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CATTLE.

Calves are readily bringing a price which could not easily be obtained for cows a few years ago. During the period of depression cattlemen would not believe that any improvement could come to their business. Stocks, for that reason, were allowed to run down, and now with an abundance of cheap feed and an enlarged market, there is a scarcity of cattle.

According to the Sioux City Tribune the prejudice against range steers as feeders has disappeared. Surplus of feed stuff and shortage of native cattle necessitated purchases of range stock and so satisfactory were the results that feeders have continued to buy such stock with very satisfactory profits to themselves, and also to the range men.

As a general rule in the old agricultural communities of the United States female stock always were held more valuable than barren males. The time is not distant when our cattlemen will hold their heifers higher than steers of the same age. In estimating the increase of a herd it is entirely conservative to expect three calves from a cow in four years. In an ordinary herd adequately supplied with bulls, this is really a low estimate. Yearlings are now worth $18, and such are the conditions that an increase in price is more probable than a diminution. This means that in four years the cow pays its owner $54 or $13.50 a year. As the cost of keeping the cow on our Texas ranges is small the income from it is quite enough for a valuation of $30 to $35.

The Chicago Live Stock Report of the 20th says: As all shippers now know, the various railroads have changed their tariff rates to cents per hundred pounds from dollars per car. This affects the cost of shipping more or less and to get the full benefit of the change shippers should endeavor to load so that their cattle will not weigh below the minimum weight of the car. For instance the minimum of a 36 foot car is 24,000. When it is remembered that the cattle are weighed before being unloaded and watered, the shipper can load in one of those cars 21 head of 1200-lb. cattle, or 22 head of an average weight of 1150 lbs. The point is to estimate the weight of the cattle in loading so that when they are weighed here after their long trip they will not go below the minimum of the car. Cattle are averaging 50 to 75 pounds per head lighter than a year ago—a fact which the shipper does not possibly always take into consideration.

GROW WELL BRED CATTLE.

This Live Stock and Western Farm Journal of DesMoines, Iowa, urges its readers to grow only well bred cattle. It says:

If there be any one proposition in relation to which well informed opinion is at one, it is that well bred stock will afford a profit when no other kind will, and that when prices are so good that the growing of almost any kind is remunerative, well bred animals are so much more profitable as to make it very unwise to grow any other kind. This fact is well recognized in the swine industry and very few animals go to market now from the swine belt that do not have a good proportion of good blood which gives them form and early maturing quality. In the cattle business, however, the principle, although almost unanimously admitted, is not so unanimously observed. A great many cattle are produced from matings that should never have been made, and especially is it true that sires are used that should have been shipped to the fat steer market. This is very unwise. It is a waste of feed, of care, of the use of land, and of the labor that must be expended in the growing of cattle of any kind. With well bred cattle, calves intended for beef can be liberally fed from birth, whether they be steers or heifer calves, and they should never know the stunting that is occasioned by roughing it through on insufficient care. Such cattle attain a marketable age early and when they reach it will have both the size and finish to insure the best prices that are going. If, however, they are stunted at any time, no future care can fully regain for them what they have lost. In this respect, however, they are no different from scrubs, for a stunted scrub can not regain its best estate either. With steers of little or no breeding, a good deal longer maintenance is required, for they will not fatten until they have matured, and they do not mature until they have attained considerable age. There was good reason in the old days why steers were kept until four or five years of age; they did not mature until then, and until they did mature no smoothness or finish could be given, and at an earlier age they would go forward coarse and rawboned and only command the inferior prices which stuff of that kind brought. The market now demands younger cattle, but the younger cattle that it wants is the kind that matures when young. The demand does not mean scrubs crowded and shipped at an early age. With cattle in which the breeding has received attention and which has been liberally fed from calfhood, the weights of 1400 or 1500 can be made at an early age and the style and finish will sell the animal for a good price, as compared with the top of the market, but scrub cattle can be neither fattened nor finished early, and hence they can not be turned quick, and must be maintained if they are to receive any fattening and finish worth speaking of for nearly twice as long as well bred animals. These are the facts in relation to the matter, and they carry their own lesson, namely, that no grower of cattle can afford to do otherwise than use a good sire with the best dams he can secure, and then push the youngsters by liberal feeding, that they shall never know a day's relapse.

THE FARM.

Weeds should be mowed before going to seed. Cut them out of fence corners and spot where the mower cannot reach. It is the seed that does the damage. Begin always to get rid of the plant before it has multiplied itself a thousand-fold.

When selecting seed wheat it is well, after securing the best grain that can be had, to fan it strongly enough to carry off at least one-fourth of the grain and then by screening separate the smaller kernels. It will cost but little and will secure for planting the best seed possible.

So large is the wheat crop that railroads find great difficulty in handling it. The amount exported will be larger then ever before. Notwithstanding the fact that steamship companies have been encouraged by the volume of export to raise their rates the quantity of foreign-bound wheat is not diminished.

Intelligent readers of agricultural papers find that they get larger profit on their expenditure for such papers than from any other investment. The funny things said about "Book-farming" have lost their point. Brainy farmers—and there are lots of them—see the benefit to be derived from keeping in line with the intelligent and progressive men of his calling—and this he can only do by reading in agricultural periodicals the record of their experiences.

For success in wheat growing there are numerous requisites. A good soil and climate are essential. There should be a proper rotation of crops previous to and preparatory for the wheat crop, and from year to year barn-yard manure should be applied freely. The selection of seed is perhaps the important element of success. And use the right sort of machinery from seeding to threshing. In some Eastern localities where natural conditions are not as favorable as in the West a larger yield is obtained by providing essential conditions that are neglected too much by us. We may by means of proper preparation, seeding and handling come to methods that make a roty bushel crop as frequent as a twenty bushel crop is with us now.

FARMERS MADE INDEPENDENT.

In the progress of civilization so multiplied have become our wants that many things have grown to be considered as necessities that cannot be produced at home. We levy upon all lands and all climes for things that have come to be of daily use but which to our ancestors were unknown. With the growth and distribution of wealth the luxuries of yesterday have become the necessities of to-day.

We think it well that the farmer should learn by close observation to plant for sale that which can be raised to best advantage. But he should, as far as possible, raise his living on his farm, expending money for nothing which the farm can produce. Make your living at home. Raise there all the fruit, the vegetables, the breadstuff, the meats that can be raised there. The time and the acreage given to this will reduce the product that goes to market and you will handle less money—but we believe that at the end of each season you will find your net income larger. You will be more independent of your merchant, for the farmer who makes his living from his farm has better credit while having to ask for less credit, and you will be better able to hold your saleable product whether it be of the soil or live stock—and you will find yourself less involved by any financial disaster falling upon the general community. The great mistake the South has made has been in its confining itself too much to money crops. The planter was ever dependent upon his commission man or merchant—and because of the varied risks which the creditor had to assume every advance of money or supplies bore a heavy charge. The past few years of financial stress and gloom have left this good effect, that principally because of them the farmer has been forced to become almost self-sustaining and the prosperity of the present year finds him more independent than he had been for many long years.

HORSES AND MULES.

The National Live Stock Reporter of the 23d says that in three carloads of Western range horses received at St. Louis, a large proportion were so badly cut up and scarred in shipment that they had to be sold at $5 to $12.50 per head.

It reminds one of old times to read of some recent horse sales. At one sale twenty head of Belmont's yearlings brought an average of $985. A stallion bought for a Virginia stud sold for $10,000. Thirty head of thoroughbreds recently sold at Rancho del Paso in California, brought an average of $950. A chestnut colt by Imp. Goldfinch sold for $8000, and a chestnut filly for $5000.

An editorial from the London Live Stock Journal on American bred horses has been going the rounds of our stock papers and seems to be endorsed by the American Veterinary Review. Among other blundering statements, is the following: "Furthermore, we are told that 'the other typical American horse, the Kentucky saddler, is little thought of, although he is a well shaped, beautiful, intelligent, and remarakbly docile animal, the result of the high art of breeding.' He is, however, said to be 'too fine for warfare'—which is somewhat to be regretted now that cavalry horses are in such demand from Europe." It is singular that such a misstatement should be made. A very large proportion of the horses bought for our regular cavalry were bred in Kentucky. Pembrook, 16.1 hands, winner as heavyweight saddler and heavyweight hunter at Eastern shows, and big and strong enough for any work, was sired by a Kentucky gaited saddle stallion. Gen. John R. Brooks, commander of the department of the Missouri, rides at 225 pounds. His mount is a big chestnut—a magnificent horse; was bred in Missouri from saddle strains. Stallions of this class are such as should be used in Texas, crossing them on the very best of our native mares.

From 1880 to 1890 too many horses were bred in the United States, not only too many scrubs, but too many of the finer classes. This produced low prices, and as the business became unprofitable men abandoned it. Even now, with a shortage in sight, everyone is selling and none are breeding as extensively as during the last decade. Probably not 10 per cent as many horses are being bred to-day as from 1880 to 1890. The breeding began to fall off very largely in 1893. As it takes five years to produce a four-year-old, the shortage will begin to be felt next year, and even if many go into breeding largely the higher prices caused by shortage will continue until 1902.

The following is from a recent English paper: "A party of fifteen cavalry officers, accompanied by six veterinary officers, left Southampton on the steamer Danube, of the Royal Mail Steam Packet company, for Buenos Ayres for the purpose of selecting as many as 8000 or 10,000 horses suitable for campaigning under the most trying circumstances. The party is in charge of the assistant inspector of remounts, Col. W. R. Trueman, and the instructions to the officers, who left at short notice, were to buy serviceable horses of a higher grade than usual, and to make selections without so much regard to the prices paid as is customary." It is probable that these horses are intended for the East Indian cavalry service. Among the best of the range horses of Southwest Texas cavalry mounts can be found well adapted to the climate of the East Indies and to the character of cavalry service required there, a service for which a quick, active animal with strong endurance and prompt recuperative powers is needed.

Runnels County Ledger: The list of forfeited school lands in Runnels county was received by Clerk Towner this morning and as soon as the fact became known around town a regular Cherokee strip rush was put in motion. Every delinquent section in the county was filed on the first day, some of them by several different parties. The list of Concho county was received the same day and the rush was as a cyclone compared to a whirlwind in Runnels. Hundreds of families have been located in the two counties since Monday, and some of the big pastures will be badly disfigured if all reports be true.

SHEEP AND GOATS.

If your sheep are troubled with stomach or intestinal worms mix one-half pound of the sulphate of copper with one gallon of salt as a lick for the sheep. Care should be taken to mix thoroughly. If your sheep have constant access to salt there will be no danger of their eating an unsafe quantity of the sulphate of copper. As the young worms are hatching continuously, the treatment ought to be continuous.

A Nebraska feeder who recently sold a bunch of wethers for $4.50, gives his experience, in substance, as follows: They were improved New Mexican ones and twos bought last fall about 100 miles south of Las Vegas, shipped Nov. 10th, and weighing in the feed lots an average of 87 pounds. At selling they average 113 pounds on the market, a net gain of 26 pounds. At first they were herded one hour a day in a corn field, the remainder of the time in stalk fields; dipped Nov. 27th, and on Dec. 15th divided into lots of 300. For roughness they were fed twice a day sorghum, millet and prairie hay, changing frequently, giving only what they would eat up clean. Grain was fed three times a day while fattening, care being taken that they would eat up clean all that was given until the last month, during which which they had free access to the grain troughs. An important element of his success was absolutely regularity in feeding. Even a deviation of fifteen minutes in time was not permitted. The profit was satisfactory.

The drouth in Australia is the most severe ever experienced. One informant estimates the loss at 60 per cent of the entire flock of the country where the drouth prevails. Sheep are dying by the thousands through South and West Australia, New South Wales, Queensland and Victoria. The only exception is immediately along the coast. Autumn lambing will be a complete failure. One report says the present drouth stands out conspicuously from nearly all of its predecessors by reason of the wide range of country it takes in. Previous drouths usually have been confined, more or less, to certain districts, but this time the area is so large that, in the absence of rain before the winter sets in, grave fears are entertained that the losses of sheep and cattle will be such as to break all previous records. The conditions in Queensland are said to be so bad that copious rains could not now bring any relief.

SHEEP SHEARING MACHINES.

The first successful experiment with shearing machines in the United States was made a year ago at Soda Springs, Idaho, twenty-five Wolseley machines being used. Thirty thousand sheep were shorn and the result satisfied the owners. This incited several railroad companies to equip sheds and feed yards and provide skilled shearers for such work. At LaFox, Ill., the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad company shears 12,000 sheep in March. The Fremont, Elk Horn and Missouri Valley Railroad company established sheds and dipping vats at Casper and Wootton, Wyo. Eighty machines will be put in, having a capacity of 3000 sheep a day. The sheep will be dipped, branded and counted out as the last is shorn. Probably 200,000 sheep will be handled at these two points. The Union Pacific Railroad company is providing similar equipment at Green River, Wyo. Plants also are to be established at Soda Springs, Idaho, where the first experiments were made, and also at Beaver Canyon, Idaho, and at several Montana points. It is expected that about 700 of these machines will be operated in this country during the present shearing season.

That the use of such machinery is in the interest of both humanity and economy has been demonstrated in Australia, Argentina and in other countries. It may be considered established in the Northwestern states. In Texas efforts should be made to induce the Texas and Pacific and the Santa Fe to provide and operate the Wolseley machine at Colorado, Pecos, Midland and San Angelo.

Last week J. F. Haralson, of Johnson county, brought into Cleburne a watermelon weighing 103 pounds. Last year he raised one that weighed 102 pounds.

SWINE.

Be careful not to crowd your hogs while shipping at this season. Only a few dead in the car will wipe out the profit of a shipment.

Fall pigs are recommended by many writers in recent periodicals. The best time for fall farrowing is from the middle of September until October. Keep them out of the manure pile and straw stack and do not allow them to sleep about the barn yard, but provide some clean, warm shelter for winter sleeping. Pumpkins make a good feed to start with, then new corn or the grain of milo maize, Kaffir corn. They ought to be made marketable by May or June, a time when the farmer needs money and has no crop to market.

Senator Irby of South Carolina, has the following method of curing hams: When the hog is killed the hams are buried in salt five weeks, then taken out, sponged with boiling water and hung in a cage with close bottom and top and sides of wire netting closely woven. Hickory is used in smoking, and as the smokehouse is filled with smoke it fills the cages. Flies are completely shut off from the meat by the netting. The hams are left in the cage until wanted for use. The cages should be large enough to keep the hams from touching each other.

Several months ago Prof. A. W. Getting of Purdue University, was appointed by Gov. Mount of Indiana, to investigate the losses caused by hog cholera in that state and methods for stamping out or limiting the disease. He went over the entire state, in each county accompanied by its assesor, so that the information gathered may be considered reliable. According to his report, 670,000 hogs, valued at $6,500,000, died of cholera in Indiana during the year ending July 1, 1897, being 25 per cent of the hogs bred in Indiana, not including pigs under three months old. Eighty-seven per cent of the cholera outbreaks occurred on land where cholera had existed on the previous year.

At this season, when hogs are feeding in the fields where the small grains have been harvested, it is well to take some care to have them range part of the time where they will have green feed. This should also be done when beginning to feed new corn. The change to grain feeds should be gradual and, especially at first, surplus vegetables and fruits should be fed liberally. The water supply is important to the health of the hog. Let it be clean and running, if possible. The hog will drink any water, no matter how foul and muddy, but pure, fresh water is the best. Provide them with a grass range for sleeping and wallowing if this can be done. With a windmill to water a small patch of Bermuda grass, such a range can be provided. A dusty pen or fence corner or straw stack will cause continuous sneezing and is more hurtful to pigs than to grown hogs.

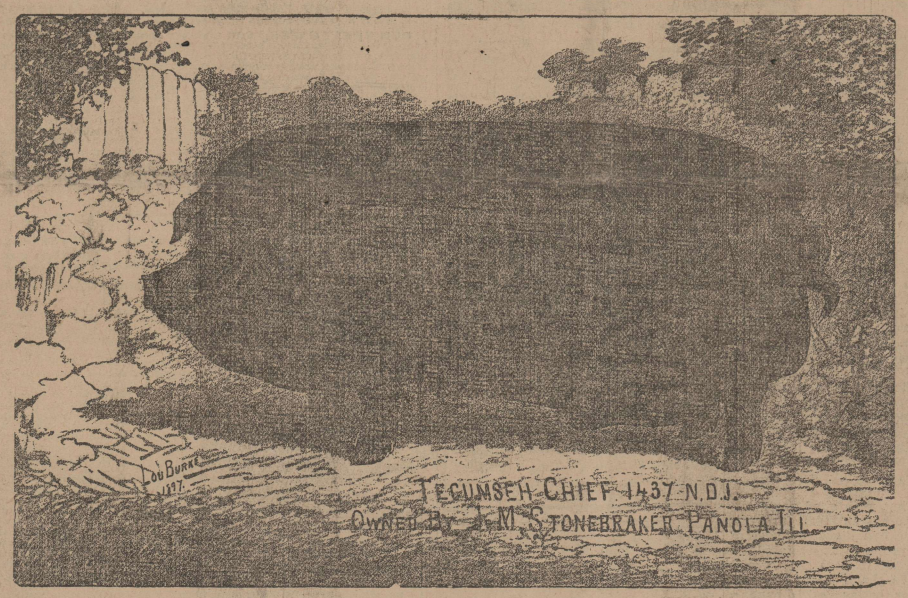
FEED FOR BROOD SOWS.

It has not been many years since the general farmer and some breeders gave very little, if any, thought to the food best adapted to brood sows to enable them to farrow strong, perfect pigs, says the American Swineherd.

It was not taken into consideration that the food eaten by the animal had any particular influence on the formation or quality of the flesh of the sow or her litter. It was known that hogs were fed on mast produced a soft and oil meat in contradistinction to the solidity of those fed on corn.

Scientists recently have recognized this principle to such an extent that they are feeding hens iron filings and then using the eggs for persons who were invalids to introduce iron into their system in this way, which it is claimed has been successful.

Since so many sows farrowed imperfect pigs earlier in the season, more thought has been given to the proper food for a brood sow during the period of gestation. Oats, bran, shorts, charcoal or wood ashes with a little corn and some roots to keep up the tone, will give the proper constituents for muscle and bone building of the body of the sow and her young. Milk is also a good ration and with the food, proper exercise, sunshine and pure air, should be had for best success.—Mass. Ploughman.



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ORCHARD AND GARDEN.

The best fertilizer for strawberries is unleached wood ashes. After harrowing or hoeing, use enough to fairly cover the ground, and then harrow again to work the ashes into the soil.

The canneries that will pay the best will be those located among the orchards from which they derive their fruit. They will soon learn to use only the choice fruit grown especially for canning and will be able to handle it when it is in the best possible condition for their purpose. Besides these advantages, they will be able to buy at the lowest prices.

Strawberries should be closely cultivated from mid-summer until winter weather. Not only should the beds be kept clean of grass and weeds, but the ground should be kept stirred. The plants can be cultivated more easily if kept in plants or hills instead of rows. Runners must be cut as soon as they appear, and between the first joint of the runner and the plant.

It is sometimes the case that serious injury is done to an orchard by mulching too continuously. It is a benefit to young trees to mulch in order to aid their recovery from the effects of transplanting. If the process is continued the tendency is to bring the fibrous roots of the tree so near the surface that they are affected more by summer heat and winter cold, and the tree receives a hurt from which it takes long to recover.

In Texas, strawberries should be planted in September or October, setting the plants in ridges about a foot high, ridges three feet apart and plants 12 to 18 inches in a row. Wood ashes and cotton seed meal should be used as fertilizers. New land without fertilizers will make a good crop, but it pays to fertilize. The favorite varieties are the Hoffman, Michel, Newman and Smeltzer. Mulch with prairie hay in the fall and plow under after picking. Set new beds every year. One thousand plants will produce enough berries for an ordinary family. Irrigate, if water can be had, by flooding between the rows. Often an inch of water will save a crop that would otherwise be lost. A pond 60x60 feet square will hold enough water for each foot in depth to flood one acre one inch deep. With a windmill such a pond will cost little work or trouble.

