The Fort Worth Live Stock Market

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LD AT $6.35.

Cattle Today,
aching 803.

Muttons and mixed	3
Bucks and culls	

HORSE AND MULE

Cooke & Simmons [illegible] from Greenville, boneless	10
Other recd cloth	10
load from [illegible], very fine	15
from Sw[illegible]. boneless	18

Comm[illegible]

SAUSAGE.

HERE IS WHERE WE EXCEL.

	Per lb.
Pork Link Sausage	8½
Pork Loose Sausage	8
Pork Bfk. Sausage, little link	9
Frankfurter Bratwurst	9
Vienna or Wieners	8½
Liver Sausage	6
Blood Sausage	6
Head Cheese, in hog stomachs	7
Tongue Sausage	9½
Ham Sausage, in cloth	10
BOLOGNA, large, round, straight,	6
Ham Bologna	8
N. Y. Bologna	7

Orders for less than 25 lbs. ½c per lb. more.

Try a sample order of Sausage. It will please you.

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DRESSED BEEF

	Per lb.
[illegible]	6
[illegible], good	4¾@5¼
[illegible], steer	7½
[illegible] cows	6½
[illegible], steer	5½
[illegible] cows	4 @4½
[illegible]	5
[illegible]	4
[illegible]	10
[illegible]	10
[illegible]	30

[illegible]IGS FEET, TRIPE, ETC.

[illegible]dy for Use	Bbls. 200 lbs. Net	½ Bbl. 80 lbs. Net	¼ Bbl. 40 lbs. Net	Kits, 15 lbs. Net.
[illegible] feet	none	$ 3 40	$1 80	$ 80
[illegible]ular tripe	none	2 40	1 25	65
[illegible] tongues	$30 00	13 00	7 50	2 60

[illegible] quotation on car lots, when requested.

—PROVISIONS.—

[illegible]D MEATS.

[illegible]URED—SACKED.

[illegible]nd," special mild cure.

	Per lb.
[illegible], 15 lbs. av.	13½
[illegible], 12 lbs. av.	13½
[illegible], 10 lbs. av.	13½
[illegible]ed hams, 17-20	15
[illegible]t bacon, stringless	16
[illegible] beef	15
[illegible]rth brand, 10-16	13¾
[illegible] 18-20	13¾
[illegible] Ft. W. brand	14
[illegible] W. brand	14
[illegible]	9½

SMOKED MEATS.

DRY SALT CURED—SACKED.		Per lb
Bacon—Short Clears, 25-35 lbs. avg		11¼
" " " 35-45	"	11¼
Fancy Clear Bellies, square cut 12-14	"	12¼
Bacon Shoulders, 10-12	"	9¾
" Backs, 10	"	10¾
" Fat Backs,	"	10½
" Plates		10½

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" Shoulders, 12 lbs. avg	
" Backs, 10 lbs. avg	
" Fat Backs, 10-12 lbs. avg	
" Plates	

[illegible] time to place your order for Hams and Breakfaders. [illegible] delicacy there is nothing equal to our "BATTLESHIP BRAND" [illegible]reakfast Bacon. They are special mild cure, and selected from [illegible]ogs. No Ham over 15-pound average, and no Breakfast Bacon [illegible] average. All nicely wrapped in burlap without extra charge. [illegible] perfection of the curers art, and you can find no better any-[illegible]sed by the leading hotels, and particular trade. Send us a trial

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[illegible] 6 in a case, ½ cent over tierces.
[illegible] 12 in a case, ⅞ cent over tierces.
[illegible]0 in a case, 1 cent over tierces.

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[illegible]st Shipment. We Will Help YOU
[illegible]P RIGHT!!—
[illegible]orts Free on Application
[illegible]WIRE US! SHIP TO US!

STOCK YARDS NO[illegible]

[illegible] Runyon had four head [illegible] the market.

[illegible]nk Sansom shipped out [illegible]rs for his feed lot.

[illegible] C. Carroll of Madill, I. T., w[illegible] market with one car of hogs.

[illegible] L. Snow of Gatesville had a bu[illegible] hogs on the market, which sold w[illegible]

[illegible]. Stone of Itasca had 95 head o[illegible] at the yards. They averaged 17[illegible]

[illegible]H. Harrison of Marlow had in [illegible] cars of cattle from the Indian [illegible]

[illegible] Firmson of Plano, Texas, had [illegible] The fi[illegible] and a mixed car of hogs [illegible] Lanham was [illegible] of O. B. Colin were up from Hous[illegible] for Sa[illegible] last [illegible] hogs which sold at [illegible] pardn a poor an[illegible]eton sold 91 head [illegible]ric who was serv[illegible] the penitentiary for [illegible] horning. They

[illegible]ok Ahead.
[illegible]—Julian Ralph, [illegible] correspondent, [illegible] here.

[illegible] was with the [illegible] Provision Co., [illegible] loaded [illegible] for Amer[illegible] umberlan[illegible] by the A[illegible]

has been engaged by Armour & Co. as their hog and sheep buyer, and Joe McCarty is the cattle buyer for this firm.

J. F. Williams, yardmaster, now has [illegible]w office on Exchange avenue, front[illegible] Armour's office.

[illegible]H Harrison was down from Mar[illegible]T., with a car of hogs good [illegible] to top the market.

[illegible] Honeycutt of Albany had in a [illegible] the best cows that have been in [illegible]ket for some time.

[illegible]Green of Oklahoma, O. T., was [illegible] prominent Territory cattle [illegible] over the yards.

[illegible]cha[illegible]n, a cattle man and mer[illegible]mari[illegible]ns, Texas, was on the [illegible] J. [illegible] cars of cows.

[illegible]en in [illegible]ad 85 head of good driv[illegible] at $2.70, [illegible]h weighed 910, and sold [illegible]

A car [illegible] cent shrink.

[illegible] from Kan[illegible]eford bulls came in [illegible] go to Stam[illegible] last night, and will [illegible] Armour & [illegible]eeding purposes.

[illegible] plant, having [illegible] enlarging their [illegible] brick oil-house[illegible] contract for a [illegible] be 130x140 feet.

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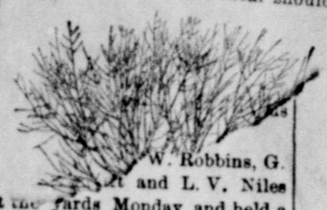
[illegible]nced as a [illegible] course of [illegible]r. Hepburn [illegible] and coun[illegible]t Democratic [illegible] rendered the [illegible]des 49 and 54.

HORTICULTURE

Pruning the Peach Tree.

A correct form of top is needed to insure fruit bearing and longevity of the tree. If the opportunity is lost to obtain this desirable form of top in the early growth of the tree it is forever lost for that tree. Pruning the second and third years is done on the same principles as for the first year. During these early stages in the growth of the tree the ideal should be



[illegible] W. Robbins, G. [illegible]t and L. V. Niles were at the yards Monday and held a directors meeting.

W. A. Briggs of Waxahachie was among the visitors at the yards today. He said that 25 per cent of the fed cattle had been marketed.

The farmers are awakening to the fact that good hogs can be put on the market as cheaply as poor ones, and they bring more money.

Large numbers of people visit the stock yards and packing houses daily, looking over the place. Some are looking for locations for business.

J. B. Bradley of Hillsboro had a load of nice steers on Tuesday's market that averaged 1014, and brought $3.45, which was top price of the day.

F. M. Weaver, one of Fort Worth's prominent cattlemen, was a visitor on the yards, looking for feeders, and was successful in getting three cars.

Hamm & Deupree, successors to Thomas, Hamm & Deupree, will continue the business of the old firm. Mr. Thomas has severed his connection.

G. H. Elbert was in from Lewisville, Texas, with one car of hogs, which were good enough to top the market at $6.30. Mr. Elbert always ships good stuff.

R. H. Brown of Calvert, Tex., was on Tuesday's market with a load of mealfed steers, which averaged 1030 pounds, and sold at $3.40, with five out at $3.

C. E. Hicks of Hicks' Meadows, Tex., was a visitor at the yards, and looked [illegible]ination over thoroughly. He owns 6000 acres of land and does a lot of feeding.

J. W. Carl, of Bradley, Ark., had 64 head of very good hogs on the market. [illegible] says [illegible] days to raise good hogs, and [illegible] well pleased with the Fort Worth [illegible]

[illegible] plant is beginning to [illegible] something like business. Work is being pushed as fast as possible in all lines, and the company is anxious to get to killing.

E. B. Norman and Mr. Ditto of Graham, Tex., in company with Walter Stewart of this city, were among the prominent visitors looking over the yards.

The Armour Packing Co. are rushing their hog killing department to completion as fast as possible. They may be ready to kill hogs by February 1st, if not sooner.

O. W. Mathews, secretary of the stock yards company, returned from Kansas City Sunday. Chas. Hicks and W. E. Carter also came in from the convention.

