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CATTLE RAISERS MEET.

In Twentieth Annual Session at Ten O'clock, Tuesday, March 10th.

Thousands of Visitors in Fort Worth—The Largest Meeting on Record.

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THE MEXICAN QUESTION VOTED DOWN.

After a Hard Fight and Several Hours' Discussion, A. P. Bush, Re-elected President—San Antonio Wins for 1897.

Kleberg and Boyce, Vice Presidents—Annual Dues Raised—Splendid Entertainment at the Stockyards—The Packery Visited. Grand Reception and Ball.

The Cattle Raisers' convention of 1896 has, according to popular opinion, beaten the record. Indications of the immense gathering commenced as early as Saturday, when the evening trains were crowded. From all sections they came with reports of "More to follow." By Sunday the arrivals commenced in real earnest, and page after page of the hotel registers were soon filled with autographs. Amongst the earliest on the gound were the lieutenants of President Bush, who evidently were under the impression from reports which appeared in one of the daily papers that the subject of the next president was occupying a much more prominent place in the members' minds than really was the case. Accordingly they went to work like beavers, electioneering each new comer upon his arrival and holding occasional informal caucuses. By Monday the city accommodations were pretty thoroughly tested, but still, so far as could be learned, all were comfortably provided for. Telegrams from Amarillo announced the sale at that point of 130 tickets and from other stations along the line similar advices of heavy ticket sales were received. Monday night all the hotels were crowded and locomotion was rendered rather difficult. Cattle talk was heard everywhere, and whilst little or no trading was done, several prospective future trades were "located," as a cattleman put it. Talk on both the "Mexican question" and the next president was also common, the verdict in the latter case being that it was "mixed." One fact was demonstrated by the immense crowd, namely, that the charging of a fare by the railway companies did not have the effect predicted of keeping large numbers away from the convention.

FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.
MORNING SESSION.

The heavy downpour of rain which started in Tuesday morning put something of a damper on the exuberant feelings of the visitors. It crowded them into the hotel corridors and under the eaves along Main street, and even the beneficent effects of plentiful showers on the ranges, which ordinarily would more than compensate for slight personal discomfort, was lost, as it is the general impression that a sufficiency of rain has already fallen to secure the best results in spring grass.

President Bush was in his place promptly at 10 o'clock, the hour fixed for the assembling of the convention, but at that time there were not more than a dozen members occupying seats in the auditorium. It was 10:30 before the body of the house had filled up, and the Cotton Belt band, having taken their station in the right balcony, opened the session with the Priests' March from Tannhauser, which was rendered in a manner which secured for the boys the warmest applause of their auditors—and the applause was surely deserved.

After the applause had subsided, President Bush rapped for order, and introduced Rev. Harry Cassil, who opened the session with an eloquent, earnest prayer.

Captain B. B. Paddock was then introduced by President Bush, who declared that he would again proceed to donate the city. Captain Paddock began by inviting the representatives of the "greatest industry in the state to the greatest industrial center of the state." He declared that he had been present at every meeting of the association since its organization in Graham, save one; that he, in common with all the people of Fort Worth, had watched with pleasure and interest the growth and prosperity of the association, which had proceeded hand in hand with the growth and prosperity of the city. Continuing, he said:

"I will content myself with saying, with my hand on my heart, that the city is yours. We are proud to know that the greatest single industry in the state calls Fort Worth its home. I sincerely hope that your stay here may be as pleasant and profitable to you as it is agreeable to us."

Hon. T. J. Powell was next introduced and welcomed the association in behalf of the cattlemen of the city and citizens. Following is a synopsis of the address:

"Texas, prodigal in everything, has given her richest heritage to the cattlemen. The greatest cattle state in the Union; magnificent in her wealth of grass and stream, her hills and valleys are year by year adding to the wealth and prosperity of the members of this association. Even while you are here she is covering her bosom with the verdure of an early spring for your herds to feed upon; later on she will yield up her treasures of grain and cotton seed to fatten these herds, only to be shipped away to some other state to be labeled 'Texas Steers' and sold for 50 cents to $1.00 less than 'native steers.' Texas, with her unrivaled climate, matchless in the possibilities of her cattle industry, but poverty-stricken when it comes to a question of a market for her cattle.

"In extending a welcome to the members of this association, of which I am firing the second barrel—the mayor having shot the first—I can truthfully say, without any attempt at flattery, that of all the meetings annually held in Fort Worth, yours is by far the most important. You are the largest industrial organization in the state, and in my judgment the flower of the business wealth and intellect of Texas is among your membership. You represent every phase of Western life, from the saddle to the banking house. In mind and mould you are typical of your great state, but there is one thing that Texas looks to you to perform for her, and that is to furnish her a home market for her products. The wealth and brains of your association will eventually furnish that market, and when this is done Fort Worth is a candidate for its location.

"It has long been a cherished dream of Fort Worth to become the headquarters of the cattle industry of northern and northwestern Texas. She has spent hundreds of thousands of dollars, some of it foolishly, perhaps, in attempting to create a market for Texas cattle, but her efforts have not been wholly in vain. Generous in all things, she has been jealously so when it came to entertaining this association. Fortunes have been sunk in packing houses, and today there is just north of the city a plant that is but the advance guard of similar enterprises in the near future. There was a time when the Fort Worth packing house and stock yards was regarded as a joke, but that is past, and today the foreign commission houses are all represented in Fort Worth, and the market is growing.

"This morning's paper states that the first shipment of cattle made by the Alvarado Oil Mill from Texas direct to England was a great success. This is very significant and will serve to hasten the time when Texas cattle will be sold as natives on a home market at prices equal to the natives of other states.

"It requires no prophet to foresee the changes that are likely to take place in the cattle industry in Texas in the next few years. Conditions have been changing for several years, improvements in transportation, the discovery of cotton seed as a food, a higher grade of cattle and other things have served to swell the volume of the cattle industry. Some years ago there was scarcely an office in Fort Worth of the big commission firms. Today they are on every hand and their representatives in private cars, dance in attendance upon your annual "round up."

