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It is safe to say that there are ten farmers' meetings now where there were one ten years ago. These meetings include the regular sessions of organized societies, such as Granges, Alliances, etc., together with farmers' institutes, breeders' and producers' conventions and similar gatherings. The more meetings of this kind there are held the better the attendance seems to be, and the greater the number of those participating in the proceedings. It can be set down as one of the best symptoms of the times that on account of these meetings the agricultural classes are being able to make their influence felt. There is always wisdom in counsel. The oftener farmers meet for exchanging views the better, if their motives are right and their actions are directed with wisdom.

As the country grows older much of the soil around the houses becomes saturated with the drainage and slops from the house, so that it no longer acts as a perfect filter. The soil then becomes the breeding place of bacteria, and these are conveyed to wells, occasioning diseases more deadly than the fever and ague of new settlements. Wherever putrid sewer throat is known to exist, look for its cause in some contaminated well whose water furnishes the drinking supply of the afflicted family. Remove the cause and the danger will disappear. If a filter cannot be procured, the water may be purified by being boiled. It is not an accidental circumstance that the Asiatic nations, which have longest used boiled water to make tea and coffee decoctions, number more than any other quarter of the globe.

Professor Tanner says that however desirable it may be to a farmer to buy or rent land which is in good condition, his only advantage therefrom is to keep that fertilizing matter in active circulation. At one time he borrows from the soil; at another time he repays the loan with interest; but he ought to be able, in doing so, to leave for himself some profitable advantage by the transaction. He wants to keep up a series of these loans and repayments; but for his own sake he should be careful to let repayment always follow a loan, when he will keep the land in a satisfactory condition for making more profit on the exchange. Let farm-yard manure be regarded as a part repayment to the soil of what the growing crops have drawn from it, and this will go far to confirm the importance now attached to farm-yard manure by men of lengthened experience. Do not neglect the proper care and extended production of this manure simply because artificial manures can be easily obtained, is neither fair to the land nor for the advantage of the occupier.

To those living and making homes on the wind-swept prairies there should be, says an Iowa horticulturist, no doubt whatever as to the value of wind-breaks and shelter-belts. Men and beast instinctively seek the shelter of the groves from the hot sun of summer and the fierce blasts of winter. When traveling over the country no one can fail to observe the almost total lack of interest among farmers in the planting

of trees for ornament or shelter belts, thereby rendering their homes more attractive, enhancing the beauty of the landscape and bringing comfort to their families and to their livestock. On this subject our farmers need waking up; they need something that will make them feel the necessity of a good wind-break. During the winter is the time to plan to plant trees that may grow up during our lives, and be objects of beauty and value to us and our children after us, and at the same time add money value to our property and give comfort, joy and satisfaction to our sojourn on earth. There is scarcely a limit to the moral and material benefits to be derived from planting trees about the home for shade in summer or shelter in winter, and beauty and comfort at all times.

National Stockman and Farmer: Many theories are presented for improving the condition of the American farmer, but it is safe to say that none would go farther toward advancing general farming interests than the division of arable sections into smaller farms. That many large land owners are "land poor" is not to be denied. No one knows this better than those who are in this condition, and yet they cling to their landed possessions like grim death. Many men would make more money if they owned and managed but half as much land as they are trying to farm, while the other half would make some other farmer prosperous and happy. Improvements under such conditions would enhance the value of the rural real estate, lighten or even up the burden of taxation and make times better in many ways. The most prosperous and happy people are always found in sections where small holdings are the rule. Such a state of affairs would be more in line with the general plan of the Divine Ruler of the universe, for it certainly was intended that each man should enjoy the fruits of his labor under his own vine and fig tree. He who finds himself in possession of more of this mundane sphere than he can bring to the highest state of cultivation makes a mistake if he does not dispose of a part of it to his neighbor at a fair price. In this way encouragement would be given to those who would otherwise hope to be nothing more than tenants all their lives, affording an opportunity to save their earnings and by so doing secure permanent homes.

The government crop report issued recently says: "The wheat crop is slightly above an average one in yield, and in volume has only been exceeded in 1891, 1884 and 1882, though the crop of 1889 and 1880 nearly equaled it. The area as estimated is 38,554,430 acres; product, 515,949,000 bushels; value, \$322,111,881. In the revision of acreage the principal changes are made in some states in which the decline of the past twelve years has been heavier than had been reported. There has also been a considerable enlargement of breadth the past year in several Western states. The rate of yield is 13.4 bushels per acre. The average value per bushel, 62.4 cents, is the lowest average value ever reported, that of 1884 being 64.5 cents, and that of 1887 being 68.1 cents. The average of the crop of 1991 was 83.9 cents. The weight of measured bushels will be determined later, but it is probable that the acreage above will

be equivalent to nearly 500,000,000 commercial bushels. Its area is considerably reduced, the reduction being very heavy in corn producing regions, though offset in part by increase in the Atlantic states and throughout the entire cotton belt. In the valley of the Ohio and Missouri planting was retarded and limited greatly by heavy rains which prevented plowing. The breadth as estimated is 70,626,658 acres, and the production 1,628,464,000 bushels; value, \$642,146,630, averaging 39.3 cents per bushel. The estimates for oats are: Area, 27,063,835 acres; product, 661,035,000 bushels; value, \$209,532,611; yield per acre, 24.4 bushels.

HORTICULTURE.

A peach tree should never be allowed to get over ten feet high. Trees one year from the bud are the best to set out, and will prove far more satisfactory than older trees.

Testimony is abundant and conclusive as to the desirable effect of bees upon grape vines, fruit trees and fruit bearing plants generally. One prominent apiarist goes so far as to insist that a few colonies of bees judiciously placed will revive a fruit farm from a non-paying to a profitable investment.

An account is given by the Utah station of an experiment in which plots used for cabbages, peas, carrots, sweet corn and potatoes were plowed to a depth of three, six or nine inches. In the case of peas the shallowest plowing gave the best results; in the other cases the deepest plowing.

Generally speaking, good and well-cared-for gardens on the farms of the country are rather conspicuous by their absence. There is no good reason for this. The only reason we know for it is that the farmer himself feels that he cannot spare the necessary time for taking care of any little side issue of this sort. His idea is as a rule to swell the acreage of his field crops to the very highest limit of his capacity to care for them. This may be all well enough, but if the farmer will only sum up the conveniences, comforts and necessities that he denies himself and family by this course, we are of the opinion that he would change his tactics. It only requires a little intelligent care in the preparation of the ground, the procuring of good seed and timely and careful cultivation of the plants. It is the best paying feature of the whole farm; it is full of comfort for the whole family, and there is scarcely a member of the family but can add his mite to the prosperity of the truck patch when the idea is once well inaugurated on the farm.

Hog packing at Chicago has been nearly 50 per cent less since November 1 than same time in 1891, and but 60 per cent as large as in 1890, and has not been less but once in a decade—that was in 1888. The packing at all points is but 60 per cent as large as last season. There seems to be a general belief that it will fall short of last season more than 25 per cent or over 300,000 pounds.

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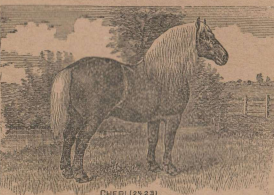
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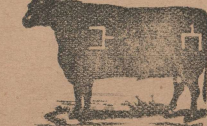
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PERSONAL MENTION.

Jesse J. Hittson was here on Wednesday, en route to Arkansas City.

T. C. Hunt of Ranger, who operates quite extensively in cattle deals, was here Saturday.

H. D. Rogers, the well-known live stock commission man of Chicago, was in the city Saturday.

J. H. (Uncle Henry) Stephens was here Monday, and left that night for his home in Kansas City.

J. Rathmell, a prominent cattle dealer of Coleman, was in Fort Worth Monday, returning from Chicago.

William Hittson came over from Dallas last night. He says Palo Pinto county is in good shape and live stock doing well.

D. D. Swarengen of Quanah recently sold 3000 two-year-old steers to Ben Garland of Midland at \$15.25, spring delivery.

John Kritser of Taylor, one of the efficient representatives of the Evans-Snyder-Buel Co., was in the city Monday night.

Charles Coon, the well-known Weatherford cattleman, spent Wednesday in Fort Worth and left on Wednesday night for Arkansas City.

H. G. Bedford, the well-known Knox county cattleman, was here yesterday, and says his part of the state is in good shape and cattle doing well.

Messrs. Good, White, Patterson and Jones of Quanah were here on Tuesday. They all report stock as having been doing well and say a good wheat crop is assured.

Parties wanting feeding steers or fat ones for immediate shipment can learn of some good ones that can be bought, worth the money, by calling at the JOURNAL office.

Cattle buyers wanting any kind or class of cattle should call on the Texas Land and Live Stock Agency, rooms 53, 54 and 55 Hurley building. They have some rare bargains.

John S. Scofield, a well-to-do stockman and a JOURNAL subscriber, writes that Hill county is feeding from 10,000 to 12,000 cattle, and will commence shipping them out in a few days.

C. W. Merchant, the Abilene cattleman, was here yesterday. He has just returned from a trip to Southern Texas, and says everything in that portion of the state is looking well.

Col. W. L. Tamblin, the Chicago live stock commission merchant, returned home Monday night after having spent several weeks very pleasantly visiting among his many friends in Texas.

Mr. Lathrop, Marshall, Tex., has a card in the Breeder's Directory this week, by which it will be seen he has a fine lot of Jersey cattle. Any one in need of such stock can not do no better than trade with Mr. Lathrop.

E. B. Hearn of Baird came down from his Donley county pasture on Monday, and returned home on Tuesday. He says the 5000 steers his firm is wintering in the Panhandle are going through the winter nicely.

Dillon Bro.'s of Middleton, Mo., are advertising in the for sale column a good lot of thoroughbred horses for sale cheap. They also offer to exchange them for sheep or steer cattle. Here is a good bargain for some one.

L. W. Christian of Weatherford, and one of the owners of the Grassland ranch in Parker county, was here Monday night. He reports the 400 steers being fed by him as doing well, and thinks the outlook generally is encouraging.

The Texas Land and Livestock agency of this city offer a lot of 500 cattle in which there are 200 two and three-year-old steers, 200 grown cows, half of which are spayed; all good Hamilton county cattle at \$7 per head. This is a rare bargain for some one.

Messrs. Baker Bros., nurserymen of this city, have an advertisement in this issue of the JOURNAL. Any one in need of seed of any kind, or anything else in the nursery line, are requested to give Messrs. Baker Bros. a trial order. Address them at Fort Worth, Tex.

J. M. Daugherty, the Abilene cattleman, who owns ranches in Presidio and Stonewall counties and also in New Mexico, was in the city Saturday. Mr. Daugherty says the cattle on all his ranges are doing well and going through the winter in fine shape.

Sam Cutbirth, the well-known stockman of Callahan county, was in the city Saturday. Mr. Cutbirth is a firm believer in the future of the cattle business, and is backing his judgment by buying a large lot of cattle for shipment to the Indian Territory in the spring.

John Ledbetter of Quanah was here Tuesday and went south Wednesday. Says cattle were drawn a little by the recent cold weather but were coming out nicely at the time of his leaving, and if the cold snap of Wednesday was not too hard they would be in good shape.

C. O. Harvey & Co., 512 Main street, Fort Worth, Texas, are doing a good business. As printers they can not be excelled. If you want letter heads, bill heads, envelopes, invitations, or anything in the printing line, write them or go to see them when in Fort Worth.

H. H. Halsell of Decatur was here yesterday, and is feeling good over the bright and encouraging prospects for the year. Mr. Halsell is treasurer of the Texas Livestock association and thinks every cattleman in the state should favor the amalgamation of the associations.