Wm. Anson received 8 cars, consisting of 209 head of grade Hereford feeders, which he purchased at Coleman, Texas. He drove them to his ranch near Fort Worth.

Capt. Eph Harrold, the veteran feeder, sold to Cudahy & Co., for their Los Angeles house, 400 head of fat cattle. They were fed at Waxahachie, and averaged [illegible]

Joyce & Smith of Mt. Vernon had 2 cars of East Texas hogs on the market this morning that averaged 170 pounds and brought 6c. They were well pleased with the sale.

Moore & Co. of Durant, I. T., had a car of hogs on the tail market Saturday. One hundred and two head, average 182 pounds, brought 6c, and 5 head, average 106 pounds, brought 5c.

Rube Reed, a prominent cattle man of Midland, was on the yards. He was en route home from Kansas City, where he had been in attendance at the National Live Stock convention.

Fort Worth is a polo pony market. J. R. Dendinger of New Orleans today shipped a car of polo ponies to S. Jones of San Antonio. These ponies were gathered here, and are considered a good bunch.

The premium list, with rules and regulations of the seventh annual Fort Worth Fat Stock Show, to be held at the Fort Worth Stock Yards March 5, 6 and 7, is out and being mailed to cattlemen all over the country.

The Longhorn Live Stock Commission Co. was organized last week and opened offices for busines Monday. The officers are: Allen C. Thomas, president and manager; A. G. Crump, vice-

throw out water s[illegible] to shade the [illegible] nearly te[illegible] tree. Con[illegible] water spre[illegible] energy, bot[illegible] frequently [illegible] cessary to [illegible] is shown a [illegible] top bran[illegible] cut bac[illegible] to thro[illegible] sprouts [illegible] takes [illegible] limbs [illegible] of top[illegible] little [illegible]

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[illegible] Stark, secretary. [illegible] Jackson, cashier. [illegible] Allen C. Thomas, [illegible], hogs; Walter [illegible]

[illegible] sales is found a sale [illegible]ws by J. M. Coffin o[illegible] They averaged 903 [illegible] considerably ahead of [illegible] at $3.25, reported yes[illegible]g the market on cows.

[illegible]YNOLDS, President.

J. H[illegible] ST[illegible]
[illegible] Pres. and Gen. Mgr. T. B. WHITE, Treasurer.
[illegible]LARK, Vice-President. JNO. F. GRANT, Secretary.
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W. D. [illegible]OWLEY
GEO. E. [illegible]LAW[illegible]
[illegible]LD[illegible]

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that may be offered.

See our Ma[illegible] this paper. [illegible]er in the Live Stock columns of

Fort Worth Live Stock Commission [illegible]mpany.

The Stock Exchange, when completed, which will be shortly, will house all the commission firms doing business at the yards, besides having a bank, barber shop and restaurant, and all will be of the most modern style.

The badly decomposed body of a man was found in the Trinity about 2 o'clock today. It had lodged in an overhanging tree top, about half a mile east of the Rock Island bridge. There was nothing to show who the maan was.

Harry Brent of Bartlesville, I. T., was at the yards Tuesday, looking for good 2-year-old steers for his Territory pasture. Mr. Brent reports cattle wintering in good shape through his section of the country.

L. C. Britt of Valentine received 35 head of thoroughbred Hereford bulls, to be used for breeding purposes on his ranch in Southwest Texas. He purchased them of Wm. Powell of Channing, Texas, and they are a nice lot.

Mr. Gardner of Wichita Falls had two cars of steers on this market Wednesday, for which he was bid $3.35 and $3.40. He forwarded them to St. Louis, where they sold Saturday for $3.65. He would have made money by selling here.

The Spanish government has two representatives at the stock yards. They are looking for 1500 head of mules for use by their government. The gentlemen are looking the grounds over thoroughly and will probably be here often to buy mules.

Mr. Herm Specht of Iowa Park, Tex., an extensive breeder and raiser of thoroughbred Hereford cattle, was a visitor at the yards. He arranged while there for pen room for a herd of his fine show cattle, to be here during the Fat Stock Show in March.

B. C. Rhome & Sons have got out their 1903 calendar, that every man who likes to look at a well-built Hereford should have. It has a picture of Rhome & Sons' prize winning Hereford bull, Sir Percival 102783, that took the sweepstakes at the Dallas fair last year.

D. F. Sansom of Alvarado had on Tuesday's late market the best car of grade Hereford cows ever seen on this market, averaging 1047 pounds, sold at $3.25, with 4 out at $2.75. This is the highest price ever paid on the local market. We have doubts if this car of cows could have been beaten for flesh, quality and style on any of the Northern markets.

The past few weeks have made a great change at the Fort Worth Stock Yards. Several hundred pens have been completed and are in use. Stockmen who have been at all the important markets, claim the yards at Fort Worth are the best. No expense was spared in building them, and everything is very convenient and in first-class shape for the proper handling of stock.

Mr. L. F. Nall of Coleman, Texas, is a visitor at the stock yards. Mr. Nall is a prominent breeder of registered Hereford cattle, and is a heavy shipper to the markets. He was greatly impressed with the improvements and the large packing plants. Speaking of the hog situation, Mr. Nall says Texas is the best place on earth for raising them, and the farmers should turn their attention to hogs, as they will always find a ready market.

Hoes, rakes, shovels and spades, at
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Visitors at the Stock Yards.

The Stock Yards were not in the best condition for receiving visitors Monday, when Messrs. J. Ogden Armour and C. M. Favorite of Chicago, and C. W. Armour of Kansas City, reached there. Undeterred by mud and rain they went over the grounds, inspecting the stock yards and the packing plants. Apparently they were satisfied with what they found, for they expressed themselve as pleased with what had been done.

Mrs. Favorite and Miss Favorite were with the party, but they remained in their private car. From Fort Worth they go on to California.

Hog wire—We carry the famous DeKalb hog wire.
21-inch high 6-inch stays, barbed wire at bottom.
21-inch high, 12-inch stays, barbed wire at bottom.
42-inch high, 6-inch stays, barbed wire at bottom.
54-inch high, 6-inch stays, barbed wire at bottom.
Barbed wire, painted.
Barbed wire, galvanized.
Smooth wire.
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Oklahoma Quarantine Legislation.

A report from Guthrie, O. T., dated January 21, says:

Col. Albert Dean of Kansas City, agent of the Bureau of Animal Industry for the entire West, was here today by invitation of Gov. Ferguson, with whom he was in secret conference all day, and left for Kansas City tonight.

Members of the live stock sanitary board were also called in, but none of the parties to the conference would say more than that probable legislation was discussed. John Sullivan, territorial live stock inspector at Hobart, was suspended.

It is understood no quarantine laws will be passed until after Col. Dean's address at Oklahoma City, Feb. 10.

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Discussion by Practical Hog Raisers.

The Parker county farmers and truck growers held a meeting last week, and talked about things in their line of work. Two of the farmers were hog raisers, and we reprint from the Weatherford Democrat what they had to say:

Mr. McCoy of Tarrant county was introduced as a hog man. He gave his experience with teosente, a new feed, which he claims is far more productive than cane and a better feed. It makes best planted in the fall, but may be planted in spring. He also planted Essex rape for hogs—found them both better than cane and oats.

C. B. Bowen was called upon for a talk on the hog. He told of the selection of brood hogs, their care, feed, etc. He feeds cane, oats, etc., and puts them on corn just a little while before marketing. He said that hogs could be profitably raised on 60-cent corn.

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Cattle in Bad Shape in Colorado.

J. B. Lynch, western live stock agent of the Santa Fe, tells the Drovers' Journal that "Everything in Eastern Colorado and New Mexico is in bad shape. The whole territory east of the Great Divide is so short of winter range that owners have been compelled to ship their range cattle into Kansas to save them from starvation. This very discouraging condition, however, is offset somewhat by most flattering prospects for the coming summer, owing to the great quantities of snow in the mountains.

"This is early snow, and that is what the stockmen need, as it will provide water in many sections that were still suffering from lack of water for stock.

"The great body of this snow is where it belongs, too, well up in the mountains, and the outlook for irrigation has never been more favorable in thirty years. Especially is this the case in the Wet Mountain valley. Sheep on feed along the line of our road are about the same in number as last year, though of course away short or only a fraction of the big feeding of two years ago.

"Many cattle are on full feed on corn or being slopped along with feeding on alfalfa in Colorado. This is something of a new departure in feeding in Colorado, but from present indications it is to be popular hereafter."

If it is a cook stove you are wanting, we are who you want to see.
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Concho Herald: There are a good many calves and yearlings dying in this county from blackleg. Many old experienced cow men tell us that the best preventative for the disease is to run plenty of sheep on your range, as the disease is caused by a weed, which is food for sheep but poisonous to cattle, and these same cow men contend that the same number of cattle can be run in a pasture that is well stocked with sheep as can be run without them, as sheep eat weeds and do not eat grass.