Conditions are changing; down on the gulf coast Uncle Sam is at work on a deep water port and in a short time the great resources of Texas will be poured out to the commerce of the world through this gateway, and the trunk lines of railway in this state will seek a deep water connection. It may be by that time that Barney Gibbs will get control of the state government and build his road from the Red River to the gulf. Then Texas cattle will be sold as natives and slaughtered on Texas soil. Then Texas will no longer open her bosom that her more fortunate sisters may thrive and fatten on her cattle industry. Then the packing houses will come and Texas have a market commensurate with her resources.

"This consummation can be hastened by your association. Gentlemen, Fort Worth has been entertaining you for a number of years, and it has been hard work to keep pace with you; you have prospered here, and Fort Worth has prospered through you. The time has come when the presidency of your association is one of the greatest civic honors in the state, and I voice a universal sentiment in Fort Worth, when I bid you thrice welcome, and wish you Godspeed in your work of building up the greatest industry in Texas.

"Gentlemen, pardon me if I sound a note of warning, and that is, I trust that in your deliberations you will avoid political questions, for if you take the history of all industrial organizations of the past you will find that it was upon this rock of politics that they drifted to their destruction.

"In conclusion, gentlemen, I sincerely hope that your meeting may be productive of much good to yourselves, and that when you return to the range for the spring round-up you will carry pleasant thoughts of your visit, and if upon some wild night you are camped near your herd, and the lightning shines in thousands of reflected sparks from the horns of the cattle, that are milling almost to the point of a stampede, with cowboys yelling, and away off on a hill in the darkness, a coyote is preaching a sermon over the skeleton of a steer, if then there arises in your mind a wish to be somewhere else, I trust that you will be nerved to face the situation by remembrance of the good time you had in Fort Worth, and with the knowledge that our latch string is always on the outside of the door."

President A. P. Bush responded, saying that he did not believe it necessary to declare the recognition of the members of the association of the hospitality of the city. Mayor Paddock had agreed not to compel a repetition of this arduous labor, and had indeed promised to stand up here and make signs, for you would all know the sign: He had violated the agreement. This association has always been noted for the order and decorum with which its business is conducted, and he sincerely hoped and believed that the considerations of the present convention would continue the association in the good opinion of the association. The members know they are welcome, and the citizens know that it is appreciated.

A member here arose and stated that he noticed in the body of the hall, the president of the Wyoming Cattle Raisers association, John Clay, Jr., and moved that he be invited to take a seat on the stage. The gentleman came forward.

The president then read the executive committee's report, as follows:

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Its Report Is Adopted by the Convention After Much Discussion.

The report of the executive committee which was finally adopted as read, is as follows:

We, your executive committee for the year now ending, most respectfully submit the following report, covering the business done by this association since our last annual meeting.

We find from our secretary's report our financial condition to be as follows:

RESOURCES.

Cash balance on hand as per last annual report		$ 9,936 63
Uncollected dues as per last annual report		757 00
Overpaid salaries, etc		357 45
Annual dues, commissions, initiations and delinquents		29,407 21
Refunded to litigation account		335 62
Proceeds from sale of cattle caught		46,294 08
		$97,628 07

LIABILITIES.

Deficit as per last annual report	$ 240 57	
Inspectors' salaries and expenses	27,164 49	
Salaries to officers and assistants	6,254 00	
Attorneys' fees and litigation expenses	6,018 26	
Paid owners for cattle caught	36,278 65	
Due owners for cattle caught	7,344 73	
Due for cattle sold for unknown owners	1,000 00	
Sundry expenses and exchange	2,046 48	
Due on salary accounts	123 84	
Paid owners, etc., amount due cattle as per last annual report	11,091 16	
	$97,562 23	
Excess resources over liabilities	65 84	
	$97,628 07	$97,628 07

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on hand March, 1895		$10,486 66
Receipts from March, 1895, to March, 1896		70,222 63
Amount paid out to March, 1896	70,983 95	
Balance cash on hand	9,725 34	
	$80,709 29	$80,709 29

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Of cattle taken out by inspectors shows total:

Number and proceeds returned to owners	2,235 head
Total value	$46,294 08
Number of cattle put into pastures or returned to owners	2,682 head
Number of cattle held up pending investigation	292 head
Total number of cattle caught and handled by the association	4,609 head
Average value of cattle sold by the association	$20 71

This gives a total value of cattle caught and handled by the association during the past year of $94,459.62, against a total value of cattle caught and handled during the previous year of $71,883.21; showing an increase of value of cattle caught this year over the previous year of $22,576.41.

Appended hereto we submit a table showing the work that has been done by the association through its detective and protective system, believing that these data will materially aid the members of the association in appreciating the benefits they are deriving from their membership:

	1883-84	1884-85	1885-86	1886-87	1887-88	1888-89	1889-90	1890-91	1891-92	1892-93	1893-94	1894-95	1895-96	
Total value	730,000	706,000	540,000	520,000	460,000	500,000	600,000	650,000	750,000	1,100,000	1,331,873	1,357,997	1,437,997	$13,759.62
Value per head	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	7.50	9.11	9.29	9.84	24.013
Total Cattle cut	146	141	108	104	92	100	120	130	150	146	146	146	146	
Trail and Shipments	500	500	500	821	556	801	823	677	906	844	1,403	2,235	2,774	9,609
Market	730,000	706,000	540,000	821,101	556	801	823	677	1,421	844	1,403	2,235	2,774	9,609
Cattle Rendered	730,000	706,000	540,000	821,101	460,000	500,000	600,000	650,000	750,000	1,100,000	1,331,873	1,357,997	1,437,997	$13,759.62
Date	1883-84	1884-85	1885-86	1886-87	1887-88	1888-89	1889-90	1890-91	1891-92	1892-93	1893-94	1894-95	1895-96	