Although the farmer may not be situated so that it will pay him to grow fruit for commercial purposes, he should raise enough for all the requirements of his own table. No class of food is healthier than fresh, well-ripened fruit and nothing adds so much to the luxury of the table. Indeed there are often times when one or more of the family, from sickness or from being nearly "run down," finds no other food at all palatable. All the small fruits, strawberries, raspberries, blackberries, grapes, etc., should find a place on the farm. In raising fruit for home it is not so important to have varieties that are prolific as to have the finest qualities. The orchard, too, should have every variety that soil and climate permit. Thus he secures good living and good health. Nearly every part of the year will have its fresh fruit, the apple, of course, reaching over the longest season, and the canning and preserving done by the farmer's wife make a most acceptable addition to the table comforts during the off seasons.

NUT TREES FOR TEXAS.

Few departments of orchard industry are more profitable than nut groves. The department of agriculture places the thin shell pecan, which grows wild in some parts of Texas, at the head of the list. The trees can be planted at distances of twenty feet each way and can be dwarfed by heading them in and made to assume a conical shape for twenty years before it will become necessary to cut any of them away. A dwarf pecan is cultivated in Georgia, said to be a native of some part of Texas. It grows about ten or twelve feet high. An advantage in close planting is that the pollen is thus made more effective in fertilizing the trees and making them productive. The planting distance given above would give 126 trees per acre. When cultivated they will begin to bear in six years, increasing in product for thirty years, and will continue bearing for generations.

The Japan Mammoth sweet chestnut is highly recommended. The nut is large and some have been known to weigh sixteen to the pound. The trees are small enough to grow them in spaces 20x30 feet. The trees begin bearing at two or three years from the seed and are prolific.

The English walnut will be found profitable if only the best are planted.

After planting, the cost of nut growing is small, as the trees need little care. California nut growers find them more profitable than fruit trees. The trees are little troubled by insects, are long lived, and nuts, not being a perishable product, can be held for satisfactory market.

Chicago Drovers' Journal: Eastern farmers are looking to Chicago for a supply of feeding cattle this fall, and are a little nervous about the high prices they will have to pay....One thing about the cattle situation: Farmers and feeders are not as nervous about the future as they were awhile ago, and are not frightened into selling by temporary down-turns. The feeling among cattle dealers everywhere is the strongest in years——The Western range cattle being so late now have no choice but to come, and in large numbers, until shut off by cold weather. Some good-sized shipments of rangers have lately been turned loose after being gathered for shipment, partly owing to poor condition of the cattle and partly owing to the faith of owners in the future of the market....The Union Stock yards plant at Rodeo, Cal., near San Francisco, is to be converted into a beet sugar manufactory. It seems a little more in keeping for a California plant to be handling sugar than working up stock products, but after all one of the greatest needs of the Pacific coast is the wise development of live stock and packing industries.

Save all the tobacco stems you can and hang them in your fruit trees. It will do them good.

POULTRY.

Dead fowls, especially those that have died of disease, should not be left where other fowls will feed on them.

A farmer should make money from his hens the whole year. If he has no eggs to sell he should sell off or eat the hens that are not layers. Raise, too, as many fowls as possible. Often the poultry yard and the dairy will bring in some cash when the farmer has nothing else to sell. The vigilance in availing himself of all small sources of income may frequently make a surplus at the end of the year instead of a deficit.

Fowls ought to have free run in the orchard. The trees are benefitted by the destruction of insects, and the fowls have the advantage of shelter from the sun, suitable food of a kind they could not obtain elsewhere and the needed exercise in hunting it. The result will be an increased supply of eggs and for young chickens no better range can be had. Care should be taken that the grass does not become too rank. A well kept orchard is the best for fowls, and the farmer, while waiting for his young trees to come into bearing, will find a profit in his poultry.

In a recent address by Samuel Cushman of Pawtucket, R. I., at the New York Farmers' Institute, he said. "The largest flocks and the most thrifty looking turkeys are found on farms having high, dry land, which has a light growth of grass and where a new breeding gobbler has lately been introduced. They generally do best on land where they have not been kept for years. As a rule, it is more difficult to raise them each year they are kept on a place, especially if a large number are grown. Twenty years ago it was easy for anyone to raise turkeys. When a place or region is overstocked turkey diseases become prevalent. Many in the east have given up turkey raising on account of loss from disease and those produced inferior stock on account of western competition. In turkey raising, as in producing any other crop, it pays best to raise the best."

Milk, if the vessels or troughs containing it are kept sweet and cleanly, may with advantage be kept where fowls can get to it at any time. Other kinds of food should be given at regular times and only in the quantities that will be then consumed. It is simply wasteful to throw out to them a large quantity of food in order that they have it within reach all through the day. Much of it will be scattered about, lost, or so filthy that your fowls ought not to eat it. Besides this, all poultry require a certain amount of exercise in order to be healthy, and this exercise they will not take unless driven by appetite to hunt for part of their food. And it is probable that needed qualities of food obtained by so hunting aid in the assimilation of the ordinary feed given to them. The careless feeding of unnecessary quantities at a time prevents hens from laying as they would if not over-fed, and those intended for the table or market, are fattened best by giving to them only so much as they will clean up at each meal.

TURKEYS.

Turkeys should be fed on old, white flint corn. They like it best and it makes their flesh more tender and juicy, and gives it a more delicate taste. For young turkeys it should be coarsely ground and mixed with sweet or sour milk or made into bread and moistened with milk. This can be gradually mixed with cracked corn. In the fall whole corn can be given. From the first they should be allowed to pasture at liberty, if not too wet, and roost in any safe place they may choose. If they cannot be given full liberty, let them run every day on grass and feed them milk curd, corn gluten and wheat as well as corn. Don't overfeed, and give them opportunity for exercise. After June 1st feed only twice a day in the field, to keep them away from the barnyard and buildings. There is little need of feeding from August 1st until November, but the feeding should be dropped gradually and taken up gradually. In November begin the feeding to prepare them for market. Feeding too heavily at first will injure them, but they should be fed liberally. Give them whole corn three times a day without confining them. They require some exercise for the proper digestion of their food. Old corn is the best. Treat them gently at all times. When ready to kill, catch them quietly to avoid bruises. Before killing they should be deprived of food and water twelve hours before killing. They should be stabbed inside the mouth to cut the arteries of the throat, thoroughly bled and dry picked. Be careful not to tear the skin or soil it with dust or blood. Make a small opening merely large enough to insert one finger to hook on to the bowel and do not sever the vent until all is drawn and broken off at the gizzard. Be careful not to break the entrails, and do not remove the gizzard, heart or liver. The dressed turkeys should be hung up until all animal heat has left them before they are put together for delivery or packed for shipment.

It may be less trouble to ship an entire feeding of cattle at one time than to top out only the best and let the others gain in weight, but it is the kind of trouble that usually pays very well. All the cattle in a large feeding cannot be anything like equally good, and it is often a great advantage to minimize risks by dividing market days, and even if subsequent prices are not as good there is a gain in weight and improvement in beef quality to make an offset, and of course the chances of improvement in market prices is about as good as the other chances.

St. Louis speculators have made $2,000,000 out of the recent wheat bulge, so the reports run, and a list of a dozen names of the wise ones is printed. The list of the suckers out of whose pockets this money was made is not given, but would be far more interesting and many times longer, of course. Everybody hears of the plungers when they win, but the pitiful tales of losses are kept under cover.

DAIRY.

Stir the cream thoroughly every time a new batch is added.

There is always a market for really good dairy products. Good butter and cheese will sell. It pays to make the best, for the best will find customers willing to buy regularly and pay fancy prices.

The keeping quality of the butter may be improved by churning at a low temperatnre, washing and working out all the buttermilk and salting it heavily. Use one to one and one-quarter ounce of salt mixed with a little sugar and saltpetre to a pound of butter. Keep in as cool a place as can be had.

Recently a trial was made at the Mississippi experiment station which shows the importance of giving salt regularly to cows. Three cows were without salt three weeks. The milk record for the first two weeks was 454 pounds. At the expiration of the four weeks the usual amount of salt was given two weeks, during which time their milk recovered was 564 pounds, an increase of 110 pounds for the two weeks during which salt was given.

Fresh butter contains little, if any air, and to preserve its sweetness the air should be kept excluded from it. A good method for doing this is to line the vessel in which the butter is kept with parchment paper treated with strong brine, the paper reaching to the top of the vessel. The top of the butter should also be kept covered with such paper, and a good layer of salt spread over the latter. The butter will seldom spoil if these conditions are observed.

It is the interest of the dairyman to keep his cows at all times as comfortable as possible. This means the contented chewing of the cud, which the cow will do after her work of filling her stomach during the first hour of pasture in the morning. But how can a cow do this? It is impossible while she lies exposed to hot sunlight and the attacks of flies. Since the horn fly has become widely prevalent, summer stabling of cows in a dark, cool stable is more necessary during the middle of the day than it ever was before. No amount of feed will keep a cow to her milk when she is exposed all day without shade to broiling sun and is tormented by flies.

Milk cans that smell, after closed for a few hours, are not clean enough for milk. When buying new cans, buckets or strainers, notice that the soldering is smooth. Rough surfaces in these vessels make them hard to cleanse, so they will keep sweet. Smooth with addtional soldering when there are irregular creases. If you have no boiler for steaming the cans wash them in cold water, then in hot water, then in sal-soda, and finally fill them with clean, scalding water and keep them closely covered for a few moments, so that they will steam themselves completely. It is well to have two sets of vessels, so that they can be sunned on alternate days.

While in the greater part of Texas it is best to handle cattle with a view solely to beef production we think it well for such farmers as are within reach of cities or points of competing transportation lines to give more attention to dairy results, but not to them alone, in their selection of bulls for grading up. It is not infrequent to find Shorthorns that are large milk producers and by obtaining the bulls of such families the farmer gets the benefit of improved dairy qualities as well as the beef qualities of the sire. The heifer calves will probably develop into good milkers and the steers are marketable when steers of the dairy breeds are not.

The fact that with good pasture a cow is liable to eat as much in a few minutes as she can digest in several hours is not properly appreciated by most farmers. If it were they would at least provide shade treees in their pasture lot, or better still, have a cool, darkened room where, after eating her fill, the cow can lie and contentedly chew her cud secure from the attack of flies. It is the digestion of food rather than eating it that fills the milk pail. Yet we have known farmers who cut down shade trees in the pasture because, as they expressed it, the cows would lie in the shade all through the day, only eating at night and morning, when air is cooler and the grass is likely to be moistened with dew.

Bran is the best summer feed for milk cows. All milk cows kept only on grass grow poor. Grain alone is too rich for digestion in hot weather, but can be fed to advantage if mixed with bran. The bran stimulates the flow of milk, and the grain keeps up the supply of fat required for healthy condition. A cow kept at her best all summer will give more in fall and winter, care having been taken that the waste caused by the milk supply has been compensated by nutritious feeding. With improved milk capacity, there should be developed the ability to eat a greater amount of nutritious food. As the best milking breeds have been developed in warm and moist climates, always producing succulent food, the dairyman may hope for benefit to his herd from the increased use of ensilage.

THE LIVE STOCK OF KANSAS.

The enumeration made by township assessors in March and returned to the state board of agriculture shows the number of milch cows in Kansas as 552,538, an increase during the previous year of 7 per cent or 36,963 head. The increase is quite equally distributed throughout the state. The counties having the largest number are Dickinson, Washington and Sedgewick, with 12,736, 12,368 and 12,093 respectively.

Cattle other than milch cows have increased nearly 24 per cent, or 309,869 head, making the number 1,603,934. Sixty counties each have 10,000 head or more, ranging from 10,376 in Labette to 59,121 in Greenwood. Including the milch cows the state has 2,156,472 cattle.

The number of swine reported is 2,399,494, the largest in the state's history, except in 1885, when there were about 2½ per cent more. The increase over one year ago is nearly 31 per cent or 566,403 head. As shown by the records, this is one of the four years in which swine have reached the 2,000,000 mark. Jewell and Butler counties each show an increase of more than 30,000 head during the past year, Washington 25,000 and Reno 21,000. Of all these hogs practically none are scrubs. The Kansas swine grower, whether in the feed lot at home or in the show ring at the World's Fair, insists upon having the best.

Sheep show a healthy increase of 22 per cent or 40,467 head. The total number is 222,703—the largest since 1893.

The value of animals slaughtered or sold for slaughter during the year is given as $37,789,678, or $1,197,621 more than for the previous year. Of the total $8,104,197 is from seven counties, ranking in the following order, viz.: Pottawatomie, Greenwood, Lyon, Wabaunsee, Butler, Nemaha and Miami.

While the meat and milk making animals have been increasing a process of weeding and diminution in breeding has been going on with reference to horses and mules, shown by a loss of 5½ per cent (45,414 head) in the number of horses and 7 per cent (6529 head) in mules and asses. The number of horses enumerated is 801,427, and mules and asses 86,919. The totals indicate that Kansas use 9⅓ horses to one mule. Sedgwick is the foremost horse county, having 19,283, while Reno more than any other believes in mules and has even 2300 head.

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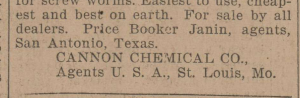
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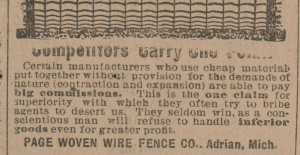


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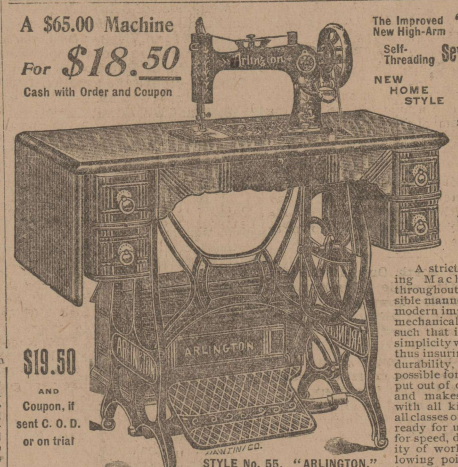
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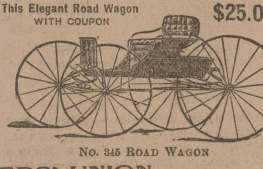
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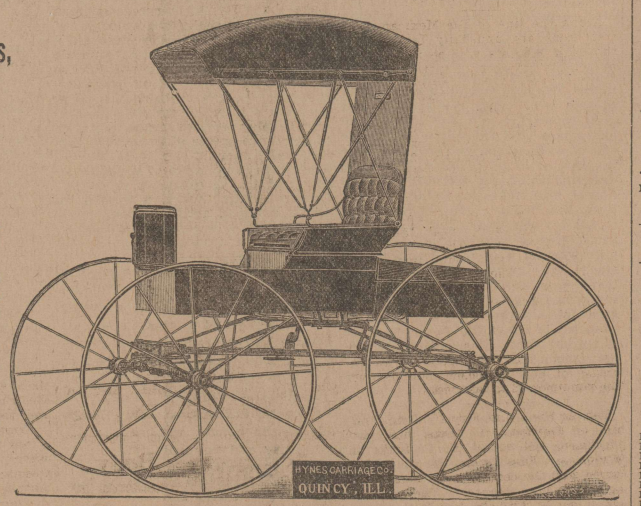
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There has been a scarcity of grown cattle during the past week, the supply not equal to the demands of the trade. The market closes with prices strong and a very favorable outlook for the coming week. Fat sheep in demand. Market bare. A. P. NORMAN.

KANSAS CITY MARKET.

Stock Yards, Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 31.—Cattle receipts were 900 head. The best natives steady and the others weak. Texas steers ranged from $2.50@3.90, Texas cows from $2.50@3.55, native steers from $350@5.30, native cows and heifers from $1.75@4.25, stockers and feeders from $2.50@4.50, bulls from $2.55@4.00. In hogs receipts were 2500 head. The market was weak and lower. Heavies ranged from $4.05@4.12½, packers from $3.90@4.10, mixed from $4.00@4.12½, lights from $3.90@4.18, yorkers from 4.07½@4.10, pigs from $3.00@4.00. Sheep receipts were 5000 head. The market was steady, muttons ranging from $2.10@3.55.

ST. LOUIS MARKET.

National Stock Yards, Ill., Aug. 31.—At St. Louis cattle receipts were 5000 head, shipments 1000. The market was easier for natives; Texans were steady on best. Native shipping steers, fair to fancy, ranged from $4.25@5.25, steers under 1000 lbs from $5.75@4.50, stockers and feeders from $2.75@4.35, cows and heifers from $2.00@4.25, Texas and Indian steers from $2.90@4.56, cows and heifers from $2.00@3.50. In hogs receipts were 5000 head, shipments 2006. The market was 10 cents lower, light ranging from $4.25@4.35, mixed from $4.00@4.30, heavy from $4.00@4.46. Sheep receipts were 2000 head, shipments 300. The market was steady on muttons and strong for lambs. Native muttons ranged from 2.90@3.70, stockers from $2.25@3.00, lambs from $3.50@5.15.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET.

There continues a moderate run of all classes of fair to good cattle. Since Monday there is a scarcity of good beef cattle, especially Texans. Good beeves, good fat cows and heifers are in demand. The market closed bare and values are tending upwards. Calves and yearlings continue to rule active at quotations. Hogs in light supply and firm. Good cornfed stock, 130@160 pounds gross, in fair demand. Sheep firm and market bare. Good muttons in demand.

Good fat beeves, per lb gross, 3½@4; fair fat beeves, per lb gross, 2½@3; thin and rough old beeves, per lb gross, 1½@2¼; good fat cows and heifers, per lb gross, 2¾@3¼; fair fat cows, per lb gross, 2¼@2½; thin and rough old cows, each, $6.00@9.00; bulls, per lb gross, 1¾@2¼; good fat calves, each, $8.50@10.00; fair fat calves, each, $1.00@8.00; thin calves, each, $4.00@5.00; good fat yearlings, each, $11.00@13.00; fair fat yearlings, each, $7.00@9.00; thin yearlings, 4.50@6.00; good milch cows, $30.00@35.00; common to fair, $15.00@22.50; springers, $17.50@25.06. Good fat cornfed hogs, per lb gross, 3¾@4¼; common to fair, per lb gross, 3@3½. Good sheep, per lb gross, 3½@3¾; common to fair, each, $1.25@1.75.

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CHICAGO MARKET.

Union Stock Yards, Chicago, Ill., Aug. 31.—At Chicago trade in cattle was quite animated in desirable lots of cattle at steady prices, but other kinds moved slowly and prices were weak to a shade lower. Common and native dressed beef steers to the choicest shipping beeves were on a basis of from $3.90@5.50, with the bulk of sales ranging from $4.75@5.25. A large number of stockers and feeders sold from $3.40@4.55; common lots were lower than last Monday. Canning cattle sold at easy prices, but fat cows and heifers were good sellers once more, as were also bulls. Calves were lower. Texas cattle were in very good demand at not over strong prices and Westerns were largely from 5@10c lower. In hogs there was a fairly active local and shipping demand, but buyers insisted upon lower prices and sales were at a decline of from 5@10c per 100 pounds. Good fat hogs weakened the least. Sales were from $3.90@4.20 for the poorest to the best, the bulk going from $4.15@4.30. Sheep and lambs were fairly active and prices showed no particular change. Sheep were wanted at prices ranging from $2.25@2.50 for the poorest up to from $3.80@4.00 for good to extra natives. Lambs ranging from $3.50@5.35, the best ruling a little higher. Western range sheep sold from $3.50@3.65, great numbers of feeders going from $3.50@3.60. Receipts of cattle cre 19,500 head, hogs 40,000, sheep 18,000.