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Cattle Conditions in West Texas.

The Kansas City Drovers' Telegram reports: The great two-years drouth that has prevailed over the San Antonio district is to all appearances now utterly broken. Dr. Jos. W. Parker, inspector for the bureau of animal industry, whose headquarters until recently were at San Antonio, is here this week. He has been changed from the Southern district to the Kansas City station of the department, and for the future will confine his efforts to work emanating in this section of the country.

"Since October a marvelous change has taken place in the San Antonio district," said Dr. Parker. "From September 1, 1900, the date when the last general rains fell, until last fall, the country was in very bad shape, almost equaling a desert in the worst places. Grass at first dried and then appeared to die. Nothing but prickly pear and other native cactus, which seems to thrive without water, lived through the excessive drouth. Many sheepmen and cattlemen were compelled to keep their stock for a period on the pear alone, and had it not been for that hardy plant the loss of live stock would have been far greater. When the drouth first began to make its appearance in the fall of 1900, the supply of sheep and cattle on the range was above the normal. In fact the range was overstocked. Lack of the two years of hardship permitted feed, however, the cattle in number. their herds to be reduced in two ways. The depletion came heavy supplies to one through the other through the death market and on account of lack of feed and of stock or the failure of owners to replace them with new additions.

"At the present time the supply of cattle and sheep is below the normal and much smaller than that of two years ago, and with a good winter and favorable conditions next spring, I think the stock owners will find their holdings in extra good shape.

"In the cattle country west of Sanderson grass has been immensely benefited by the fall and early winter rains, and the cattle are coming through the winter better than was expected. The same grass that last spring seemed utterly dead, and the same plains that were as barren of verdure as a granite walk, are now as green and life-sustaining as the pastures of the North. In the sheep country along the Devil's river bottoms the fall rains started the growth of weeds and these are prized by the sheepmen as highly as is grass by the cattle owners, for the weeds have splendid fattening properties when given to sheep. Kansas City will undoubtedly receive better quality muttons from Texas this fall than they did last year, owing to this vast improvement in the herbage. The cattle that move to Northern pastures in the spring will also be stronger than last year and will land in the Territory in much better condition than they did last spring, when they came up so weak they could hardly stand."

The Spread of Alfalfa in Texas.

Prof. J. H. Connell writes in Farm and Ranch:

For years Farm and Ranch readers have had the claims of alfalfa as a forage crop brought to their notice. We now call attention to the fact that alfalfa is taking with the readers of this paper. A recent investigation of the three prominent seed houses of North Texas disclosed the fact that about ten cars of alfalfa seed were sold during the past fall season from Dallas alone to Texas farmers. This is a significant statement. This is evidence of the fact that alfalfa will grow in Texas, and that our farmers and stockmen are determined to grow it. This means that the time will soon come when Colorado farmers will cease to grow hay for the people of the Southwest. What an absurdity that such should ever have been the case!

We cannot tell just how many seeds there are in ten cars of alfalfa seed, but we know that at 20 pounds per acre the quantity will seed some 10,000 acres. The Texas Seed & Floral Co., of Dallas, report the sale of 135,000 pounds of seed for the past season. The David Hardie Seed Co. and the Holloway Seed Co., both of this city, report the sale of 30,000 pounds and 50,000 pounds, respectively. This makes the Dallas sales of alfalfa seed 215,000 pounds. Other sales have probably been made from other cities of which we have no record. This quantity is sufficient to plant 10,750 acres, which should after the first year yield some three tons of prime hay annually, or about 32,000 tons.

Lest some of our timid readers should see a bogie in these figures, permit us to say that the small town of Nacogdoches alone bought 2800 tons of alfalfa hay last season, which is nearly ten per cent of the total hay crop that can be raised from the seed mentioned. Besides there must be some allowance made for unfavorable seasons that cause the loss of a stand on a portion of this supposed area of 10,000 acres. Add to this the fact that some of this land was probably poorly suited to alfalfa, either because it was poor or was improperly drained, and we have another reason why not too much alfalfa was planted last season. We trust that an equal amount will be put in the ground of this state during the coming spring, and that th... as much a...

Talk about a... Southwest! The f... fully presented. ...s raise... import Louisiana smart preci... alfalfa, but if our p... beyond the ous little of this ... was raised. state's lines in demand. This There is too must in proportion demand will in the stock feed- as the stock ra and consequently ers learn how... Just as long as how to value horse, mule or hog there is a thi... Southwest we can in any count... the home market is never claim... lfa hay.

satisfied wit... d new year's resolu- Among t... ch we start the season, tions with... on alfalfa: "I will plant try one re... cent of my cultivated land at least 5... ring the coming spring" to alfalfa... solution were passed, men If such ... rn farmers and ...ck would Southw... ard and range ...t resolutions the ba... vention a...on for this act hold a... would be carried of th... s and a... of ...

...Done with a Texas Steer

...Texas steer under 4 years, that ...ghs 1820 pounds and sold at $5.40, is not often found. We print what his owner has to say of him, in a letter to the editor of the San Angelo Standard:

"Coleman, Texas, Jan. 10, 1903.—J. G. Murphy, Esq. Dear Sir—I am sorry I delayed in answering your inquiries about my steer. He was roughed and fed through his first winter as a coming yearling, and was then not fed till November as a coming two; from then on he was fed continually till shipped, but he was never confined to a feed lot, and all the roughness he ever got was the native grass. I fed him this way in order to show that it is not the climate which prevents our cattle growing large, but the fact of starving them every winter. He weighed 1820 pounds on the market, and sold for $5.40, which was exactly one dollar per hundred over the tops of the best native cattle that day. He lacked just four months of being four years old. He was never fed a heavy feed of grain until four months before shipping; he was allowed just enough to keep him in good growing flesh.

Yours truly.

"BILLY ANSON."

There is a whole sermon in this brief statement from Mr. Anson, says the Standard. Just think of a Texas steer, which never saw the inside of a feed lot, and was roughed through on grass alone, tipping the scales at 1820 pounds, and bringing his owner a gross sum of $98.28. That looks pretty good to the Standard, and simply shows what can be accomplished with the Texas steer by careful, intelligent, systematic handling. As Mr. Anson truly says, "it is not the climate which prevents our cattle growing large, but the fact of starving them every winter."

The Standard publishes Mr. Anson's letter, in the belief that his experience may prove of value to other breeders of this section of Texas. This letter scarcely requires comment; it speaks for itself, and teaches a lesson which any man may easily read and understand.

Johnson Grass Worth $100 an Acre.

A writer in the Manufacturers' Record, discussing the business of cattle raising in the South, says:

"The Hon. Felix Corput of Polk county, Georgia, has had an income of $100 per acre from Johnson grass, which grows very prolific, and as a rule may be cut from two to three times a season. Many more instances of great profit to be derived from growing hay in South Georgia might be cited, but the above will suffice. It is only necessary to say that on the score of forage and hay Georgia may excel all other states, and as an adjunct to cattle-raising this is a matter of the utmost importance.

"Perhaps the most valuable crop for cattle food that may be grown here is cassava, for the reason that it takes the place of corn, oats and sugar beets as a fattening food, being superior to either, and yielding five times in quality per acre that of corn, and at no greater expense of production. Professor Stockbridge of the Florida State experimental station, who has experimented elaborately for five years with cassava and velvet beans in the feeding and fattening of beef cattle, states very emphatically that he can make beef equal to any produced in the North by the use of these two crops at a price not exceeding two cents per pound, as against a cost of five to seven cents required to make the same beef in more northern latitudes."

Quarantine Order Amended.

Secretary Wilson has issued an order amending previous orders regarding the Texas fever quarantine so as to permit the shipment of cattle for purposes other than immediate slaughter from the two northern tiers of counties in the State of Arkansas into the non-infected area.

It is provided, however, that such cattle must have remained in these counties since January 1 last, and have been inspected and found free of the Texas fever and not exposed to the contagion. Other restrictions intended to safeguard the permission granted also remain.

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The average value of live stock to the acre of land in 1890 was $4.66. In ten years this amount has crept up to $4.97. In connection with this increase, however, it must be understood that the farming land of the country has been enhanced in quantity something like 24 per cent, and the amount of improved land to the farms under fence has barely held its own. While the increase of 31 cents per acre in amount of live stock would not be large had there been no expansion of territory, it is of considerable importance when this growth is taken into consideration, and indicates a comparatively healthy condition of the stock business of the west. The present tendency of live stock to invade sections heretofore devoted entirely to the production of grains gives promise of raising this average considerably during the present decade.

