, requests benefits from the now deified carcass and presents offerings. They then behead and skin the bear and begin an orgy which lasts several days.

Crown Owns Valuable Lands.

Among the great ground landlords in London the crown is one of the greatest, owning properties in various parts of the capital yielding in ground rents £460,000 per annum. Fifteen years ago the estates produced £250,000 only; but many leases have fallen in within that time, and the increased rents have been exacted for renewal fines or for new leases. The Carlton hotel is a striking instance of the increased value of ground in London. Formerly the site on which the hotel stands was held for the crown for a ground rent of £763 per annum; now £4,200 yearly has to be paid.

The "Fez" of the Turks.

Until a few years ago Fez, the capital of Morocco, where the sultan has been besieged lately by the pretender to his throne, had practically a monopoly in the manufacture of the Turkish national head dress named after it—the "fez"—as it was supposed that the peculiar dull crimson color of the tasseled skull cap could be obtained only by using the dye made from a certain berry largely grown in the neighborhood of the city. The berry is also much used in the dyeing of morocco leather. Now, however, France and Turkey, and to a certain extent Austria, actively compete with Fez for what is still a very lucrative trade.

A Refuge in Time of Trouble.

A man never knows what a conscience he has until asked to tell a lie to shield some one he never liked very well, anyway.—Atchison.

For Woman's Missionary Work.

The late Mrs. R. C. Southworth of Coldwater, Mich., bequeathed valuable property to woman's missionary work.

Burns' Memory Still Dear.

Fifty thousand persons visited Robert Burns' cottage at Ayr last year.

COMPROMISE IS VOID

Case Will Be Reopened as Speedily as Possible.

C. J. SMITH SPEAKS.

He Asserts That His Mother Was Ill and in No Condition to Transact Business at the Time She Went to San Francisco.

Boulder, Colo., Feb. 12.—Charles J. Smith, half brother to Mrs. Charles Fair, who, with her husband was killed in an automobile accident near Paris, says the compromise arranged between his mother, Mrs. Nelson, and Mrs. Herman Oelrichs and Mrs. Vanderbilt, sisters of Charles Fair, in disposition of the estate of Mr. Fair, will be reopened on the ground that Mrs. Nelson was influenced through fraud and false representation into accepting a settlement.

Mr. Smith asserts that his mother was very ill and in no condition to transact business when she went to San Francisco, after her daughter's death, and that it was falsely represented to her that cablegrams had been received to the effect that Mrs. Fair and her husband died at the same time; whereas it is known, Mr. Smith says, Mrs. Fair lived thirty minutes after Mr. Fair passed away. Mr. Smith declared the cause is to be fought to the end.

HUMBERTS IN COURT.

Their First Public Appearance Attracts a Great Many Spectators.

Paris, Feb. 12.—The Humbert family made its first appearance in the criminal court Tuesday, when the case of M. Cattani, a banker, was taken up in the Ninth correctional chamber. There was great public interest manifested in the proceedings, and the courtroom was packed with people. All previous examinations of the Humberts have been held in secret, and this was the first opportunity Parisians had to see and hear the prisoners. The Humberts were brought in like ordinary prisoners, and took seats in the prisoners' box. Mme. Therese Humbert displayed her usual bravado and coolness. Her sister, Marie D'Aurignac, is apparently much unnerved, and the latter's brothers, Romain and Emil D'Aurignac, maintained an attitude of calm defiance. The case does not involve the main question concerning the Crawford millions, but M. Cattani's charge that they libelled him, in referring to him as an usurer, which indirectly affects the whole affair.

SHAFT ON FIRE.

Terrible Predicament of Eleven Miners Employed Down There.

Duluth, Minn., Feb. 12.—A special to the Herald from Eveleth, on the Mesaba range, says: A fire broke out in No. 3 shaft at the Spruce mine of the United States Steel corporation. Eleven miners are imprisoned in the shaft below the mine and cannot get out until the fire is extinguished or burns itself out. It caught on the second level, in the oil house, and the shanties and timber construction of the interior of the mine at that point burned fiercely. A dense smoke rolled out of the shaft and there are grave fears that the entrapped men may be suffocated.

INDIAN FIGHTER DEAD.

Colonel J. L. Morris, a Noted Western Scout, Departs This Life.