TRANSFERS OF JERSEY CATTLE.

The following is a complete list of the transfers of Jersey cattle in Texas sold since registration, for the week ending August 17th, 1897, as reported by the American Jersey Cattle Club, No. 8, West 17th street, New York, J. J. Hemingway Secretary.

Bulls.—Apla 48679, Platter & Foster to W. S. White, Denison, Texas; Bob Dawson 18069, S. A. Wood to M. A. Faubion, Marble Falls, Texas; Earl of Chesterfield 48261, W. Orr to [illegible] Green and J. P. Holder, Overton, Texas Ida's Rioters Honor 48693, Mrs. L. [illegible] Mirick to D. W. Horton, Cleburne, Texas; King Bijou 41024, J. A. Wilson to F. W. Fitzpatrick, Mt. Pleasant, Texas; Polack 47866, W. C. Coney to C. A Northington, Lampasas, Texas; Texas Maceo 48068, J. Healy to B. Heidbrink, Palestine, Texas; Texas Tom 31088, O. R. Davis to R. E. Trabue, Carthage, Texas; Voltaire 48547, S. B. Hopkins to N. L. Norton, Austin, Tex.

Cows and heifers—Cream Norine 107004, Mrs. M. B Matthews to C. A. Strain, Waxahachie, Texas; Kate Richey 54283, J F Dabney to W. T. Fields, Cleburne, Texas; Mary Dell 117321, J. E. McGuire to C. F. Hellmuth, Bellville, Texas; Renie Price 45109, G. P. Reifschneider to C. A. McCutchan, Temple, Texas; Violet's Maybelle 99995, J. B. Haynes to J. J. Shaddix, Marietta, Texas.

NEWS AND NOTES.

Horseless delivery wagons have commenced to run in Chicago. Poor old horse!

Europe will want all kinds of American farm products this fall, and has cash to pay for them.

Some sucking Hereford bull calves recently sold as high as $100 per head to a Western ranchman. It is needless to say they were fine in every way.

On the 26th the Pacific express company made a shipment of watermelons from Weatherford, Texas, to Denver, Colorado, averaging 75 pounds each.

El Paso Times: The fruit growers of New Mexico are going to organize for their mutual benefit and to secure better transportation facilities.

The Kansas railroad commission has obtained an injunction restraining railroads from charging for transportation of cattle on the hundred weight basis.

Charley Adams, steward of the Miles City Club, and well known to many Montana cattlemen, committed suicide last Saturday morning by drowning himelf in the Yellowstone river.

Receipts at South Omaha thus far this year, 440,000 cattle; 1,064,000 hogs, and 408,000 sheep, showing an increase of 137,000 cattle, 270,000 hogs and 230,000 sheep compared with a year ago.

The best sale of Texas grass cattle during the season was made in Chicago on the 25th of August. They were from the 6666 herd of Capt. S. B. Burnett, of Fort Worth, weighed 1216 pounds, and sold for $4.20.

Receipts at Indianapolis for 1897 to date, 780,000 hogs, 86,000 cattle and 60,000 sheep, showing a decrease of 21,600 hogs and 15,500 sheep and an increase of 300 cattle compared with a year ago.

The Chicago wheat market last week lost over 10 cents. Cotton also declined. The market for meats was strong, there being many cash demands, and a considerable advance in prices was gained. Corn and oats advanced.

El Paso Times: More rain has fallen in and around Lordsburg the present season than the oldest old timer has any recollection of, and the ranges are in splendid shape....The cattle ranges in Mexico are finer at present than they have been for years and cattle are as fine and sleek as stall fed beeves.

Reports from sheepmen in New Mexico say that yearling wethers are worth over $2, and lambs are in demand at $1.50 to $1.60. Sheepmen, encouraged by the rise in wool will make a full clip this season. Grass and water are abundant, and sheep are in an unusually fine condition.

Merkel Mail: T. B. Garoutte brought up some samples of his almonds this week. They are of the harshell variety and of the usual size and flavor. He has about 50 trees, only three of which bore fruit this year, and says they are healthy and thrifty and will yield wonderfully in this country.

The Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf Ry. Co. has made arrangements for three new steamship lines from their Port Arthur terminus—one to London, one to Tampico, and one to Jaimaca and the United States of Colombia. This will give western farmers additional advantage in export from Gulf ports.

Cuba is beginning to take cattle from Mexico again, the first boatload since the war broke out having gone from Tampico Aug. 14. The amount of business that Cuba will be ready to do when the trouble is surely over is beyond computation. The country has been stripped and denuded of supplies until it will be in want of about ev erything.

Waggoner, I. T., Sayings: T. A. Parkinson sold something over 500 head of cows and calves to A. C. Cowan yesterday at $20 per head. These were Hereford cattle and doubtless the finest bunch of cows and calves ever sold in the territory. They had been well bred and had excellent attention. When a cow and calf brings $40, it not only shows superior stock, but excellent care as well.

A fat stock show will be held in Fort Worth next March during the annual meeting of the Texas Cattle Raisers Association. The finance committee has authorized the offer of $2000 in cash premiums. The exhibit will include cattle, sheep and hogs. Cattle must be in carload lots, hogs in carload and wagonload lots and sheep in carload lots and in lots of not less than ten and not more than fifty.

Along the line of the Mexican Central crops are unusually large. Ten thousand laborers will be required to gather the cotton crop in the Laquera country, twice as many as were needed last year. Crops were also abundant around San Luis Potosi and from Ivapuato to Amec on the Guadalajara branch. The Central has ordered 350 box cars, 128 coal cars and 21 engines in addition to a recent order of 535 cars and 21 engines.

Bacon exports from the United States in July were near 54,000,000 pounds, about 14,000,000 pounds more than the quantity exported during July of last year. The export for the first seven months of this year was 318,500,000 pounds, and increase of near 77,000,000 over that of the first seven months of 1896. The export of lard during the first seven months of this year was 291,230,986 pounds, an increase of near 27,000,000 pounds over the same period of last year.

Denver Field and Farm: John Tinnin, of Georgetown, Texas, has just purchased the entire Y. T. outfit in Wyoming. This brand is on 10,000 cattle, and the company has been managed by Colin Hunter. The price is given out at $250,000, but it is probably a good deal less.....At Chicago last week some cattle belonging to D. Rankin, of Tarkio, Missouri, weighing 1347 pounds, sold at$5. They were black X. I. T. steers from the Panhandle, and cost $26 a head as feeders.

Chicago Drovers' Journal: Mott & Hoadly, from Clarksville, Ia., who have been regular shippers to this market more or less for the past fifteen years, but since the $2 terminal charge have shipped to other markets most all their shipments and they say other shippers in their section feel the same way. Corn prospects good, but will need favorable weather until near the 20th of September to ripen fully. Sickness among the swine is spreading to an alarming extent, many feeders losing their droves.

San Angelo Press: W. A. Threadgill sold to J. L. Williams 50 head of Eastern stock cattle at $12.50....M. B. Pulliam bought from John Short 100 head of stock cattle at $15....S. A. Runkles sold to Winfield Scott 120 head of twos and up at $22. Sam is getting to be something of a cattle king himself. ....J. O. Talbot & Son sold to Harris Bros. 1300 head of stock cattle at $15. ....Jack W. Miles is selling the Godfrey Miller stock of cow ponies at $20 to $45....M. Z. Smissen sold to B. N. Aycock 1900 head of cattle, the Lindley stock, amounting to about $16 around. ....J. R. Hamilton is reported to have bought 1400 three to five wethers from Lampasas holders at about $2.

Childress Index: C. E. Crews has sold his bunch of cattle to Harve Powers of Collingsworth county, the price being $14 per head....H. C. Stone of Kansas City, has purchased 1500 head of the Spur two-year-old steers, the price being about $26....P. S. Roberts is turning over his steers to F. M. Hill to-day. These cattle are what are called East Texas stock, but are very good. The price was $16 per head.....Mr. U. S. Weddington has two Hereford calves at his place in town which he is putting in shape for the Dallas fair. Last month they made a gain of 105 and 100 pounds, each now weighing over 600 pounds. He also has a heifer about 15 months old that weighs over 900 pounds.

National Live Stock Reporter (St. Louis, Aug. 26): Biffle & Co., Gainesville, Tex., had in five cars of cattle to-day, 115 head, 934 pounds at $3.60. ..Yesterday in the provision market pork advanced 30 to 35 cents, lard 25 to 27½ cents....The Gibson & Powell steers from Leliaetta, I. T., averaged 915 pounds and sold at $3.80....Col. J. H. Parramore was here to-day with seven cars of his cattle. The steers, 1081 pounds average, sold at $4 and the cows, 734 pounds average, at $2.90.... R. S. Hodges, Guadalupe, Tex., marketed 204-pound calves at $8.50 per head....The Stiles & Lazarus cattle from Tulsa, I. T., averaged 1028 pounds and sold at $3 50....W. E. Ware, Chelsea, I. T., had in one load 1066-pound steers at $3.75 and cows at $2.90 and one at $3.40....Col. A. H. Pierce marketed a train of 922-pound steers at $3.50 from Tulsa, I. T.

San Angelo Enterprise: Jas. Hamilton bought last week from Lampasas parties 1400 wethers 3 to 5 years old, which will weigh from 85 to 90 pounds by market time. Although the terms were private, it is understood the price was a little under $2....Cattlemen all complain that the calf crop is very short this year.....Among the cattle recently bought by Lowe & Lovelady from Godfrey Miller, there were 700 cows and only 200 calves. This is a fair example of the shortage on calves this season.....Cattlemen are asking $20 a head for yearling steers..... Willis Johnson sold his entire herd of Territory cattle two weeks ago to some Kansas parties for $42,500 railroad count.....E. S. Franks sold Saturday to J. O. Tayloe his interest in the Franks & Tayloe ranch and cattle. The consideration was in the neighborhood of $20,000.....M. B. Pulliam bought yesterday from John short 170 head of stock cattle at $15.....Sam Runkles sold to Winfield Scott 120 head of steers, twos and up, at $22 per head.....J. M. Shannon sold to Winfield Scott 3000 steers, threes and up. The price paid is said to be about $25 a head.

Kansas City Packer: An interesting experiment is to be attempted next fall in the way of supplying Germany and Austria with "chilled" meat from South Australia. The meat, instead of being frozen, is only chilled and is said to be so similar in taste to fresh meat that only an expert can detect the difference. The process is reported to require much less space in ships than the frozen meat method, and, as shippers have come to an understanding with the producers for a great reduction of freight charges, this Australian meat will be put upon the Continental markets at extraordinarily low prices. Beef and mutton, it is stated, can be delivered on the continent for about 5 cents a pound. The undertaking is upon a large scale and promises interesting political and commercial developments....One of the largest contracts for the shipment of fruit to the East ever made has just been closed by John M. Hughes of Salt Lake City, Western representative of the Hughes-Readfield company of Philadelphia, dealers in Western green and dried fruits, with the Santa Fe railroad. The contract calls for the shipment of 1500 carloads of green fruit from Utah, Colorado and Idaho during the present season. Mr. Hughes passed through Kansas City this week in company with a carload of Santa Fe officials. He stated that the fruit contracted to be shipped to the East is sold to dealers in New York, Philadelphia and Boston and will be consigned direct to those points from the Western states.

National Live Stock Reporter, St. Louis: The J. W. Gibson steers from Leliaetta, I. T., sold 161 head 1,077 pounds at $4.10, and 21 steers 1,289 pounds at $4.25; also 1,004-pound steers at $3.75.....Gault & Manton, of Bellvue, Texas marketed cattle including 797-pound cows at $3.15.....J. J. Murphy, of Aloe, Texas, marketed 230-pound calves at $10 per head.....E. C. Eason, Dryden, Texas, 1,044-pound steers at $3.55 and 988-pound steers at $3.35.....Ferguson & Co., Baird, Texas, 219-pound calves at $10.00 per head. ....T. A. Parkinson, 12 loads 1,103-pound steers at $3.90, also 1,095-pound steers at $3.85.....The Stiles & Lazarus sters from Tulsa, I. T., averaged 995 pounds and sold at $3.55.....L. D. Major, Bellvue, Texas, marketed 797-pound cows at $2.65, and 829-pound steers at $3.60....Bert Simpson & Co., Sweetwater, Texas, 837-pound steers at $3.50, 1050-pound steers at $3.80, and 711-pound steers at $3.15....Sidney Webb & Co., Bellvue, Texas, 44 head 1019-pound steers at $4.20. They had been fed....A. B. Coleman, McAlester, I. T., 935-pound steers at $3.80....Barn & Coleman, Sinton, Texas, 942-pound steers at $3.50....Moore & Allen Standart, Texas, calves at $11.00 per head. ....Anderson, Furnish & Co., Spofford, Texas, cows at $2.75....Anderson, Furnish & Co., Spofford, Texas, calves at $10.50 per head, about 250 pounds average....Wm. Hittson, Catoosa, I. T., 787-pound cows at $2.90 and 686-pound cows and heifers at $3.15. Hittson, Daugherty & Co., sold 849-pound steers at $3.65, 796-pound cows at $2.90 and 634-pound cows and heifers at $3.00.... J. R. Withers, Cotulla, Texas, marketed 823-pound steers at $3.00.

A CALL FOR AID.

W. L. Cabell, Lieutenant General Trans-Mississippi Department of United Confederate Veterans has sent out the following circular:

To the camps of the United Confederate Veterans, Trans-Mississippi department: In accordance to a circular letter No. 85, of Commanding General John B. Gordon, dated July 20, 1897, in reference to the case of an ex-Confederate soldier, Mac Stewart, now incarcerated in a Mexican prison, I consider it my duty, my old comrades, to say to you that this man, Mac Stewart, was a good Confederate soldier, served gallantly throughout the war, and is now suffering in a Mexican dungeon for killing a Mexican policeman in order to save his own life. From what I have heard I am satisfied that it was a case of self-defense. He deserves our sympathy and assistance in this hour of need. I therefore commend that every Camp and every old Confederate soldier in the Trans-Mississippi department subscribe to a fund necessary for Dr. Lignoski and Governor Hogg to lay this case before President Diaz, of the Republic of Mexico. All contributions to be sent to Dr. R. B. Lignoski, Houston, Texas.

San Angelo Standard: Comer Bros.' territory spayed heifers averaged 985 pounds and sold for 4 cents and their steers averaged 1183 pounds and sold for $4.40....John J. Rhodes bought from Sam J. Butler 100 stock cattle, calves counted, for $20 a round. They are Durhams and Devons....Franks & Taylor, the Beaver Lake ranchmen, were in town this week, and E. S. Franks sold out his half interest to his partner, J. O. Taylor, for about $30,000. Besides the ranch, the firm owned 3000 horses.....John W. Puckett of Big Lake, yesterday bought 1000 stock cattle from S. A. Runkles for $14,500.... F. Mayer & Sons of Sutton county, recently sold 4000 steer yearlings at $15.50....Col. M. Z. Smissen sold to B. N. Aycock, of the Big Lake firm of Scharbauer & Aycock, raisers of fine Hereford cattle, 1900 head of stock cattle, being the Lindley herd, at $16 round....M. B. Pulliam bought on Thursday from John Short 280 threes and fours, half and half, for $20.25 per head....Good stock sheep are now selling in the San Angelo country at from $2.50 to $3 per head——T. K. Wilson of Coke county, sold his Mexican steers at $3.50 per hundred....Messrs. Hale & Childress came in yesterday from Paint Rock where they purchased from Bob Morris 120 steers, threes and up, for $25. They will go to Temple to feed.

A FEW VALUABLE RECIPES.

To dehorn calves—The calf should be under two weeks old to get best results. There is a small hard button where the future horn comes out. A little stick of caustic potash, or a small lump of concentrated lye dipped in water, anoint the button with this dampened potash. Do not let it extend over the flesh or it will make a bad burn. If the anointing has been properly done in a few days the button will drop off, and no horn will ever grow out. If the first application does not succeed try again; it is a perfect and harmless success.

To peal peaches, pears, apples and Japan plums—Dip them for a few minutes in a strong solution of hot concentrated lye. I proceed as follows: Take ½ pound concentrated lye, dissolve in 1½ gallons of water, in a pot that will hold three or four gallons. Now take a gallon lard bucket and punch the bottom and sides full of holes with a large nail or old file. Punch from the outside that it may be smooth to come in contact with, and not scratch the fruit. Let the lye dissolve and keep it hot. Have three tubs of fresh water near at hand. Fill the prepared bucket with fruit, dip them in the lye for a few minutes until the skin of the fruit slips under the gentle rubbing with a stick, lift them out, and drain carefully for a few seconds, then dip them in tub No. 1 two or three times, lifting them out after each dipping to drip a little, then empty them out in tub No. 2, and continue until all the fruit is dipped, at least the tub full. Then take them out of tub No. 2, one at a time, rub off all the fuz of peaches, and rough outer skin of other fruit, and put them in tub No. 3. Rinse them once or twice out of this and they will be beautifully pealed, yet a thin delicate skin will be left on them that holds the fruit together nicely. Try it once, and you will always use this method.

Canning fruit—To preserve fruit it is not the sugar that keeps them, but destroying the germ life by heat. To dissolve sugar and add any vegetable matter will act as a ferment and its decomposition at once begins to take place. The fermentation converting it first into alcohol then acetic acid, and then it takes on the putrefaction and is destroyed. Hence, to can fruit a 10 per cent sugar salt is ample strong. Prepare your fruit, bring them to a gentle boil, let them boil ten minutes, put them into the glass jars, fill up with the syrup, and at once screw down the lids. If the lids fit air tight they are sure to keep. Not one jar in ten will fit air tight. There is always a seam where the moulds come together. Get a fine flat file; keep it wet with shreds of turpentine and you can soon file off these projections. Now put on your ring and cap, having a little water in the jar, turn it bottom up, and if the water drips out of it, you must file again until they will not leak. Fruit will surely spoil if any air can get to them.

To toughen fruit, such as apples, peaches and watermelon rind preserves—When they have boiled in syrup a little while, take them out, spread them on platters in the sun for half an hour, then finish preserving them. It will darken them just a little, will make them transparent and fine. Alum is an abomination.

Watermelon rind preserves—My wife makes splendid preserves the day we eat the melon—it is but little more trouble than to cook a cabbage.

The rinds are cut into small strips, the flesh cut out of the inside, and the outer grain cut off, and at once placed into water. When the whole lot is prepared, drain the water all off and rinse them in fresh water. Put them to boiling in just enough water to cover them. Let them boil a few minutes and pour off this water, and pour on them fresh boiling water. As soon as they are cooked clear and tender take them off the fire, cook your syrup, using enough water to cover them and put in ¾ pound of sugar to 1 pound of rinds. When your syrup has boiled a little put in the citrons and let them boil until the syrup strikes through the rinds. A small quantity of cinnamon and ginger is the best flavoring. If too tender from over-ripe melon, or too long cooking, lay them in the sun for a short time; it always improves them. When melon rind preserves are done, you can dip them out of the syrup and dry them, and they are fine for fruit cake. They keep well dried. The syrup can be eaten up as honey. At any time during the winter you can put out into a dish a few of these citrons and pour over them a little sugar syrup while hot and in a short time they will swell up as fresh preserves. They are the cheapest preserves made and are surpassed by few, in my estimation, none but, perhaps, quince and pear.

For scalds and burns—Procure a half-gallon glass jar with good tight-fitting stopper. Put into it a lump of fresh lime about as large as an egg; fill with rain water; shake well, stop tight, and always keep it full of water by adding fresh water when any is used out. Label.

Lime water—Then get a pint bottle of linseed oil. Label it, and set them side by side. In case of burn pour into a suitable vessel enough of the oil to cover the burn, and put upon it about twice its quantity of lime water. Stir with a spoon; it will at once form an emulsion. Apply like a poultice. It is the best remedy I have ever seen used.