The Texas Seed and Floral company of Dallas have an announcement elsewhere in this issue. The gentlemen who have the management of this company are well known and reliable business men and are well up in their particular line. Write them or when in Dallas call on them.

Thomas J. Allen of Kansas City was here on Tuesday. He says reports from all parts of the country show cattle to be in good condition and every one thinks, and rightly, too, in his opinion, that a change for the better has come and the market will continue good throughout the year.

Messrs. Leonard & Smith, breeders of and dealers in pure bred Herefords at Fayette, Mo., have an "ad" of bulls for sale in to-day's JOURNAL. This is a reliable firm, one that may be depended on to do just what they promise. Any one wanting pure bred Hereford bulls should write them.

The Marlin Fire Assurance company of New Haven, Conn., have an advertisement in this paper. This company's goods are too well known to the public to need any introduction through the columns of the JOURNAL. Read their advertisement, and if you need any in their line, you will do well to trade with them.

J. W. Corn, the Weatherford cattle feeder and dealer, was here Wednesday.

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day. Mr. Corn has recently shipped five carloads of the odds and ends and culls of his steers on feed at Weatherford and expects to ship a train load of the tops about the 10th. These are said to be an extra fine, well fed lot of steers.

G. H. Connell came up from Dublin on Wednesday and says the cattle on feed at Dublin are doing well and will soon be ready for market. The company owning the mill at Dublin, of which Mr. Connell is one of the leading shareholders, are now preparing to erect a similar mill at Brownwood which will be in working order by fall.

W. F. Murray of the well known livestock firm of Murray Bros. & Co. of Coleman was in Fort Worth Tuesday. Mr. Murray says Coleman county never looked better. The range is good, the stock are wintering well, the indications are that a fine crop will be raised next year. In short everything looks encouraging for an era of prosperity in that locality.

M. B. Pulliam of San Angelo, who is one of the leading and most prominent cattlemen in the state, was in Fort Worth Monday. Mr. Pulliam was returning from Chicago; while there he made it his especial business to inquire into and closely investigate the outlook for cattle. The result is he is feeling quite hopeful and thinks Texas cattle will sell a dollar higher than last year.

J. C. Loving, secretary of the Northwest Texas Cattle Raisers' association, publishes in this issue of the JOURNAL a call for the seventeenth annual meeting of the association to convene in Fort Worth on the 14th of March next. This meeting will be of unusual importance; not only to the members of the association, but to the stockmen generally. It is therefore hoped that everyone who possibly can do so will attend.

The Texas Live Stock association will, as is already pretty generally known to the JOURNAL's readers, hold its second annual convention in the city of Austin on the 14th 15th and 16th of

this month. Inasmuch as the association will at that time discuss and take final action on several matters directly affecting the interest of every stockman in the state, it is hoped and confidently expected that there will be a large attendance. The programme as fully as same could be formulated in advance is published in this issue of the JOURNAL. In addition to the subjects selected, the convention will take cognizance of and discuss all matters pertaining to the live stock interests of the state, that may be properly brought before it. The convention will be a useful and instructive one and should, as it no doubt will, be largely attended.

Webb & Hill of Albany, Tex., says a special to the Gazette of the 2d, received to-day the following telegram from Mr. L. H. Hill, who went to Washington with Mr. G. T. Reynolds to induce Hon. J. M. Rusk, secretary of agriculture, to lower the government quarantine line:

Washington, Feb. 2.—Messrs. Webb & Hill, Albany, Tex.: Cattle in counties asked for will be allowed to go northwest for grazing purposes. L. H. Hill. This action places Shafter and other counties north on a footing with any of the counties in the northwestern part of the state, and cattle from here can now go to Montana, Dakota, Wyoming, Colorado and other states and territories in the northwest. Cattle men are jubilant over the news. Experienced stockmen say prospects for the coming season are good. All feeders are doing well and spring shipments will be very large.

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The Seventeenth Call.

The seventeenth annual meeting of the Northwest Texas Cattle Raisers' association will convene in the city of Fort Worth on the 14th day of March next. The members of the association are earnestly requested to attend. A cordial invitation is also extended to stockmen generally and all others interested to meet with us.

J. C. LOVING, Secretary.
Jacksboro, Tex., Feb. 1, 1893.

To the Stockmen of Texas.

The second annual meeting of the Texas Live Stock Association will convene in the city of Austin on the 14th day of February, inst. This is, as its name implies, a state association, organized to look after and protect the interest of all kinds and classes of stockmen throughout the entire state. It is confidently believed that this will be the largest and most successful meeting of the kind ever held in Texas, it is therefore hoped that every stockman who possibly can do so will attend.

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The Beauties of the Panhandle.

A JOURNAL representative now in the Panhandle who is evidently filled with enthusiasm, writes as follows: Do you want to recreate? Do you want an extension from the antiquated spectre who goes armed with the chronometer and harvester? In other words do you want to play the Joshua act on old father time? If so, take the 10.30 Fort Worth and Denver express, run up on the plains, feast on prairie chickens, wild turkey and antelope; load up with clean cut, unadulterated ozone; return next week with a heart full of gratitude that you live in Texas, that Texas has a Panhandle and that the Panhandle has a railroad. The writer knows what he is talking about.

Stand By the Associations.

The JOURNAL is a strong believer in organization. "In unity there is strength," "United we stand, divided we fall," are truisms that apply with as much force to stockmen as they do to other business pursuits and combinations, or our political organizations. For this reason the JOURNAL has all along urged the stockmen to organize for their mutual benefit and protection. It now desires to again urge them to become members of one or both of our livestock associations. The cattleman who simply wants protection against thieves should by all means join the Northwest Texas Cattle Raisers' association, which will hold its seventeenth annual convention in Fort Worth on March 14 next. The cattleman who does not care for the protection afforded by the above named association, but who feels an interest in and desires to promote the live stock industry of the state, should by all means become a member of and give his support and encouragement to the Texas Live Stock association, which will hold its second annual meeting in the city of Austin beginning the 14th of this month. Not only those interested in raising cattle, but the cattle feeder, buyer, shipper, speculator and everyone in any way, directly or indirectly, interested in any way in the cattle business should give this association his support. In other words all such persons should at once become members and attend the meetings of the association.

The Texas Live Stock association was organized for the benefit of the horseman, the wool grower and the hog raisers as well as the cattleman. It is as its name implies a state live stock association, consequently its work will extend to and take in all branches of live stock. Therefore, all that was said above with reference to the cattleman will apply with equal force to every one directly interested in any kind or class of live stock. All these are not only invited, but urged

to attend the Austin meeting and become members of this association. There is no reason why the members of the Northwest should not also become members of the Texas association, or vice versa. There is no conflict; on the other hand each association has its separate and distinct work extending over a wide field for useful and much-needed operations.

The JOURNAL would be pleased to see these two associations consolidated, provided it can be done on a fair and equitable basis, a basis looking to a thorough organization of all the stockmen of the entire state. It would want all the commendable features of both organizations inculcated in the new associations, and unless a consolidation on some such basis as this can be agreed upon the JOURNAL would prefer to see the two associations as now organized continued, and in either event it urges the stockmen of all Texas to meet with these associations and give their support to one or both of these organizations.

Texas Homes vs. Official Positions.

It is not extravagant to say that today, February 1, 1893, there are in the United States more than a million of people, of both sexes, with eyes anxiously turned towards Washington, hoping that the incoming administration will give them a soft job with little work and a big salary. Ninety per cent at least of these are doomed to disappointment.

Plums of this kind fall only into the lap of the skillful manipulator and expert politician. It may be that from the banks of the city, selections will be made to fill clerkships and other places of drudgery, where plenty of work and a low competency upon which to eke out an existence will be their only reward, with no hope of promotion. This is no mythical bug-bear with which to frighten, nor is it painted with a view to deter any from seeking to honorably serve their country in official position; but is intended as a word of caution to the overzealous, and particularly to arrest the attention of the masses that are certain to be left out. You want a higher, more robust life, than ordinarily falls to the lot of the government employes. You want a basis from which you can build up into a grand existence. Look around and select your field for future operations. You want to work, you expect to work, or you would not be offering your services to your country. Try the farm; if you have none of your own, go to work on your neighbor's; or what is better come out West, say to Texas, where there are millions of acres lying idle, to be had at a minimum cost on long time. Come and get a small farm, apply to it your genius, your skill and industry as faithfully as you are now giving it to office seeking, and in a few years you will be in a position to look down upon the unredeemed, that would not repent, and turn away from their idols, with a sympathy not unmixed with disgust.

Home.

In another column will be found an invitation to all those who are in earnest about wanting to better their condition, by their own honest efforts, to come out to Texas and go on the farm. Get one of your own if you can, but if not, start on that of some other person, until you are able to get one for yourself. The fact is, if you have health, energy and industry, and will go to work in earnest, with this capital alone, you can a home immediately.

There are thousands of big-hearted landholders in this state who are waiting for exactly this kind of home-seekers. And it is this kind, particularly, that this great common wealth is continually holding out her arms to, wanting to take them to her hospitable embrace.

Home, as referred to here, is not a mere abiding place until something better offers. It is from the JOURNAL'S standpoint, a place, made with hands; no evolution of nature can produce it. It must be an ideal of your own, worked out and elaborated by your own genius, fitted and prepared as may seem best adopted to your taste for comfort and enjoyment.

As a matter of course this embraces a nicely cultivated little farm, not to exceed 160 acres, this is enough and perhaps more than enough to begin with. Under no circumstances should you allow yourself to be beguiled into the purchase (at the start) of a large body of land for which you have no immediate use, and which will weigh you down with taxes without returning any revenue. Take just what you can operate successfully and no more.

This model home would be incomplete without its flocks and herds. These, like all the other factors of the establishment, will have to be built up. As you will have to start from the ground, be certain to lay the foundation sound and strong; start with the best to be had; don't waste any time on scrubs. A little time and patience, your anchor to the windward. A sharp eye aloft, they will drift your way, and you will get them.

These are the kind of homesteads the fathers had in view, when by the most liberal legislation ever known they turned loose millions of acres of the finest of Texas farm lands, almost "without money and without price," as they thought, for the benefit of the farmer seeking a home. Without stopping to discuss to what extent their hopes have been realized in this direction, it is sufficient for all purposes to know that there is ample time and space left in which to carry out their scheme to its fullest fruition.

The country wants and invites you; the cities and towns must have these home builders to aid them to a successful development. So come right along, don't delay, hoping that a political cyclone will pick you up and drop you into some fat office; fly from this delusion to the country where you will not only have free coinage, but where you will also own the mint and the material.

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FORD DIX.

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Resuming the details of our trip will necessitate returning to Uncle Jack Hargus' whose place we left after the rain was over. From there to Mrs. Burke's the country is comparatively level, the road running right up the Nueces river valley; grass was decidedly better than any we had seen and the soil a grayish black in color and of a surprising adhesiveness on this occasion. Several times we were compelled to get out and dig the mud off the buggy wheels with butcher knives, pocket knives and finger nails in order to navigate at all.

Eight miles in four hours brought us to Mrs. Burke's, where a noon repast was enjoyed. Here the writer met for the first time in twenty years Mrs. J. W. Baylor who was, at that time, his school teacher and who is still engaged in the same occupation, though on a smaller scale on this ranch. Mr. Baylor was absent in the brush with his cattle.

At 3 o'clock we were on the road again, leaving the river valley and traveling north over an open, rolling country just enough brush for shelter. Roads were getting no better pretty fast. Very little or no stock was seen.