The following is a list of the inspectors with the number of cattle cut by them:

Name and location.	No. cut.
T. J. Poston, Chicago	481
A. L. Chesher, Wichita Falls	296
D. G. Franks, Eagle Pass	
W. L. Lyon, Canadian	433
S. V. Edwards, Cotulla	13
W. S. Moore, Nat. Stock Yards	7
V. W. Allen, Colorado	209
B. F. Denson, Kansas City	889
Eugene Logan, Clayton	486
W. A. Hirnant, Alice	24
J. J. Stewart, Fort Sill	31
W. F. Sims, Pearsall	3
T. A. Gallagher, Nat. Stock Yds	264
J. B. Franklin, Beeville	31
Chas. E. Martin, Victoria	25
J. M. Barkley, N. M. and Brownwood	136
W. G. Crump, Calumet	9
W. L. Calohan, Midland	463
H. E. Siders, Amarillo	314
G. R. Doshier, Clarendon	74
W. H. Keen, Olney	1
Price Dockery, Lamar, Colo	23
I. J. Fridge, Woodward	104
J. D. Gilmore, Chichasha	76
J. C. Loving, Fort Worth	10
H. C. Williams, Graham	1
Ed Emberson, Purcell	26
J. N. Hewitt, San Angelo	3
M. H. Beetham, So. Omaha, Neb	44
J. L. Dow, Seven Rivers, N. M	77
J. D. Cocker, Big Springs	6
T. W. Snow, Nat. Stock Yards	1
Geo. P. Leakey, Monahan	42
Eli Moore, Wichita, Kan	19
Total	4,609

The total membership now stands at 829, or an increase of 134 members during the year.

The number of cattle caught during the past year was 450 greater than during the previous fiscal year. The increase in number of cattle now on books of the association over one year ago is 52,694. The increase in the number of cattle over last year does not show up proportionately with the increase in the number of members owing to the decimation of herds and general decrease in the number of cattle in the state.

The necessity for increased revenue becomes more apparent from year to year. Efforts have been made by your committee to induce members to make fuller renditions of their cattle, without success, and it is now for the meeting to decide the best method to accomplish this measure. There seems to be a disposition to increase the rate rather than to make the number greater, and an increase of 1-2 cent per head is therefore recommended. As an evidence of the necessity for increased revenue, we have only to compare the increase in the number of convictions during the past year as compared with the year previous—22 against 12—and at this time last year we had 34 cases on the dockets; now we have 67, and it would seem that we are just beginning to get in our work. All this costs money, and if the members of the association want effective work, they must in some way arrange to raise the necessary money to do the work. The present receipts will not meet the increased expenditures.

Report of S. H. Cowan, Attorney.

(For the year ending March 10th, 1896.)

To A. P. Bush, Jr., President and the Executive Committeee of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas:

I beg to make the following report of business transacted through your legal department for the year ending March 10th, 1896, and the condition of the business on hand at this time, viz:

Cases tried and pleas of guilty after getting ready for trial	22
Acquittals by verdict of not guilty	2
Cases tried in which there were hung juries	4
Convictions	16
Cases dismissed	4
Cases pending	67
Number of defendants against whom pending	41
Number of courts where pending in Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Indian Territory and Kansas	25
Number of courts attended by me during the year	22
Number of cases disposed of in which I did not appear for the Association	4

Places and courts attended by me for the association: Pecos, Ashland, Kans.; Oklahoma City, Dickens, Tex.; Perry, Okla.; Canadian, Colorado City, Garden City, Kan.; Amarillo, Seymour, Barstow, Tex.; Midla, Pecos, Colorado (on way to Snyder), Clarendon, Canadian, Perry, Seymour, Amarillo, Paul's Valley, Laredo, Clarendon.

Thus making twenty-two different trips to courts at the said places.

Civil cases disposed of and tried by me not included above, 3. Total number of cases pending, 67; against 41 defendants, at 25 different places, holding two terms of court each per annum.

There are probably some scattering cases not included above, and there are some which have resulted in indictments since we received any reports; and while some of the above cases will not be tried because of one case settling it, or the like, yet there are probably an equal number of the above cases in embryo, not reported as cases, to make up the number of the above. And will not be to try, particularly if we add the number of hung juries likely to occur in that number of cases. The number of cases have increased during the past year about 100 per cent, which is owing to two facts; first, more effective work of the inspecting department of the association; second, to a very large increase of membership and the consequent extension of the field occupied by the association.

Perhaps the number of cattle stolen has not in fact increased, but diminished, but the cases which have been discovered have increased.

In submitting this report, I have to congratulate the association on the small number of acquittals in cases where it has prosecuted.

The spirit which ought to be and which has been engendered in the prosecutions carried on by the association is that of fairness, not that kind of fairness which would lead the prosecution to fail in its duty to present the strongest case established by facts, but to present all of the facts where they establish beyond a reasonable doubt the guilt of the defendant, and in all cases where the evidence leaves it doubtful if the defendant is guilty, not to assist in such a case, and in no case lend the association's aid to a case brought by malice. It is extremely important that the people in the districts where we have prosecutions know that a thief is being prosecuted because he stole from members of this association, whether the member has ten cattle or ten thousand.

The association's effort to bring cattle thieves to justice has met with the heartiest response from the officials in nearly every county and district where I have been. It is a source of congratulation that, in view of the prejudice against large companies, we have not lost but one case on that account. This is indicative of the fact that the people who compose the juries are fast finding out that the association is a friend of every honest man, rich or poor, with no motive to prosecute the innocent, but to bring the guilty to justice.

Your committee has been obliged to refuse applications for additional inspectors, in various localities where depredations were committed, simply because they did not have the funds.

The report of your transportation committee is attached hereto as an additional reason for increasing our revenue, to which we strongly advise your particular attention.