For the prickly heat—Dampen it with lime water; it will at once allay all itching, and two or three applications will dry it up. It is a splendid remedy and can be used freely upon the most delicate babes as it has no caustic properties.

Put up tomatoes for winter use—Gather them just turning, and put them down in jars, each layer covered with salt; they will keep all winter.

Green grapes for pies—Gather before the seed harden; put in bottles; cover with cistern water, and stop with a cork. They will keep fresh for twelve months. H. B. HILLYER.



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According to the Orange Judd Farmer, the estimated corn crop of 1897 is 1800 million bushels. On March 1st the amount left over 1100 millions, besides a small part of the crop of 1895. In 1891 the crop was 2060 millions, or 260 millions more than the crop of '97, but only 542 million bushels of the crop of '90 were on hand March, '91. There has been a steadily growing export of corn which must be accelerated by the high prices of wheat and flour. Should the export volume amount to 200 million bushels during the year ending June 1, '98, it is probable that the supply next March will be reduced as low as that of March, '92. Existing conditions will probably give an extended European use to corn as a breadstuff that may become permanent and growing. South American wheat will become marketable in February, 1898, and may complicate question of prices.

The unusual European demand for all our food-stuff and our unusual ability to supply it certainly, gives a substantial basis to an upward trend in prices, but there are three factors which must be reckoned with. The unfortunate condition abroad will enforce economies and limit consumption. England favors colonial rather than American produce. When the advance began in July, larger areas in the southern hemisphere were sown to food crops that will be marketable in February, 1898. These several factors must prevent grain prices from reaching an extravagant height, though they will probably advance materially beyond the point now touched. This applies, however, especially to breadstuffs. The shortage in beef exists in our own land as well as abroad. A single season may bring a supply of grain large enough to greatly diminish prices. It will take years to grow up a beef supply large enough for such an effect.

There has not been a better time for going into the stock business in Texas since the days of free grass. Along in the '80's the cattle and sheep business were prosperous, but lands were so high that the prices paid were a heavy burden; in many cases so heavy, as to break the men that bought. Stock-cattle, too, then were high. Now lands can be brought at a price which cattlemen can afford to pay, while stock-cattle are selling at less per head and have been so improved in quality as to be worth 50 per cent more per head. East of the Mississippi river the depression in the beef market caused most of the farmers who were beef producers to abandon that business and grow dairy cattle, thus removing a very large competition. The west will always hereafter supply a larger proportion than formerly of the beef consumed in this country and a steadily increasing proportion of that consumed abroad. Such low prices as we are just recovering from cannot occur again for years because of an actual shortage, and, in all probability, will never occur again, for the volume of demand is continuously growing, while the area of production is diminishing.

THE PRICE OF COTTON.

There is probably no better authority on cotton than Mr. Julius Runge, of Galveston. He predicts higher prices because of the very considerable improvement of trade in the United States, the moderate supply of cotton on hand and the fact that the American crop is needed for present consumption.

He says that the present supply, visible and invisible, is the smallest ever known, and that it has been demonstrated by the shutting down of Eastern and Southern mills for lack of raw material. It is now thought that the world will require 9,500,000 bales to meet increased demands.

He advises cotton growers to follow the methods adopted this season by wheat growers who obtained the benefit of higher prices by waiting for instead of crowding the market. The former marketed their grain slowly and cautiously, and the result is that they, instead of speculators, obtained its enhanced value. Mr. Runge thinks the advance in cotton will be quite as great as the advance in wheat to date.

It seems that purchasers abroad believing in a large crop and lower prices, are buying only for present necessities. The stock at Liverpool is larger than at this date last year, but the falling off of receipts at American ports and interior towns and in amount afloat more than offset the Liverpool excess. All things considered, a waiting policy seems best for our planters.

THE GRAIN SITUATION.

According to the most carefully prepared estimates we have seen, the European shortage in foodstuffs is in

Wheat	300,000,000 bushels
Rye	325,000,000 bushels
Potatoes	1,000,000,000 bushels
Total	1,625,000,000 bushels

As the potato crop of this country is 25 per cent less than that of last year there will be none for export. With prices to justify it our people can supply Europe, after reserving enough for home demand, 240 million bushels of wheat 300 million bushels of corn, 100 million bushels of oats and 10 million bushels of rye, in all 650 million bushels.

This will about meet the European demand for wheat and rye but leaves nothing for the shortage in potatoes.

Europe had short crop in 1891 and during the twelve months ending June 30, 1892, bought from the United States 225,000 bushels of flour and wheat at an average export price considerably above $1; 177 million bushels of corn at an average above 55c, and 12 million bushels of rye at an average of 95c per bushel. Nearly half of our '91 crop of rye went to Europe at prices near the price of wheat. Now it is selling at only one-hlaf the wheat price. Nearly 700,000 bushels was exported in July, nearly three times as much as in July, '96. Exports for seven months to August 1, were 4,900,000 bushels, or four times the quantity for the first seven months of last year. Values in July, '97, were 42c; in July, '96, 43c; during the first seven months of '92, 95c. The logic of conditions calls for a very large advance in rye before wheat goes much higher.

AN ERA OF PERMANENT PROSPERITY.

Continuous improvement in prices of that which our people have to sell in large quantities, renewed activity in industrial enterprises, unusually large purchases of merchandise by retail dealers, direct from and understanding the condition of those to whom they expect to sell, all indicate that prosperity is well established. In addition to all these indications the stock market has seldom been so active as during the past and present month. Sales on the New York Exchange have been from 450,000 to750,000 shares daily. Before that they were from 150,000 to 200,000, and stocks are selling 20 to 50 per cent higher than a year ago.

There is reason to hope that the improvement is based upon sound conditions and will be permanent. There is no question that confidence in the general situation is felt to a degree unknown for years. Leaving out of consideration the fact that the money question and the tariff are definitely settled for a series of years so that they do not threaten the element of uncertainty dreaded by business men, there is the fact of enormous increase of wealth in the United States during the last twelve years; that during recent years that wealth has not been used as a vivifying energy in industrial enterprises, but now is seeking active employment in ways that distribute it largely among thousands, thereby multiplying the demand for all necessaries of life. The purchasing power of our people have been largely increased by this renewed activity of capital, enuring to the benefit of all producers.

Another present element is that the United States is the only large wheat exporting country that now has wheat for export. Besides the great product of the present year, it is estimated that 90,000,000 bushels of the crop of 1896 is yet in the country unsold. The stress of unfavorable conditions of recent years has enforced economics, and in spite of unfavorable circumstances our farmers have freed themselves from much of their former indebtedness and have not been able to contract new debts. Exports of corn and meats, both dressed and on foot, to European countries, have increased greatly. Our people are selling goods to the world. A large part of their receipts, instead of having to be handed over to creditors, will go to the bettering of their equipment for enlarged activities and improvements that will add value to their lands and stock.

Many of the unsafe securities of the last era of great activity have been weeded out, "the survival of the fittest" preserving those of great value. There are fewer securities on the market than there were twenty years ago, the worthless having mostly disappeared, "sunk into the realm of forgotten things," and the purchases of to-day, instead of being speculative, seems to be the result of a demand for safe income-producing investments.

In spite of all this renewed activity and the enormous purchases of securities, there is no difficulty in obtaining money upon good security in any of the financial centers and at interest rates more easy than those recently demanded, while in the central and western states mortgages are being paid off or renewed at reduced interest.

The advancing prices of all farm products, the certainty that conditions justify high prices and will sustain them, and the general feeling of hopeful confidence and the growing disposition to send capital out again upon a career of large activities, justify us in the belief that we have fairly entered upon an era of prosperity that will continue long enough to push the west, and Texas especially, far along in the development of resources just beginning to be appreciated.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE WISE COUNTY RE-UNION.

The re-union of the old settlers and ex-Confederates of Wise county on the 18th, 19th and 20th of this month was a "tempestuous" success, viewed from any point of the compass. The grounds selected, two miles south of Decatur, were all that heart could wish—a smooth valley prairie of about ten acres, carpeted with living green, and set with flowers, hedged about with stately oaks, hackberry and the olive green pecan, making ample shade for the crowd of not less than ten thousand people assemble there. Two wells had been sunk, tapping the living waters "neath" the generous bosom of mother earth, affording a bountiful supply for man and beast, and quaffing these cool waters "in the shade of the trees," sat the old settler and the new, talking of "the early days." The ex-Confederates in groups telling of hard marches and "wars alarums," at Manasas, Chickamauga, Shilo and Mansfield, while youth and beauty painted the foreground a living picture of American heroes and history makers with the scene befittingly set with the sweet, saintly faces of the mothers of the Confederacy. The providings for the comfort of the physical man were elaborate and solid, while the delicacies pandering to those weak of stomach and fastidious of taste climbed the ladder all the way from applie pie and lemon custard up through the many tribes of cakes to the exalted domain of ice cream and soda pop, and none went away hungry unless they were just naturally too mean to accept of a hearty invitation to feast to their fill "without money and without price." The first day was mainly spent in getting there and getting in "ship shape" for the fun. However, Col. Basham of Decatur delivered a pretty speech in the afternoon, making us all feel "it it good for us to be here." Many camped on the grounds and when night came the dark, deep silence of the woodland, the flickering lights at the camp-fires, and the hum of many voices stirred in the hearts of the old soldier's recollections of camp life on the Potomac, Shelbyville, Tenenssee, Pine Mountain, Georgia, Camp Nelson, Arkansas, and Mansfield, Louisiana, and when the face and form of those with whom he "sat, sang and suffered" around the camp-fire, rose up in his heart where they have been treasured for more than a third of a century, a sigh escaped and a tear fell, recognized only by the "recording angel." The second day was set apart as Confederate day. The climax in the rendering of the programme was the speech delivered by State Land Commissioner Baker. There was not an anecdote nor streak of current humor in it, but was a clear, incisive argument, showing the reasonableness of the state's rights' interpretation of the constitution by the South, as compared to the idea of strong national government as held by the North. After this the names of the following ladies were enrolled forming a camp of the Daughters of the Confederacy: Mesdames. J. F. Ford, Will A. Miller, M. D. Sellers, J. S. Gilliland, H. C. Kimbrough, Gladney Short, A. Edwards, C. W. Martin, D. A. Pratt, and Misses Annie Edwards, Mabel Ford Opal Kinney, Annie Penn, Cora Penn, Jessie May Collins and Minnie Gilliland. An organization was had by electing Mrs. J. F. Ford, president; Mrs. C. W. Martin, 1st vice-president; Mrs. G. W. Short, 2nd vice-president; Mrs. Will A. Miller, treasurer; Miss Annie Edwards, corresponding secretary, and Miss Minnie Gilliland, recording secretary. They disclaim any intention of going to war, but organize only for social purposes, and to contribute their mite in the perpetuation of the memory of the dear ones who went down to death in defense of the doctrine of the sovereignty of the states. While this was going on the election of officers for the Thirteenth Regiment U. C. V. was held, resulting in the election of M. D. Sellers, colonel; Geo. W. Short, lieutenant colonel; J. E. Simmons, major; Rev. M. B. Johnson, chaplain; A. Edwards, adjuatant; Dr. J. F. Ford, surgeon. By this time the shadows of the pecan and strong limbed burr oak reach across the valley, and after a good supper the bugle called the crowd to the grand stand, where Dr. J. F. Ford announced that an experience meeting would be held, and that each Confederate would "sing a song, make a speech, tell a story," or keep his seat. The chairman, after making this announcement, told of service rendered the Confederacy under Wheeler in East Tennesee when only a boy 14 years old. The next introduced was the Journal's missionary. He was weaving a web of interesting history and would have "wagged off" with some glory, but for the "reprobate" Sam Woody rising up and saying, "Now Bob, you know that's all a lie." For this offense he was shot to death in the presence of the multitude the next day by Comrade C. C. Leonard with a blank cartridge. Col. G. B. Pickett told some good ones, while Capt. J. E. Simmons, George Short and Capt. Maddox, of Fort Worth, did not impair their reputations as entertainers by their speeches. The crowning glory of the third day was the sham battle between the ex-Confederates and the Decature Rifles, and its near approach to the real is attested by the fact of many old Confederates weeping as if their hearts would break, and like the Confederacy, thus passed out and into history the great Wise county old settlers' and Confederate re-union amidst the din and smoke of battle.

There are many indications of returning prosperity in Decatur and Wise county, merchants, report an increase of business of at least fifty per cent over what it was this time last year. Many farmers are between a sweat and a fever about their wheat, "afraid" to hold on for fear the rope might break, and afraid to let go for fear they will fall in the hole. And then the following sums having been paid out here by Uncle Sam on Indian depredation claims recently, has figured smartly in putting a move on the circulating medium. I give the names of the lucky ones and amounts received:

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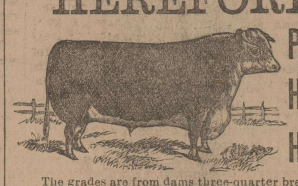


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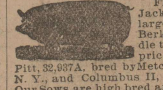
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In the tomes of deathless fame
Those that blaze with brightest glory
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—Susie M. Best in Philadelphia Ledger.

TO HOUSEHOLD.

One has come to me in sorrow, sorrow of the deepest kind, suffering from ingratitude and distress, where there should be only gratitude, love, trust. There are many sorrows in this world but none sinks deeper into the soul and cuts so sharply as ingratitude. In reflecting over something comforting to say to this one, I can recall nothing more comforting than this I once read, and try always to keep before my mind's eye: "Try to meet the inevitable sorrows of life with a firm and resigned soul. Drink the Cup of Life as it comes, there must be bitter, there will be sweet."

Always have some employment to turn your thoughts from your bereavement. Helping others will do this, but try to be cheerful in your work and you will find that happiness is reflective, transmitting to others the rays of a supreme benevolence. Bear all this in mind always. Keep a firm hold on soul, above all be resigned to the inevitable. But all this is as a cloud over the door of the Household.

Enters Willa Sunshine to make things bright. How I should like to accept an invitation to visit her. Invite me again some day, Willa Sunshine, and I shall surely come. After reading her letter who can think for a moment her life is blighted by a lost love?

A new flower blooms in the Household this week—Touch-me-not. She is very welcome. Soon we will have gathered in our Household a garden of the most choice flowers. They should shed an influence and fragrance over the garden never to be forgotten.

Another new flower is Crape Myrtle. She also, is most welcome. I, too, wonder what has become of Isabella? And what has become of our men?

Now, Gray Eyed Dimpled Darling writes a very good letter, but she has made a mistake in taking such a name. She may be, and I dare say she is, a gray eyed dimpled darling, but Sue or Ann or Jane or Maud will do as well to be known by in the Household, and take much less time to write and print. Select a short name and come again.

A little girl who is doubtless the jewel of her father's household, writes a short letter and calls herself the Jewel of the West. We would like to have her dear little letters out I advise her to also find a shorter name.

Nettie is a new member. I like her at once and endorse all she says. Her letter is healthful, sensible and well expressed. I have many reasons for liking her, besides the good sentiment in her letter. She has written a most attractive letter to look at, a plain, easy hand for printers to read, and chose a short, simple name. I have built up Nettie's character from this one letter. I hope I am right in my estimate.

I thank Grandma for the invitation to go to the coast. Wish I might go. I would be better for her good company and the many long talks we would have. But it is impossible for me to go. I wish for Grandma a delightful trip. Write us all about it.

Dear Little Dew Drop is, as usual, welcomed with opened arms.

A LITTLE JEWEL.

Dear Mrs. Buchanan and Household: Will you admit a little stranger in your happy circle? My father takes the Jouhnal; we all like it very well, especially the Household. I admire the letters of the Household, more especially Nit Nix's coon hunt. Come again Nit Nix, I am one admirer if no more. I will close. Goodnight. If I see this in print I will write again. I will choose for my name

JEWEL OF THE WEST.

Rock Springs, Texas.

VISIT FROM PURPLE PANSY.

Dear Mrs. Buchanan: This calm morning will you admit me again in the charming circle? I can hear the wild birds singing and chirping as I write, and when I look out the window I see them flying about.

We are needing rain very much. The grass is brown but the weeds are green. We can't hardly get water for stock, as we depend on the wind mill for water, and the wind doesn't blow much.

We have been very much honored lately by a visit from Grandma and Purple Pansy. Purple Pansy has ended her visit. We were loth to give her up, but we knew there were others anxiously waiting her coming, but we still enjoy Grandma's company. Mother's Girl, rest assured that Purple Pansy's ideal would differ from yours in this respect, if not many more, and that is no one could be her ideal without being a Christian. Is this not true, Purple Pansy?

Jon Pu, when your letter was read aloud I heard a blue eyed lassie say that she guessed next year you would like the new woman. I do not know, but I guess she was judging from your past conduct. Last year you made a rhyme in which you said you would never marry, and this year you have changed your mind about it.

Why doesn't either of the Busy Bees write again? I hear the chickens cheeping, so I'll run and throw them some seed. With best wishes to all.

DEW DROP.

FROM GRANDMA.

Dear Mrs. Buchanan and Household Friends: It is mid-summer and the heat is simply oppressive. If it were not for the cool, invigorating breezes at night we would surely succumb to the heat.

How swiftly times flies, burying with it some sorrows as well as joys. Sorrows we deplore, joys we gladly welcome, but our happy days far outnumber the sad ones. I was reading not long since in a paper where the subject under discussion was, "When is a woman's happiest days?" Women differ so much in opinion that we would tell a different story if told at all; but as I look back over my past I have had many happy days. The happiest were when husband and children were around me. I think love has more to do with woman's happiest hour than anything else on earth. To love and to know one's self is beloved—that indeed is to know the best of life. It is better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all. My loved ones have passed over the river.

It will be sweet to go where the Master calls
If our work is all well done.
It will be sweet to rest when the day is past
If that rest has been fairly won.
It is sweet to stand on the river brink
So close to the other side.
That you can see the loved ones who are coming
To cross with you the tide.

I do not know—I cannot tell, but perhaps my last hour on earth may be my happiest. Surely to all who have found Jesus in their greatest hour of need, no hour can ever bring such happiness as the last on earth.

Mrs. B. we are anticipating a visit to the coast in a short time. I do wish you could join in our outing. I am in love with all the Household band, and hope they are having a happy summer. With good wishes to all I still call myself GRANDMA.

Mathis, Texas.

A WELCOME ADDITION.

Dear Mrs. Buchanan and Household: Here I come this beautiful morning asking for admission into your happy band. I have for some time been an admirer of the Household, and I so much enjoy reading the nice letters. I have just finished reading the letters for this week, and I think all so nice. I disagree with some of the members in thinking Purple Pansy too serious. I admire her way of writing, and hope she will write soon again.

What has become of Isabella? I hardly ever see her letters any more. Come again soon.

Alta May, write again. I think you write just splendidly, and I agree with you about country life in spring. I, too, enjoy living in town part of the time, but when lovely spring is beginning to open and all nature seems to be bursting into new life, then I will say, "the country for me."

As some of the members have been telling how they are spending the summer months, I will endeavor to tell how I have, though I hardly think my narration will be as interesting as some. In the first place, picnics were in order, and I delight in going to nice picnics, and then come our singing schools, and when that was "past and forever gone," the time for fishing was at hand, though the weather was very warm by then. We were gone for quite a while spending our time in fishing, eating and sleeping. But now I am at home while mama is visiting in the city of Austin.

Alamo, write again, now that the great event that took place in San Antonio in July is over.

I suppose most of the Household are looking forward to school days with pleasure and thinking what progress they are going to make this year, while I am thinking of the time when I will be improved in health so that I can attend school. I have been deprived of that privilege for two years on account of ill-health, but am improving now. I will close for fear of the waste basket, and if this escapes, I will write again. I am going to put my real name with the one assumed, only don't have my real name printed, please.