Beef cattle are not increasing, according to the figures, but actually falling off in numbers. The past ten years show a decline of 9.4 per cent, or an actual falling off of 1,441,258 head. Horses show an increase of 5.8 per cent. As might be expected, swine have advanced in numbers from 37,624,632 in 1890 to 40,474,289, or about 7.6 per cent. This expansion is remarkable, considering the millions of hogs throughout the west at the beginning of the decade. The large per cent, however, has been reached by the flock—some 15.9 per cent. The wool has gone up 21.2 per cent, showing that the introduction of better rams has not been without its effect.

Notwithstanding the fact that cattle from these figures of 1900 show a decrease at that time, the live stock business of the west is on a healthy basis.

It must be borne in mind that the figures of 1890 are abnormally high, since they were taken at a time when the country was flooded with cattle, and particularly through the west. During the time since 1900 the number has increased, so that undoubtedly a much better showing would be made were comparisons made for twelve years instead of ten.

Working For Drift Fences.

C. W. Merchant, the well known cattlemyn having headquarters in Abilene, was here the first of the week. Mr. Merchant is working in the interests of drift fences and was securing the indorsement of local citizens for their maintenance. He announces that drift fences will be of more benefit to the stock interests than a plan permitting leasing, and that if the people will assist in securing legislation from congress permitting proper fences to be erected, the stockmen of New Mexico will have no need for a lease law. Mr. Merchant, who is one of the largest owners of cattle in Eddy county, discussed the matter very fairly, and it would be timely for other owners who shout lease law continually to absorb some of his views, for a lease law is almost an impossible probability, while drift fences can very likely be secured if the people ask for them.—Carlsbad, N. M., Argus.

A Texas Cattleman in Kansas City.

Kansas City Drovers' Telegram.

Among those attending the convention is S. B. Burnett of Fort Worth, than whom there is none more widely or favorably known. Mr. Burnett is one of the chevaliers of the live stock end of the great Southwest, winning his spurs in the early days of the old cattle trail, following in the route of the old half-breed trader, Jack Chisholm. In the early '60s he appeared upon the scene of the frontier market at Abilene, Kas., while it was in the flush of its peculiarly Western life, and which was, at that time, the nucleus of all the literature once denominated as "Wild Life in the West," in which Wild Bill figured as its picturesque city marshal, etc., etc. Mr. Burnett, however, not being altogether on pleasure bent, was not of that kind which yielded to the seductive wiles of that character of the Upper West frontier town. Mr. Burnett came from an older civilization than that which was reflected in Abilene, then the greatest nondescript commercial fledgling that had ever been known to the great American desert.

It will be of more than passing interest to Kansas Cityans to know that Mr. Burnett is a native Missourian, having been ushered into the light in Bates county, near Rich Hill. Mr. Burnett

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A writer in a West... The ...er tells of the depredations of prairie dogs, and of his successful work in killing them:

No work that can be done at this season of the year will pay a better revenue than a persistent effort to kill the dogs all over this country. This is the best time to do it, and everybody who has a farm or pasture ought to be at it; continue on until they are sl...in. We know it is discouraging for one man to clean his section and then see his neighbors making no effort to rid the adjoining land, and your example and success may enlist your neighbor to follow your example.

We overheard a conversation, or rather a statement, the other day, that we wished every citizen of the county could have heard. It was the owner of a large number of sections of land. His statement was this: A few years ago I had but little grass and large bald patches all over my pasture, where it looked as if grass had never grown on them. I got me some Mexicans and set them toward exterminating the dogs, and kept them at it until every dog was killed. Now look at the results. I made several thousand dollars this year pasturing other people's stock, and kept mine in good condition, where if I had left the dogs alone I would not have had grass enough to run my own stock, much less taking in money I did on pasturage. Today you could not make up a grassless acre in the whole pasture if you could place all vacant spots together. There is good grass on ... acre of my large section pasture.

Land is too high and grass is too scarce and valuable to let these destructive pests pluck up the very roots of the grass any longer. The... if you just take the depredation ... upon cultivated lands, you ... pay all the taxes of the coun... produce they destroy around the edges of nearly every farm.

El Paso Roping Contest.

The roping contest at the El Paso carnival was finished Saturday, and the judges awarded the prizes as follows: First, L. N. Barksdale, time 0:31½, prize $1,000; second, James Gibson, time 0:36, prize $500; third, Ellison Carroll, time 0:37, prize $250. McGonigle is still, however, holding the championship at 0:23.

L. N. Barksdale is of Deming, N. M. Others who participated made the following results: Tom Pulliam of San Angelo, 0:48; Lewis Sennette, no time; Ike Gourley of San Angelo, 1:13; W. H. Lemons, no time; C. M. Haughton of Fort Worth, 1:12; Fred Baker of Fort Worth, 1:00; Pat Nunn, no time; John Murrah of San Angelo, no time; James Barron of Dallas, 1:15½; Loveless Vanhorn, no time; Oliver M. Lee, no time; Roy Stelwell of St. Louis, 1:50; John Tyson of Portales, N. M., 0:50; Chas. Davis, Jr., of El Paso, no time; J. E. Weir of Chicago, no time; W. O. Palmer of San Angelo, no time.

Higher Prices on Hogs.

Kansas City Drovers' Journal.

Israel Frogley of Chetopa, Kas., a veteran shipper to this market, predicts higher prices on hogs. "I do not recall a time within my recollection at this season of the year when hogs were as scarce as they are at present," he said, when discussing the situation yesterday. "I devote my entire time to riding around the country in every direction from Chetopa, which is in the midst of a rich farming community, buying stock, and I find that hogs are very scarce. In fact, they are fattening up brood sows and selling them off, which is going to cut short the coming crop. They are also selling off the pigs as soon as they reach the size when they can be marketed, and so there is little if any progress made in increasing the supply. As it takes about eight months to furnish a hog of sufficient size for the packer, it seems to me that high prices will prevail for ten months or until late next fall at least."

Mr. Frogley attributes the shortage to two causes. "The drouth of 1901 cleaned out the hogs of the great corn belt," he remarked, and "then when the big corn crop of last year came on, the farmers were short on brood sows and made slow progress breeding up. Then the prices kept up fairly well all fall, which induced them to sell off everything, including brood sows, as I have stated, which is preventing them from increasing the production at the present time."

Wit and Humor

His Little Avocation.

"But," said the bright and good-looking young woman, "haven't you any pursuit to follow for the simple love of it in the hours when you are not at your office?"

The great and powerful organizer of trusts stood for a moment abashed by the simple candor of a young girl. Then a ray of inspiration swept over his countenance, and he answered:

"Oh, yes. I'm a coin collector."

Municipal Aid.

"Well," remarked Miss Innocence, "the government may not believe in women taking the initiative in matters of love, but this city certainly ass... tion."

"Why?"

"Why, there's the statue of Liberty."

The Curtains.

"What lovely lace curtains you had a week ago, Mrs. Blanks."

"Weren't they beauties?"

"But you haven't them now."

"No."

"Didn't they please you?"

"They did. I bought them on approval, you know. And now that the cold has frosted the windows it makes little difference whether we have curtains on or not, so I've sent them back."

Limping Verse.

"Why," asked the author indignantly, "did you not review my book of poems sent into the office at least a week ago?"

"My dear sir, I—oh, is that the book? It is out of my line of business, I'm sorry to say. The feet in your poems indicate that what you need is not so much a literary critic as a chiropodist."

Gave Him a Easy One to Answer.

"Wh... ...ed I suppose you ... the only girl ...lly.

"I am—sometim... please her—althou... ...red if the F...teps in ...eal."

Not on Pleasure.

"How are you getting ... new place?" asked a lady ... whom she had recommend... situation.

"Very well, thank you," ... the girl.

"I'm glad to hear it," said ... "your employer is a very nice ... and you cannot do too much fo...

"I don't mean to, ma'am," ... innocent reply.

Not What He Meant.

A well-known authoress ... talking with a dilapidated ... who retained little but his ...

"It is time now," he said, ... ly, "for me to settle down ... ried man, but I want so much ... youth, health, wealth, ... beauty, grace——"

"Yes," said his fair listener ... thetically, "you poor man, you ... them all."

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Hard Work.

THE FEED THAT SAVES MONEY OVER CORN & OATS.

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Great Irrigation Enterprise.

The Dixie Irrigation Company, composed of Texas and Eastern capitalists, has begun, near Pecos, work on what is planned to be the largest canal in the State of Texas, if not the largest of its kind in America.

The main canal will be near a hundred miles in length, coming out on the west side of the river, thirty miles north of Pecos, and running along the edge of the hills in a southward direction, crossing the Texas and Pacific railroad six miles west of Pecos and on to Toyah lake, seven miles south of that city, where they will create one of the large... reservoirs in existence. From To... lake it will be constructed on and ... the Williams canal thirty miles fr... down the river, and finally empt... the Pecos river sixty miles belo...