Eight miles, we again found a stopping place at Tim Conlan's ranch, and here let me say that this is one of the prettiest little ranches in the whole country, and Tim Conlan may indeed consider himself fortunate in being the owner. We found him hard at work tanking—repairing a large dam which the rains last August had caused to give away. We were received as only a hospitable Irishman can receive, and were very soon made to feel entirely at home.

In speaking of farming Mr. Conlan said he did none of it, but that his land was adapted to it, and told the following interesting story to prove it: "My boy fenced off a small patch with a brush fence, and, as it was too small to plow, he spaded it up, boy fashion, and planted some corn, which grew and promised to produce a roasting ear apiece for each of the family, but a cow jumped into the field (?), and ate two of them up, so two of the family did without. Next year I concluded to do some farming myself, and spaded up the ground in true old Irish fashion, planted it and raised corn that grew so high we had to use a ladder to climb up and pull the ears."

Mr. Conlan is pretty near all Irish. Next morning we reluctantly bade adieu to the family and pulled out again. Roads no better, grass a little worse and little stock was seen, but that little well improved and in good condition. After a seven-mile ride we arrived at what is known as the "plank pens" in the Duff pasture, and there we found the able and pleasant manager of the stock business, James Martin, camped, engaged in two occupations at once, that of breaking "potros," of which there were about sixty good ones and twelve or fourteen able-bodied Mexicans to handle them, and tanking, using the young horses and mules in that business as well as having them ridden.

Among the Mexicans was one deaf mute, and Mr. Martin not being very proficient in the use of the Mexican language, said he could make that fellow understand him better than any of the rest.

After dinner we struck across an open rolling country for eight miles to the House ranch, and there we got a road, eight miles more of mud and slush, hard pulling and some kicking over the same kind of country, then we reached the rolling mesquite brush,

red sandy land country, and "lit out in a Kansas City rush" down the road for Cotulla, where we arrived just barely in time for supper, but in time.

Next morning we went out to F. C. Nye's ranch, six miles northeast of town. There, as at all other places, we were treated with kindness by Mr. Nye and his amiable family. There also we saw the first sheep on the trip, and Dr. Kline invested in 500 of them, and they are good; figures private.

From Cotulla to Encinal by rail, where a buggy and team was secured, and we again struck out across country. More mud, plenty of it, and as stick-to-it-ive as the other. Night found us at the famous ranch known as the "Callaghan ranch" owned by Hon. Albert Urbahn and ably managed by Col. W. R. Jones, who after supper entertained his visitors till a late hour with interesting stories of his ranch life.

The forenoon, next day was spent in cutting out 840 old ewes that Dr. Kline had bought on a former trip at \$1.50. During this performance it was forcibly demonstrated to the complete satisfaction of your correspondent that Col. Jones is eminently "the right man in the right place." He certainly understands the handling of sheep and the men he employs to handle them.

He is a square man to deal with, and is as liberal as he is straight. Mention must also be made of Mr. Vandave, the capable book-keeper on this ranch, who so ably assisted Colonel Jones in making our stay so pleasant, and whose efforts, we assure him are appreciated. On this ranch was seen the only fine grass on the trip. I am safe in saying the average height is five inches, and so thick that wheels rolling over it will not touch the ground.

At Encinal the lovely place of Dr. J. V. Spohn was visited, but it was late, and the doctor being very busy, I did not get to look over the place and see the fine horses raised there, as I should have liked to have done.

J. C. Jennings of Cotulla shipped from that place on the 22nd inst. to the San Antonio market three cars of fat cows, one car of which he bought from the Swift ranch at Twohig for \$10 per head.

E. Hamilton of Hillsboro, Tex., went down to Laredo last Friday to look at some horse, with a view of buying everything that suited. He says he will buy steers to feed on corn as he has considerable surplus, or fat cows or fat yearling heifers to ship to market, provided he can get them right. In fact, he intends to invest in anything in which he thinks there is a "spec."

A. Chiles, a rustling farmer from the Millett neighborhood, was in Cotulla Friday and reports everything lovely in his section, farming operations advancing rapidly, many cattle being shipped from Millett and the country generally in a prosperous condition.

Mr. Chiles wants to know why the JOURNAL does not devote more space to farming. As a suggestion, I would say that if Mr. Chiles and other farmers would occasionally give me their experience in the cultivation of the different crops, by letter or otherwise, I could at least make this department more interesting to them; but the agricultural department of the JOURNAL can scarcely be improved. Send in your experience, farmers.

A. Armstrong, Jr., a prominent stockman and merchant of Cotulla, kindly furnished his ranch house, which, by-the-way, is a fine one, to the young folks for a dance Friday night. Your correspondent attended a pressing invitation to attend, but business carried him away and prevented, though the temptation to let business go for awhile was very great and almost prevailed. A regular "hog killing time" was reported.

M. C. Yates, Jr., of the live stock, commission firm of J. L. Rutledge & Co., Union stock yards San Antonio bought of Armstrong and Mathews thirty cows at \$10 and shipped same from Encinal Sunday morning to this market.

Charlie Ellis left Encinal Sunday morning on buggy back for the Alamito

and neighboring ranches on a cow hunt, taking with him three buyers, one of whom was Mr. Yates.

Henry Barnard, manager of the Alexander ranch near Cotulla, a present book-keeper on the Duff ranch, came in Monday, and reports good rains, stock improving fast and indications are for a good spring market.

H. P. Ainsworth came in Monday over the International and Great North-western from his Dimmitt county ranch, where he has been for the past two weeks moving his stock around, changing his cattle from one pasture to another to give them the benefit of fresh range. Says they have had good rains out there and grass is very good.

R. W. Rogers, that tall, slender but active cattle buyer, returned Sunday from a rushing trip in the Fort Ewell country. While away he purchased 100 steers from Mrs. A. Burke and a lot of cows, also about 150 cows from J. W. Baylor.

Mr. Rogers left again Wednesday morning to receive the cattle and ship them to market. He must have made a good deal, as he would not give the particulars.

F. O. Skidmore arrived in the city Tuesday morning from Cameron and after remaining over for a day, proceeded on his way home Wednesday afternoon.

Ed Lasater returned Tuesday from a trip down in the lower country where he sang buy to the tune of about 7000 head. Among others brought were 20 N. G. Collins cattle which brought \$20 per head. Mr. Lasater left again Wednesday for the same section, still on the buy.

J. M. Chittum has been down the Aransas Pass road recently and says they have had immense rains around there. That the whole country was under water, the rains being light but steadily for three or four days and then wound up with a three or four hours rain as hard as he ever saw; all of which is good news, as abundant spring grass is now assured. The rains certainly must have been general, as every section of country so far heard from has been blessed.

Sam Emery, an ex-cowman and an all-round good fellow, who now runs a first-class barber shop opposite the Southern hotel since he quit the cow business on account of a shattered arm, says he thinks he will "dabble in it" again, and in consequence left Wednesday for the Runge country on the lookout for a load or two of calves.

H. O. Skinner of Street's Stable Car company has just returned from St. Louis where he went to hold a conference with J. N. Faithhorn, the newly appointed general manager of the business. Mr. Skinner appeared in particularly fine spirits as this is the first trip he has taken off and returned to find his son anxiously awaiting him. The son, H. O., Jr., is two weeks old, and Sr. says a great boy, as he weighed nine pounds.

A. C. Williams, a prominent stockman and legal light from Floresville, favored this office with a short but pleasant call Wednesday morning and went home in the afternoon.

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The "Charlatan," in his stupid ignorance, reproduces some of the old-time recipes that the regular profession have thoroughly tested and discarded as worthless, and tortures suffering humanity with his burning plasters until they finally die from pain and exhaustion. But at last has been revealed to the mind of a physician who had devoted a quarter of a century to the investigation of this disease that in the combination of oils he could destroy every cell of a cancer—at the same time restore all the parts affected to a healthy condition—alleviating pain, giving refreshing rest and sleep to the patients while under treatment. All well informed physicians and chemists know that in the essential and other oils there are medical properties that are powerfully disinfectant—"germ or microbe destroying." They are also stimulant, strengthening the diseased blood vessels; they are sedative, alleviating pain; they are readily absorbed, penetrating the most dense tissue; they are powerful alteratives, producing a salutary change in all diseased conditions; they are the best known remedies as discutients, "having the power of resolving tumors," and they are always soothing and easily applied. In the combination of these oils the patient is relieved of much suffering from the very first application. A speedy, safe and permanent cure is obtained—in fact there have been no failure in any case where the Combination Oil Cure has been applied. The oils are equally efficacious in all kinds of cancer, tumors, chronic catarrh, eczema, hemorrhoids or piles, all skin diseases or diseases of the womb.

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Delayed Correspondence.

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., Jan. 25.—The country between here and Alice has been written up before in these communications, so I will take up the narrative from Alice. Leaving that lively town on the n. g. (narrow gauge) Mexican "National" road at 10 o'clock a. m. one passes through a comparatively level country, sparsely grown with mesquite trees and brush and sparsely settled to San Diego. This is a fine farming country, with lots of room for the man with the hoe, and the citizens hope and expect him to be seen there in greater numbers in the near future than now, as they say such a splendid country will not long be left in an uncultivated state. At present the country is dry and grass cannot be called anything but remarkably short.

Upon arrival at San Diego it was painfully evident that the town was not very lively. There was not the usual crowd at the depot to meet the train, only a few old citizens were to be seen, and it looked lonesome. The Gueydan & Parkman gin has closed down for the season and no cotton could be seen on the platform, but all this is not to be wondered at when we take into consideration the almost total failure of all crops in that section. However, things will not be thus if they can only get seasons, as there is no soil richer or more productive than that of Duval county, and it will be hard to find a people more industriously inclined.

Leaving San Diego and after passing by a circuitous route through a rolling country, with low brush on the hills and mesquite timber in the valleys and very little open country, now very dry and with very little grass on it, I arrived at Benavides, my point of destination and the dinner station, where, at Mrs. Lewis' one gets a dinner good enough for anybody and one calculated to surprise a person who, according to general surroundings, has previously imagined the kind of meal he will get.

This country and the stock in it is in so much better condition than it was eight months ago that now it is considered in fine shape, yet there is still room for considerable improvement.

A four-mile ride in a northerly direction by dirt road brought me to the "Grove Ranch," owned by Capt. John J. Dix, where the night was spent.

Next morning I "hit the road," the dirt road, in a comfortable buggy, driving a very good horse, secured at the above ranch, through the kindness of Hayes Dix.

A northwesterly direction was chosen and kept till William Adams' fine ranch, forty-five miles distant, was reached. I passed through N. G. Collins' pastures and by his "Americano" ranch, where Capt. T. L. Oglesby holds forth. The writer was, and the captain's many friends will be, pained to learn of the serious illness of his estimable wife, who, it is earnestly hoped, will soon recover her health. Passed also the "Loma Chata" ranch, and about two miles further entered the "Hermanitas" pasture and soon reached the ranch owned by William Hubbard, who, with regret it is said, was absent from home. Up to this point very little grass was to be seen, but from the appearance of stock one would judge it was better. Here is where the brush in that great rolling country gets in its work and produces fat when the short grass will not do it alone.

From this point on a decided improvement in grass was noticed, though not enough to be called good grass until all that fearfully brushy country between Hubbard's pasture gate and E. Morris & Co's pasture gate had been gone over and I was fairly inside of the latter pasture, where, along the road, good grass was at last observed. Rain was needed, as that country was dry.