With best wishes to all, I am,

CRAPE MYRTLE.

Zephyr, Texas.

HER IDEAL A COWBOY.

Dear Mrs. Buchanan and Household: I have been a silent admirer of the Household for quite a while. And summed up courage to write at last. I am very much interested in the Household letters. Budget, your little letter is just like I imagine an angel's visit would be, short but sweet. I have the "Orphan Girl," I will send you if you'll let me know where to send it to. Hard Case, your advice to Man is very good; it seems as though he could be comforted some time, does it not? Star, you must write again, your letter is very nice indeed. Hastletine, you must call again. I know you are welcomed by the entire Household. Now, Plains' Wife, as you are from Dean, perhaps I am acquainted with you, as I am slightly acquainted at Dean. I, too, have experienced some of the good times you speak of. By and by I will tell of one of my pleasure trips. Nit Nix, your letter is very entertaining; come again real soon, and finish telling us about your night hunt. Ruth-Ell, I agree with you about the cowboys being very easy pleased. My ideal is a cowboy—one of the very best. I hope before you go to empty any more feathers you will close the doors and windows. Now, Purple Pansy, I cannot compliment your letter half enough, for it is so very nice. On the 5th inst. there were about twenty-seven of us young folks, old married folks and chidren, went to a fish fry and had the nicest lot of fish I ever saw cooked at one time for such a small crowd. Every one seemed to enjoy themselves, especially myself, as my ideal was there. His hair is black, his eyes are blue, and he is tall and handsome. There were two young men in our wagon and we drove four mules, for it was muddy. If I see this in print I'll try to do better next time. Now, Mrs. Buchanan, please head the Household with your picture; we would all be so very well pleased. Well I will close, hoping to see letters from all the members in the next issue. Adios.

GRAY EYED DIMPLE DARLING.

Canyon City, Texas.

ON HOME.

Dear Mrs. Buchanan and Household: As you extend such a kind welcome to all who comes (writes), I shall endeavor to write a few lines and join your little band. I notice some of the cousins are very nice writers and the letters are full of good feeling and common sense. I think Becca's home must be an ideal one if she tries to do as she suggests. Certainly above all things on earth give me a peaceable, Christian home; one where all is love, and happiness reigns supreme. I think a mother is the one to make all happy at home, if she only will. An ill, cross mother is very apt to raise a contrary set of children. Certainly a mother can make or mar her home. I think if some mothers would let so much fretting and worrying about their work go, and take baby and walk out among her flowers, garden or orchard, and breath the fresh air and talk to the little ones awhile she would not only enjoy herself but drive away that ugly frown that persists in gathering up her brow and making her look old and ugly. We should try to enjoy ourselves while in this world, but not to such an extent that we neglect our duties, but enough so to be pleasant and nice. I think Ella Wright has written a very pretty little poem, "Kind Words." That is something that lies within the power of every one rich and poor alike. We should never be stingy with our kind words. Speak them often and to all. What is sweeter than a lady who is always kind with kind words and kind ways? She is loved and respected by all Prairie Dog, your letter was amusing. But wouldn't you rather some one else would try all that kind of "doings," than yourself trying to have a good "hubben?" Where is Isabelle? Surely she has not quit the Household! Her letters were interesting. I don't doubt her in the least at being almost disgusted at some people, especially the men. For some men expect their wives to look like girls of sixteen and if they knew the worry the poor women have with children, chickens, and housework, they would be ashamed of themselves for ever entertaining a thought in regards to their "beauty." Of course a woman need not look like a ragman or have a dirty face and toosled hair. That's what I call carelessness. Love to all, especially Mrs. B.

NETTE.

Lisbon, Texas.

A NEW MEMBER.

Dear Mrs. Buchanan and Household: May I come in and join your happy circle? I have long been a silent admirer of the interesting letters of the Household and have often wondered if I could be a member of your happy band.

I have just finished reading the letters of the Household this week, and enjoyed Purple Pansy's letter very much. It seems as if she is a favorite with almost every one. Hastletine wrote a very interesting letter.

Cape Jaseminc, I admired your letter on "sympathy for man" very much. Write again.

And Man, it seems to me that I have met you, but I guess not. I hope you will write again soon and let us know if the advice that has been given you has been of any benefit to you.

Oh! what a nice time anyone on the plains can have if everything is as pleasant as Plains Wife pictures it.

Hard Case, do you really believe that anyone can love more than once?

I have selected for my name

TOUCH-ME-NOT.

Georgetown, Texas.

A GOOD TIME.

Dear Mrs. Buchanan and Household: After a death-stillness of nearly two months I will once more endeavor to write to the dear circle. Louise, the reason I havn't written oftener is I've been sick but am now getting better.

Certainly, Miserable Man, I and doubtless the whole Household, agree that at all times man and wife should be honest with each other. My second choice knows my story—of my lost ideal—for I told him. Then as I love him as a brother, and he knowing all, says he can make me happy and teach me to have the right regard for him. Should I make his life miserable? No, Miserable Man, no sensible woman would marry a man she did not love, but men are apt to do most anything. Do please, Miserable Man, tell us about your lost love for I know it will be interesting. Thanks, Olive, for your sympathy, which I gladly accept.

I am a country girl. I go to town every day for the mail, and I know I have the best time of any country girl. And the town girls, when they come to see me act like a bird from the cage. I have been on several "round-ups" and enjoy them splendidly. No one knows what splendid fun it is to go on a rabbit hunt out here in this beautiful country. The first hunt we had was early in the spring. There were over 400 men besides the ladies, and we killed 800 rabbits. It is certainly fun. How many of you have attended the rabbit hunt?

Mrs. B., come to see me and go with me on a wolf chase, and I will also take you for a three days' fish on the James Edward. I have been out twice this summer, and the last time I came back sick and am just now getting over it. We have a lovely hole to go bathing in, and a beautiful place to fish from. I haven't done much this summer but have a nice time, and will tell in my next letter all about how I've spent my time—if you don't mind. Mrs. B., do grace the Household with your smiling face.

Hard Case, I am afraid I am acquainted with you. For I am sure I know the people of your town well as I once lived there myself. Ruth-Eli I laughed and laughed when I read about your feather bed for it was as mamma said I would have done. Love to all.

WILLA SUNSHINE.

FOSTER'S LOCAL FORECASTS.

The storm wave will reach this meridian and the other changes will occur in Texas within twenty-four hours of 8 p. m. of the dates given below:

September 3.—Warm.
September 4.—Threatening.
September 5.—Changeable.
September 6.—Cooler.
September 7.—Moderate.
September 8.—Warmer.
September 9.—Warm.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

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St. Joseph, Mo., Aug. 30.—My last bulletin gave forecasts of the storm wave to cross the continent from September 2nd to 6th, and the next will reach the Pacific coast about the 7th, cross the west of Rockies country by the close of the 8th, great central valleys 9th to 11th, Eastern States 12th.

Warm wave will cross the west of Rickies country about 7th, great central valleys 9th, Eastern States 11th. Cool wave will cross the west of Rockies country about 10th, great central valleys 12th, Eastern States 14th.

The low or warm wave of the above disturbance will take a southern route, and the weather accompaning it will be unusually warm in the Southern not very warm in the Northern States.

The high or cool wave of the above disturbance will take a northern route, and the cool wave will cause unusually cool weather in the Northern, not very cool in the Southern States.

The third disturbance of September will reach Pacific Coast about 13th, cross the west of Rockies country by close of 14th, great central valleys 15th to 17th, Eastern States 18th.

Warm wave will cross the west of Rockies country about 13th, great central 15th, Eastern States 17th. Cool wave will cross the west of Rockies country about 16th, great central valleys 18th, Eastern States 20th.

Both the high and the low of the above disturbance will pass along the middle latitudes and in both warm and cool waves moderate temperatures will prevail.

Temperature of the week ending September 4th will average above normal in the Southern States and below in the Northern States. Heaviest rains will occur in the Southern States. During this period storms will be most severe in the Southern States.

The principal features of September weather will be about as follows:

In the Northern States the first half of the month will average much cooler than the last. In the Southern States this will be reversed, and the first half of the month will average much warmer than the last half.

In the Northern States the temperature of the first half of the month will average much below, the last half a little above normal. In the Southern States the temperature of the first half of the month will average above and the last half below normal.

In the Northern States the coldest week of the month will be from the 7th to 13th, inclusive, and the warmest week from the 25th to the close of the month.

In the Southern States the warmest week of the month will be from the 9th to the 14th, and the coldest week from the 25th to the close of the month.

A severe hot wave will pass through the Southern States not far from the 12th and 13th, and through the Northern States not far from the 27th and 28th.

Frosts will occur in the Northern States from the 5th to the 12th.

The average temperature of the month will be highest at and within 500 miles of Washington City, and lowest at and within 500 miles of Des Moines, Iowa.

Rainfall of the month will be light in the Atlantic States and the countries about the Great Lakes. The greatest rains will occur in Texas and in the Missouri valley.

Frost will come earliest in the upper Mississippi and the Missouri valleys and will be late in the Ohio valley and the New England States.

The heaviest rains south will occur during the week of the 10th to 16th, and north about the first and last parts of the month.

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For Houston, Cuero and Waco, leaves daily at 8:30 a. m., arrive at 6:20 p. m.

For Rockport, Corpus Christi and Alice, leaves at 1:35 p. m., arrives at 1:35 p. m.

Southern Pacific.

EAST—Leaves at 12:10 p. m. and 9:30 p. m.; arrives at 7:25 a. m. and 4:25 p. m.

Leaves for Waco, Fort Worth, Dallas, Kansas City, St. Louis and Chicago at 7:25 p. m.

Arrives from Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, Fort Worth, Dallas and Waco at 8:45 a. m.

WEST—For Eagle Pass, California and Mexico, leaves at 4:45 p. m and arrives at 11:50 a. m.

International & Great Northern.

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SAN ANTONIO MARKET.

The local market has been fairly active this week at prices about the same as last week. The changes, what few there were, were for the better. There has been a demand for some broken and unbroken horses but no deals of importance took place. Quotations as follows:

San Antonio quotations—Beeves $2.25@2.75; sows $2.00@2.40; two-year olds $2.00@2.30; yearlings $2.00@2.50; calves $2.50@3.00; sheep $2.50@3.00; bulls $1.25@1.50; hogs $2.50@3.25.

Jim Dobie of Lagarto, was in Wednesday.

Wm. Blanks, a stockman of Lockhart, was here Tuesday.

Col. W. G. Butler and P. B. Butler of Kenedy were here Tuesday.

R. M. Tadlock, a stockman from Blooming Grove, was here Friday.

J. H. Pressnall sold this week 350 feeders to J. M. Kilgore of Medina county.

Andral Van, claim agent of the Southern Pacific, spent Tuesday in San Antonio.

T. H. Shaw, the stockman of Eagle Pass, was here Tuesday and left for Llano Wednesday.

Wm. Metz of Yorktown, made a shipment of some four and five-year-old steers to Chicago Saturday.

A. L. Tom of Refugio, spent Wednesday and Thursday in San Antonio and was registered at the Southern.

Col. W. L. Crawford ras been in town most all week and has probably sold out everything he had.

J. K. Burr of Eagle Pass, sold 1500 muttons to Otto Limberger for the Texas Live Stock Commission Co. of New Orleans.

Collector W. A. Fitch of Eagle Pass, accompanied by Mrs. Fitch, spent a few days in San Antonio this week, returning to Eagle Pass Friday.

Vice-President and General Manager Monserrate and William Berry, superintendent of roadway of the S. A. & A. P. R. R. made a trip down to the coast Wednesday.

S. J. Blocker came in from Carrizo Springs Thursday and returned Saturday. He reported good rains down his way and plenty of stock water for the present.

H. B. Shiner returned Saturday from a trip to his ranch in McMullen county. He says they have had very little rain out there but that cattle are looking well and have plenty of grass and water yet.

Geo. F. Lupton, assistant passenger agent of the "Sap" returned with his family Tuesday morning from a month's vacation which he spent at his old home in Virginia.

J. M. Chittim, who returned from Waukesha last week and went on down to his ranch, is back in San Antonio. Mrs. Chittim and the children will return about the 10th after a visit to the Nashville Exposition.

Dick Tisdale and J. F. Yearwood, two prominent stockmen of Georgetown, were in the city a couple of days this week on the lookout for steers and went south on the I. and G. N. Friday morning.

James Dishman, who was the victim of a would-be-assassin at the Trictas ranch in Cameron county some weeks ago, and who has been very low in Brownsville, is able to be out on the streets some now.

L. E. Merchant arrived from the territory Thursday and is sitting arod territory Thursday and is sitting around with a long face hoping someone will offer him some steers down below par.

'Squire Cochran of San Marcos, is perhaps the most active stockman for his age now engaged in the live stock trade in Texas. He is in his 81st year and is engaged in the importation of fine mules from Missouri and is making good money.

L. L. Baldridge of Waggoner, I. T., came down last Tuesday and is on the lookout for steers. He reports them scarce and high (but they will buy them). He has bought a few hundred head thus far.

Dan Nance of San Marcos, was down Tuesday, and in conversation with the Journal reporter said he wasn't going to feed a thing this fall, as everything was too high—but that's the way they all talk.

John H. Belcher of Henrietta, who spent several days at his ranch near Twohig and in San Antonio this week, left for home Wednesday. He informed the Journal that good rains had fallen in LaSalle county and that cattle were in good shape generally.

L. S. English, a stockman of Carrizo Springs, spent Friday in San Antonio and went down to Laredo Saturday morning to look at some stock near there. Mr. E. is interested in cattle in Dimmit and also Zapata counties and stated that they have had good rains down his way.

Dave Pryor of Pearsall, has been sick this week. The Journal is informed that he has bought a bunch of goats for exportation to Klondike and trusts that his illness will not be so serious as to prevent an investigation of the Klondike market which is an entirely new field for Texas shippers.

Col. Ira Havens, of Uvalde, came in Thursday and spent a couple of days among the stockmen. The colonel for several years owned cattle out in the Pecos country, but sold out last spring and came south, where he has recently made investments. He was here "just seeing what he can see."

Pet Nations of Emporia, Kan., is in the city to-day (Saturday). He and his father, S. Nations, who is now in Uvalde county, have bought 8000 head of steers to date, which they will ship out in the fall. Mr. Nations says they will use a portion of them to fill contracts with feeders and either sell or feed the others.

T. C. Taylor, an erstwhile stockman of Kimble county, came in Thursday and spent a couple of days among the cattlemen. Mr. Taylor sold out his cattle interests this spring, and while he has not as yet made any reinvestments, he would not commit himself to the statement that he would not do so, and only smiled when the Journal representative asked him if it wasn't hard for him to make up his mind to stay out of the business.

R. H. Kersey, a resident of West End addition to San Antonio, was a caller at the Journal office Friday. Mr. Kersey is a dairyman of no mean proportions, and in addition, is making a great success as a breeder of Berkshire hogs and Pekin ducks. He will have some hogs and ducks at the Gaudalupe Valley Fair, at Center Point this fall, and also perhaps at other points. He, of course, needed the Texas Stock and Farm Journal in his business.

D. A. Gathings of Cleburne, Tex., who, with J. M. Gage of Hico, has bought some 2000 steers for fall delivery up to date, is in the city. Mr. Gathings is an extensive feeder, both in Johnson and Hill counties, and will be interested in the feeding of some 3000 steers this fall. He says that his section of country has been specially blessed with rain this season and that the greater part of the land will yield three-fourths of a bale to the acre. Mr. Gathings also acknowledged a bright outlook for the stock raiser, and while he claims that beef is high, he does not say that there is no money in it for the speculator.

D. L. Naylor of Waggoner, I. T., who is interested with A. H. Jones of Gonzales, in a big string of steers in the territory, came down Thursday. While he fain would have sellers believe that he was only down for his health, someone divulged the secret that his mission was to buy steers. He owned up that he would buy without regard to age, color or previous condition of servitude anything that was cheap enough to make money on. Mr. Naylor has been an extensive dealer in Texas steers for several years past and has great faith in the continued prosperity of the cattle business.

Capt. H. G. Austin, senior member of the firm of Austin & Traylor, has just returned from a trip to their Nueces county ranch, and states that while there has been some rain down there, the country, as a whole, has not had enough. He says their cattle still have plenty of water and grass and are looking first rate. When asked by the Journal representative for his opinion as to the probable effect of the recently imported duty on live stock, he said he was not prepared thu early to express and decided views, but as for him and his he didn't want any Mexican cattle and rather thought that the man who raised and handled the best would make the most money.

J. F. Green, manager and part owner of a large herd in Dimmitt county has been in San Antonio for a few days, but leaves for Victoria county Monday to ship about 600 head of steers to his feeding pens at Oakland, Ill. Mr. Green bought the VOT stock of cattle last fall and is stocking what was formerly known as the Dimmitt County Pasture company, the pasture having now about 16,000 head of cattle. Although he is a new man in the Texas cattle business, he is by no means a novice in the cattle raising industry. He is largely interested in the breeding of fine stock in Illinois and believes in raising the best stock both on the stock farm and ranch. He is now making preparations to bore wells in his pasture and says the first thing he wants is plenty of water as a protection against possible drouths. He will go north in a short time to ship in more fine bulls. When questioned by the Journal representative as to his views on the cattle question, he said: "I feel sure that in time the cattle business will pay a handsome profit to all interested, but under existing conditions those who have the best cattle are going to make the quickest and best money. Cowmen, I think, are already beginning to see that only the best cattle will be in demand, and some o' them are getting in line for the line of march to prosperity. The Mexican and common Texan can not much longer cope with the odds against them and my opinion is that 'twill only be a short time until inquiry for them will cease." Mr. Green is interested in a herd of Polled Durham cattle, concerning which the Journal will at a later date have something to say.

NEWS NOTES.

Good rains fell Friday in and around Comstock in Val Verde county.

The Daily Herald: The largest amount of cotton for many years is being shipped from Cameron county this season.

The Smithville Times: The rain here Tuesday has done a lot of good to cotton crops. Good prospects for an excellent fall crop.

Bandera county is getting up an extensive exhibit for the Guadalupe Valley Fair which will be held in Centre Point in October next.

$200,000 of Mexican money was shipped Thursday from the City of Mexico to San Francisco, destined for China, where it passes at par.

Menard Enterprise: Gus Patton will raise something near 10,000 pounds of onions this year on a little over an acre of his irrigated farm....Walter Russell is off to Kansas City with two cars of cows for Callan & Co.

F. S. Millard, of Eden, Concho county, was here Friday and went on down the I. & G. N. to buy some cattle. He said he would buy anything that was worth the money and reports the Concho country in good shape.

The Daily Herald: Several cars of lumber from the schooner C. H. Moore came up yesterday from the Point, the remainder arriving this morning....From persons coming in from up the country it is learned that the river has overflowed and in some places the water is out on the road.

Kimble county farmers who have raised big crops of wheat, are jubilant over the advance in that product. The upward tendency in the cattle and wool market will also be of great benefit to the other class of citizens in Kimble. The arrival of prosperity, they believe, is near at hand.

Sabinal Weekly Sentinel: Cotton is coming in regularly now, and the gin is running full time. The long drouth was broken by a good, steady rain that commenced falling about 2 o'clock Wednesday morning and continued until daybreak. The firmament was clouded all day Wednesday, and during the day and succeeding night there were frequent showers.

The largest cotton crop known for years will be gathered in Cameron and Hidalgo counties this year. Shipments of cotton from Brownsville amounts to 1700 bales to date. Most of the cotton from the northern part of the counties will go to market by way of Alice. A fine rain fell throughout Cameron county on the 24th ult.

Sheriff Neighbors, of Pecos county, returned to Fort Stockton Thursday. He is well pleased with the outlook for the cow man, and stated to the Journal representative that he had refused an offer of $15 per head, everything counted, for his cattle. He said that the range was never better, and that his section had been copiously supplied with water by good rains.