Report of the Transportation Committee.

Your transportation committee has been able to do but little, feeling that the association was cramped for funds to go on with its protective and detective policy, we have felt some embarrassment in pushing this work too far. We cannot, however urge upon the association sufficiently the necessity of adopting some fixed policy to protect and further our interests in this direction. First, we should ask and demand of the railroads basing points in Texas from which to route our cattle to the different markets, granting feeding privileges, with the option of continuing route of cattle to ultimate destination over any competitive line the original owner or speculator, or other buyer may see proper to use—Fort Worth and Dallas being the most central points in the state and where the greatest number of trunk lines of railroads converge, we think that both these cities should be strongly advocated as basing points. The demand of the railroads centering at these two cities that they should grant to them the privileges as are now accorded to St. Louis and Kansas City, with reference to a through billing of live stock to Chicago. Primarily, this is done to establish with us a home market. We feel that if our cattle, sheep and hogs can stop at any strong railroad competitive point for the purpose of first offering for sale, and secondly, for food and water, without extra cost to owner, we can by exposing our stock in such market soon bring buyers to our state and establish practically, in fact, a home market. In this, the whole state is interested, not only the cattlemen of the West, but every farmer of East Texas, who has only a few car loads of hogs or cattle to ship or sell from their farm, and your committee feels that when this movement is understood by our agricultural friends, they will, through all their organizations, join most heartily with us to further the object. Should your committee's recommendation go through for an increase of revenue, we would advise the establishment of a traffic department, and employment of the most competent man the association can secure to take charge under the committee's direction of this department. Your committee would not have it understood that this should or would mean a fight against railroads; on the contrary, it is felt that our interests are so strongly allied and mutual that whatever might be advocated for the advantage of the one would of necessity inure and redound to the advantage of the other.

This policy cannot be too urgently advocated. We feel that the successful adoption of this idea will be the happy elucidation of the most doubtful and difficult problem to the future success of our interests; and to its accomplishment, we feel that we can appeal for the aid and sympathy of the whole state. Respectfully submitted.

A. P. BUSH.
S. B. BURNETT,
MURDO MACKENZIE,
E. FENLON,
E. T. COMER,
Committee.

Difficulty of Settlement.

A very important matter for the consideration of this association is the difficulty evinced by the general manager in getting prompt settlement for cattle held up by the commission merchants. Two years ago your committee held a conference with the commission merchants then in attendance at the meeting of the association, and endeavored to secure their co-operation in this matter. There was, for a while, some improvement, but the report submitted to you, herein, shows that they have been less prompt during the past year than ever before. We have now in suspense, principally held by the commission merchants, 292 head of cattle. This should not be. This trouble is attributed to two causes; one, the fault perhaps of the commission merchants to procure an answer from the shipper as to his claim, and the other, the failure of the shipper to respond to inquiries when made. We believe that all such contested claims should be turned over to the association. The executive committee is certainly in better position to settle these disputes than any other parties, and would prosecute the matter much more vigorously.

We recommend, therefore, that a meeting of the commission merchants from the various markets be called to meet the executive committee, to consider this question, and adopt some measure to attain the end so much desired.

New Members.

The following is a list of members received by your committee during the past year:

Dick Cann, H. J. Hamilton, M. Sansom, O. G. Baker, F. L. Wagnon & Bros., H. Brochers, Alex Hamilton, John Ruckman, Wm. A. Young, A. L. Crutchfield, W. F. Guthrie, S. A. Purinton, Fuqua & Morrow, J. M. Keithley, Jas. C. Denison, J. C. Avary, Britton Davis, John Babee, Henry C. Creed, P. N. Page, J. L. Moore, J. J. Wilhite, Francher Bros., Dysart & Andrews, G. M. Blackman, W. P. Mudgett, J. C. Studer & Bro., Graft Bros., S. G. Carter, G. W. Walton, Heath & Cowan, Easley & McAdams, A. Levi & Co., P. B. Hunt, McGaughey Bros., F. N. Carmichael, Y. V. Roeder, J. J. Summers, R. P. Hutton, T. M. Cunningham, W. W. Dyer, J. M. Cravens, Robert Aiken, Charles Godeke, C. M. O'Donel & Co., T. F. Dixon, Vas Stickley, Wettermark & Hatchell, A. Hopping, J. P. Seary, J. D. Jones, R. F. Love, Gordon Stiles, Jas. Currie, R. H. Looney, W. A. Anderson, Thos. O'Loughlin, Pumphrey & Kennedy, P. L. Pinard, Tom Smith, Wm. Anson, Ed C. Lasater, C. L. Boyd, R. T. Ware, McDowell & Love, J. M. Taylor, W. C. Rynearson, H. P. Eckhardt, V. Weldon, Dan Gunter, M. A. Harper, Chas. Goodnight, R. M. Painter, John Hutson, F. Tankersley, Wm. Cameron & Co., M. Lenhart, Turner Bros., D. W. Blocker, C. H. Taul, S. H. Slavin, J. T. House, J. R. Wells, R. T. Erwin, R. S. Thompson, L. Ward, W. W. Fox, L. P. & C. L. Anderson, 101 Cattle Co., W. L. Willis & Co., Geo. F. Lavine, E. C. Dudley, J.W.Womble, F. B. Rooke, J. J. Sturm, D. T. Fitchett, James Bros. & Brown, Cosmo Falconer, Ryan & Sullivan, Thurmond Bros., Coughran Bros., J. W. Seigler, T. P. Barry, Frank Garst, J. W. Eakin, G. F Putnam, Davis Bros & Neeley, G. W. Palmer, L. P. Alexander, W. W. & J. H. O'Harrow, J. S. Scott, A. J. Chapman, J. W. Kokernot, J. H. Blount, F. E. Herring, W. J. Moore, F. M. Faulkner, G. R. West, A. P. Murchison, W. D. Farris, Hall & Bomar, T. S. Foster, W. J. Wilkinson, J. S. McCall, Armitt West, H. Robbins, Francisco C. De Baca, T. W. Cadenhead, A. Chastain, W. H. Collyns, Sumners & Roberts, Sam Simpson, W. D. Casey, Arnold & Nations, H. Stephenson, H. & K. B. Baim, J. Rawdon, E. M. Gresham, Crawford & Thorp, Youngblood & Brown, D. C. Davis, John Scharbauer, Lee Bivins, J. F. Beattie, R. H. Cocke, W. H. King, W. H. Hawkins, J. K. Crutchfield, R. S. Dalton, J. S. Price, A. T. Hecock & Bro., A. P. Belcher, H. W. G. Sharp, C. W. Haynes, Middlebrook Bros., W. C. McGaugh, Jno. C. Knorpp, Henry Ledrick, W. L. Browning, O. M. Lee, Jno. T. Johnson, W. H. Thomas, Wright & Kimbell, Baush & Houston, Vail & Gates, H. L. Scott, J. W. & T. A. Curtis, J. B. Gaither, A. O. Anderson, C E Bridges, Joe Cunningham, Riner & Scivally, T. F. Baskin, G. W. Porter, C. P. Fullington, Wm. Addoms, W. F. Wyman A. M. Lasater, J. A. Mopley, W. Thomson, W. F. Crawford, C. D Neeley, Carrey C Hinds, Harris & Barbee, W. D. R. Dickson, J. N. Olds, Benson & Thompson, W. H. Myers, Cushing & Sanderson Bros., D. M. Deline, W. Radford, J. L. Sullivan & Son, J. H. Bartles, Wm. J. Good & Co., I. J. Rude, Duke & Jones, Thos. A. Caufield, Connell & Pemberton Bros., Lee J. Dunn, Abel J. Crawford, Alfred Giles, Richard McLish, E. L. Peril, E. A. Curtis, T. W. Oden, Dick Barton, Burl Holloway, W. D. Bailey, P. O'Laughlin, E. K. Gill, W. O. Richards, Buchel Bros., Rankin Moore, H. W. Eubank, John F. Wolford, Jones Bros., J. W. Wright & Bro., J. W. Sullivan, Tom Adams, Thompson, Woodly & Naylor, J. G. Lucas, Henry Frass, Ben Kimmel, John O'Laughlin, Dick Pincham, James A. Baird, Normand & Morgan, C. F. Booher, J. E. Pierce, John T. Clark, W. D. Allison, F. M. Weaver, Mrs. M. E. Owen, Charles W. Sandford, Frank Lindsey, Newton & Self, Walter Scoggan, G. G. Walker, Fanchler Bros., Live Oak Ranch Co., D. G. Fritzlen, M. H. Townsend, L. T. Lester, G. W. Hill, F. Moor, D. H. Henard, C. W. Merchant & Son, H. M. Kimball, East, Davis & Co., S. H. Wells, M. M. Barnes.

The Quarantine Line.

Referring to the letter of February 25, 1835, addressed to our secretary by the honorable secretary of agriculture, which will be read, your committee was confounded by the proposition of having the whole state of Texas quarantined. Prompt notice was taken by the sanitary commission; this was supplemented by the vigorous action of our governor, who went in person to Washington and gave the assurance of his high office that the state's quarantine line would be respected and protected, caused a modification of the secretary's original order, and the establishment by the government of a state quarantine line as mapped out by the state commission. In the accomplishment of this result, your committee feels that this association is under deep obligations to Governor Culberson for his prompt and energetic action.

Secretary Morton's Letter.

February 25, 1896.

Mr. J. C. Loving, Secretary Cattle Raisers' Association, Fort Worth, Texas:

Dear Sir—The honorable secretary of agriculture has received your very kind and courteous invitation to attend the twentieth annual meeting of your association on the 10th and 11th of March next, and directs me to thank you heartily for it. He regrets exceedingly that his pressing engagements will render it impossible for him to visit your city at that time.

We note, with appreciation, your opinion with regard to our action in relation to the Texas fever quarantine line. You will be interested to learn that after a very pleasant interview with your distinguished governor, Hon. Charles A. Culberson, the matter has been adjusted to the satisfaction of this department and, apparently, the authorities and people of Texas. The law authorizes the secretary of agriculture to "quarantine animals whenever in his judgment it is essential to prevent the spread of pleuro-pneumonia, tuberculosis, or other diseases from one state to another." It has been the opinion of our legal advisers that in order to enforce this quarantine we must have the co-operation of the state authorities whenever it was desired to draw a line across the state. You will notice that the law says "from one state to another. Therefore, when we could not get the authorities of a state to definitely agree to co-operate with us in establishing a quarantine line across a state, it became our duty to establish a line at the state border. Hence the necessity for drawing a line around the northern border of the state of Texas. As the authorities of the state of Texas have fixed a line across the state satisfactory to this department it has been adopted and an order to that effect issued today. Very respectfully,

CHAS. W. DABNEY, JR.,
Assistant Secretary.

Secretary's Office.

As it became necessary for the association to have increased facilities for business, the offices of the association have been removed from the rooms in the Hotel Worth building to the Scott-Harrold building, and in connection therewith we desire to return thanks to Mr. Hardwicke, proprietor of the Worth hotel, for his generosity in having furnished the association with rooms occupied during the past year, rent free, and the use of his parlors to your committee on all occasions.

Your committee, with great sorrow and regret, have to report to the association the death, since our last meeting, of one of its most useful and brightest members, Mr. G. W. Fulton, whose loss is deeply felt by all his associates, and whose place cannot be filled out of the $25 who compose the association. We ask that a special committee be appointed by this meeting to draft appropriate resolutions and that they be incorporated in the proceedings of the association.