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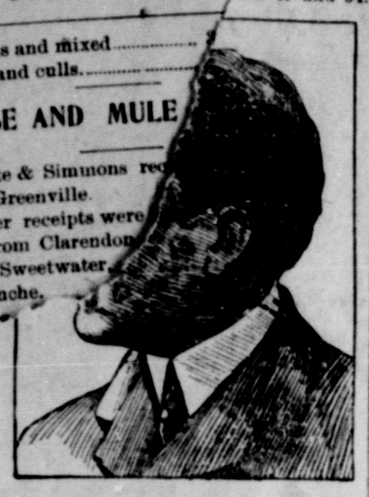

HON. MORRIS SHEPPARD.

W. T LANHAM.

40, and also the republic of Texas While Mr. Cochran was speaking o the "trucking policy of the United States to Great Britain" a stylishly dressed young woman in the gallery leaned forward and cried out, "you lie." She then left the gallery.

Governor Nash of Ohio was on the floor of the house when that body called to order. After the reading of the journal, Mr. Wadsworth (N. Y.) chairman of the committee on agricul ture, reported the agricultural bill. The house then resumed consideration of the District of Columbia appropriation bill.

The general debate on the bill, which consumed two hours, was devoted to a discussion of general topics. Mr Sheppard (Tex.) talked of trusts, using exceedingly strong language in his denunciation of the existing condition of affairs. He ridiculed President Roosevelt's anti-trust campaign, declaring that in view of his performances, his Minneapolis speech was "a disheartening mockery."

To call him the anti-trust candidate for 1904, he said, was "the most colossal jest of the time."

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REAGAN RETIRES.

Affecting Scene When Mr. Colquitt Administered the Oath of Office.

Austin, Jan. 21.—Quite an McNeil scene was enacted in the ooking railroad commission Tu just before the new c inders C e re O. B. Colquitt, took th of a doc and just before Judge Reagan, the venerable chairman, retired. Commissioners Storey and Mayfield and the employes of the department met, with Judge Reagan present. Resolutions complimentary to the retiring chairman were read and adopted. Judge Reagan falteringly responded and invoked the blessing of God upon his associates and all the employes of the commission. The clerks in the office expressed their love and affection for Judge Reagan, saying they felt it an honor to have served under his leadership.

Bible Used by Every Governor.

Austin, Jan. 21.—The Bible used in administering the oath of office to Governor Lanham belongs to the supreme court library. It is a small book, bound in the vogue of some fifty years ago, and bears on the fly leaf this inscription: "Property of the Republic of Texas." It is said that every governor of Texas has been sworn in on this Bible.

SEVEN SECTIONS.

National Baseball League Ratifies That Many of Joint Meetings.

Cinc nnati, Jan. 21.—After being in session three hours Monday afternoon and J. H. Mu s during the night, the Nat was on the all league, sitting as a com ton. He the whole so as to avoid con ominent court, concurred in seven section artley B e articles of agreement that were was pted at the joint ion is c tional and Ameri- bank o city Jan. 10. can committees in oughout. The vote stood 6 to clubs voted New York and Bro were in- against them, beca which orporated in the agr y were strongly oppo though they otherwis d is each of the s which referred to c rule, advance money, national agreement be m and minor leagues, etc. t all the session of was devoted to consider h section, which describ of the American and Nati respectively, and here is w the admission of an A into New York comes in.

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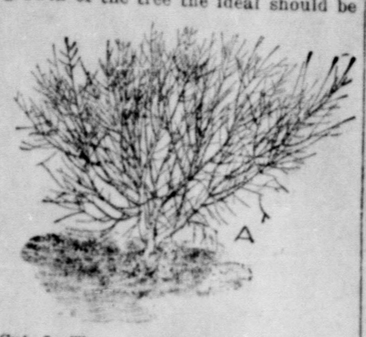
HORTICULTURE

Pruning the Peach Tree.

A correct form of top is needed to insure fruit bearing and longevity of the tree. If the opportunity is lost to obtain this desirable form of top in the early growth of the tree it is forever lost for that tree. Pruning the second and third years is done on the same principles as for the first year. During these early stages in the growth of the tree the ideal should be



Cut 7.—Three-Year-Old Tree in Station Orchard.

kept constantly in mind while pruning, so that the tree would have as wide spreading top as possible in order that a large area of leaf surface might be exposed to the sunshine and atmosphere, thus enabling the tree to carry a heavy load of large and highly colored fruit.

In cut 7 is shown an average three-year-old peach tree of the General Lee variety as grown in the orchard of the Texas station. It is a general type of tree found in that peach orchard, where three consecutive crops of peaches have been borne with scarcely a limb being broken by an overload of fruit. A ladder has not been found necessary in gathering the fruit from these trees.

In cut 8 is shown the same tree aft-

Cut 8.—Same Tree Shown in Cut 7, After Pruning.

er pruning. This tree is now able to bear at least three bushels of fine fruit. About half the fruit-bearing wood has been cut away. It pays much more to produce one large, fine peach than to produce two small, inferior ones. This tree will make a good foundation for the succeeding one. The low top will not admit of cultivation any more than the one shown in cut 9. The grass and weeds that grow under such low headed trees have given but little trouble. By use of the exten-

Cut 9.—Headed Back but Pruned Too High.

sion disc barrow, the trees can be cultivated as closely as necessary. Strong winds will not have such leverage on the top of this tree as to bend it over or shake the fruit off. The trunk of the tree is so well shaded by its own limbs that there is scarcely any liability of sun scald so frequently found in orchards of the Western States. A man can stand on the ground and gather every peach from this tree. The limbs will need no props, nor will they break or split off. If spraying should be found necessary it will not be found difficult to do. Of course, if stock be allowed to run loose in the orchard, more damage will be done to throw out water sprouts lower down to shade the trunk and conform more nearly to the natural habit of the tree. Continuously pruning off these water sprouts is largely a waste of energy, both to the tree and man, and frequently pruning will be found necessary to keep them off. In cut 9 is shown a tree pruned very high. The top branches that remain are properly cut back. The tree is just beginning to throw out a large number of water sprouts lower down on the trunk. Mistakes were made by pruning off the limbs a, b, c, d, e and f. This form of top is also very undesirable. But little bearing wood has been left.

Cut 10 shows a tree with top formed very high. The drawing is made from a photograph of an Indian peach tree growing in an orchard on the north side of the Alleghany Mountains in southwest Virginia. The trees stood very close together on a rich, moist soil; consequently no water sprouts were being thrown out lower down on the trunk. The tree was bearing its first crop of fruit, which was a very heavy one. The limbs had to be propped up to keep them from splitting and breaking off. Scarcely any bearing wood for the following year was being formed. The fruit was extremely small and of inferior flavor. Scarcely any fruit could be expected from the tree the following year. The ends of the limbs were not headed in, nor was the fruit thinned. A ladder was necessary to gather much of the fruit. A heavy storm would have blown off much of the fruit and al-

Cut 11.—Tree Bent Over by Fruit.

most ruined the orchard. This form of tree is as difficult to cultivate under, without injury to the tree, as a properly formed low-topped tree.

Cut 11 shows a tree in the same orchard with the top formed extremely high. The top of the tree was bent over till it nearly touched the ground. If left alone, the tree is practically ruined.—Farmers' Review.

Cause of Sunscald.

We do not appreciate sometimes what it means to neglect our trees. Take a tree which is headed high, for instance. The trunk of the tree is exposed to the rays of the south and west sun during the winter season, and many persons think nothing of this. Yet tests have proven that the temperature of the bark on the southwest side of a tree trunk thus exposed is 23 degrees higher than the temperature of the atmosphere. This has been demonstrated by inserting a small thermometer beneath the bark. Now, suppose the temperature of the atmosphere is 50 degrees, which is frequently the case in some days during the winter, when the sun is bright. Add 23 degrees to this, and you have the temperature of the bark at 73 degrees. Now, at this temperature the bark can start to grow, and the sap become active. This condition exists during the day, but at night the temperature drops, the bark is bound to be affected, and damage results. A few days of this condition, and by relaxing and contracting the bark has become loosened from the trunk, and dies. Thus we have the condition known as sunscald, which many persons have supposed was caused in the summer season, when as a matter of fact the damage was done in the winter. A sunscalded tree is then apt to be attacked by flat-headed borers and other insects, and the decay of the tree sets in. To have protected the south and west sides of the tree trunk from the direct rays of the sun in the winter time would have prevented this trouble.—Prof. Whitten.

Body Blight of Pear Trees.

This disease works on the trunk and larger limbs of pear trees. It is easily recognized on the trunks of trees that are not old enough to be covered with rought bark. The first appearance of the disease is in the spring when dark sunken spots are seen scattered over the trunk. These spots are round or oval in outline and gradually increase in size until the latter part of the growing season. A distinct boundary line is then formed by the shrinking of the dead tissue. At this time the dead bark can be easily removed in one place. The inner bark remains sound and suffers but little, if any, the first year. If this dead bark is not removed it becomes very dry and hard and in two or three years forms such a heavy layer of dead bark that the tree becomes barkbound. If this condition is not removed the tree stops growing and dies.