The second meeting of the Llano Stockmen's association was held at Llano on the 28th ult. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: J. R. Moss, president; M. M. Hargis, vice-president; G. H. Boynton, secretary; W. J. Moore, treasurer. The following, with the president, vice-president and treasurer, are the directors and compose the executive committee: C. T. Moss, O. F. Galson, Frank Gray and J. A. Mayes.

LaSalle Isonomy: J. Pluvius, Esq., is a "hot number." He opened the rain gates and all last Wednesday night the raindrops heavily and constantly fell. It was one among the greatest rainfalls this section has ever known, and will be of incalculable benefit to us all. Hurrah for Jupiter!....A train load of cattle arrived here Wednesday for the Withers ranch.

The Alice Echo: Hon. J. B. Wells, Col. Urich Lott and Eli Merriman arrived in the city Saturday morning. Wells and Merriman only stopped a short time, but Col. Lott spent the day here. He says he is only looking at his old road, the Tex-Mex, which he helped to build, and that his visit had no other significance. We all know (?) he just came to "look at the old road." The great railroad builder was accompanied by John G. Kenedy, some day to be the richest man in Texas.

The Hondo Herald: The country is saved. It has rained....Mr. E. W. Lacy struck an inexhaustible flow of water in a well he was having drilled on his ranch....A phenomenal flow of water has been struck in a well on the Miller ranch. From all accounts it must be a subterranean stream, or river rather. At any rate, there are oodles and oodles of water, as is attested by the fact that it is impossible to lower the water by means of a four-horse power pump jack. We are informed that the roar of water underneath can be distinctly heard by anyone standing ten yards from the mouth of the well.

The Bandera Enterprise: Mr. F. W. Dorow, Pipecreek, was in town Monday. He says stock water is scarcer in his section than it has been since '79. It is a lamentable fact the sources of water supply all through this beat, are weaker than they have been before in a long time....A most glorious rain visited this vicinity on Tuesday night last. From what we learn, and the general indications, it must have covered large territory. The river rose three or four feet here. Smiling faces indicate the satisfaction of the people. Some says it will benefit cotton largely, while others say it will not. All admit, however, that the second crop of cane and the sweet potato crop will take on a boom, as will the grass, etc.

The Pearsall Leader: G. F. Hindes recently leased 10,000 acres of land familiarly known as the Crouch pastures. So far only 6,000 acres have been turned over to him, but he expects to have control of the other 4,000 acres in a few days. He says the grass in the pasture is finer than he ever saw it before. He will put 500 head of big steers in the pasture to-day, and if fine grass and plenty of water will make them fat they stand a very good chance to get in that condition....Frio county has been blessed with good rains this week and now we look for a good cotton crop and a remittance on subscriptions past due.

The Pleasanton Monthly: A great deal of rain has fallen in various portions of the county this week, and we think the drouth is broken. Light rains have been general, with gully washers in some places, all around us. We have had as little perhaps as any other place, and we got a fair season Wednesday night....Stock have stood the dry weather well. A few ranches ran a little short of water, but by crowding up a little they went through with stock in fine shape. A few of the stock men were beginning to feel a little uneasy less the rains would come too late to make grass for winter but they are all jubilant now.

Devil's River News: A lot of Colorado sheep was offered recently in the Chicago market, the price of which was largely discounted because of the condition of the wool. They came from the region along the Colorado river where the red clay is blown upon the sheep, and being of a sticky nature when wet, mats the wool and adds considerable to the weight. When this lot was sold it was at a figure 80 cents per 100 below what they would otherwise have brought. Naturally the owner was chagrined at this curtailment, bnt its justice was demonstrated by a gentleman who clipped a handful of the wool which otherwise was of excellent quality, with fine staple. Taking one ounce of it, he subjected it to a process of tapping with the fingers; thereby shaking out the loose clay, but not that which had become matted. Weighing this loose clay he found he had a quarter of an ounce, 25 per cent of the weight of the wool, enough to yield a fine profit if mud could be sold for wool. It is not certain that scouring can restore the fleeces to their natural state, though it is probable that it could. These facts are given in order that shippers from that section may not be subjected to unexpected loss if they are compelled to send in their stuff in dirty condition. It may not be possible to prevent it if the season has been dry and windy....W. J. Flanary, a sheepman from Erath county, is running a small flock at the Cauthorn ranch. Mr. Flanary was in Sonora Saturday trading....T. T. Thomason, the buck man, was in Sonora Friday, and says he will have some fine bucks this season....The general rains in the Sonora country this week cause the stock men to heave a sigh of relief, as they will not have to run the pump Jack any more this summer. The rains also assure abundance of grass and weeds the balance of the year....S. J. Palmer, the sheep man, was in from his ranch Friday and reports everything in a fine condition....Sam McKee, the cattle man, returned from a trip to the Springs in Mexico last week. He was in Sonora Friday and reports feeling much better in health. ....F. M. Wyatt was in from his Lost Lake ranch Tuesday. Frank reports lots of rain out his way.

THE MAC STEWART CASE.

Dr. A. B. Lignoski, of Houston, spent last Thursday in San Antonio in the interest of Mac Stewart, the old Confederate soldier now in prison at Parval, Mexico, under sentence to be shot, for killing a policeman at that place. Stewart was raised at Seguin, and is well known by most of the stockmen of south Texas. He was a Texas cowboy and a brave soldier during the stirring scenes of 1861 to 1865. The move toward securing Stewart's release is a patriotic one and the appeal now being made to the United Confederate Veteran camps is simply a request for funds to send ex-Governor Hogg and Dr. Lignoski as emissaries to Mexico to intercede with President Diaz for executive clemency in his behalf. Dr. Lignoski, who is a member of Dick Dowling camp of ex-Confederate veterans, is traveling in response to Gen. Jno. B. Gordon's circular letter No. 85, and who, as a resident of Fort Griffin, Texas, was well known by all the stockmen of west Texas away back in the 70's called at the Journal office Thursday. He presented letters from prominent men and governors from all over the United States, which proved beyond a doubt that the ex-Confederates have lost none of their loyalty to a fellow soldier. Perhaps one of the most touching was from Gen. W. P. Hardeman, superintendent of the Confederate Home at Austin, and which reads as follows:

Austin, Tex., Aug. 25, 1897.—His Excellency, Porfirio Diaz, President Republic of Mexico: Sir—I write in behalf of McNeil Stewart, now in jail at Parral. At the commencement of the civil war of the United States he enlisted in my company at the age of 15, was a true soldier from the beginning to the end of the war. When the end came he, with five others of my old company, fearing for my safety in Texas, volunteered and went with me as far as Monterey, Mexico. Since that time I have not seen him and know nothing of the causes that led to his troubles and do not question the action of the courts. I am an old man 80 years old, and have been a soldier almost all of my life, and know you can appreciate the feeling that an officer has for a true soldier, who has been through an entire war with him, always discharging his duties faithfully. It would be a great comfort to me to know that before I die Mac Stewart has regained his liberty and returned to his native state, and I ask as a personal favor to an old soldier that you pardon him. Yours respectfully,

(Signed): WM. P. HARDEMAN,
Late Brig. Gen. C. S. A.

The doctor wishes also to make an appeal to the stockmen of the state for such contributions as they may feel able or willing to make in helping a patriotic son of Texas. He has authorized the Texas Stock and Farm Journal to receive and forward these contributions to Capt. C. C. Beavans, commander Dick Dowling camp, Houston. Those who can do so more conveniently can send their contributions direct to Capt. Beavans.

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AMARILLO NEWS.

Texas Stock and Farm Journal:

The cattle trade here has been quite dull for some time until recently. Since writing the Journal last, L. T. Lester of Hale county, has sold 640 head of three-year old steers at $30 to $33, and during the reunion at Plainview, Mr. John T. Beal, manager of the St. Louis ranch, sold for that company to B. T. Ware about 1200 head of steers, twos and threes, at private figures.

The indications now are that all the salable cattle will be sold early at good figures. We attended the reunion at Plainview covering the 11th to 14th inst. The first two days were devoted to the reunion of ex-Confederates and the last two days to the reunion of the cowboys. It was a great affair; a great gathering of good people. There were 4000 to 5000 people on the grounds for four days and some estimated the crowd at 7000. There were, by actual count, on Friday 1400 vehicles, wagons, buggies, carts, etc. Notwithstanding this large crowd of Western people, there was not a fight nor any disorderly conduct, so that there was not an arrest made on the grounds. The sheriff and probably a deputy or two were on the grounds most of the time, but they made so little display of their authority that very few knew that they were officers. This is certainly very complimentary to the people of the plains. The people came from every part of the plains and breaks of the plains between the F. W. and D. C. and the T. and P. railways. Colorado City had several representatives. Speeches were made by Gen. Smyth, Judges Gough, Wilson, Browning and Beaty of the Panhandle, and Lieutenant Governor Jester of Corsicana. The lieutenant governor being the only state officer, or candidate for state office who had taken sufficient interest in the people of the Panhandle to come and see us, was cordially welcomed. Let me predict that he will carry off the votes of the Panhandle in the next state convention, when the people will show their appreciation of his visit in a substantial manner.

The interesting features of the last two days were the tournament ridings. Miss Gray of Fisher county, won easily in the riding by young ladies, but generously gave the prize—a fine side-saddle—to a young lady friend. In the riding by men there were nine or ten entries and three parties, W. P. Boyd, R. C. Hampton and W. A. Matkin, tied on the first run. On the second run Hampton dropped out, leaving a tie between the other two. For the next four or five runs the tie continued, until on the last run Matkin failed to make the time required and lost the prize, though he took the same number of rings that Mr. Boyd did. There was a good deal of interest displayed, which increased with each successive run.

Since I commenced writing I have learned that the St. Louis Cattle company has sold its yearling steers to J. C. Paul of the Panhandle, at $18.25 per head.

I will let you hear from me again pretty soon and will, perhaps, have more to say of what I saw and heard at the reunion.

E. G. PENDLETON.

Amarillo, Tex., Aug. 20, 1897.

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Texas & Pacific Railway.
BRICK DEPOT.

EAST BOUND.		WEST BOUND.	
No. 2 leaves	10:15 a m	No. 1 leaves	6:30 p m
" 4 "	6:30 p m	" 3 "	6:30 a m
" 6 "	8:05 a m	" 5 "	8:25 p m
" 8 arrives	9:26 a m	" 7 "	4:05 a m
" 10 "	11:50 a m	" 9 "	10:15 a m
" 12 "	8:50 p m	" 11 leaves	3:00 p m

East Dallas.
UNION DEPOT.

EAST BOUND.		WEST BOUND.	
No. 2 leaves	10:25 a m	No. 1 leaves	6:10 pm
" 4 "	6:55 p m	" 3 "	6:20 a m
" 6 "	8:15 a m	" 5 "	8:15 p m
" 8 arrives	9:30 a m	" 7 "	4:05a m
" 10 "	11:50 a m	" 9 "	10:55 a m
" 12 "	9:00 p m	" 11 "	2:50 p m

Houston & Texas Central Railway.

NORTH BOUND.	ARRIVE.	LEAVE.
No. 13 News train		4:30 a m
" 2	8:55 a m	9:15 a m
" 1	6:30 p m	6:35 p m
" 15 Denison	12:15 p m	12:30 p m
SOUTH BOUND.	ARRIVE	LEAVE
No 2	9:25 a. m	9:40 a. m
" 4	7:10 p. m	7:30 p. m
" 14	10:45 p. m	News Trn
" 16	8:45 p. m	8:55 p. m

Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway.

NORTH BOUND.	ARRIVE	LEAVE
No. 32	10:00 a.m.	10:15 a. m.
" 34	10:25 p. m.	10:35 p. m.
" 48 Henrietta Acc'n		12:10 p. m.
" 76 Denton Mixed		6:50 p. m.
" 88 Greenville Mixed		7:30 a. m
SOUTH BOUND.	ARRIVE	LEAVE
No. 33	6:35 a. m.	7:30 a. m.
No. 31	6:50 p. m.	7:10 p. m.
" 47 Henrietta Acc'n	3:55 p. m.	
" 75 Denton Mixed	9:55 a. m.	
" 75 Hillsboro Mixed		10:40 a. m.

Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe.

NORTH BOUND.	ARRIVE	LEAVE
No. 74	11:50 a. m.	2:15 p. m
" 72	9:20 p. m	
" 6	7:40 a. m.	7:50 a. m
SOUTH BOUND.	ARRIVE	LEAVE
No. 71		7:05 a. m
" 73	1:15 p. m.	4:00 p. m
" 5	8:35 p. m.	8:50 p. m

Texas Trunk.
Arrive.....6:00 p. m. Leave.....8:15 a. m

THE DALLAS MARKET.

The week in the live stock market was an ordinary one in point of receipts. The hog market was an unusually strong one, the rise during the week being 35 cents per hundred pounds. The advance was relatively higher than at outside packing centers and the demand so active that to supply it was next to an impossibility. Sheep and cattle receipts were about the same as for the past two months. It has been said by prominent swine raisers that hogs will go to $4.00 per hundred within the next month. During the last three years hogs were lower than they had been in fifty years; so low, in fact, that it did not pay to raise them even with cheap Texas corn. Corn can be raised in North Texas cheaper than most anywhere else in the country, and there is no place where hogs do better than here. The packeries here can use ten times as many hogs as they now get. It is not likely that hogs will go much lower than they now are, as the advance has merely restored old prices, which had obtained for twenty years prior to the remarkable decline.

Thomas & Searcy, proprietors of the Central Stock Yards, report the week's market scant in supply when measured by demand. It was very strong throughout for hogs of the packing house grades and the advance for the week was 25 cents per hundred pounds. The market closed strong for cattle and sheep and in some instances higher prices were paid than quotations:

Choice fat steers, $2.75@3.00; common to good steers, $2.00@2.50; choice fat cows, $2.25@2.60; fair to good cows, $1.75@2.20; common to fair cows, $1.00@1.70; choice fat heifers, $2.25@2.60; fair to good heifers, $2.00@2.20; common to fair heifers, $2.00@2.20; common to fair heifers, $1.25@1.85; choice milch cows and springers. $15.00@25.00; choice veal calves, light, $3.25@3.50; common to fair veal, $2.00@2.75; Bulls and stags, $1.00@2.00; steers 3 and 4 years old, per head, $20.00@27.50; steers 2 years old, per head, $11.00@17.50; steers 1 year old, per head, $8.50@12.50; cows 2 to 3 years old, per head, $10.50@15.00; heifers 1 year old, per head, $6.00@9.00; choice cornfed hogs weighing 175 to 350 pounds, carload lots, $3.46; choice cornfed hogs weighing 150 to 350 pounds, wagon load lots, $3.50; stock hogs, $2.00@3.25; choice fat mutton weighing 90 to 110 pounds, $2.50@3.00; choice fat mutton weighing 70 to 80 pounds, $2.00@2.50.

Some of Thomas & Searcy's representative sales are as follows:

F. E. Loughlin, 2 head cattle averaging 1040 pounds, at $2.55 per hundred; A. G. Pannil, cattle, 730 pounds, $1.40, 846 pounds, $2.40; E. J. Horn, 13 cattle, 802 pounds, $2.55, 1 cow, 1320 pounds, $2.75, 1 milch cow, $35.00; G. W. Peevey, 13 cattle, 702 pounds, $2.50, 1 cow, 910 pounds, $2.25; J. M. Gray, veal calves, 320 pounds, $3.00, 1 cows, 820 pounds, $2.35; F. L. Combs, 1 heifer, 572 pounds, $2.25; E. Y. Brown, 10 yearlings, at $9.00 per head, 3 yearlings, 310 pounds, $2.00, 2 bulls, 650 pounds, $1.75, 15 cattle, 41 pounds, $2.45, 1 calf, 310 pounds, $3.00, 1 yearling, 350 pounds, $2.25, 1 yearling, 460 pounds, $2.00, 4 yearlings, 360 pounds, $2.20; Wallace & Black, 2 cattle, 810 pounds, $2.20; E. H. Smith, cattle, 710 pounds, $1.75, 666 pounds, $2.25, 370 pounds, $2.00; E. A. Dean, cattle, 620 pounds, $2.30, 750 pounds, $2.45; Jno. Oakley, 2 heifers, 570 pounds, $2.40, 1 cow, 1030 pounds, $2.40; D. B. Holly, 1 cow, 620 pounds, $1.75, 30 yearlings, $335.00, 5 cows, $60.00.

H. C. Harding of Stanton, was here Saturday.

E. L. Perry of Comanche is sojourning in the city.

W. B. Kerby of Kaufman, was among the week's visitors.

Ed A. Jones, a prominent business man of Floyd, was a guest at the St. George Friday.

T. P. Duncan of McKinney, spent a few days in the metropolis of Texas this week.

L. M. Fouts of Mineral Wells, was in Dallas Monday.

Hon. J. Peter Smith of Fort Worth, was a visitor Sunday.

G. W. Peevey of Waxahachie, was in this week with his usual consignment of cattle.

Leon Halpin, the big San Angelo cattleman, is in the city, a guest at the Oriental.

E. H. Smith of Seagoville, was among the visiting stockmen this week.

E. A. Dean of Mesquite, was on the Central Stock Yards with cattle this week.

A. G. Pannil of Kaufman, was a visitor at the several stock yards this week.

T. B. Merritt of Lewisville, was on the Central Stock Yards Monday with two cars of hogs.

Wallace & Black of this city shipped two carloads of beef cattle from Denton to Kansas City Saturday night.

Arthur Cain, the well known Dallas horseman, left for Kentucky Sunday to attend the annual horse sales in that state.

J. A. Coggin of Brownwood, who has extensive cattle interests in that country is spending a few days in the city.

S. Mims, secretary of the Texas & Pacific Coal company at Thurber came over from Fort Worth and spent Sunday in Dallas.

Col. Thomas G. Hammond, city passenger and ticket agent of the M., K. and T. railway, returned this morning from a trip to North Texas.

Col. Pat O'Keefe of this city has a rooster which insists on setting and the colonel has put a lot of China eggs under him with a view of having the new rooster set himself to death.

Forrest White, a substantial citizen of Lancaster, was in Dallas Sunday. Mr. White says cotton in the southern part of this county is panning out better than was expected at first.

A. D. Anderson, one of Wichita Fall's substantial business men, was a visitor in Dallas for a few days this week. Mr. Anderson has some cattle interests in Wichita country and says they'll soon become "scarce as hen teeth."

W. W. Gilliland of Baird, was a sight-seer in Dallas this week. He says that Callahan county broke the record for crops this year, everything being unusually fine and prospects for a big business in all lines this fall very bright.

Col. A. J. Whitehead, travelling passenger agent of the Big Four route, is in the city. Col. Whitehead has recently returned from a trip to Buffalo, N. Y., and a tour of the North generally and reports better times everywhere.

E. Y. Brown, the Ennis stockman, was in the city Monday with a consignment of cattle. Mr. Brown is a regular patron of this market and is one of those wide-awake men who knows how to clinch a good bargin when he runs across one. He reports all lines of business flourishing in Ennis.

Col. S. E. Moss, the banker and cattleman of Cleburne, was in the city Saturday confering with other property owners in regards to the notice sent out by the water company that water would be shut off from elevators now being run in the tall buildings on Jan. 1st. Col. Moss as wel las the others, made a big kick and say they won't stand it.

Claud Wilmer of McKinney, was in the city with a load of choice cows and heifers Monday, which he sold for $2.50. He speaks well of Dallas as the future market center of Texas. He says cotton is very sorry in his vicinity and will not make more than one-third of a bale to the acre; corn is very good; the largest yield for several years.

Vice-President and General Manager Thorne and Assistant General Manager Everman of the Texas and Pacific railway, paid a brief visit to Marshall Friday. The Texas and Pacific railway is putting down new steel rails throughout its yards at that place. Freight business on the road is rapidly increasing and engineers and trainmen are getting in good time.