At William Adams' I spent the night, a grateful recipient of that gentleman's hospitality. Mr. Adams has one of the finest ranches in that part of the state, consisting of 14,720 acres of

land, about two thirds of it, balanced thin brush sufficient for protection. It is rolling land and the pasture watered by large tanks, the bottoms of which are seldom or never seen. Mr. Adams says he never before saw as good grass in his pasture as there is there now, and his stock is fat. He was formerly a strict sheepman, but says he sold off most of them and started into the cow business, but soon discovered that cattle could die as well as sheep, as he lost between two and three hundred last winter and early spring, so proposes to hold on to what sheep he has left, about 2000 good ewes, and raise both kinds of stock. He sold his two, three and a few four-years-old steers at \$9, \$12 and \$16 last November, which appears to me to be paying prices. No field is to be seen on this ranch, as, if a good crop is made in the country, feed can be bought for less than it costs to raise it, and if no crop is made it is labor lost—this is Mr. Adams' way of reasoning.

From there to F. B. Childers' home. He is the efficient manager of the E. Morris & Co. pasture, and with his usual energy was out looking up the stock, although it was a bad, disagreeable day and drizzling pretty heavily.

Then to Mr. Wells' ranch, "Rancho Verde," I believe, is the name, where Mr. Wells received us with his accustomed cordiality and where we accosted Mr. Wells also has a fine ranch of about the same description as Mr. Adams', and raising some fine young horse stock, a specimen of which we had the pleasure of seeing. Mr. Wells sold one two-year old to Mr. Childers for \$50, which is a price seldom heard of for a colt in that country.

Wells & French, of which firm above Wells is a member, recently purchased and are now receiving a stock of about 200 head of cattle from John Roebuck, a near neighbor, at \$8 per head. They also bought of William Kuykendall of Tilden all his full blood and two-year-old Durham bulls for use on their ranch—figures private.

Rain got heavier by 2 o'clock, but we pulled out all the same, and by night had crossed the Nueces river and about three miles of "Sachauiste" flat, which must be seen and tried on to be appreciated. We had to stop very often and dig the mud off the buggy wheels, and on this little trip we arrived at the conclusion that the one-horse farmer and Hans Mickle were not in it (but we were glad to see the rain all the same), and arrived at the "Tigre" ranch, owned by Uncle Jack Hargus, just in time for an ample supper, to which justice was done. The rain next day precluded all possibility of our proceeding and, as we had one of the best stopping places in the universe and one of the most entertaining hosts, as well as a generous and accommodating hostess, we were content to stay over one day and proceeded on our journey the next. The rain, it is hoped, was general and extended all over that country, as the parts through which we passed needed it badly.

This narrative is becoming too lengthy, so will chop it off and resume it next week unless something more interesting occurs.

Dr. J. P. Kline of San Antonio was my traveling companion on this trip, and an interesting and agreeable one he is, too. He was out looking for sheep, but up to date had not found what he wanted.

R. W. Rogers of R. W. Rogers & Co. of San Antonio, went down to the "Quintania" ranch, owned by Mrs. A. Burke, from Cotulla, last Monday, looking for shipping cattle.

Charles Sullivan, a big sheepman of LaSalle county, went into Cotulla Sunday for a day or two on business.

D. R. Fant arrived in the city last Wednesday from his Santa Rosa ranch, in the lower country. He says there is no grass in his country, as they have had very little rain, but says they do not need it any now, as they are fast learning to do without it. Mr. Fant is one of the largest cattle handlers in the state, and has recently bought the M. E. Woodhouse of Cameron county,



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Stillman of Hidalgo county cattle and others to the amount of 2000, which he contemplates moving out very soon to grass.

J. A. King, a prominent cattleman from Concrete, came in Thursday and left that night for Fort Worth and San Angelo on a twelve or fifteen days' trip, when he will return here and make this his headquarters for operations till about the last of April.

M. H. Murphy, headman of the Murphy cattle company, who has headquarters in Miles City, Mont., but who himself is a resident of Chicago, was in San Antonio Thursday on a few days' visit and went out with Jno. R. Blocker that day to see the Union stock yards.

J. R. Blocker sold three cars of cattle, one of cows, one of steers and one of bulls on this market through Saunders & Presnal last Thursday. They came in from the lower country over the International and Great Northern, but the figures at which they were bought and sold could not be learned. Mr. Blocker went down to Alice the same day over the Aransas Pass in response to a telegram from W. H. Jennings, who was down there handling cattle.

T. M. O'Conner, one of the most prominent of Victoria county's stockmen, was in the city Thursday.

Sterling Dobie shipped from Mathis last Friday morning two cars of cows he bought of Tol P. McNeill at \$10 to this market to be sold through Underwood & Daugherty, and one car yearlings to the New Orleans market. Sterling says cattle generally, in the Lagarto country, cannot be called fat, but fleshy. Occasionally a bunch of fat cattle can be found.

J. M. Dobie, one of the leading cattle handlers, went down from Mathis to Alice Thursday night to meet there a bunch of about 300 steers that he had Sid Grover out buying in the lower country for him. These cattle will be driven to some near by pasture and held over. Jim says he has not found his valise yet.

W. B. Mullen went down from Mathis Thursday night to Driscoll on the hunt for some mules. Mr. Mullen is principally in the trotting horse business near Mathis, and says he expects to raise and train some fast ones right there.

Ed Corkill from "El Sordo" ranch shipped four cars of fat cows to market Thursday from Alice. The balance of the train was made up of 360 cows that W. H. Jennings shipped to market. These are the cows Mr. Jennings bought from William Benton some time ago.

Mr. Jennings also made a trade Friday morning with Charles Weil of Corpus Christi for a train load of cows and

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calves, for which some say he paid \$10 and \$6, others say \$11 and \$6.

FORD DIX.
[This above was intended for last week's JOURNAL but was delayed en route.—ED. JOURNAL.]

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HOUSEHOLD DEPARTMENT

[Devoted to topics of interest to women, and to the social interchange of ideas pertaining to home. Edited by Miss FLORENCE A. MARTIN, 152 Greenwood street, Dallas, Tex., to whom all communications should be addressed.]

Where is Happiness.

Is it in the stately halls where tread
The dainty slippers feet,
Or where the royal feast is spread,
Where pampered courtiers meet?
Not there, not there.

Is it where fashion's gay domain,
Where flattery's smile and bow
Present to view a gorgeous train
Of elegance and show?
Not there, not there.

Is it where sparkling wines are poured
And drank in mirthful toast,
By those who gather round the board
Their wit and deeds to boast?
Not there, not there.

Oh, is it, then, in gilded church,
Whose steeples pierce the skies,
Whose polished pastors research
For all that's grand and wise?
Not there, not there.

Oh, tell me, then, thou aged one,
Whose footsteps on the sands
Point to that shore where waits alone
The mystic boatman stands,
If it there, is it there?

Go search the heart whose greatest aim
Is pure and just to all,
Who trusts in God and works for man,
Though good or ill befall.
'Tis there, 'tis there.

—Mrs. N. A. Manfort.

The lady president of the local board of managers of the Columbian exposition is having a petition circulated in her town, Dallas, addressed to Governor Hogg and the legislature which reads:

"Your petitioners, residents and taxpayers of this city, believing that it would be of the greatest good and benefit to our state that an appropriation from our state be made to aid the Woman's Board of the Columbian exposition in carrying out its objects in having the state of Texas represented at the Columbian exposition, do respectfully petition and pray that an appropriation be made."

The petition has already been signed by the moneyed men of the place. Not one to whom it has been presented failed to sign it. If signatures will be of any avail, the appropriation will be made.

While I believe the state can put every dollar of her funds to some good account, rather than not have Texas do herself justice at the World's Fair, and not to be able to show what she is, of the two I should choose the lesser evil, and sincerely trust the appropriation asked for be granted. If this is the only way of placing Texas before the people of all nations, I earnestly hope other towns will voice the sentiments of Dallas.

"Sheltering Arms." How much, how very much, do these words imply I shall leave my readers to judge. "Sheltering Arms" is a home, a refuge, for the fallen women of our country instituted by the King's Daughters. The motto of this haven is: "Who enters here finds hope in God."

I have often thought there was many a woman who, perhaps, had been driven to the life she leads that would gladly reform could she find a sheltering arm.

An earnest appeal is made by the president, Mrs. W. H. Johnson, for every woman in the state who can, and who prizes the crowning glory of womankind, to send a contribution of \$5 or less to Sheltering Arms; care of Sanger Bros., Dallas, Tex.

As soon as the institution is organized,

an appeal will be made to the legislature to make it a state institution.

There is an Eleemosynary institution in Fort Worth, too, that has long attracted my attention, and excited my admiration. It is a home for the children of these outcasts—worse they are than orphans—and orphans as well. The home in Fort Worth was not founded by the King's Daughters. It was founded by the benevolent ladies of the town for charity's sake. And charity is charity, no matter who or what denomination dispenses it. Many of us can recall the noble deeds of Annie Cook, the noted woman of Memphis, who risked her life, and lost it, in order to minister to the wants of the people of that plague-stricken city in 1878.

Just as I am closing my mail preparatory to posting I am handed a letter from the pen of Mrs. Little, who, in response to inquiries made by "Perplexed," tells how to cook beans, and gives a few necessary and simple directions that must be followed in order to have success in butter making. Mrs. Little, I can read between the lines in your letter and see hidden away much that is practical. Please accept my thanks for this contribution, but pray favor us again by contributing further from your well filled storehouse of knowledge.

CORRESPONDENCE.

WAXAHACHIE, TEXAS.

DEAR MISS MARTIN—With your permission I will try to give "Perplexed" some help in cooking beans and making butter.

The water should never be allowed to get low when boiling beans; in fact the more water the more easy and quickly they are cooked. Never add any kind of seasoning until the beans are quite soft.

By following these simple directions there need be no failure.

Butter making is more complicated, and not so easily explained. I think it would be hard, if not impossible, to give a correct idea of the process to be gone through with on paper, but there a few general principles that it would be well to follow, viz: Keeping the milk at as low a temperature as possible without its freezing. Never strain warm milk into cold, never allow the cream to get too warm before churning, and never, under any circumstances, pour hot water into the churn to "make butter come."

MRS. LITTLE.

You sleep in a cold room and are kept awake by cold feet. Place a sack of warm sand in foot of bed to warm it, some time before retiring. The sack can be heated in the oven if it has a slip of heavy goods. Remove slip before putting sack in bed.

Make the little one's winter nightgowns in the combined style, with feet. There can be made of the pater's cast-off woolen pants and coats.

Because it is winter don't hermetically seal up your windows and poison yourself with impure air; instead, raise the lower sash an inch and place under the sash an inch board the width of the window. By this means the pure air will come in between the sashes, and draft will be avoided.

Habit of Exaggeration.

The habit of exaggeration is largely a fault with young people. It is better to admire too little than too much. Make your statements simple, concise and unaffected, and reach the point where your words can be relied on, and where your varacity and truth are unquestioned.

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BIG JACK AND JENNETT SALE.

Dr. L. W. Knight & Son of Nashville, Tenn., and Messrs. Mosely & Whitaker of Bell Buckle, Tenn., two of the largest importers of Jack Stock in the state, have joined forces to sell their entire lot of native and imported Jacks and Jennetts at auction, at Nashville, Tenn., on Wednesday, February 15, 1893. The recent importations of these two firms were about Fifty Head, selected by their representatives in Spain, and there is not an inferior animal in their entire lot. In fact they claim, and justly so, that they will offer to the public the finest lot of Jacks and Jennetts ever seen in this country. The entire fifty head will be sold to the highest bidder. Without any Reserve or By-Bid. It is a closing-out partnership sale. Buyers can depend on absolute sale of all animals. For catalogues write W. E. Knight, Nashville, Tenn., Mosely & Whitaker, Bell Buckle, Tenn.