A. P. BUSH, JR., Chairman.
J. C. LOVING, Secretary.

The following clause was tacked on to the report of executive committee after same had been given for publication, but before it was read, and was the clause which

CAUSED ALL THE TROUBLE.

which subsequently followed:

"The objects of this association are and have been from its inception to the present time, the protection of the property of its members, and incidentally thereto such questions as transportation and the regulations of the quarantine laws. From articles recently printed in our state newspapers it would appear that the question of importation of Mexican cattle will be brought up in the meeting of the association for discussion therefore the members of the executive committee sincerely hope that this, and all other semi-political questions, will be excluded from the business and deliberation of the association, our belief being that such discussions will be subversive of the peace and harmony of the association, and consequently detrimental to its best interests. We believe that the proper place for the expression of the individual preferences of our members on this question, is at the polls, and not at a business meeting of the association, where a majority and minority does, and must, necessarily exist. Among a very large number of cattlemen, commission men and bankers being now present in Fort Worth, should it be thought wise, a meeting of all such persons could be called at the close of the meeting of the association, at which such resolutions concerning the Mexican cattle question could be passed, as a majority of such meeting might agree upon."

President Bush having concluded the reading of the executive committee's report including the last clause above referred to, Mr. F. H. Parramore moved that the report be adopted.

Before the president could put the question, Mr. M. H. Sansom of Alvarado arose and offered that the following amendment be attached to the committee's report:

It being the object of this association to promote, advance and protect the interests of its members, as well as the general best interests of the cattle industry, and in furtherance of those objects we now declare it our opinion that the importation of Mexican cattle into this country is injurious thereto.

Then the fun began and until the hour of adjournment at noon a heated debate and spirited discussion arose and continued to wage warm.

The next thing to Pandemonium reigned supreme for a while. As soon as Mr. Sansom finished reading his amendment, if such it can be called, Mr. Isaac Pryor of Columbus arose and addressed the convention. He thought the question of grave importance, but didn't think it should be made a part of the executive committee's report. This was not the time to discuss the issue, said he. It was worthy of serious deliberation, but should be discussed separately and at the proper time.

Mr. Sansom replied that the question

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was indeed a serious one and of vital importance. He claimed that it was not a political question, but a matter of business importance. (Applause.) He thought the convention assembled should express themselves by ballot. He wanted to determine how the body stood on the Mexican importation question, and if the convention assembled voted against his amendment he was willing to let it go at that.

Mr. Paramore could not agree with the gentleman. "This is a body of cattlemen and not a gang of politicians," said he. "The Mexican importation question is a political issue and we might as well disband as to bring politics in the association." He thought that the executive committee was as honest as any set of men on earth and gave them the credit of possessing brains as well. He therefore thought their report should be adopted as it stood.

Loud calls for the question from several quarters.

Affairs were becoming warmer. Floor privilege was very much in demand.

The president was in the act of putting the question when Mr. C. T. Herring of Vernon arose and objected declaring that the question should come up right then and be settled for good.

Some gentleman in the audience was on his feet instantly and in stentorian tones exclaimed: "I protest against this question coming in. Our executive committee have submitted their report. It is an able document and should be adopted as it is."

A motion was made to table Mr. Sansom's amendment. The gentleman offering the question had scarcely resumed his seat before the author of the amendment was on his feet. He requested that his amendment be read and fully explained. This President Bush did, and thus it was the same thing over again went the rounds. The debate that folowed was but a repetition of utterances made at the introduction of the amendment. Mr. Sansom explained that he said nothing in the report of the executive committee that he was not willing to adopt, but thought that the report should go a little further.

Instantly pandemonium reigned, and not less than a dozen motions were introduced.

Among this number was one adjourning the body sine die. It was about to carry when Thorpe T. D. Andrews jumped to his feet and moved an adjournment to 2 p. m. This carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Storm Brooding Over the Importation of Mexican Cattle Bursts.

When the convention reconvened in the afternoon all seemed to understand the Mexican cattle importation fight was on, and that it would be to a finish. President M. Sansom of the San Antonio Live Stock association, who had introduced the resolution amendatory of the executive committee report, was early in his seat. After rapping for order President Bush said:

"The question before this body is the amendment of Hon. Marion Sansom to the report of the association executive committee. I now rule that this body has the right to either indorse or reject in whole or in part the report of the committee, but that all amendments offered to that report are out of order. A motion to indorse the committee report and recommendation as an entirety or seriatim will be entertained, but no amendments to it are in order."

A member in the gallery wanted the committee report read again.

Mr. Sansom—There is no use reading all the report. Just let that recommendation touching Mexican cattle importation question be read.

President—That request is all right and in order. That feature of the report will be read. I will entertain no amendments to the committee report, however.

Mr. Sansom—Any man who can see an inch before his face can discern the attempt the committee is making to forestall on that question. My amendment to the committee report is in order, and I insist that the chair put it. The executive committee is the creature of this association, and its report can be amended. The executive committee of the association is not greater than the body itself.

Col. J. H. Paramore of Abilene—I raise a point of order. Mr. Sansom's utterances are not in order.

Mr. Sansom—There are many things witnessed here that are not in order. We do not propose, however, to go out of court at this time on a demurrer if we can help it.

Col. Ike Pryor of Columbus—The recommendation made by the executive committee upon that question was solely in the interest of harmony. The executive committee wisely foresaw what the result of an agitation of this question would be and they have sought to head it all off by making that recommendation, which should be adopted. I indorse the act of the committee and want all to know that I back it up.

President Bush—This body has the power and the right to accept or reject the report of the executive committee in whole or in part. That report, as I stated before, can not be amended by a member of this body.

Col. Ike T. Pryor moved to adopt the full report of the committee. Seconded.

Mr. Sansom—I insist upon the right of this body to amend the report of its executive committee.

President Bush—I tell you again that your amendment is not in order.

James Simpson of Parker got the floor and made a speech backing up the contention of President Bush. He contended that the executive committee had a duty to perform and a specific one at that, and further that all the committee had said upon the Mexican cattle question was simply to suggest that the association let alone, as it was a political question with which the body had nothing to do.