D. B. Holly, the jovial cattleman of Hanover, was in the city Saturday and paid his respects to the Journal force. Mr. Holly brought a load of cattle to this city which were sold by Thomas & Searcy at very satisfactory figures. Mr. Holly says Dallas is a city in the truest sense and is destined to become the leading city of the Southwest at no distant date.

Mr. G. W. Groves, a well known citizen of Amarillo, is in the city. He said to a reporter Monday: "My section of the state was never so prosperous as it is to-day. We raised an enormous crop of wheat and the price is away up. In fact, $1 wheat means millions for Texas. In addition the prevailing high price of cattle has added to the general prosperity of the Panhandle."

John Jackson of Memphis, one of the well known cattlemen of the Panhandle, is in Dallas buying up heifer yearlings. He believes as the Journal does, that she cattle will be more in demand than steers within a year, and is taking time by the forelock and is preparing for the boom that is sure to come. He said to a Journal scribe: "Cattle in Hall county are scarce and everything is held at such figures that buyers are looking elsewhere for feeder stuff. Within the next year the old-timers in the business will be reminded of the boom-times of the early '90's—the only difference will be in the longhorn of fifteen years ago and the improved shorthorn of to-day. Cotton in Hall county will make a very light yield this year, averaging one-third to one-half bale to the acre. Corn will average 30 bushels to the acre."

NEWS AND NOTES.

Reports from all over Harrison county are that the rust is materially damaging the cotton crop.

Malakoff: Cotton is just beginning to move. Farmers report that the crop is turning out worse than was expected before picking began.

Denton: Everything is in readiness at the fair grounds for the fall meeting, Sept. 15, 16, 17 and 18, and the probabilities point to the most successful affair of its kind ever held here. Thirty horses are here.

Charles W. Walters and a friend, while prospecting on Chambers creek, near Waxahachie, a few days ago, found a petrified aligator's head. The mass weighs thirty-one and a half pounds and is on exhibition at a saloon in that city.

A writer in the Ellis County Mirror claims that he lost a part of his orchard from borers which came with trees brought from the North. Fruit growers who send away for anything they can get at home, deserve not only to have their trees eaten up by borers, but themselves as well, and are not entitled to anybody's sympathy.

One man near Waxahachie raised 2700 bushels of wheat on 100 acres of land. The big yield this year will greatly increase the raising of wheat in these counties which have been nearly abandoned by that crop for the past few years. It pays to raise one's own supplies, even if the yield is small, rather than pay for them with cotton money.

Decatur: The Lillard Milling company's elevator burst last night and about 5000 bushels of wheat lay upon the ground. With an extra force of men by to-day at noon they had cleared the ground of the wheat and had it secure in another bin. The rods that held the bin together were too weak for the strain, and hence the accident.

Paris correspondent in Dallas News: Mr. G. W. Blakeney of Ladonia was in the city to-day. He states that while the cotton crop around his town will not yield as heavily as was thought it would turn out some weeks ago, on account of the very dry weather, he is nevertheless of the opinion that the yield will doubtless be at least one-half of a bale per acre, and that the staple will be very good.

Nobility: The cotton crop of 1897 is an unknown quantity. Anything like a correct estimate of the crop is entirealy out of reach. This is the most spotted cotton crop ever known in Texas. Never before has the rain fallen in spots like this season. Some places you will see a good piece of cotton and in one-half mile you find a field of the same kind of land and cultivation not half so good. In some instances one-half of a field will be good and the other half bad. The very best cotton is far short of many estimates at present, to take the crop to a finish it is very doubtful if it will be as good as last year.

Longview Times Clarion: J. R. Dean of Grand Saline was in our city last week in the interest of his celebrated combination plow. Mr. Dean's object is to establish a factory for manufacturing his plows at this point. He says this is the best distributing and most central point for that line of business, as it will enable him to work Texas, Louisiana and the Indian Territory. It is a plow that is endorsed by all farmers that have seen it, and does not come in competition with the celebrated Kelly plow. Mr. Dean says that they have a small plant at Grand Saline, but being anxious to increase the capital and to locate at a point where shipping facilities are good and establish a plant that can turn out at least 100 plows daily, is his reason for coming here. We are glad to know that such an enterprise is billed for our city and we predict for it a grand success.

CORRESPONDENCE.

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fer to their abstract and land business, a thing I have unintentionally failed to do in communications sent heretofore from this place.

The official records of Wise county have passed through two scathing fires, and appreciating the importance of having a correct transcript of the deeds to lands, city and town lots in Wise county, Will A. Miller set about the work of procuring it more than ten years ago, and after all these years of patient toil, Will A. Miller & Co. have in their office a correct abstract of title to every tract of land and town lot in the county. They also have a transcript of the district court records which show that they have been compared with the original records and certified to by the district clerk, and but for this transcript the records of the district court of the county would not "be in it," as they went up in smoke at the burning of the Decatur court house in January, 1895. The records of this concern are recognized by the people and the courts as being correct; indeed, quite as much so as if made so by act of the legislature. They have a nice two-story stone building on West Main street, and a splendid fire proof vault where these valuable records are kept, and after all these long years of patient, honest toil, success is coming their way, and their many friends rejoice with them.

The sides of the farmers' cribs and garners are sticking out with fatness, and the recent rains have put a splendid yield of cotton beyond the domain of reasonable doubt, and the soil in good fix for sowing wheat.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Waggoner are health hunting at White Sulphur Springs, Va. R. M. COLLINS.

Decatur, Tex., Aug. 29.

FROM OKLAHOMA.

Texas Stock and Farm Journal:

We have been having lots of rain lately and good feed crops of all kinds will be made, including prairie hay.

J. W. Jones sold his native yearling steers to G. C. Brown at $22 per head, no cut back. Wm. Baird sold his native stock cattle to W. R. Boyd of Canadian, Texas, at about $21 per head. M. B. Wright sold to R. C. Lowe and Geo. Shavalia 90 native cows and 50 calves at $25 for cows, calves not counted. He also sold to A. F. Lowe 20 heifer calves to be delivered Nov. 1st, at $12.50 per head. J. K. Hitch & Bro. sold to T. F. Murphy and C. R. Miller 30 native cows and calves at $30 to T. F. Murphy, and W. A. George 45 head native yearling heifers at $16.50 per head. J. C. DENISON.

Caples, O. T., Aug. 20, 1897.

AGREES IN TOTO.

Editor Texas Stock and Farm Journal:

I agree in toto with the Journal's editorial entitled, "The Journal and the Stockyards." I believe that every advertiser, individual or company, should be held strictly responsible for what he advertises, otherwise it would not be long before there would be no reliability whatever placed in an advertisement, and I think no reputable journal should admit as an ad. anything but what is reliable.

It rains only in spots in this county. Corn, what little there was planted, making an average crop; cotton a little below last year; cattle interests booming—a lot of nearly 300 four-year-old steers sold the other day for $27.50 per head. Few cattle are for sale in this country, and feeders are in demand. T. M. WALKER.

T. M. WALKER.

Gonzales, Tex., Aug. 23, 1897.

Contributed to the Journal:

DISAPPOINTMENT.

A link in the chain of pleasure, tarnished over with rust;
Only a hope dissolving, quickens into dust.
Only a fragment of darkness, couched in the dawning light;
Only a passing shadow crossing the path of life.

ROBERTSON.

Archer, Tex., Aug. 25, 1897.

A TEXAS HEALTH RESORT.

No. 4.

Staff Correspondence to the Journal:

Everything progressing here about the same as during the three weeks of my stay. Visitors coming and going, with quite a number of arrivals seeking recreation and change and not the cure of any ailment. The cures which have been effected solely by drinking of and bathing in these waters are so remarkable as to excite considerable doubt, were it not that they can all be substantiated by numbers of reliable disinterested parties. One can hear of them in any direction by a little inquiry. In last week's letter a few instances were given; we had hoped to cite several others herein but must postpone till next week, being unable to get around yet and obtain the necessary particulars. There need be no doubt however, in the minds of those in search of a watering place as to the efficacy of the waters of Mineral Wells. Summer and early fall are of course the main seasons, but the waters are equally efficacious all the year round. There is still a lack of first class hotels suitable for winter accommodation, although the town is much better supplied than formerly in that respect. The weather here is now cool enough to be extremely pleasant, and probably will be for the next month, and sufferers from any of the long list of troubles for which the waters are tried and proved specific, will find a sojourn here pleasant and beneficial. The following is a partial list of visitors here now; it is very incomplete, however, quite a large number being located at the numerous private boarding houses throughout the city and their names not readily obtainable: From Dallas—Mrs. J. S. Daugherty, Miss Estelle Daugherty, N. E. Fish, Mrs. Arch Knight, Miss Mary Chapman, C. B. Gillespie, Mr. Lucas, Mrs. L. R. Winthrop, Sam O. Smith, W. N. Norton, D. B. Frank, Mrs. M. Green, T. J. Masterson, J. Fain, D. D. Cohn, Mrs. L. Branch, R. T. Bryant and wife, J. G. Mars, P. H. Doyle, M. A. Darden, R. L. Rader, P. Silvester, H. McDouglas, J. D. McPherson, E. J. Russell, Miss Fannie Weber, S. M. Finley, Mrs. F. H. Finley, W. S. Simkins, Misses Elizabeth and Helen Simkins, Mrs. W. H. Crawford, the Misses Crawford, three, Evan Morgan, W. N. Norton, Mrs. W. A. Branch, Mrs. Owen, Mrs. Billie Owen.

Fort Worth—Mrs. O. B. Ambrose, Mrs. F. E. Coppage, Mrs. S. M. Winfrey, M. A. Chambers, Dan Campbell, S. R. Ely, W. W. Miller, A. S. Reed, J. A. Hade, G. W. Armstrong, M. A. Spoonts, Mrs. P. Stromsted, Mrs. L. R. Winthrop, Mrs. D. Bertram, J. S. Coe, Miss Hattie Peacock, Mrs V. D. Fox, Mrs. V. Mitchell, Miss Agnes Dryden, Mrs. N. Halstron, Sid Thrash, Mrs. Mayfield, Mrs. Henry Field, Mrs. J. W. Swayne, Miss Ida Swayne, Mrs. Brooks, M. H. Berge, G. Holmstrong, A. J. Booty.

Weatherford—Mrs. W. G. Kendal, Mrs. Fannie Ferguson, J. D. Baker, W. C. McFall, Mrs. I. W. Stephens, H. L. Kniffin, wife and children, R. H. Felton, J. H. Maxey, Mrs. Dan Hartnett, Mrs. J. T. Harcourt, W. A. Chew, Fain Lowry, J. A. Temple, L. T. Davis, Miss Burke, C. H. Cahoon.

Cleburne—Mrs. and Misses Pittman, J. B. Warwick, S. M. Robinson, W. T. Broom and wife, Mrs. W. T. Brewer, H. C. Harrington, Mrs. Moss.

Hillsboro—H. M. Horton. Thorp Springs—Randolph Clark. Rice—Mrs. S. B. Collins. Van Alstyne—Jno. W. Birdwell. Hempstead—Jack Bryan. Mesquite—John Lopesky. Greenville—Capt. Nichols. Rosebud—C. E. Noble. McKinney—Geo. S. Morriss, W. W. Martin. Galveston—J. Clarde. Sherman—Geo. L. McKinstry, Miss Una Owen, O. A. Carr. Aubrey—Coon Henderson. Mount Calm—S. R. Coker. Austin—J. C. McQuerry. Morrilton, Ark.—Mrs. C. F. Gibson. Palmer—W. L. Hancock. St. Joe—J. F. Craig. Whitesboro—J. A. Crane. Burneyville, I. T.—T. M. Coleville. Graham—J. E. Simpson, Mrs. S. B. Street, Master T. Street, Miss Belle Lee Graham, M. K. Graham. New Boston—Mrs. and Miss Bell. Texarkana—A. L. Burke, Mrs. Wm. Hargett. St. Joe—J. F. Craig. Hillsboro—H. M. Horton. Belton—S. B. Goodman. Midland—Mrs. M. J. Riggs. Ballinger—R. A. Smith. Tayler—Mrs. T. B. Harrell. Orrn—Geo. M. Lasater. Honey Grove—Mr. and Mrs. Kirby. Oak Cliff—M. A. Posten. St. Louis—J. A. Lomax, T. H. Brooch, R. S. Moffett. Denver—M. Lilles, Sam Wright. Chicago—T. H. Kelley. Indianapolis—A. F. Boyd. Baltimore—S. Oberdorfer. Louisville—J. M. White. Nashville—P. R. Burns. New Orleans—J. B. Collier. Buffalo—J. D. McPherson. Boston—C. Cockrill.

P. W. HUNT.

Mineral Wells, Tex., Aug. 30, 1897.

FROM IATAN.

Texas Stock and Farm Journal:

I saw an article in the Journal of August 11th regarding the DeVitt & Scharbauer cattle that were shipped in here last January from Louisiana and how they came out in the spring. The Journal must have been most correctly informed on the subject and I can say for myself that 3000 of them were in my pasture until the 24th of May, which I now offer for sale.

J. H. OTTEN.

Iatan, Tex., Aug. 20, 1897.

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A Child's Recovery

FROM PARALYSIS AND SIX YEARS OF CONVULSIONS.

Little Fannie Adams, of Umatilla, Cured of a Dreadful Malady—A Cure of Unusual Interest—A Reporter Investigates.

From the Lake Region, Eustis, Fla.

For some time past the Lake Region has been receiving reports from Umatilla, Fla., of an almost miraculous cure that had been effected in the case of Fannie Adams, a daughter of A. J. Adams, of that place, and last Saturday a representative of this paper made a trip to Umatilla for the purpose of determining the authenticity of the same.

The family live a short distance from the village, where it was found that the people were cognizant of the cure which had been effected, and were rejoicing with the family in their new found happiness. The father, A. J. Adams, is a hard-working honest farmer from East Tennessee, and the family came to Florida four years ago in the hope that a change of climate would be of benefit to their afflicted child. Much of their earnings have gone for doctors' bills, whose services proved unavailing. The representative was greeted by Mrs. Adams, from whom he gained the story of her great trial.

Fannie, the youngest child, was born in east Tennessee, and was seven years old on the third day of February, 1897. When ten months old she was stricken with paralysis, which affected the entire left side. This stroke of paralysis was followed by convulsions, and from the time little Fannie was ten months old until February, 1897, there was not a single day or a night that she did not have spasms of the most distressing nature. Not a single convulsion, but always three or four, and sometimes as high as ten in one day.

The family was all broken down with care, and Mrs. Adams states that for one year she did not go into her kitchen to superintend her household work. All the fingers of the right hand of the little girl are enlarged and misshapen, caused by her biting them during the fearful suffering. The case baffled the skill of the best physicians, and they were frank to say that they could not determine the cause, or prescribe a remedy to aid the afflicted child.

But what a change now in that household; for little Fannie has recently been released from her six years of agony, which brings the light of happiness to the faces of the parents.

In January, this year, Mrs. Adams, who had purchased some of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People for her fourteen year old daughter, determined to try their effect upon little Fannie. After three or four doses, she noted an improvement and she then told the father what she had done. He at once went to the village and bought another box, and up to this time six boxes have been used. The first pills, Mrs. Adams states, were given in January, the latter part, and certainly not earlier than the fifteenth or twentieth, and the child had her last convulsion on February 3rd, nearly three months ago. Her general condition has improved in every way, and it was not a month after the first pills were taken when she began to walk without assistance.

The pills were bought at the drug store of Dr. Shelton in Umatilla. In answer to the question, did he, to his personal knowledge, know that the remedy had benefitted Fannie Adams, as was stated by her parents, the doctor said that he was a regular practicing physician, and as such was loth to recommend any proprietary medicine, but still he was ready to do justice to all men, and he did know that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People had benefitted Fannie Adams, and also volunteered the information that he knew of other children in the village who had been benefitted by ther use.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are sold by all dealers, or will be sent post paid on receipt of price, 50 cents a box or six boxes for $2.50 (they are never sold in bulk or by the 100), by addressing Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

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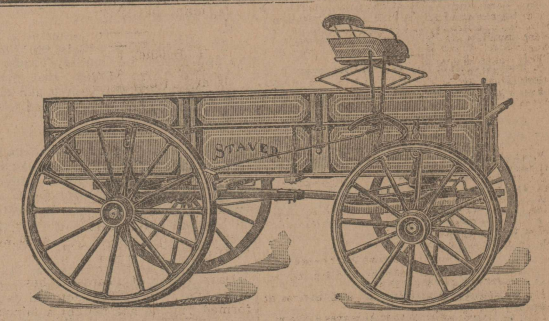
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FORT WORTH TIME TABLE.

Chicago, Rock Island & Texas Railway.
"ROCK ISLAND ROUTE."

DEPART	ARRIVE
9:40 a m, Sunday excepted, Mo Riv Local	6:00 p m
3:10 p. m., Kan. City, Chicago, Denver, Col. Springs and Pueblo Fast Express	7:35 a. m

Leaving Time 17th and Pecan Sts. Depot 5 minutes later. Arriving 5 minutes earlier.

Fort Worth & Rio Grande Railway.

DEPART	ARRIVE
12:10 a. m.....Mail and Express....	2:45 p. m.

Fort Worth & Denver City Railway.

DEPART	ARRIVE
Denver, Colorado Springs and	
10:10 a m...Pueblo Mail and Express...	5:00 p m

Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway.

DEPART SOUTH	ARR. FROM NORTH
15 a. m Kan City & Chicago Ex.& Mail	9.40 p.m
20 p. m. Kan City & Chicago Fast Ex...	8.05 a m
DEPART SOUTH	**ARR. FROM SOUTH**
10 a. m. Houston & Gal'ston Mail & Ex	S 10 p m
45 p. m. Houston & Gal'ston Mail & Ex	7.05 a. m

Houston & Texas Central Railway.

DEPART	ARRIVE
8.20 a.m. H'st'n & Gal'ston Mail & Ex..	7.45 p.m
6.10 p.m. H'st'n & Gal'ston Mail & Ex..	9 10 a.m

Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway.

DEPART NORTH	ARR. FROM NORTH
9:50 a.m. K. C St. L. & Chicago M'l & Ex.	6:40 p.m
10:15 p. m. K C St L & Chicago Fast Ex.	6:40 a.m
DEPART SOUTH.	**ARR. FROM SOUTH**
7:35 a m. Houston & Galv'st'n M'l & Ex, Houston, Galveston & San	9:55 p.m
7:35 p. m. Antonio Mail and Express	9:25 a. m.

St. Louis Southwestern Railway.

DEPART	ARRIVE
9:45 a. m. Memphis & St. Louis Mail & Ex	6:15 p. m
9:00 p. m. Memphis & St. Louis Mail & Ex	6:10 a. m

Texas & Pacific Railway.

DEPART EAST	MAIN LINE VIA MARSHALL.	ARR. FROM EAST
7:05 a. m.	St. Louis Cannon Ball	9:25 p. m
9:00 a. m.	St. Louis Mail & Express	7:40 p. m.
5:20 p. m.	St. Louis & Memphis Fast Ex.	8.00 a.m
	Dallas News Train	5:05 a m
8:10 a. m.	Dallas Local	11:35 a. m.
10:35 a.m.	Dallas & Weatherf'd Local.	4:15 p. m.
7:30 p m.	Dallas Local	

DEPART WEST	MAIN LINE WEST	ARR. FROM WEST
4:30 p. m.	Weatherford Local	10:15 a. m.
5:40 a. m.	El Paso & California Mail & Ex	3:50 p. m

TRANSCONTINENTAL DIVISION VIA SHERMAN.

DEPART	ARRIVE
9:30 a. m. Texark'a & St. Louis Mail & Ex	6:30 p. m

FORT WORTH MARKET.