The dead bark should be removed as soon as found. The trees should be gone over in the spring about the time growth starts and all diseased bark removed. Tree washes and fungicides seem to have no value either in preventing the disease or checking its spread. Removing the diseased bark and thoroughly cleaning the trunk and larger limbs seem to be a sure and efficient remedy.

Not infrequently the oat crop suffers very greatly from the presence of smut. It will pay any farmer to give this question a thorough investigation and to make arrangements this winter for dipping the seed oats next spring.

A farmer that is looking carefully to his interests will test enough of seed he is to sow to be sure that it is good and has proper germinating power.

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Notice of Application to the Legislature for Local or Special Law.

Notice is hereby given, as required by Sec. 57, Art. 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, that application will be made to the XXVIII Legislature of the State of Texas, at its next regular session, for a local or special law, authorizing and empowering the St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas to acquire by purchase, and to consolidate with its own line, and to own and operate, and to assume the indebtedness of, the line of railway extending from Lufkin, Texas, in an easterly direction, a distance of about twenty miles, with its franchises and appurtenances, said line being known as the Texas & Louisiana Railroad and now owned by the Texas & Louisiana Railroad Company, and to authorize the latter Company to sell and convey its said property, and to authorize a corresponding increase of the aggregate amount of the bonds or the bonds and stock of the said St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas, and to regulate reports of the operation of said properties, and to amend the special act passed by the XXVI Legislature, authorizing the St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas, to purchase the property of the Tyler Southwestern Railway Company.

Tyler, Texas, November 28, 1902.

F. H. BRITTON, President.
St Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas.

R. D. COBB, Secretary,
St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas.

E. W. FROST, President,
Texas & Louisiana Railroad Company.

F. A. FROST, Secretary.
Texas & Louisiana Railroad Company.

Lufkin, Texas, November 28, 1902.

Alcohol Cause of Insanity.

The British lunacy commission reports that the cases for which alcohol is assigned as the cause of insanity average 21.8 per cent of the whole number for males and 9.5 per cent for females in England.

How They Dance.

In Switzerland girls have three days when they may dance. During these days they dance enough for a whole year. American girls frequently dance enough for a year in one night, but they never stop there.

Had to Shoot Something.

The singing of a Chicago young woman so inspired a gentleman in the next flat that he grabbed a pistol and shot a man. The presumption is that he could not get at the fair warbler herself.

"Tourists and Other Tramps."

"Tourists and other tramps may write their names here on payment of 6d. Proceeds to go towards fresh paint," states a notice board at the half-way but on Ben Nevis.

"The Denison."

Denison, Texas.—The finest and best hotel in the Southwest now open. Twenty-five rooms with private bath. Under the management of the "Katy."

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CHICAGO, ROCK ISLAND & TEXAS RY. A
"Rock Island Route."

Depart		Arrive
a 8 30 am	Omaha and Mo. River	a 7 30 pm
a 8 20 pm	Kan. City, Chicago, Denver, Colo. Springs and Pueblo, Fast Express	a 7 10 am

Frisco System.

RED RIVER, TEXAS & SOUTHERN RY.

Depart north		Arr from north
a 11 05 am	K.C & St L Mail and Ex	a 2 55 pm

FORT WORTH & RIO GRANDE RY. A

Depart south		Arrive from south
a 3 15 pm	Mail and Express	a 10 55 am
*a 9 30 pm	mixed	a 6 00 am

FORT WORTH & DENVER CITY RY. A

Depart		Arrive
a 9 45 am	Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo Mail and Ex	a 5 10 pm
a 11 10 pm	Colorado Express	a 6 00 am
a 6 00 pm	Accommodation	a 9 55 am

*GULF, COLORADO AND SANTA FE. C

Depart North		Arr. from North
a 7 05 am	Kan.C.& Chicago Ex & Mail	a 9 00 pm
a 8 20 pm	Kan. C. & Chicago Fast Ex.	a 7 45 am
Depart South		**Arr. from South**
a 7 55 am	Houston & Gal. Mail & Ex.	a 8 20 pm
a 9 10 pm	Houston & San Antonio & Galveston Mail & Express	a 7 05 am

HOUSTON & TEXAS CENTRAL. C

Depart		Arrive
a 9 20 am	Houston & Gal. Mail & Ex.	a 8 20 pm
a 6 50 pm	Houston & Gal. Mail & Ex.	a 9 30 am
a1 30 pm	Corsicana Mixed	a12 15 pm

*MISSOURI, KANSAS AND TEXAS. A

Depart North		Arr. from North
a 8 30 am	"Katy Flyer"	a 7 45 pm
a11 45 pm	Kan. City, St. Louis & Chicago Mail & Ex	a 7 10 am
a11 20 pm	Kan. City, St. Louis & Chicago, Fast Express	a 5 10 pm
Depart South		**Arr. from South**
a 8 15 pm	Houston and Gal. and San Antonio, "Katy Flyer"	a 8 10 am
a 7 30 am	Houston Mail & Ex	a10 55 am
a 6 00 pm	Houston Mail & Ex	a10 50 pm

COTTON BELT ROUTE. A

Depart		Arrive
a 8 20 am	Memp. & St. L. Mail & Ex.	a 6 25 am
a10 15 pm	Memp. & St. L. Mail & Ex.	a 6 25 pm

TEXAS AND PACIFIC A

Depart East	Main Line via Marshall.	Arr. from East
a 7 45 am	St. Louis Cannon Ball	a 7 55 pm
a 8 10 am	St. Louis Mail & Ex.	a 6 30 pm
a 5 30 pm	St.Louis & Memp. Fast Ex.	a 7 45 am
	Dallas News Train	a 5 20 am
a10 30 am	Dallas & Weath'ford Local	a 2 55 pm
a12 55 pm	Dallas Local	
a 3 10 pm	Dallas & Wills Point Local	a11 30 am
a 7 55 pm	Dallas Local	a 5 10 pm
Depart West	**Main Line West.**	**Arr. from West**
a 8 40 am	Abilene Mail & Express	a 4 15 pm
a 3 00 pm	Weatherford Local	a10 15 am
a 9 20 pm	El Paso & California Mail & Express	a 6 30 am

Transcontinental Division via Sherman.

Depart		Arrive
a 8 35 am	Texarkana & St. Louis Mail & Express	a 6 10 pm

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FARMERS WANTED—To list their farms for sale with Charles M. Brown, the live, hustling Real Estate agent, 706½ Main St., Fort Worth, Tex.

MONEY TO LOAN—On improved black sandy or black waxey farms at 7½ per cent to 8 per cent, on 5 to 10 years' time. Also Vendor's liens taken up. Charles M. Brown, 706½ Main St., Fort Worth.

Call at Childress and Coulson's, the new druggists, and see what you can get as a 25c cough medicine, Southwest corner Courthouse square.

Notice to Creditors.

State of Texas, Tarrant County:—Notice to creditors of A. B. Miller.

You are hereby notified that A. B. Miller of Fort Worth, Texas, on the 5th day of January, 1903, executed a deed of assignment, conveying to the undersigned all his property for the benefit of such of his creditors as will consent to accept their proportional share of his estate and discharge him from their respective claims. That the undersigned has accepted said trust, and has qualified as required by law. All creditors consenting to said assignment must, within four months after the publication of this notice, make known to the assignee their consent in writing, and within six months from the date of this notice, file their claims, as prescribed by law, with the undersigned, who resides at Fort Worth, Texas, which is also his postoffice address.

Witness my hand this 15th day of January, 1903. V. B. HARDEMAN, Assignee.

Prohibition.

The State of Texas, County of Tarrant, in the Commissioners Court, January term, A. D 1903:

At a special term of the Commissioners Court, in and for Tarrant county, Texas, held on the 13th day of January A. D. 1903, the returns of an election held in the Riverside School District No. 43, a subdivision of Tarrant county, Texas, to determine whether or not the sale of intoxicating liquors shall be prohibited in said Riverside school district aforesaid, were opened in court, showing that 47 votes were cast "for prohibition" and one vote was cast "against prohibition" in said Riverside School District No. 43, a subdivision of Tarrant county, Texas, described by metes and bounds, as follows: Beginning at the northeast corner of the B. S. Waller survey; thence west to the southwest corner of the J. Little survey; thence north to the northwest corner of said J. Little survey; thence east to the northeast corner of the L. J. Tinsley survey; thence south with the east line of said Tinsley survey to the southwest corne of the S. Elliott survey; thence east to the Trinity river; thence up said river to the corporate limits of the city of Fort Worth; thence north with the east corporate limits of the city of Fort Worth to the place of beginning.