Albuquerque, N. M., Feb. 12.—Col. J. L. Morris, one of the most famous western scouts and Indian fighters, died here after a long illness. In 1870 Morris, with thirteen men, killed Chief Juaneka and his party of thirty Apache warriors, who had been terrorizing the community. Morris was wounded in the neck, one of his men killed and ten wounded. The leader, after being shot, killed Juaneka with his last bullet. Congress awarded Morris a medal for bravery.

Want Southern Man on Ticket.

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 12.—The senate adopted a resolution instructing the Tennessee delegation to the next Democratic national convention to urge the nomination and placing a southern man on the presidential ticket. The resolution was fathered by Senator Ledgerwood, an ex-United States soldier.

More Sanitary Police

Mazatlan, Mex., Feb. 12.—Five persons died of the plague Tuesday. The family of the chief of sanitary police has been taken to the detention sheds as they are suspected of having been infected by the plague. The sanitary police on the highways leading into the interior of the country has been augmented.

Report Untrue.

Myron, Switzerland, Feb. 12.—The report that the former crown princess of Saxony had attempted to commit suicide is untrue. Her health is as good as possible considering her delicate condition and the grief caused by recent events.

Threw Eggs at Women.

Lynn, Mass., Feb. 12.—About a dozen women stitchers brought here to work in a boot and shoe factory where a strike is on, were bombarded with eggs. The police stopped the throwing.

Decides to Serve.

Topeka, Kan. Feb. 12.—Ex-Governor Stanley will serve on Dawes commission.

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HOW HE SHOWED JUDGMENT.

Successful Man Realized Inability to Make Accurate Forecast.

This from a man of success: "My business requires as much decision as picking winners on a racetrack or buying stocks in Wall street. I mean that judgment is required. I have to figure out in my own mind in my own way what to do in order to accomplish a certain purpose. Long ago I recognized fully that only 7 per cent of the human race is successful in following its own judgment. Just think: Out of 100 good men, of average brains, 93 go wrong in following their judgment and 7 go right. Well, I agreed with myself that I should be one of the 93, so, after diligently working out a plan of action and casting my vote one way, I always did the opposite. If I figure out to-day that steel is going down I buy some of it, coppering my judgment. In that way I have achieved success that to some may seem marvelous. I am complimented on my judgment, whereas in truth I am coppering myself every moment of my life." That's where he shows judgment.—New York Press.

What Is a "Jambiste"?

G. Washington Lobb, a Paris dancing master, has recovered $150 from M. Alberti for lessons given in dancing. The defendant said that he did not receive any lessons, but attended the dancing classes as a "jambiste." A "jambiste" is a young society man who occupies his leisure hours by acting as an auxiliary at a school of dancing, where he is always willing to dance with any of the women who are in want of a partner. He furnishes his services to the dancing school gratuitously, but sometimes the "jambiste" meets with a rich young heiress at the school and marriage results.

Peeled Chickens.

A party of visitors to the country were very much interested last summer by the remarks of some children, sent out by the fresh air fund for a day in the country. There were quite a number of them playing about a pretty farmhouse one day, when some passer-by stopped and began to talk to them. "Did you ever seen any chickens before?" asked one lady, as a flock of fowls came strutting down the lawn. "Oh, yes," said one of the eldest, wisely, with a knowing shake of his head, "we've always seen 'em—lots—only generally it was after they was peeled."

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"Henrietta," said Mr. Meekton, "did you hear that lecture in which it was stated that the fact that Adam arrived on earth before Eve indicated that men should assume a certain precedence over women?" "I did," was the somewhat icy reply. "Isn't it absurd? It simply shows that Adam was expected to get the garden in shape for Eve's comfort, just as the modern man gets up in the morning and lights the fire."—Washington Star.

Better Than the Locomotive.

Passing the Academy of Music one matinee day, I met a friend coming out. "What is the matter," I asked; "play bad?" "No," he replied, "but it is too hot in there; the house is literally packed with women. You see, it's the name—'Ninety and Nine'—that catches them. They fancy that the admission has been marked down from a dollar and can't resist the bargain."—New York Times.

Patti's Enormous Earnings.

A number of figures are given of Mme. Patti's earnings, and it is believed that she must have made a round million pounds with her wonderful voice. During one single year she netted $350,000. Day after day, during one part of her career, she made within two or three hours $5,000.

American Boys Would Resent This.

Sport is apparently not considered a necessary element in a French schoolboy's education. An order has just gone forth from the director general of elementary schools forbidding masters to allow their pupils to play leap frog, football, rounders, tops, hopscotch and other games.