At this juncture the fight was hot, and Colonel W. H. McCoy got the floor. He wanted harmony, and in order to get it was willing to make any kind of honorable concession. Said he:

"I am a Republican and a protectionist, all along the line. I am not in favor of the importation of Mexican cattle, but I do agree with the committee in its action. I want to say to you all that I am proud of the stand taken by my friend Marion Sansom for the Republican principle of protection. (Laughter.) I have always felt that all my Democratic friends needed to make them good Republicans was to tread on their toes a little bit. I want to say to my Republican friends who are fighting the recommendation of the executive committee that I differ with them. The members of that committee are largely the most successful cattle raisers of the country. I stand by them and would like to see the entire action of the committee endorsed. Still, rather than have a row, I move as a substitute for all pending motions that we indorse the report of the executive committee in so far as it relates to the conduct of association affairs during the past year and that all other reports and recommendations made be acted upon separately. Seconded.

Colonel Ike Pryor—We should adopt the report as a whole, including the proposed increase of the tax of 2 1-2 cents, as the committee recommends, per head. Every member of the committee is a large taxpayer, and the burden will fall equally as heavy on them as on us.

McCoy's substitute motion was put and carried withtout dissent.

The recommendations and attached reports of the committee were next taken up. The transportation committee's report was adopted. Next came the Mexican cattle importation recommendation, and with it the long brooding storm broke forth in all its fury.

Colonel McCoy moved that the association adopt the recommendation of the executive committee touching it. He spoke strongly in favor of this action.

As a substitute Marion Sansom moved to strike out that section of the committee report. He contended that the question would never have been broached in the association but for the action of the executive committee.

There was feeling over the question and all could see it. Sansom's persistency had aroused the ire of some of the boys, among the number being Major Ed Fenlon of Fidland. Advancing rapidly to the front of the platform he said:

"I have been for years a member of the association executive committee. In all that time I have served as best I could. It was never until last Friday that Mr. Sansom joined the association and today we see him trying to run it. He has only had 100 head of cattle in this association, while the members of the committee who made that report to you have 237,000 head of cattle in it.

Great excitement.

Ed. T. Comer of the committee—Yes, the gentleman from Alvarado should have gotten in a little earlier than last Friday. He has already created a row that makes me tired of serving on executive committees.

All the while cheers and yells were going up.

Burke Burnett of the committee—Yes, the gentlemen from Alvarado should have gotten in a little earlier than last Friday. He has already protect right now. I don't want any Mexican cattle in mine, and I am not going to have them if I can prevent it. With my 100 cattle in the association, I have as much right to talk as Burke Burnett with his thousands.

Ringing cheers greeted Mr. Sansom and Col. C. C. Slaughter, who was seated on the platform, jumped to his feet and advancing to the front, said:

"Gentlemen of the association, here is one member of the executive committee who believes that a new member with only two head of cattle in it has just as much right as any other member to express his sentiments."

Col. Slaughter took his seat amidst great applause.

At this juncture Editor H. H. Brooks of the Amarillo Champion got the floor and made a highly humorous speech, with the result that the boys all got to laughing.

President Bush—The question now is will you strike out the recommendation of the committee touching the Mexican cattle importation question?

Mr. Sansom got the floor and demanded a rising vote. Others chimed in and for a time it looked as though pandemonium would break loose.

Hon. Sam H. Cowan made a plea for harmony. For years he had been the association's attorney and he loved it, still, he felt the body was doomed unless the executive committee was backed up. He wanted every word of that committee report as well as all its suggestions adopted. He dealt with the Mexican cattle importation question without gloves. He declared it to be a political move and nothing more. He spoke along lines of his interview in the Dallas News of today and was loudly cheered. He felt that the place to reach this question was in the congressional elections and at the polls, as the executive committee had recommended.

The vote was taken and the executive committee was sustained by a vote of little less than two to one. This ended the motion and a rock of huge proportions was passed by the body in safety. The executive committee had its way and so far as this body is concerned there will be no expression touching Mexican cattle importations.

At this juncture President Bush espied

GOVERNOR C. A. CULBERSON

in the hall and announced his presence. By unanimous vote he was invited to a seat on the stage. As he appeared, cries went up for a speech. The governor was introduced by President Bush as a man who had recently done good service for the cattlemen.

In responsing, Mr. Culberson did so briefly, felicitating the convention upon its unprecedented attendance and the prevalent prosperity among cattlemen. He said that upon the occasion of his recent trip to Washington he had found the federal authorities more than willing to restore the old quarantine line. All they wanted was assurance that it would be maintained, which was given. Mr. Culberson pledged the power of the state to the maintenance of the line and stated that the resources of the state appropriation would be exhausted or the line would be maintained. He had come to the conclusion that there were sections of Texas unfitted for argicultural pursuits and chiefly adapted to stock raising. He was not certain, but this was a happy condition of affairs. Speaking of the Mexican cattle importation question, he said: "I have my convictions upon that subject, but it is not now necessary or proper that I should express them, as you have settled it."

The governor's speech was less than 5 minutes in extent and his efforts were admirably adapted to the occasion. He concluded amidst great applause.

Marion Sansom—Mr. President, I move that we adopt the remainder of the report and recommendations of the executive committee.

This was done in a way showing only too plainly how easy it is for the cattlemen to reconcile differences and get together when they try to. Mr. Sansom takes his fate good-naturedly and laughs as heartily as any one tonight over the stirring scenes of today.

There were some who did not like the committee's action in raising the assessment of cattle in the association up to 2 1-2 cents per head, but they failed to get a reconsideration of the question in order to reopen the matter.

Hon. A. S. Reed gave it out that open house would be kept by the brewery this evening and also told of Keene at the opera house tonight, the "Private Secretary" tomorrow night and the big ball and reception the ladies of the city have in store for tomorrow night in the old court house in the rear of the Worth hotel. The convention was also notified to be at the stock yards at noon tomorrow.