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SHEEP AND WOOL.

Some good sheep breeders claim that in breeding for too much wool we may weaken the constitution. Therefore it is best to breed for a good constitution, good mutton and lots of wool.

A practice now prevailing with many of the farmers, and one which, in our opinion, can not be too strongly condemned, is that of allowing grade ram lambs of all descriptions to run without castration, not only depreciating their value for the butcher, but is also the cause of many inferior rams going into service.

The Massachusetts Ploughman says: "The majority of sheep raisers in this country are the farmers who keep from twenty-five to fifty and one hundred head as a help on the farm. East of the Mississippi the number of flocks reaching 1000 or more is not large. The sheep is one of the small farmer's best servants. It not only produces wool and mutton, but it keeps his fields fertile with manure, and no farmer should be without a small flock."

As with nearly all other kinds of stock, sheep have got to the point where it is necessary to keep a good grade of stock if a fair percentage of profit is obtained; and, while it can hardly be considered best for the average farmer to sell off all of his stock and purchase good grades or full bloods, yet in all cases it will pay to at least use a full blood ram and take pains to select the best and most vigorous ewes. In this way a rapid as well as permanent improvement can be made, as each set of offspring will be an improvement and a step nearer full blood. The cost is small, comparatively, while the improvement can be seen from the first.

R. Baker of Elyria, Ohio, truly says in Ohio Farmer that this is a good time to cull over the flock. Unless lambs are sold as fat lambs, there are plenty of yearling ewes coming along every year to furnish recruits to take the place of old ewes. At no time of year can the flockmaster grade up his flock so successfully as about this time. If mutton sheep, much depends on the annual weeding out of the flock to make the largest returns. It can be easily seen whether any are losing their wool; any unthrifty, aborted, barren; any shrinkage in the weight of fleece among the ewes, also any decayed teeth. Examine the yearling ewes. Should any of these come up to the proper standard, draw them out also. Some may be too small, too light in fleece, started to grow unshapely, may appear too delicate to warrant you to save them as breeders. Put a mark on the culls before they are shorn and renew it at shearing, so that the lambs from these ewes can be weaned some earlier, and if any yearlings they can be put with wethers and made ready for the butcher; or when fleshed up they perhaps will be sought after for breeding at a little more than the mutton value. By leaving this sorting out till after shearing, it is impossible to select, so far as the wool is concerned. These mutton sheep will pay best to renew with young ewes every year and cull out about one-third of the older, which at the age of "three shear" will fatten readily and realize the average price of good mutton. And the small yearlings will be just the sort to slaughter for family use, being of the nicest quality. If mutton is desired for the family in the fall and winter, use the young and tenderest, and let the older go to the city market. In mutton, as in all kinds of farm products, the farmer should not deny himself the best.

Live Stock Prices for Ten Years.

From the annual report of the Union stockyards, Chicago, it is shown that the average yearly prices for the past ten years per 100 pounds for native beef cattle averaging 1200 to 1500 pounds,

packing hogs averaging 250 to 450 pounds, and desirable sheep averaging 80 to 115 pounds, have been as follows:

Year.	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
1892.....	\$4 35	\$5 20	\$4 80
1891.....	4 30	4 35	4 80
1890.....	4 20	3 65	4 45
1889.....	3 85	4 40	4 60
1888.....	4 70	5 60	4 10
1887.....	4 20	5 00	3 90
1886.....	4 75	4 30	3 85
1885.....	5 35	4 30	3 35
1884.....	5 20	5 75	3 65
1883.....	5 00	6 20	3 35
1882.....	6 25	7 65	4 55

It will be seen that cattle showed the highest average value in 1882 and the lowest in 1889. Hogs averaged highest in 1883 and lowest in 1890. Sheep the highest in 1891 and lowest in 1885.

As the Chicago market is the ruling market in this country, it is safe to say prices at all other markets showed the same fluctuations.

There is food for thought in the analysis of these prices. The theory that it pays to change from one class of live stock to another is one well proved in this table of prices. The judicious feeder who governs his operations by the forecast of conditions may find his work profitable if done on business principles.

The pendulum cannot always swing in one direction. The year 1893 is starting out with favorable conditions for more than one branch of the fat stock interest.

It is our belief that a full-fed pig should have liberty to take all the exercise he desires, contrary to the old doctrine of close confinement.

For the first time for ten years have hogs reached \$8 per hundred pounds at the markets. As will be seen by our quotations and representative sales this week this price has been realized and exceeded at the opening of this week's trade. While enthusiastic hog men have predicted even higher prices than this, the fact must not be lost sight of that this is a handsome figure and this returns for a good sized roll of the same price bring a good sized roll of the same "needful" into the district from which the consignment was taken. There is nothing in the conditions of the markets anywhere to indicate that a break is near at hand. In fact reports indicate a strong feeling everywhere. More interest is now being taken in the hog trade than for many years, and it seems that values are not going to disappoint even the most sanguine.

There are conditions when real estate will advance without care from its owners, but the general tendency of personal property if left to itself is to depreciate. It requires constant attention on the part of its owners to counteract this tendency. Whenever a man makes what he regards as a good bargain, it is very rare that he can turn around and sell it again for the same as he gave for it. This has naturally made farmers cautious about buying, but they ought not to be too cautious. Good, young, well-bred stock, especially if kept for breeding purposes, grows into money as nothing else will. One of the most important questions for every farmer is whether the stock he is keeping is of the kind that is growing in value or depreciating. If it is not, change tactics, with as little loss of time as possible. To be overrun with poor stock that eats as much as good stock would do, yet grows less valuable, will make a man poor faster than any accident can make him rich.

Conduct in Company.

Whispering and giggling in company betray a lack of dignity and self-respect. Significant glances will have any possible meaning are against all the canons of good society, whilst differences of opinion should be received with patience and courtesy, for loud and overbearing contradiction does not belong to the code of good taste and good manners. Practical jokes are neither amusing nor acceptable, and should never be perpetrated. Of the punster beware—he is a horror and a bore.

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HORSE DEPARTMENT

Carrots are a fine feed for horses, and they are easily and cheaply raised. It is said that nothing polishes a horse's coat like an occasional feed of this nourishing root.

To have horses grow old and worthless is a great loss to any farmer. It is all avoided by buying or raising young animals, using them with care until in their prime, and then selling them at their highest value and buying other young animals.

The idea is prevailing to a considerable extent that it is more desirable to have fall than spring colts, and for the farmers we are inclined to think fall colts better than spring, as they are not so worried by flies and heat; then they can be weaned at "rising of grass," and it appears to affect them less than when weaned in the fall.

If the horses are troubled with tender feet or contracted hoofs they should be allowed to stand upon an earth floor, or the stalls should be filled from four to six inches deep with loam, which should be leveled off as the feet wear holes in it. If they can have their shoes taken off for a few weeks when not busy, so much the better for them.

The advantage that the breeder of draft horses has over all others is, that all sell, and at paying prices. If he happens to have an unfashionable color, a white face, white leg, or be large and coarse, or have a large head, he may not bring as much as a fine dapple gray (the best selling color) for a city delivery wagon or an omnibus, but he will always sell for dray, cart or other draft purposes.

Where a farmer is possessed of a good heavy team of mares and is within reach of a good heavy bonded jack that will weigh in the neighborhood of a thousand pounds, he could not do better than breed to him. A good pair of young mules of sufficient size meets with as ready sale at the age of breaking to harness as any team we know of, and they are always a good enough price to pay for their keeping, besides they are a very profitable team for the farmer to raise for his own use.

Robert McGregor, 24174, will stand at \$3000, at the Ketchikan fair, Tacoma, Ohio, the coming season. Everything considered, he is one of the "cheapest stallions, at that figure, in the country.

The JOURNAL clips the above item from the Western Horseman, that some of our horse breeders may see the money value attachment which results from the fancy breeding of our friends east of us. While the JOURNAL protests against these exorbitant fees, being unreasonable, still they appear to be fashionable and annually on the increase; it is evident, however, that the extreme limit has about been reached in this line, as the offspring from this expensive service after two or three years handling, often fails to reimburse the original investment as evidenced by report of recent sales at New York, Chicago, Lexington, etc.

The Kansas City Drivers' Telegram says: Chicago has the World's fair to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the discovery of America, but Kansas City celebrates it in a novel way. Receipts of horses for the year up to last night were 3384 head; during the same portion of 1892 the receipts were 1492, the year in which America was discovered, showing a gain of 1892 head, the 400th anniversary. This is a coincidence that could not possibly happen oftener than 400 years, and inasmuch as we may not be in the newspaper business at that time, we conclude to make a mention of it while we may.

Blind Stagers.

The Dallas News recently requested some of its readers to send for publication a remedy for blind stagers, and the following letters were received:

Bleed freely in the neck. Sweet oil, one large spoonful in each ear. Inject the nostrils well with chloroform. If not relieved in an hour, give one-half pint of linseed oil or one tablespoonful of croton oil. Bathe the head, back and loins with coal oil and turpentine mixed, for one hour. If not relieved from time physic was given, split the forehead just below the eyes to the bone and fill the space with capsicum, turpentine and coal oil mixed. A small portion of opium and two spoonfuls of organum may be used in each ear. The blind stagers is caused from an excess of blood flowing to the brain, and the remedy is bleeding in the neck or nose just above the nostrils; but if the horse gets uncontrollable before this is done, cut his ears off.

Light Harness Horse.

From the report of recent sales of fine stock in the East, it is evident that the market is becoming overstocked. More particularly so with reference to the light harness horse. Thirty months ago it appeared to be quite an easy matter for the breeder of the trotter, when he offered a fashionably bred youngster, to obtain bids in the five-figure column, while sales this season so far show a decided decline, and it is with difficulty that the most expert manipulators in the auction ring can send anything less than a phenomenon up to the four-figure mark. Even these prices are much in excess of the intrinsic value of the animal for any purpose for which the horse is ordinarily used. But the millionaires of the East and Pacific coast who appear to have had a mania for the breeding of the light harness horse, have gone into the market and put prices beyond all reason. The JOURNAL is glad to see that they have reached the extreme limit in this craze, and that prices are now on the down grade. It is to be hoped that at no distant day Texas will be more fully appreciated as a breeding and marketing point for the trotter. For climate advantages and as a forage producer Texas is easily at the front, and should soon become the home of the standard thoroughbred horse as well as other fine stock.

If we would succeed in growing large wheat crops it will be necessary for us to study (1) the fertility of the soil, (2) the proper depth to break, (3) the preparation of the soil, and (4) the proper amount to sow an acre.

CATTLE.

Cattle are once again regarded as good property.

For the first time in many years Texas now has more grass than cattle, and is therefore in a greatly improved condition as far as her cattle interests are concerned.

The calf breeding of 1892 in Texas fell far below that of the preceding year, while the indications are that the branding of the present year will show a still further decrease.

The JOURNAL believes that Texas cattle will sell as high as six cents per pound on the markets this year. It therefore predicts that the top prices on Texans for June and July will not be less than six cents.

The number of cattle that will be transferred from Texas to the Indian Territory during the coming spring will depend largely on the season and consequent condition of the range in the state. It is, however, safe to say that the number will be much smaller than last year.

Southern and Southwestern Texas have now on hand nearly but not quite its usual quota of four and five-year-old steers, and will therefore if the seasons are favorable (and the indications are they will be) market in the spring in the neighborhood of as many cattle as are usually shipped from that section of country. The younger steers, however, and especially one and two-year-olds are a great deal scarcer than ever before. When the aged steers are shipped out pasture men will find it exceedingly difficult to replace them. The young steers are not in the country. Not only this, but there are comparatively speaking but few cows with which to produce future supplies. This state of affairs can have but one result, increased demand, better prices and active home market for young steers.