Strawberries Grown [illegible]

The remarkable gas "e[illegible] which its inventor, Prof. [illegible] claims that it can be co[illegible] greenish-blue balls, which [illegible] like India rubber, would [illegible] be the very thing for auto[illegible] The gas is self-luminous, [illegible] would, therefore, be unn[illegible] night, while in its genial [illegible] tion sprouts surprisingly [illegible] through country lanes in w[illegible] ing ripe strawberries on th[illegible] one's wake, would be a p[illegible] perience. The automobile[illegible] welcome everywhere.

Rat Killer.

Prof. Koch of Germany [illegible] ered a successful method [illegible] struction of rats which [illegible] holds of ships. An exper[illegible] been conducted on board th[illegible] at Hamburg. The rats we[illegible] cages in the hold. An app[illegible] then used to fill the hold [illegible] with a gaseous substance. [illegible] was concluded the cages we[illegible] on deck, and all the rats [illegible] to be dead. The new syst[illegible] future be used in the Ge[illegible] and on the big German stea[illegible]

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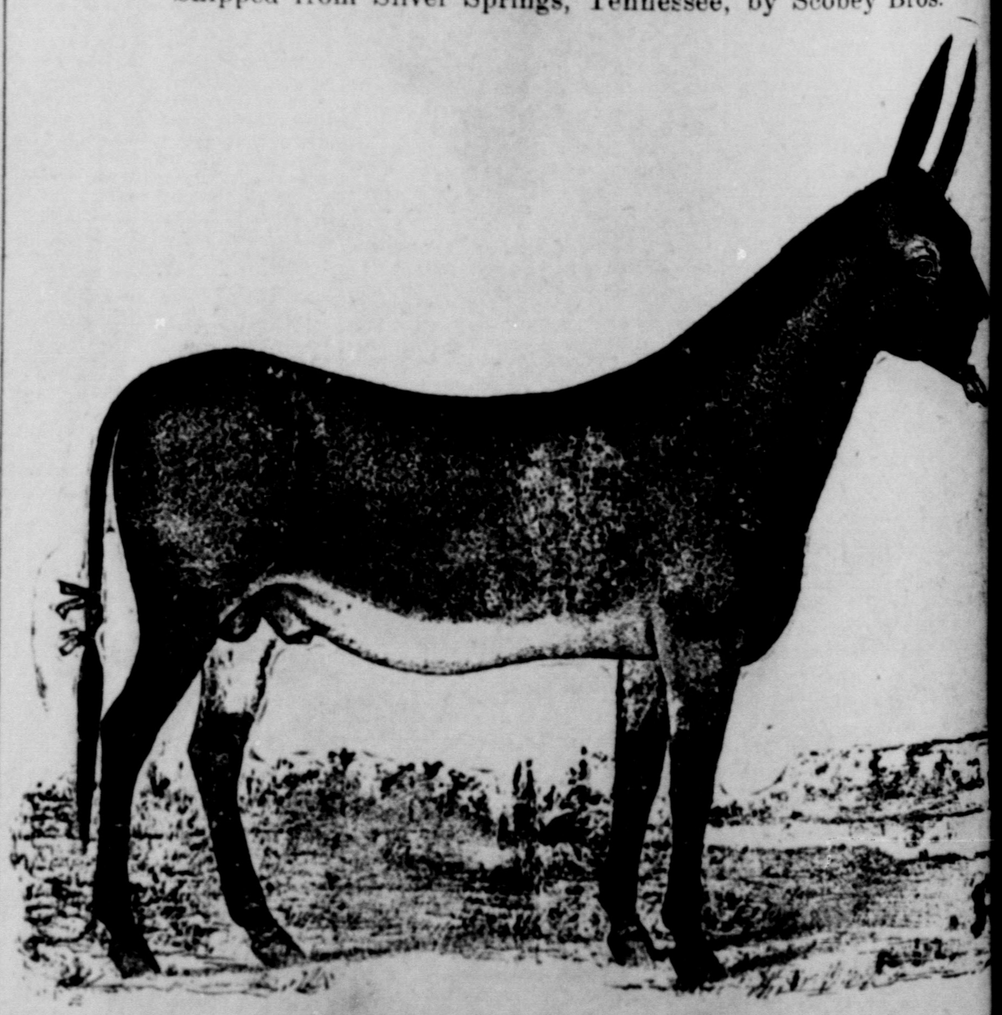

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