It appearing to the court that a majority of the votes cast at said election, in said Riverside School District No. 43, hereinbefore described by metes and bounds, were "for prohibition," it is therefore considered and ordered by the court that the sale of intoxicating liquors within said Riverside School District No. 43, aforesaid, except the sale of wine for sacramental purposes, and alcoholic stimulants as medicine in cases of actual sickness, be and the same is hereby absolutely prohibited until such time as the qualified voters therein may at a legal election held for the purpose by a majority vote decide otherwise.

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy from the minutes of said court. Given under my hand and the seal of said court, this the 22nd day of January, 1903.

R. L. ROGERS,
[L. S.] Clerk County Court and Ex-officio Clerk Commissioners' Court of Tarrant County, Texas.
By J. F. PROSSER, Deputy.

Packer and Coal Baron

Col. John T. Hobbs writes in his National Provisioner:

The fact that Swift & Company are selling coal at cost to their employes and to the poor in the cities where they have plants is a welcomed charity at this time when the mercury is seeking zero and coal is hunting the $20 per ton mark. This cost price is 20c. per bushel or less than $5 per ton, inclusive of transportation and everything else. From that point it is a long look up to the present price of that fuel. There is in this transaction a contrast between the meat packer and the coal trust. The one helps the poor and sells his meat at a very small profit, while the other doubles and trebles his money on each ton of coal. It must be remembered that Swift & Company do not mine this coal. They take the output of a coal mine which is operated by its own people. What profit they make before the packers get the stuff is, in the language of an eastern coal operator, "none of the public's business." In reply, it can be stated that the mine owners in Australia mined coal at a cost of $1 per ton of 2,240 lbs., and paid their employes an average—for men and boys—of $12 per week each for an eight-hour day's work. With better appliances and cheaper labor in the American mines it costs no more to mine it. Don't baste the packer all the time. Jump on the coal baron some.

We are giving the best values in cook stoves.
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A One-Horse Farmer.

San Saba Star.

An example of what a "one-horse" farmer can do to "live at home" is furnished by friend H. B. May, who lives across the river north of town. During the past year he has made and sold 422½ pounds of butter for which he received 20 cents per pound. Last spring he bought five little shoats weighing 229 pounds. He has just finished killing his hogs and has put up 1100 pounds of good meat with enough lard to do him and some for sale. He says the meat and lard has not cost him over $15. This is an example of what a man can do by management.

Woodenware—We have it. Call and see.
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Texas Red Rust Proof Seed Oats,

Clear of Johnson grass. Two car loads just received. Marsh's Grain House, 311 West Weatherford St.

Ready mixed House Paint, per gal. $1.50
Ready mixed Barn and Fence Paint, per gal. $1.00
Wall Paper 4c roll, up
Window Glass all sizes.

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OPPOSITE CITY HALL

BRAMBLETON.

A local train was wrecked here Sunday morning, causing considerable excitement. Spectators looked on while the section men worked all day repairing the road, and train men moving out cars. Yet a good number assembled at the church for Sunday school and preaching. Brother Wages did the preaching; Brother Carter was also present, both of Polytechnic.

Misses Hattie Keller and Mattie Chapman were home Sunday.

Tom Davis visited his grandmother Saturday.

Miss Emma Davis returned to Oak Grove to spend a few days.

D. G. Chapman has moved to his new home.

Mr. Philips moved where O. J. Christian lived.

Mrs. Collins and the children visited her mother, Mrs. Martin, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Vaughn visited relatives here and at Kennedale, Saturday and Sunday.

Grandma Burgess is spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. Keith.

Mr. Tally of Oklahoma, formerly of this county, was here Sunday and was a guest of Mrs. J. B. Martin. He and three hundred families, all of Oklahoma, are going to Mexico, having purchased land there at 30 cents per acre. Mr. Tally says that the natives just punch holes in the ground and drop in corn, and without any cultivation the yield is 40 to 50 bushels to the acre, and they can grow anything there that we can here, and the climate is healthy.

Charles Boyd has returned after a protracted visit to Kentucky.

Mr. Haynes of Seagoville visited his children here, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Smith.

Miss Eula Keller has returned to her school.

Misses Rhoda Davis and Ruth Keller visited Polytechnic college Monday.

Mrs. Hatcher spent the day with Mrs. Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Keton, Mr. and Mrs. Fuller of Glenwood, visited friends here.

Russ Gansney of the Fort made a flying trip here Tuesday.

Mrs. McMahan has returned home, and her cousin, Mrs. Sparks, with her, from Idaho. HAZEL.

Hand saws—the Adkins kind.
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KENNEDALE.

J. E. Pernell is very sick. Misses Ula Hammack and Effy Smith have the grip.

C. H. Wilson has moved into his new residence.

We had a fine rain Tuesday night.

Miss Eleanor Tatum is staying with Mrs. Lem Sargent.

Rufe Ballard is getting along very well with his job of cutting sprouts.

There is a move on foot to build a Methodist church at Kennedale.

The weather continues bad and keeps the farmers from turning their land.

We are glad to see Miss Ula Hammack up again, after a severe attack of pneumonia.

School is progressing nicely under the management of Profs. Estes and Landes.

Rev. Mr. Winfield spent last week in our town and preached an able sermon Sunday.

From talk, the new Methodist church will soon be erected, which will add greatly to Kennedale.

Mr. C. W. Wilson and Mr. John Alphan have moved into their new residences.

Dr. Woodruff, we understand, has located here. So our town has two doctors.

Mrs. Bob Andrews and Mrs. Rose Dickey of Fort Worth spent last Sunday visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Carpenter left Monday for Scurry, Kaufman county, to visit her sister.

The Banner brick works have discovered a very fine dirt at their plant, and we hope will prove a success.

Miss Eva Thurman, who has been visiting her grandfather, Mr. Farmer, has returned to Mansfield, her home.

Miss Ida Hammack is home this week from the Polytechnic college, where she is attending school. OZARK.

A wise man keeps his own counsel, and buys his hardware from
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CROWLEY.

Health is fairly good.

It began raining here Tuesday about noon and continued until Wednesday morning, and as a result all roads are very bad.

J. L. Farris having bought the Rafferty farm located three miles north of town, has just completed a new residence thereon.

Thomas Brown, who has had charge of the Pittenger ranch for several years, has moved into his new residence, just recently completed on his farm adjoining town.

The Woodmen of the World banquet at the Haley hotel last Friday night, has been reported a grand success.

Mrs. Walter Decker is visiting her mother, Mrs. W. H. Pool, at Burleson, Tex., who is quite sick.

W. R. Griffin and Mrs. S. W. Hays have two sisters visiting them from Kansas and Oklahoma.

Crowley now has two telephone lines to Burleson, one of which has connection with the long distance line of the Southwestern Telegraph and Telephone company.

W. B. Simmons has moved to the Enon community.

For granite ironware, tinware, etc., etc., we are headquarters.
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JOHNSON STATION.

The continued bad weather has thrown the farmers so behind in their cotton picking that some think they will have to plow a good deal of cotton under.

Mrs. W. T. Melton was in Fort Worth Thursday and Friday.

Oscar Lawrence went to Mansfield Sunday.

Wiley Smith is serving on the jury this week.

Miss Annie Thurston returned from Mansfield Sunday.

Dr. McNeill spent Wednesday and Thursday in Fort Worth.

Mrs. Drury Smith is spending this week with Mrs. Wiley Smith and others of the Station.

Z. T. Melear went to Fort Worth Monday.

Mrs. W. S. Thornton spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Drury Smith.

The sad news came over the phone last Friday evening that Aunt Margaret Hutcheson was dead. It was a shock as well as a sorrow, as few knew she was sick. This was her old home. She lived here twenty-five years or more and has many warm personal friends here, who are grieved at her death. "Aunt Margaret" was a household word. She was loved by the young as well as the old. Several from here attended her funeral Saturday, and she was laid to rest in the Arlington cemetery by the side of her husband, Uncle Charlie, who preceded her about seven years. CHARITY.

A car of poultry wire. Get our price.
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FOSSIL.

The editor and correspondents should pardon us for not writing oftener, for we are so closely confined with work at the Armour packing plant that we do not see daylight at home except on Sundays. Consequently we do not know what is going on in the community.

The weather has been very bad for quite a while.

Health of this section is very good. No births or deaths have occurred lately.

Raymond Hearn has just returned from his holiday trip to Kentucky.

Jeff Earl's letter to the Dallas News on the destruction of birds is very timely, and we hope this subject will be kept before the public until it will become a law to punish any man for killing any bird, by confining in the county jail for thirty days with a fine of $25, and this money to go to the road and bridge fund. What surprises us is to see some people openly and above board violate God's law and the laws of our country by hunting, shooting and killing the birds on the Sabbath day, all over Tarrant county.

The Armour people are working a very large force of hands now, between 800 and 900 laborers, masons, painters, machinists, plumbers, electricians, carpenters and many others.

Nelson Rector spent a few days during the holidays at home with his sister, Miss Myrtle Rector. He had been gone for four years. JAP.

Heating stoves, coal or wood, cheap, at
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AZLE.