Drovers' Telegram: While everybody is talking about the boom in hog values, you seldom hear a fellow speak about the good prices paid for good cattle. You frequently hear of a man who predicts better prices for cattle "this year," without stopping to consider that good cattle are very much higher than last January. Of course it is impossible to say exactly how much higher they are, for there are so many grades even of "good" cattle that the line of distinction cannot be drawn on paper. One very simple way to see the change in values is to compare the top prices of this and last January. By consulting our file we find that last January only two loads of cattle sold as high as \$5, while already this month thirty loads have sold at even \$5 and seventy-eight loads above \$5, making 108 loads at or above \$5, against two last January.

Greatest Feeding District in the World.

Col. W. E. Hughes of Dallas, in a recent interview, said: "The prospects ought to be very good. I do not no of a better country for better climate. In fact all Texas needs is old-fashioned Democratic government and very little of it. Texas is a country of great possibilities and with new means of increasing its prosperity constantly coming to the surface. For instance, I believe that the near future will see a small cotton seed oil mill in every neighborhood in the cotton district. We know what the staple is, but what the seed is going to do for the country only a few know beyond the fact that cotton seed oil is valuable and will always bring money. The fact is that the meal and hulls from the seed if utilized will make Texas the cheap beef producing section of the United States. They are, in my opinion, far superior to corn, oats and hay to produce beef and produce it quickly, and we can

with this cheap provender fatten beves cheaper than they are fattened in the corn growing districts. Within an hour I have received from Chicago a telegram giving returns of a few carloads of old bulls, which on the 17th of November I sent from the Continental ranch in Texas to a cotton seed oil mill in Arkansas to be fed on cotton seed meal and hulls. After two months feeding they sold in Chicago today, averaging 1200 pounds, at \$2.90 a hundred, or \$36.80 each. I was offered \$11 a head for those bulls on the ranch before I sent them to Arkansas. Every cotton raising neighborhood in Texas ought to have its little cotton seed oil mill just as it now has its gin, and it is going to have it. In this way will Texas become one of the greatest feeding districts in the world.

About Hereford Cattle.

A correspondent in the American Review says: We used for the improvement of our beef cattle on the western prairies and in the eastern yards, breeds that will give weight and good meat when crossed with the native stock. It pays the owner better to raise one good large beef than two small ones. The latter will eat more than the former, and the combined weight will not go far beyond that of the single heavy one. As a general rule their meat will be inferior to the large heavy beves that come from good breeds, and have been judiciously fed. The cost of transportation of the two will be nearly double that of the single large one, and all along the line the disadvantages will be against the two small animals. There is really, then, an advantage in spending more time in trying to raise larger and better cattle, and less number of them, than to spread our energies over large herds of small, inferior cattle.

This has been greatly illustrated in Texas and the Southwest, where the Hereford breed of cattle has been introduced and crossed with the native stock for sometime now. So popular is this breed in these sections that the cowboys continue to buy them freely, in order to improve the quality of their herds. These animals have large, bony frames and strong muscular systems, so that they can lay on a good deal of meat when fattened. They are so strong and enduring that they take more kindly than the majority of breeds to change of food, change of location and deprivations in various ways. They can be driven around from one pasture to another without losing their flesh, and apparently without fatigue. These few points have made the Herefords of great value to the cowboys, who are now driven from place to place in search of food.

The size of the Herefords is large, and the very form of their frames indicates that they were designed by nature to assume large proportions and heavy carcasses of beef. They contribute along with these a sweet, juicy meat that is desired in any market. In fact the Texas beves have of late years been noticeably improved by crosses with these animals. Careful observers have noted the gradual improvement in size and quality of the Southwestern cattle, and it may not be straining a point to assert that this is largely if not entirely due to the introduction of this red blood in the flock. The Herefords are not dairy cows. They will give fair milk and a fair quantity, but a great mistake is made when they are reared for this purpose. They are designed for beef, and to this specialty they should be limited. Their large framework can be easily covered with flesh and fat so that no bones will show, and at the age of two years a cow will often weigh between 1000 and 1800 pounds. Even higher gains than this are recorded for the Herefords. They take on flesh rapidly up to the second year, and even keep this up for a considerable time afterward. They are deservedly among the most popular of beves.

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DAIRY.

No department of agriculture is making more rapid advancement to-day than the dairy interests, says "Northwestern Field and Farm." The introduction of the creamery system, the improvement of stock and the cultivation of the distinct dairy breeds, the adoption of more economical methods of feeding, the use of the milk tester—all these have been direct steps towards a higher level. In connection with these we have begun to study the science of milk and butter production and to apply business principles in handling and marketing our wares. The business has thus been brought to a point where mere average skill and knowledge will not enable one to maintain a fair or profitable standing. The successful dairyman must be to a great extent, a dairy expert, the dairy schools to distribute and make available the requisite special knowledge, are now an imperative need. There is no line of agricultural education that can be more profitably encouraged by the state than this, and we hope soon to see the dairy schools as firmly established and as well attended as the institutes now are. If the same food that will make a pound of butter will make a pound of meat, then the manufacture of good butter is a more important thing for the farmer to study than is the method of feeding beves.

The kind of breed our cows are has a great deal to do with the question of how much we make by keeping them. And the kind of breed—if we may use the illustration—of the man who keeps the cow is also to be considered. For instance, some men like big cows; they like to see them, to feed them and to handle them; they like to have calves that are big at birth, and these men will probably make more money keeping big cows than they would keeping small ones, both capable of giving the same yield, simply because, liking them so much better, they will watch them closer and take better care of them in every way. So it is an item for the man to select a breed that fills his eye if he wishes to have it fill his pocket.

Since we have such good dairy breeds, and they vary so much in size and color, it is advisable for each one to keep the breed he likes the outward appearance of best. Not that we mean by what we have said that a big breed will take the place of a small one, or vice versa, for we believe that the large and the small breeds have their respective places in the dairy, but if one much prefers the wrong-sized breed he will be more successful with it than with the other, which he doesn't like. It takes a very little thing, sometimes, to make one's work distasteful, and we should look over the whole field carefully before we decide, not only to see what breed we shall keep, but in all other things that we are interested in, and work with, on the farm.

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MARKET REPORTS.

BY WIRE.

KANSAS CITY.

STOCK YARDS, KANSAS CITY, Mo.,
Feb. 2, 1893.

Receipts of cattle for January at this market were in round numbers 111,000, which is a record-breaker for that month. While the receipts of cattle have increased, hogs have greatly decreased. The receipts of hogs last week were over 18,000 head short of the corresponding week last year.

The receipts of cattle for the week have been as follows: Monday 4650, Tuesday 10,000, Wednesday 3500, to-day 2500.

The market declined from 20¢ to 30 cents the first of the week, but advanced fully 10 cents to-day and will no doubt regain by the end of the week all that was lost on Monday and Tuesday. Best dressed beef and shipping steers are bringing from \$3.75@4.30; stockers and feeders "are out of sight" and continue to top the market at from \$3.40@4.25; best native cows and heifers are bringing from \$3@3.50; best meal and corn-fed Texans are selling close up to natives. Especially is this true where they show improved blood and have been properly fed. The market on this class ranges from \$3.50@4.25.

Receipts of hogs to-day, 5800. Market strong and 5¢ higher on all grades. Prices range from \$7.70@7.85, bulk of sales at \$7.75.

There were 2000 sheep on to-day's market. They sold at an advance of 10¢, bringing an average of \$4.60.

CHICAGO.

UNION STOCK YARDS,
CHICAGO, ILL., Feb. 2.

Monday's market opened with 17,000 cattle, 20,000 hogs and 11,000 sheep. To-day's receipts were 11,000 cattle, 18,000 hogs and 5000 sheep.

The market may safely be reported as strong and higher on everything. Cattle have advanced from 10¢ to 15¢ to-day. Extra fine beefs, \$5.75@6.10; choice, \$5.40@5.65; good, \$4.90@5.85; others, \$3.50@4.85; feeders, \$3.75@4.25; stockers, \$2.75@3.50; cows, \$1.75@4.00.

Hogs—Receipts, 18,000; market 5¢ to 10¢ higher; rough and common, \$5.60@5.70; packing and mixed, \$7.75@7.95; prime heavy and butchers' weights, \$8@8.40, prime light, \$7.70@7.85; pigs, \$6.00@7.80.

Sheep—Receipts, 5000, easy; market

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ST. LOUIS.

NATIONAL STOCK YARDS,
EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL., Feb. 2, 1893.

Cattle receipts so far this week were Monday 3200, Tuesday 5000, Wednesday 4500, to-day 2300. There were no strictly good cattle on to-day's market. Best fed Texans would bring from \$4 to \$4.50, grass Texas steers from \$2.25 to \$3.00, cows \$2 to \$2.60.

Hogs—Receipts, 5700; shipments, 1000. Market active, higher; heavy, \$7.70@8.10; packing, \$7.40@9.90; light, \$7.65@7.75.

Sheep—Receipts, 600; market steady; natives, \$3.50@5.25.

WOOL MARKETS.

St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 2.—Receipts, 4000; shipments, 73,000 pounds. Firm, demand good. Prices unchanged.

Galveston.

GALVESTON, TEX., Feb. 2.—Market steady, unchanged.

Grade	Spring, twelve months' clip	This day	Yesterday
Fine	17 @18 1/2	17 @18 1/2	17 @18 1/2
Medium	17 1/2 @19	17 1/2 @19	17 1/2 @19
Spring	15 @16 1/2	15 @16 1/2	15 @16 1/2
Medium	15 @16 1/2	15 @16 1/2	15 @16 1/2
Mexican Improved	12 @13 1/2	12 @13 1/2	12 @13 1/2
Mexican carpet	11 1/2 @12 1/2	11 1/2 @12 1/2	11 1/2 @12 1/2

New Orleans Market Report.

(Reported by Albert Montgomery, Live Stock Commission Merchant, Stock Landing.)

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 30, 1893.

	Receipts.	Sales.	On Hand.
Beef cattle	1056	1393	337
Calves and Yearlings	1302	1510	320
Hogs	1785	620	1933
Sheep	457	720	457

Texas and Western Cattle—Good to choice fed beefs, lb, 34@37; good, fat grass beefs per lb, gross, 32@34; common to fair beefs, 22@24; good fat cows, per lb, gross, 24@26; common to fair cows, per head, \$8@14; good fat calves, per head, \$8@10; common to fair calves, per head, \$5@7; good fat yearlings, per head, \$10@12; common to fat yearlings, per head, \$7@9.

Good milch cows, per head, \$25@30; common to fair, \$15@20; attractive springers, per head, \$15@17.50.

Hogs—Good fat corn-fed per lb gross, 6¢@6 1/2; common to fair per lb gross, 5¢@6c.

Sheep—Good fat sheep, per lb, gross, 4¢@4 1/2; common to fair, per head, \$1.25@2.50.

The market during the past week ruled steady and fairly active for all classes of good cattle. At close to-day few fat cattle were left on hand; the outlook is promising for good fat beef

cattle, calves and yearlings. Poor stock still hard to sell. Hogs in heavy supply, dull and prices lower. Sheep dull and weak, the butchers continue fully supplied.

Market Notes.

Hogs are higher than ever before at this season of the year, and higher than at any time within the past ten years.

Strictly good cattle are selling well. Those who have first-class stock have no cause to complain at the market.

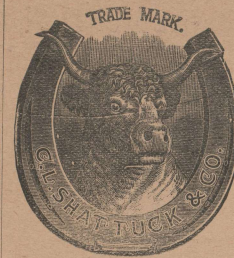
Sheep are holding up and doing well. In fact the market on all kinds of fat live stock is good, and the JOURNAL is correspondingly happy.