Our market continues strong on good butcher cattle, with receipts far below the demand. We have not been able to supply the trade and would advise our customers to ship the fat stuff while receipts are light and local prices correspondingly high. We look for prices to hold up, as prospects are for continued light receipts. Our local hog market continues to advance and prices are fully 25c higher than a week ago. We have a number of customers for feeding steers and find quick sales for all that are listed with us. We quote our local market: Fat steers, $2.25@3.25; feeding steers, $2.50@3.00; fat cows, $2.25@2.45; medium cows, $2.00@2.25; canners and bulls, $1.50@2.00; fat hogs, $3.65@3.85.

Some of our last week's sales: 65 hogs, averaging 200 pounds, $3.65; 88 hogs, 190, $3.60; 89 hogs, 165, $3.62½; 59 hogs, 176, $3.60; 147 hogs, 179, $3.60; 60 hogs, 195, $3.65; 88 hogs, 140, $3.52½; 85 hogs, 210, $3.65; 6 cows, 770, $2.25; 7 cows, 820, $2.30; 9 bulls, 860, $1.90; 19 cows, 820, $2.35; 14 steers, 833, $2.75; 2 cows, 685, $2.15; 1 steer, 750, $2.75; 10 canners, 710, $1.80; 27 cows, 910, $2.40; 7 cows, 720, $2.00; 6 cows, 880, $2.40; 9 cows, 810, $2.30; 6 cows, 720, $2.20; 4 cows, 610, $2.20; 5 bulls, 906, $1.65; 31 cows, 704, $2.25; 4 cows, 810, $2.00; 12 cows, 840, $2.45; 11 canners, 680, $1.65; 16 cows, 810, $2.35; 4 cows 780, $2.25; 9 steers, 867, $2.80; 3 steers, 840, $2.90; 105 East Texas yearlings, $9.00. Yours truly.

FORT WORTH LIVE STOCK COMMISSION COMPANY.

Henry Sales of Abilene, was in Fort Worth Wednesday.

G. C. Igo, the well known cattleman of Lubbock county, was registered at the Worth Friday.

Volney Hall, claim agent of the Texas and Pacific Railway company, was in Fort Worth last week.

Lee Young of Stephenville, a leading attorney of that Judicial district, was at the Worth Wednesday.

Hon. S. W. T. Lanham of Weatherford, congressman from this district, was in Fort Worth Saturday.

Col. James A. Wilson, live stock agent of the Chicago and Alton railroad, left for St. Louis Saturday.

W. D. Johnson of this city, returned from his Pecos ranch last week and is spending a few days with his family in Fort Worth.

David L. Knox, cashier of the First National bank of Jacksboro, and also a prominent cattle dealer, was in Fort Worth Sunday.

Jas. Chittem has bought recently about 4000 fours and 2000 ones and twos, but only he and the parties he bought from know what he paid.

Walter W. Daly, who represents the Evans-Snider-Buell Co., came up from Southern Texas a few days ago and left Thursday for the Indian Territory.

Sam H. Cowan, one of the attorneys of the Cattle Raisers' association, returned Monday night from a business trip to the western part of the state.

J. M. Daugherty of Abilene, on his way to the Territory, remained Thursday in Fort Worth. He says the Abilene country has a smile on its face because of good times.

N. L. Bartholomew, banker at Albany, Texas, passed through Fort Worth Saturday on his way home. In company with his wife, he has been visiting his old home in the East.

Col. W. L. Tamblyn of Chicago, senior member of the live stock commission firm of Tamblyn & Tamblyn, is visiting the cotton seed oil mill at Alvarado, in which he is a large shareholder.

Hernando Cortez Babb, a prominent sheepman of Decatur, who some times also deals in cattle, was circulating among the visiting stockmen on Saturday.

J. C. Loving, secretary of the Cattle Raisers' association, was suffering the past week from an attack of malaria. He is, however, able to be up as the Journal goes to press.

J. D. Ventioner, a well to do stockman and farmer of Cundiff, Texas, in a letter to Texas Stock and Farm Journal, says: "I like your paper very much. Think it is the best stock journal in the state.

John B. Slaughter, the well known ranchman of this city, has let the contract for the erection of his residence, which it is understood will be, when completed, one of the best appointed and handsomest in this part of the state.

J. N. Farris of the Goodnight High Grade Cattle company of Armstrong county, was in Fort Worth Wednesday. Mr. Farris reports the range in splendid condition and says that cattle never looked better at this season of the year than at present.

T. S. Foster, a prominent stockman of Nolan county, was in Fort Worth Friday en route to Austin. Mr. Foster says the country was never in better condition than at this time, and that the people of Nolan and adjoining counties are correspondingly happy.

Geo. Beggs, the Fort Worth representative of Greer, Mills & Co., the Chicago live stock commission merchants, reports 20,000 cattle in Chicago on Monday, and 9000 in Kansas City. Says a train shipment of the Waggoner cattle, weighing 1100 pounds average, sold in Chicago on Monday at $3.50, showing a decline in that market of from 10 to 15 cents.

D. B. Gardner, manager of the Pitchfork Cattle company of King county, who makes his home at Fort Worth and is also a member of the executive committee of the Cattle Raisers' association, was in attendance on the committee meeting here Monday. Mr. Gardner says everything is in good shape on his ranch and the country generally in prosperous condition.

A. B. Robertson of Colorado City, a member of the executive committee of the Cattle Raisers' association, was in Fort Worth Monday. Mr. Robertson speaks in glowing terms of the condition of the range and the live stock interests generally in the country round about Colorado City. Says but little trading is being done simply because there are no cattle for sale.

C. O. Edwards, a prominent stockman of this county, and also principal owner of the Tahoka Cattle Co., whose ranch is in Lynn county, was in the city Saturday. Mr. Edwards reports the recent sale of a lot of two and three-year-old steers at $25 per head for the two-year-olds and $30 per head for the three-year-olds. They were of course, well bred and an extra good lot.

Geo. B. Loving & Co., the cattle commission merchants of this city, closed the sale on Thursday of 2000 three and four-year-old steers for J. H. Ryburn of Irion county, at $28.25 per head. The cattle were bought by Marion Sansom of Alvarado and will be put on feed at the Alvarado mill. This is a choice lot of steers; a bunch that it would be hard to duplicate at this time, in numbers or quality.

J. S. Collier, a prosperous farmer of the Clear Fork valley in Tarrant county, was a visitor in town Thursday. Mr. Collier says while they have had rain all around him during the last two weeks, he has had none to speak of and that there has not been enough rain at his place since the first of June to wet the ground, as a consequence the cotton in that vicinity is very poor, the corn is fair, probably a little over half a crop; wheat, of course, was fine.

Col. R. H. Overall of Coleman county, was in Fort Worth a few days ago on his way home from Missouri. He reports a flourishing condition of affairs in that state and that there is a strong tendency towards Texas among a class of men who have abundant capital to come here and put themselves in a good position for developing fully the properties in which they may invest. These men see the advantage of locating in Texas now, before land values advance materially.

S. B. Burnett of this city, left for Chicago Saturday night. Mr. Burnett is rejoicing over the fact that a shipment of the 6666 cattle sold in the Chicago market last week for $4.20 per hundred; the biggest price that has this year been paid for grass Texas cattle. Mr. Burnett has several thousand fine steers yet on his range of which he claims one thousand are as good as those sold in Chicago last week and for which he has recently refused $35 per head for feeders.

J. L. Johnson of Pecos City, formerly a member of the well known ranching firm of Johnson Bros., was in Fort Worth Thursday. Mr. Johnson has recently sold his interest in the firm of Johnson Bros., to his brothers, W. D. and Woody Johnson, and is now in the market for a herd of well bred cattle with which to start another ranch. Mr. Johnson will probably, at an early date, remove his family from Pecos to Fort Worth and make his future home in this city.

C. B. Willingham of Roswell, New Mexico, manager of the Jingle Bob herd, was in the city Monday attending the meeting of the executive committee of the Cattle Raisers' association, of which he is a member. Mr. Willingham states that the upper Pecos country has had an unusually favorable season and that consequently the range is good and cattle fat. Says there are but few cattle for sale in northeastern New Mexico and to use his own expression, "The few that are offered are higher than a cat's back."

Robert Bailey of Dublin, passed through Fort Worth Wednesday with some pure-bred Hereford bulls which he had just purchased from B. C. Rhome of Rhome, Texas. Mr. Bailey has a small high-grade Durham herd at home, and it is his intention to put the pure-bred Herefords with these cattle. He claims that the Herefords crossed on the Durham makes the best cross possible for beef. His preference, however, for a straight breed is the Shorthorn.

Winfield Scott returned last week from a trip through the San Angelo country, where he closed a deal with J. M. Shannon of Crockett county, for 3200 two, three and four-year-old steers. For the threes and fours he paid $25, delivery to be made Nov. 15; for the twos $21, delivery to be made next February. It is Mr. Scott's intention to feed the threes and fours at Brownwood and ship the two-year-olds early next spring to his pastures in the Indian Territory. Mr. Scott has recently made several other purchases aggregating altogether between seven and eight thousand head.

Marion Sansom, banker and manager of the cotton oil seed mill at Alvarado, was in Fort Worth Thursday, returning from an extended trip through the San Angelo country. He reports having purchased one thousand head of one and two-year-old steers from Thomson Bros. of Ballinger, for which he paid $21.75 per head. He also bought the three and four-year-old steers in the half circle six herd in Irion county, numbering about two thousand head for which he paid $28.25 per head. These cattle will all be fed at the Alvarado mill.

R. K. Wylie of Runnels county, was in Fort Worth Saturday returning from a summer trip to Colorado. He has been receiving regular reports from his Runnels county ranch and says everything is in fine condition. For about fifteen years he has been improving his grade of cattle, but during the last few years has been making a specialty of raising thoroughbreds and will have next spring about 500 head of bull calves as fine as can be found anywhere. There will be from 500 head of selected full blood Shorthorn cows and 500 head cows out of thoroughbred Shorthorn and Hereford crosses, bred to Shorthorn bulls. His bulls used in this breeding are the best that could be bought in Missouri.

E. B. Harrold of this city, is receiving the congratulations of his friends on the splendid sales that are now being almost daily made on the ten thousand steers recently purchased by Mr. Harrold from D. Waggoner & Son. These cattle are bringing from 3.90 to 4 cents and weigh in the market from 1050 to 1075 pounds, average. It is claimed that the fattest and best of these cattle have not yet been shipped. If the market should hold as good at it is at the present time, it is believed that the ten thousand head will make a net profit of $50,000. It is understood that Jot J. Smith of Grandview, will superintend the shipment of these cattle and that he has one-fourth interest in the profits, the other three-fourths being owned jointly by E. B. Harrold and Winfield Scott.

Among the recent acquisitions to Fort Worth's business institutions, is the National Livestock Commission Co., recently organized and now doing business at the Fort Worth Stock Yards. This company is composed of some of Tarrant county's oldest, best known and most responsible citizens, who have been for years identified with the live stock industry of Texas. These gentlemen have associated with them a corps of efficient stock yards people who thoroughly understand the yard business. With this combination the National Livestock Commission company offers to its friends and the public generally unexcelled facilities for the handling of live stock. The Journal bespeaks for the "National" a fair share of the patronage of the Fort Worth market. See their ad on first page in this issue.

DUROC-JERSEY SWINE.

The cut on first page represents Tecumseh Chief, number 1437, N. D. J., owned by J. M. Stonebraker, Panola, Ill. This grand boar heads Mr. Stonebraker's Duroc-Jersey herd. Tecumseh Chief took first in class, first in herd and first in sweepstakes at El Paso, Ill., state fair in 1896, over two strong competitors in the show ring Tecumseh Chief has other victories to his credit and, to use Mr. Stonebraker's language, "was never defeated honestly in the show ring since a pig." Mr. Stonebraker believes the Duroc-Jersey to be "king of swine" and, as a natural consequence, pays his attention to this breed alone. He is one of the oldest and most reliable breeders of the North and thoroughly understands his business. Journal readers who are interested in the Duroc-Jersey should correspond with him. See Mr. Stonebraker's ad in Breeders' Directory this week.

William Powell, the veteran Hereford breeder, formerly of Illinois but latterly associated with Captain B. C. Rhome of Rhome, Texas, and now of Channing, was in Fort Worth Monday. Mr. Powell has a herd of about 500 all registered Herefords located near the town of Channing, on the Fort Worth and Denver railway. This is perhaps the largest registered Hereford herd in Texas. Mr. Powell finds ready sale for all of his bull calves at $100 per head; in fact, they are considered cheap enough at that price. The remarkable part of this is that, with the exception of the original investment, it costs Mr. Powell no more to raise one of his hundred dollar calves than it does the breeder of scrubs to raise a ten dollar calf. After having refused an offer of one hundred dollars for one of his bull calves Captain Powell can now smile as pleasantly as the Panhandle farmer who has just sold his wheat at one dollar per bushel.

A. F. McFaddin of Victoria, Texas, was in Fort Worth Monday, attending the regular quarterly meeting of the executive committee of the Cattle Raisers' association, of which Mr. McFaddin is a member. Mr. McFaddin says that the rains in the country round about Victoria have been in spots and that they have not recently had any general rains. He says, however, that the corn and cotton crops are fairly good, grass excellent and cattle in good flesh. He says that but few cattle are being offered for sale and that those offered find ready buyers at prices much better than those heretofore paid. Says that he and quite a number of other stockmen have already sold their year's crop of steer calves at $12 per head for spring delivery. Mr McFaddin also states that there are very few cattle suitable for feeding purposes in his part of the state and that the few left are held at unusually high prices.

J. T. McKee, Ozona, Crockett county, passed through Fort Worth on his way home Tuesday. Mr. McKee has been absent from Crockett a couple of months, but says he is in receipt of reports from home to the effect that everything is in good shape, range good and cattle fat. Mr. McKee handles both sheep and cattle and upon being asked the question which, in his opinion, had paid the better for the last ten years, sheep or cattle? he promptly answered that the difference was in favor of the sheep. He says that Crockett is an ideal sheep country, the winters never being severe and protection good. The losses from storms are nominal; says he has been in the country since '89 and has never had any heavy losses in sheep. In speaking of the range, Mr. McKee says it is exceedingly fine, as it has not been fully stocked for several years, and that at present, in view of the improved outlook for sheep, that new men are now coming in and buying sheep and looking for ranges, and that in a short time the country will be stocked up again. Mr. McKee thinks that sheepmen who understand their business and are fixed for handling their flocks will make money during the next few years.

L. W. Krake, general agent for the St. Louis National Stock Yard, with headquarters at Fort Worth, returned Monday from a ten days' trip through the Indian Territory and Kansas. He reports business very lively in his line. Mr. Krake says that the receipts in the quarantine division in the St. Louis Stock Yards last week were 504 cars of cattle all of which found ready sale at very satisfactory prices to the shippers, steers in the quarantine division selling all the way from $2.90 to $4.50, the bulk of the sales being from $3.40 to $3.90. The extremes for cows and heifers were from $2.40 to $3.50, the bulk of sales of this class being from $2.75 to $3.15. Mr. Krake also says that the condition of the cattle now being marketed from the Indian Territory was never better than at present. The grass in most of the pastures is exceptionally good and as a natural result the cattle are fat and the cattlemen correspondingly happy. He also states that quite a number of cattle have recently been bought up for feeders. This has opened up an additional market which has enabled quite a number of Texas cattlemen holding cattle in the Indian Territory to close out their holdings and return home. Mr. Krake looks for heavy runs the present week and in fact all the month of September, but does not expect much, if any decline in prices. He thinks that the prospects of the cattlemen are equally as good as those of the farmers, which, with wheat in the neighborhood of a dollar a bushel, is certainly very encouraging.

A. G. Boyce, manager of the Capital Syndicate, and one of the vice presidents of the Cattle Raisers' association of Texas, was in the city Monday attending the regular quarterly meeting of the executive committee of the Cattle Raisers' association. Mr. Boyce reports splendid rains through his section of the Panhandle country; says the range is in excellent condition and cattle fatter than he ever saw them before. Mr. Boyce is manager of perhaps the biggest herd and the biggest cattle ranch in the United States, if not in the world. His company owns three million acres of land, all enclosed. They will brand this year thirty-one thousand calves. Mr. Boyce has recently sold out of one of his company's pastures, a second cut of 500 steer calves at $20 per head. These calves were bought by a Mr. Sotham of Chillicothe, Missouri, who will ship the calves to Missouri and put them on feed. The Capital Syndicate have improved their entire herd more or less and have several pastures of full blooded and registered cattle. They breed principally Herefords, but have a large number of Shorthorns; also some six or seven hundred head of full blooded black muleys. Mr. Boyce has great faith in the future of the cattle business but thinks prices are now high enough. Says one of his neighbors, the Reynolds Land and Cattle company, owned three-year-old steers, at $22 for the yearlings, $30 for the twos, and $35 for the threes. These will be delivered by A. E. and C. F. Reynolds of Denver, recently sold their one, two and in the fall and go to Northern feed lots.

Marsh Parker, the general traveling agent for the Chicago Live Stock Commission Co., who, in the conduct of his business makes periodical visits through the entire range country from the southern boundary of Canada on the north to the Gulf of Mexico on the south with headquarters at Fort Worth, has just returned from a trip through the western part of Texas. Mr. Parker gives a glowing description of the country, the condition of the range and crops and in fact, of the agricultural and live stock business generally. Mr. Parker thinks that present prices will be maintained with a probable advance through this part of the range country for stockers and feeders after the quarantine has been raised. He says, however, that with the abundance of cheap feed all over the country and the unusually large number of cattle that will be put on feed this fall and winter, it is possible that there may be an over marketing next spring and consequently a break in the market. In fact, Mr. Parker thinks it will be almost a miracle if the unprecedented number of cattle that will be soon on feed does not cause a marked decline in the market later on. He says, however, that the wave of prosperity that is now spreading over the United States may cause an increased consumption and thus prevent any decline in prices. Mr. Parker has recent advices from parties in Iowa stating that a part of the McCoy cattle (better known as the bar S herd) that were bought by Mr. Parker and his associates last March and were shipped in April, a part of them going to Iowa, have recently been affected with what is pronounced by the Iowa state veterinarian to be Texas fever. It is rather remarkable that these cattle should have Texas fever at all. They were, however, Mr. Parker says, exposed by crossing the trail of the "Stribling herd" while en route from the ranch to the shipping pens at Colorado City. They were, after being held three or four days, permitted by the quarantine officials to proceed. The most remarkable part of the story however, is that it was three months after the cattle were exposed before they showed any signs of fever; the general impression being that the disease will make its appearance, if at all, within thirty days after the cattle are exposed. A press telegram from Red Oak, Iowa, which is in the locality where the Bar S cattle were placed, dated August 22, says: "As a result of further investigation by the state veterinarian twenty herds of cattle have been placed in quarantine for Texas fever. The Sun prints a letter from the Rosenbaum commission firm of Chicago, a valuable extract from which says: 'If there is any fever when you receive this, advise everybody to turn their cattle right into green corn, the greener the better, which will give them a good physic and stop the fever from spreading and will cure those which have it provided they are not too far gone. All they need is a good strong physic.'"

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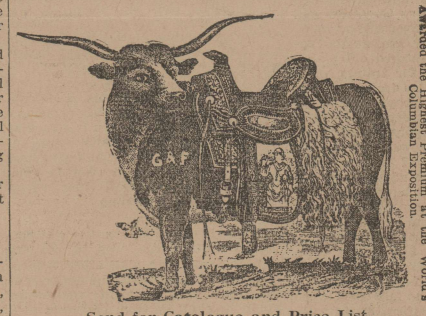
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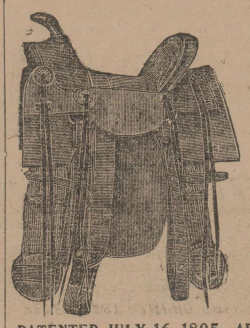
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