Azle, Tex., Jan. 21, 1903.—Dear Citizen—We look anxiously for your appearance in our home. We all enjoy the letters from the different localities. We seldom see anything from Azle, and this is why I knock for admittance into your sanctum.

I am one of Azle's Junior C. E. workers, and we have many good times and pleasant work to do. I wish "ye editor" would visit us some time at our regular lesson hours—2:30 o'clock every Saturday. We have thirty members. In age, they range from 2 years to 16; most of them are between the ages of 5 and 12.

We often have nice birthday parties, when we enjoy games and refreshments to our heart's content.

On the 10th inst. Lewis Cozby celebrated his eighth birthday by inviting a number of his Junior friends to dine with him. There were present 13 little boys, who ate at one table. Some say that is an unlucky number, but I don't see why, for I am sure there was nothing but good luck and pleasure for us at that party.

After dinner, we played until time to go the society, where we had a beautiful lesson from "David's Snow Prayer."

I would like to know if there are any Junior C. E. societies in this county outside of the towns. If there are none, I would say, "Boys and girls, you have no idea of the good things you miss by not having one." But the best of it all is that we are studying the scriptures, which will make us wise unto salvation.

Eight of our number have professed faith in Christ and are exemplary Christians.

We have a good school, with three teachers. OMAR.

Carpenters' tools—low prices.
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To the Farmers of Mansfield Community.

Because of the growing danger that is threatened to our cotton crop by the rapid spread of the Mexican boll weevil, and believing in the safety that comes from a multitude of counsel; and believing farther that every interest of the farmer will be subserved by meetings such as are being held by our brother farmers all over the state, we, the following farmers, join in asking our brother farmers to meet us in Mansfield on the last Saturday in January, with a view to organizing for our mutual benefit in the above regard. P. M. House, Martin Balwag, J. M. Edmondson, Charley Murphy, W. P. Mays, W. W. Larkin, and many others—too many to publish.

THE COURTS.

Friday, January 16.

Three divorces were granted in the Seventeenth district court, as follows: Will N. Champion vs. Jimmie Champion, R. E. L. Perry vs. Henrietta Perry and A. P. Woodruff vs. Anna Woodruff. The disabilities of minority of Ralph Stinson were removed.

In the Forty-eighth district court the damage case of Frank Webb vs. G. Y. Smith is on trial. The plaintiff sues for damages on account of the death of his son, 4½ years of age, in the passenger elevator in defendant's store last summer.

Saturday, Jan. 17.

The jury in the damage case of E. S. Jacobs vs. the Texas Brewing Company could not agree in the Forty-eighth district court, and was discharged. The case of Webb vs. G. Y. Smith was postponed.

In the Seventeenth district court two divorces were granted as follows: L. F. Hightower vs. W. L. Hightower and A. W. L. Butler vs. Hattie Butler. The disabilities of minority of Chas. Ward were removed.

John Jones was fined $10 in the county court for betting.

New suits in the county court—Jno. L. Jackson vs. H. M. Morris et al., debt; R. Ely vs. the Houston and Texas Central Railway Company, on appeal from the justice court.

Monday, Jan. 19.

In the Forty-eighth district court the damage case of Mrs. B. E. Anderson vs. the Cameron Mill and Elevator Company is on trial.

The criminal docket was taken up in the Seventeenth district court. Lizzie Walker, colored, was given two years in the penitentiary for theft from person. Granville Riggs was tried on the charge of assault with intent to rob Ed Dillon. The jury found the defendant guilty and gave him a two years' sentence in the penitentiary.

In the county court C. A. Goodwin was found not guilty of theft.

New suits—Jennie Wise vs. C. F. Wise, divorce; W. F. Walker vs. J. F. Batsell, trespass and sequestration.

The following arrests were made and the parties placed in jail: Edgar Dixon, George M. Pedley and James Barry, theft under the value of $50, and Ed Utley, gambling; D. A. Collins, aggravated assault; J. F. Wallman, swindling.

Tuesday, Jan. 20.

Proceedings in the Seventeenth district court today: Jim Slatterson convicted of theft from the [illegible] and given five years in the penitentiary; Carl Mong was given two years for burglary; Ben Wall[illegible] two years for burglary.

In the county court Bill Thompson pleaded guilty to carrying a pistol and was fined $25. He also pleaded guilty to injuring property and was fined $1. Edgar Dixon was fined $1 for theft and Park Wilson was given a like fine for theft.

New suits filed—John S. Hagler vs. W. H. Easton, injunction and damages; Mary E. Deason et al. vs. Oscar Deason et al., partition; City Realty Company of Texas vs. J. Marshall et al., trespass to try title; David Alexander vs. Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Company, damages; Mrs. M. Barr vs. Asa Barr, divorce.

Wednesday, January 21.

In the Seventeenth District Court J. D. Watson pleaded guilty to burglary and was given two years in the penitentiary. Ed Hayes was given a two-year sentence on a plea of guilty to theft from the person. Arthur Spekes is on trial charged with theft over the value of $50.

Thursday, January 22.

In the Forty-Eighth District Court the jury in the damage case of Mrs. B. E. Anderson vs. the Cameron Mill and Elevator Company returned a verdict for $5,000 for the plaintiff.

New suits—Josie E. Lane, guardian, vs. L. K. Mahon, trespass: Nellie M. Stanton vs. Arthur Stanton, divorce; W. C. Carr vs. the Chicago, Rock Island and Gulf Railway Company, damages; Bryan Williams vs. the Texas and Pacific Railway Company, damages; ex parte Onita Hunter, to remove disabilities of minority; John H. Bullock vs. C. D. Reimers et al., damages.

Friday, January 23.

Seventeenth district court—John Daniels, colored, for assault to murder, two years in the penitentiary. He is the negro who made the assault on Officer Ralston.

Ed Hayes, theft, two years.

Kid Shine, alias Andrew W[illegible] colored, robbery with deadly w[illegible] fifty years in the penitentiary.

Catherine P. Myers vs. [illegible] Island, judgment for $500 by [illegible] mortgage [illegible] of 1901

Daisy Strauss, colored, [illegible] murder, released on a bo[illegible] great corn

Suits filed—J. H. L[illegible] then when Houston and Texas [illegible] year came on, Company, damages [illegible] on brood sows

May Dixson et [illegible] breeding up, damages. [illegible] up fairly well all

We sell hard[illegible]
MICKLE-B[illegible]

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[illegible] please you?"
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THREE [illegible] TO [illegible] JU[illegible] ME[illegible]

Spring Verse.
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Our time p[illegible] what you the famous literary critic FULLY GUA[illegible]
CALL AND [illegible] Answer. [illegible] suppose you you buy or not. [illegible] only girl
R. M. (B[illegible] if the [illegible] in
2nd and Throckmorton Sts., Fort Worth.

Not on Pleasure.
"How are you getting [illegible] new place?" asked a lady [illegible] whom she had recommend[illegible] situation.
"Very well, thank you," [illegible] the girl.
"I'm glad to hear it," said [illegible] "your employer is a very nice [illegible] and you cannot do too much fo[illegible]
"I don't mean to, ma'am," [illegible] innocent reply.

Not What He Meant.
A well-known authoress [illegible] talking with a dilapidated [illegible] who retained little but his [illegible]
"It is time now," he said, [illegible] ly, "for me to settle down a[illegible] ried man, but I want so much [illegible] youth, health, wealth, of [illegible] beauty, grace——"
"Yes," said his fair listener [illegible] thetically, "you poor man, you [illegible] them all."

A Pleasant Suggestion.

We buy direct from the factory and sell direct to [illegible]

Farms AND Ranches Wanted.

We have active demand for improved farms a[illegible] lands, and will handle to best advantage all f[illegible] ranches placed with us. If you have either, f[illegible] exchange, list them with us and we will do the [illegible]
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LANDS FOR SALE—We have tracts of any [illegible] proved and raw, and prices and terms that will [illegible]

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[illegible]ton-Eating People.

[illegible]ity, Jan. 17—Senator [illegible]ident of the Natio[illegible] [illegible] Association, in [illegible] "The country is n[illegible] from all old wool [illegible] [illegible]ging on the market for [illegible] [illegible]ay say that when the n[illegible] [illegible]n we will be almost [illegible] from stale wool. We aro[illegible] [illegible]eating nation. When I [illegible] the business of raising sh[illegible] [illegible] ago there was no market [illegible] [illegible]cago, for more than t[illegible] [illegible] loads of western sheep [illegible] [illegible] take a week to fiddle [illegible] [illegible] sheep there, and railroad[illegible] [illegible] no sheep for shipment [illegible] [illegible] was paid in advance. [illegible] [illegible] roads stand beseeching, [illegible] [illegible] ready to give the sheep [illegible] [illegible] they want, and Chicago [illegible] [illegible] 35,000 to 50,000 mutton[illegible] [illegible] disturbance."