This week last year there were 87,200 cattle and 250,800 hogs received at the four leading western markets. Chicago had 51,800 cattle and 163,000 hogs, Omaha 12,000 cattle and 32,000 hogs, St. Louis 6000 cattle and 17,000 hogs.

It isn't a common occurrence for hog values to be higher on the last than on the first day of January. Such is the case this year. The bulk at the opening of the month sold at \$5.50@5.65 and the month closed at the highest point of the month, the highest for any day since 1882, and the highest on record for the last day of January. In 1892 the month opened with the bulk at \$3.60@3.75 and closed at \$4.10@4.25, within 10 cents of the highest point. So says Kansas City Drivers' Telegram.

The Kansas City Drivers' Telegram is a good live stock reporter, but could hardly be classed as a "bull." It says: All the talk about there being so few good cattle in Kansas City's territory does not amount to much as long as the receipts of such cattle are heavy. There were more good cattle on Saturday's market than for any previous day for months, and we venture to say that no week from January 1, on through the spring season of 1892, were there as many good cattle received at Kansas City as were here last week.

Chicago Drivers' Journal—During the first twenty-four commercial days of this month receipts of hogs averaged 22,800 per day, against 37,587 throughout January, 1892, and a daily average of 59,530 during January, 1891. This month there were only six days when over 30,000 arrived, the largest receipts being 33,600. During January, 1892, there were five days when over 50,000 arrived, the largest day's receipts being 59,745. It is expected receipts for this month, estimated at 600,000 will be the largest month's receipts this year, whereas the monthly average last year was 645,000, and in 1891 the monthly average was 716,000 per month. Prominent dealers in the trade are estimating receipts for 1893 at



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about 5,000,000 against 7,714,435 for 1892, 8,600,805 for 1891, 7,663,829 for 1890, 5,995,525 for 1889 and 4,921,712 for 1888.

Rawlins (Wyo.) Journal: Hon. William Daley was offered this week by a Platte valley sheepman \$3.50 per head for his band of 5000 sheep. Mr. Daley refused the offer. The winter so far has been the best in several years for sheep, and flock owners are very much encouraged. The wool clip for 1893 will be the largest in the history of the county. Cattlemen, also, are looking forward to a prosperous year, and there is a good demand at stiff prices. The winter range is good and cattle-men will come out in the spring with their herds in excellent shape. We venture the assertion that the year 1893 will be one of general prosperity in Carbon county.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

An Interesting Letter from Parker County

PARSONS, TEX., Jan. 29, 1903.
Editor Live Stock and Farm Journal.

DEAR SIR—Nothing of importance or worthy of comment has lately transpired in this section of country.

A few days since I had the pleasure of looking at the fine string of steers which are being fed at the oil mills at Weatherford, and must say that they are a nice lot of cattle. I would, however, like them better if they were dehorned.

I am a strong advocate of the de-horning system, notwithstanding the fact that I have recently seen a fine steer to die from the effects of that process. Judging from the signs in the high grass where he laid, I am of the opinion that he died from loss of blood. Others which received the same treatment at the same time, are doing well and have never missed a meal.

There are several bunches of steers being fed in this community, and all seem to be in a thriving condition. The northerners we have, do no harm, as they are just cold and strong enough to produce a good appetite for food. Inclosed please find \$1.50 as renewal subscription for the JOURNAL, for its presence has become a case of necessity with me.

S. B. KUTCH.

Pecos Pointers.

PECOS, TEX., Jan. 31, 1903.
Editor Texas Live Stock and Farm Journal.

An excursion party from Ohio passed through the Pecos valley a few days ago and stopped off at Barstow one day and were highly pleased. The party will return to Pecos to-morrow and take in the Pecos country and some will invest before returning, as they are all monied men.

Every day brings new inquiry in regard to our country, and we look for a heavy emigration this fall. Cattlemen are much encouraged at the outlook for this year and expect to receive good prices for their cattle. Stock cattle are worth from \$7 to \$8 per head. This is an advance of \$2 per head over last year.

Times are improving and business looking up. No special news. Yours,
J. J. I.

Curing Lumpy Jaw in Texas.

Mr. J. W. Wampler, a stock breeder of Brazillton, Kan., was invited to attend the annual meeting of the state board of agriculture, but being unable to do so sent the following communication, published in the Kansas Farmer, and which the JOURNAL reproduces, as it may interest many stockmen:

"I will tell you all I know about curing lumpy jaw in cattle. Last summer I saw an account in some paper that Secretary Rusk wanted 300 head of lumpy-jawed cattle to experiment on, and he thought he could cure them. I wrote him to send me his remedy and I would experiment, too, as I had three of my own, badly diseased. In a few days I received his answer, and also the remedy, and how different cattle had been treated.

"The remedy is iodide of potassium. It costs 30 cents per ounce here in Girard, and one ounce will cure one animal if the disease has not gone too long. The longer the disease has run, the more of the iodide of potassium it will take. I use one drachm in one pint of fresh water. It dissolves readily if well pulverized. This much I give to each animal every morning. Don't mix any more than you use each day, as it is better while fresh. Place a good leather halter on the animal and draw its head up by placing the strap or rope over something above. Place a cow horn in its mouth, then pour the medicine through. Repeat every morning, unless the animal gets to running too much at the nose, so much that it interferes with its breathing, then stop a day or two, and com-

mence again, and so on, until the animal is well, which, if the disease is not too old, will be in ten or fifteen days.

"I have a fine heifer that was badly affected for over a year. The lump on the left side of her head was half as large as her head, and had become honey-combed and running. I fed her five ounces and then quit, thinking the disease had gone too far, and left her run, thinking I would kill her and drag her away. We were busy sowing wheat, and did not notice her for some two weeks. I then went to look at and arrange to kill her, as I did not want her to be with the other cattle, but was surprised to see the lump half gone, and the remainder soft, and it has been going away ever since and now she is well.

"I cured two steers, also, that had not run so long. One I fed one ounce, and the other about two ounces. I told a neighbor that had three badly diseased. He cured them all. Another neighbor cured three. Another had one that was fat, but had a lump on jaw. He tried to sell it to a shipper but he would not take it for a gift. He tried the remedy, and in two weeks she was well. He sold her and she went to Kansas City, passed the inspection, went on the market, and he got a good price for her.

"Don't get scared if they run at the eyes and nose and the outer coat of skin peels off, like the hair was full of bran, for this is characteristic of the effects of the iodide. The cattle will fatten while under treatment, and so much better and faster afterward, that I am convinced that it would pay to treat all cattle to about one ounce to purify the blood and system, especially those put up to feed.

"I have given to others that I have not heard from yet, except one that had two steers diseased. I saw him the other day and asked him how he succeeded in curing the lumpy-jaw? He said he had bought the medicine and laid it up in the kitchen cupboard and it was there yet. So you can see his cattle have the lumpy-jaw yet.

"Tell the people not to buy the medicine unless they intend to use it and use it right and regular. I will give anyone all I know about curing lumpy-jaw if they write me, inclosing stamp, and not charge anything, feeling that what is good for me is good for my neighbors."

Favors Consolidation.

The Santa Anna News says: The move now on foot looking to the consolidation of all the livestock associations of Texas into one grand organization, is certainly the proper thing. Those who oppose such a course, if any there be, should bear in mind that one individual, acting independently, cannot accomplish a great deal for his industry, but by united action on the part of all engaged in the same or kindred industries, almost any just and reasonable end may be attained for the better protection and more successful operation of their business. Especially is this true in the matter of securing just and needed legislation."

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POULTRY.

Exercise your wits to give the fowls some variety of food. A week is quite long enough to keep them to a single bill of fare. Vary it a little every day.

Geese are profitable, and can be raised with only the same water supply that you need for other poultry. Goslings, to succeed well, should be hatched as early as possible. Their food is largely grass, and if they can avail themselves of it while the grass is young and tender they can be grown with very little expense indeed.

A good chicken house bespeaks the careful and thrifty farmer. The man who takes pride in his chickens is sure to be a careful man with all his stock, and a good chicken house is a recommendation to any farm. It may not be elegant nor built after the latest architectural fashion but it may be cheap, yet warm and tidy, and good enough for any flock.

Winter Feeding

On the winter care of poultry N. J. Shepherd, in a recent communication to the Kansas Farmer, says: During the summer, or nearly all of the time that the poultry can be given a free range, the poultry will be able to pick up more or less of their feed, so that it will not be quite so important to feed regularly as in the winter. But from this time on until spring, the poultry must be confined the greater part of the time and must depend very largely upon the food supplied to them.

It is not good economy to force them to hunt for their food in winter. If they have access to the granaries or stables, where the feed is kept, they will damage nearly or quite as much as they will eat, and of course this is wasteful.

Poultry on the farm should be kept for profit, and this will not be done if they have access to the feed or if they are not properly fed. Unless they are kept thrifty they can hardly be expected to lay eggs, and unless eggs are secured in winter the best profit will not be realized. Under what may be considered average conditions, whole corn is one of the very best grains that can be given at night, and under ordinary conditions they can be given all that they will eat up clean. The nights are long, and it is a good while between supper and breakfast, and corn will keep them from becoming too hungry, while at the same time it is one of the very best foods that can be supplied to keep them warm, and with most fowls on the farm, this is of itself quite an item.

If eggs are expected, warm feed in the morning can nearly always be given with profit. This can be made by saving the scraps from the table, putting in a pot and warming thoroughly. If the quantity is not sufficient, add corn meal and bran in equal quantities to make up. It will be an item to feed the last feed just before they go to roost, and the first feed in the morning should be given as soon as they are ready to fly down from the roosts. This is of more importance in winter than at any other time. The noon meal can be whole wheat or sorghum seed, or something of this kind to make up a variety. A good plan of feeding is to give the grain in a litter of some kind in order to give the fowls exercise, or a bunch of sorghum seed or oats can be hung up just high enough to make them give a good jump to get it. A cabbage head can be given in the same way. This will afford exercise.

While liberal feeding is always best in winter, it is not desirable at any time to feed more than they will eat up clean. If the quarters are comfortable and they are fed liberally, hens

will lay regularly through the winter and can readily be made profitable.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

Sam Davison of Henrietta was here on Monday.

W. R. Curtis of Henrietta was here yesterday and reports everything in good condition.

D. D. Swearingen of Quanah was in Fort Worth yesterday and says cattle are doing well.

A. E. McCarty, the Ennis cattleman, was here on Tuesday and says Ellis county is in good shape.

Park Mitchener, a well-known livestock commission merchant of Kansas City, died last Saturday.

A. A. Chapman of Dublin, banker and cattleman and an enthusiastic fine stock man, was here on Tuesday.

George W. Haynes, the Calvert cattleman, was here yesterday and says his feeding steers are doing well.

Sam Lazarus, the well-known Sherman cattleman, was here last night and gives encouraging reports from all sections.

D. H. Middleton of Abilene was among the many visitors in the live stock center on Wednesday. He reports Taylor county as being in good shape.

E. B. Carver, representative of Casady Bros. & Co., was here yesterday. Mr. Carver is feeling good over the bright outlook for the cattle market.

Harris Franklin of Deadwood, S. D., advertises for 2000 two-year-old steers to be delivered on the Fort Worth and Denver of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe. See his ad and write him.

S. A. Brown of Newport, I. T., has in addition to a large and well watered open range, an inclosed pasture of 8000 acres, all of which he wants to lease to some cattleman. A good opening for some one.

Mr. Harrold came in from his feeding pens near Mount Calm on Monday, and reports his feeding steers as being in first-class shape. He is sure the market for good cattle will be all right next year.

E. Fenlon of Leavenworth, Kan., manager of the Bronson cattle company, the well-known "Queen Sabe" ranch, near Midland, was here on Tuesday night, and says cattle are doing well in Midland county.

Mr. Lee of the Louisville land and cattle company, Colonel Tamblin of Chicago, and J. A. Fleming returned to-day from Texas. They report cattle in good shape and business prosperous in the Lone Star state.—Drovers' Telegram.

W. K. Bell, the Palo Pinto cattleman, was here Wednesday on route to Arkansas City, where he was going to look after some pasture land. Mr. Bell says Palo Pinto county was never before in better shape at this time of year than at the present.

E. D. Farmer of Alcedo was in town yesterday. He has just received several cars of meal and hulls from the Weatherford mill and sent on a like number of cars filled with seed to be ground. His cattle are doing well. This means that Mr. Farmer will, as is his custom, have some of the best cattle marketed this year.

Col. R. E. Maddox says he is receiving much encouragement relative to his second grand combination sale of live stock to be held in this city during the convention next month. This sale will be a great thing. Anyone desirous

of acquiring good stock cannot do better than come to Fort Worth at that time. He requests consignments from breeders.

Britton Davis, a prominent ranchman of Chihuahua, Mexico, was at the yards yesterday. He was on his way back from Washington where he has been to see what chances there were to have the law repealed which imposes a duty of \$10 per head on all cattle imported into the United States from Mexico. The tariff as it now stands shuts him out of the Kansas City market where his cattle should be marketed.—K. C. Journal.

PROGRAMME.

Second Annual Meeting of the Texas Live Stock Association.

The following is the programme outlined by the committee appointed for that purpose for the meeting of the Texas Live Stock association, which will convene in Austin on the 14th of this month and continues in session three days, viz.:

MORNING SESSION—FIRST DAY.

Convention called to order at the Board of Trade, at 10:00 a. m., February 14, by the president, Capt. D. H. Snyder of Georgetown.

Prayer—By the Rev. Dr. Smoot of Austin.

Address of Welcome—By the Hon. John McDonald, mayor of Austin.

Response—By Hon. T. T. D. Andrews of Fort Worth.

Calling roll of members.

Reading minutes of previous meeting.

Reports of standing committees.

Reports of special committees.

Address—By Col. C. M. Rogers of Austin on importance of organization and united action.

Reception of members.

AFTERNOON SESSION—FIRST DAY.

Secretary's report.

Appointment of following committees of five members each:

Resolution.

Cattle breeding and raising.

Cattle feeding and marketing.

Breeding and raising horses.

Breeding and raising sheep.

Swine and swine products.

Poultry and poultry raising.

Needed legislation.

Railroad stockyards and commission charges.

Diseases of live stock.

Quarantine regulations.

Packing houses, slaughtering establishments, etc.

Deep water on the Texas coast.

Special committee on the future of the organization, its work, etc.

Other additional committees if desired by the association.

Address on the Future of the Live Stock Industry of Texas by Vories P. Brown, editor Texas Stockman, San Antonio.

MORNING SESSION—SECOND DAY.

Prayer—By Rev. Dr. Smoot.

Address—On the Magnitude of the Live Stock Industry of Texas, by his excellency, Gov. James S. Hogg.

Reports of committees—Cattle Breeding and Raising; Address by Hon. R. J. Kleberg, Alice; Col. W. E. Hughes, Dallas.

Cattle Feeding and Marketing; Address by Jno. S. Andrews, Fort Worth; C. G. Caldwell, Austin; M. Sisson, Alvarado; Jot J. Smith, Itasca.

Breeding and Raising Horses; Address by D. H. Snyder, Georgetown; Henry Exall, Dallas; Col. R. E. Maddox, Fort Worth.

Breeding and Raising Sheep—Address by T. H. Bowman, Big Springs; C. G. Burbank, Fort McKavett; Col. R. H. Overall, Coleman.

Swine and Swine Products—Address by F. B. Holland, editor Farm and Ranch, Dallas; J. B. Mitchell, Austin.

AFTERNOON SESSION—SECOND DAY.

Legislation—Addresses by Hon. E. R. Lane, San Antonio; Col. C. C.

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Slaughter, Dallas; Hon. Geo. W. Fulton, Jr., Gregory.

Railroad, Stock Yard and Commission Charges—Addresses by W. H. Featherston, Henrietta; H. H. Halsell, Decatur; M. W. Rogers, Kyle.

Diseases of Live Stock—Address by Dr. J. B. Taylor, San Antonio.

Quarantine Regulations—Addresses by A. P. Bush, Jr., Colorado; Capt. J. T. Lytle, San Antonio; Col. W. F. Black, Fort McKavett.

Packing Houses, Slaughtering Establishments, Etc.—Addresses by E. J. Sandemeyer, Columbus; I. B. Baker, Houston.

Deep Water—Address by Judge W. S. DeLaney, Columbus.

Future of the Organization—Addresses by Col. J. L. Brush, San Antonio; Col. C. M. Rogers, Austin.

MORNING SESSION—THIRD DAY.

Prayer—By Rev. Dr. Smoot.

Election of officers.

New business.

Unfinished business.

Appointment of standing committees.

In addition to the above subjects of interest to stockmen or pertaining to the live stock industry that are brought before the convention will receive due consideration.

The big hearted people of Austin will provide for an excursion to the Big Dams, a boatside on the lake and various other amusements for the entertainment of those in attendance, all of which will interspersed with above programme.

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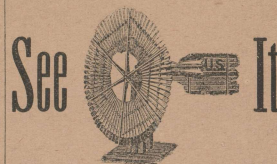
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There are other points, however, wherein better business methods need to be commended to farmers. They must make up their minds sometimes to lose on stock either purchased or produced at too great cost. The merchant who finds his store loaded up with unsalable goods, disposes of this stock for whatever it will bring, and stocks up with what he thinks will be more salable. Farmers, on the contrary, often continue to keep stock year after year, every winter more than destroying its own value, or in the expressive country phrase, "eating its head off." Why do they do this? They hold on for a fancy price that they think somebody will be foolish enough to pay them, and in the meantime every month's cost of feeding the animal more than offsets whatever real value it may have had. In fact, talk as some farmers may about fancy prices for the best stock, it is really the scrub, poor stock that is held, and is often sold at fancy prices. The proof of this is proved by the best test, that of keeping. The best stock gives the keeper a profit, none other will.

One of the very best rules in farming is to have nothing to do with poor cows, poor pigs or poor stock of any kind. The best stock may prove more expensive at the beginning, but it will pay for itself from the first in one way or another. No man, except by some unforeseen accident, ever introduced a really valuable animal into a neighborhood and lost money by doing so. The rule in such cases is that the enterprising farmer who does this enriches himself and his neighbor as well. There is this to be said for the advantage of the farmer's business.

In a small, narrow way it is not sharply competitive, as is that of the merchant and manufacturer, who can only attain success by underselling each other. In the farmer's business the selling price of his products is fixed by the world's market. It may mean a sharper competition with other farmers in distant counties. He is not competing in selling with his neighbors except in producing a finer product, and by his skill producing it at less cost than his neighbor can do.

This is, perhaps, the most important of all business points. How to lessen cost of production as much as possible, seeing the selling price cannot be easily affected. These are the business problems that comfort a farmer, and they are quite as hard to solve as those that come before other classes of business men.

How to Finish Up a Silo.

George E. Rice of Warren, Ohio, writing to the Ohio Farmer on the above subject has the following to say, which will be of interest in this state:

Mr. A. A. Butler of Brecksville, Ohio, writes me as follows: "We think of building a silo next spring, 12x13, and 18 feet deep. Have not decided whether to coil or lath and plaster with Portland cement. If we use ceiling how wide should it be, and of what kind of lumber? Should it be painted, and with what kind of paint? We thought of putting birch boards inside, then lathing and plastering with Portland cement. Would that be better than ceiling? Shall we use building paper and where? Please answer through Ohio Farmer."

Mr. Butler has a pretty good idea of the two common methods of finishing

off the inside of silos. There is no doubt about the plastering being the most durable and satisfactory in the end, and a little more expensive to begin with. My silos were built after I had spent considerable time and money investigating the two methods. Also I built a single board silo and used it one winter, and there was so much loss of ensilage from moulding at sides I tore the pit down and built two large ones and plastered them as follows: First, sheathed with rough lumber, horizontally, taking pains to cross the boards at corners every two or three feet, to prevent spreading; then put on tarred paper, perpendicular, holding in place by strips of wood 4x2 inches. The paper is thirty-six inches wide, and I lapped it about four inches, putting one strip on lap and one in middle, so they were just sixteen from center to center, which is just right to put on common four-foot lath.

The plaster was made as follows: ten pailfuls of clean sand; two pails of cement, thoroughly mixed; dry; three pails of white lime that has been slacked and run off and was just thick enough to stand up when cut. You need two boxes. Put the white lime in one and enough water to make it liquid, then throw in the sand and cement and mix thoroughly. Now plaster two coats, pressing the first coat on hard to fill up the half-inch space behind the lath. Put both coats on the same day as far as you go, beginning at bottom and working up. Then the next day put on finishing coat, three pails sharp sand and one Portland cement, or two pails sand to one of Akron or Louisville cement. Make last coat about one-fourth of an inch thick and trowel smooth, and then leave it alone, for if you try to smooth it after it has partly set it will not stick well. Take coarse sand or fine gravel and mix same as last coat and lay one and a half inches thick on bottom, and you will have a silo that will last a lifetime.

This kind of a wall will cost about 51 cents a square yard, for sheathing, paper, lath and plaster, if you buy and hire everything done. Of course it will cost a farmer much less if he does the teaming and a good part of the labor. If you prefer the wooden wall get either good white oak or pine flooring not over three or three and a half inches wide, and ceiling right on studding; then take raw lined oil and Venetian red (dry) and mix together and give two coats, having first coat rather thin and second coat thicker. The raw oil will cost about 43 cents per gallon and will take three gallons for pine and four or five for oak, and thirty or forty pounds of dry Venetian red at 2 cents, making the ceiled wall cost about 35 or 40 cents per square yard. I do not think it pays to build a double board wall with paper between, as the wood will soon rot and rats eat through and spoil the ensilage. Mr. Harshman, my dear neighbor, built a silo with double boards and paper and used it one winter and he lost so much ensilage that he had it plastered the next year and is well satisfied now. I have written more on this subject perhaps than might seem necessary, but have received several inquiries lately concerning the same subject, and my reasons for preferring the plastered walls, cost and directions for making the mortar, etc., hence the details in this answer.

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Increase in Registration Fees.

The American Berkshire association at the annual meeting held at Springfield, Ill., January 18, 1893, established the following schedule of fees for animals recorded or transferred on and after March 1, 1893, viz:

The fee for recording from and after March 1, 1893, shall be as follows:

To persons owning a complete set of the volumes of the American Berkshire Record—Animals under 12 months of age, \$1; animal 12 and under 24 months of age, \$2. A like penalty of \$1 to be added for each ad-

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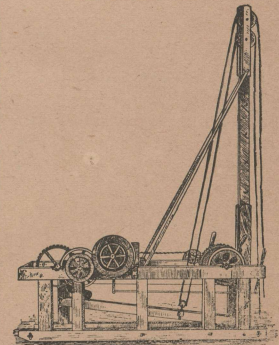
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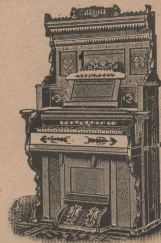
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