J. B. Wilson, C. C. Slaughter, H. W. McCoy, M. Sansom and T. S. Witherspoon were announced by President Bush as a committee from this association to meet tonight a like committee from the San Antonio Live Stock association to confer with the railways and Chicago commission men about the $2 per car terminal charges in force there.

President Bush also called attention to the meeting to be held tonight to devise ways and means looking to a more expeditious adjustment of claims for cattle cut by inspectors of the association in the eastern markets and now held up.

The following applied for membership in the association: Bird Halsell, R. H. Alexander, J. M. Baldwin, Geo. M. Lasseter, T. F. Atkinson, A. W. Long, Dodge Mason, E. J. Simpson, J. H. Miller, J. R. Stinson, F. C. Sparkman, W. D. Foster, F. C. McKenzie, Ed Woodward, Charles L. Campbell, Ben Kilgore, C. C. Camp, H. H. Brooks, James Smith and F. M. Thomas.

Col. Slaughter wanted these men all elected members of the association at once, and moved to amend the by-laws so this could be done.

Objection was raised and it was suggested that these applicants should travel the same road as had their predecessors. The question will be settled in the morning.

President Bush has appointed Dr. J. B. Taylor, Ed T. Comer and J. M. Coburn a committee to express the sentiments of the body touching the death of Hon. George W. Fulton, long a member of the association executive committee. This committee drafted and presented the following:

Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God to take from our midst Hon. George W. Fulton, Jr., a member of this association and of the executive committee; therefore be it

Resolved, that in the death of Mr. Fulton this association has lost one of its most valued and brilliant members, one who throughout his connection with it has been looked up to with respect and love by his associates, whose never failing gentleness, fairness and generosity endeared him to all; whose good sound judgment in all matters pertaining to the welfare of this association has been relied upon by his associates, and his death has brought sorrow to the hearts of all.

Resolved, that this association deplores the untimely death of Mr. Fulton ,that it extends its sympathy to his bereaved family and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family and a copy be spread upon the minutes of this body."

A motion prevailed to make the election of officers the first thing on the program at 9:30 a. m. tomorrow, and at 6 p. m. the convention adjourned to that hour.

CONVENTION NOTES.

First Day.

It is now understood that after the adjournment of the convention the cattlemen will assemble in mass meeting to ventilate their views on the great "casus belli" of the convention, the Mexican importation question.

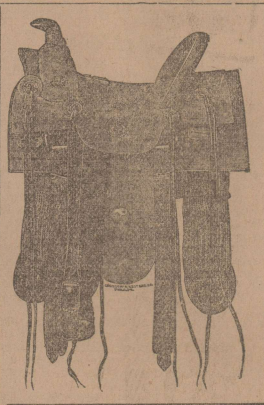
Attorney Cowan's speech was what won the day for the anti-Sansom men. He bided his time and shot it in just at the right moment when the convention was getting tired of the wrangling and wanted things brought to a close.

President Bush presided with grace and good temper and generally speaking with impartiality, altho' a sneaking suspicion lurked in the breasts of the Sansom men that the chair did not put certain propositions or questions before the house as clearly as he might have done. More than one of his rulings or rather his actions (or non-actions) were palpably out of order, but his errors under the trying circumstances were doubtless of the head, rather than the heart.

The chairmanship question is all absorbing this evening, the general impression now being that Bush will win.

The famous Cotton Belt band performed in the opera house during the convention to the delight of all. Carrico's Fort Worth band also performed most agreeably on the streets.

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Midland has a big delegation here and they can be recognized by the blue badge they wear.

The ladies of the Missouri avenue church did a land office business with their big dinner today.

Some of the hotels are crowded to their utmost capacity, and the crowd is so great that much confusion naturally follows.

On the incoming trains this morning many had to stand for miles. It does seem that railroads would prepare ample accommodations for their best patrons.

Marion Sansom has made lots of friends, even amongst his opponents, for the manly manner in which he handled his case this morning. Talking to a reporter tonight he said: "I led that fight today in this association because I was, over my protest, chosen to do it. I was in full sympathy with all I advocated. I had an open field and a fair fight and they downed me. They beat me honorably, too, and not an unkind thought or feeling rankles in my breast. I did get a little bit hot, however, when they intimated that I was a nestor. I was honest in my fight for a ringing expression against the importation of Mexican cattle and was knocked out. That settled it with me, and I shut up. It is true that I only joined this association last Friday, but let me tell you, I love it already better than anything that does not wear the garb of legitimate femininity. If the association had not acted as it did today it would not have stood to its executive committee. The committee is a good one, and there was nothing personal in that contest. I don't like the insinuation thrown out today that I am a nestor. I am young in this association, but I am old in connection with the cattle industry in Texas."

M. Sansom is by no means the greenhorn at the cattle business that might be inferred from the rather uncalled-for, gratuitous fling cast by Mr. Burnett at the meeting today. He has been shipping cattle for twenty years, within the last two of which he has handled over a thousand cars.

Judge W. B. Plemons of Amarillo, J. H. Calhoun of Eastland and John H. Stephens of Vernon, all candidates for congress in the Thirteenth district, are here tonight.

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POULTRY.

PRACTICAL POULTRY POINTERS.

Hyde Park Farm, Fort Worth.

I shall not say one word about turkey for I know every time I take up my pencil you expect me to go off on the turkey and forget to come back. Do you realize that the greater part of your readers are reading Northern poultry journals for information on the subject of rearing poultry, advising us to feed clover and all kinds of things that are utterly impossible for us to have and utterly useless to us if we could have them. Imagine us feeding our hens down here in our southland on clover hay or dried grass saved from the yard during summer clippings. There has not been a single day this winter that our hens have not been out in the yard eating all the green grass they wanted, and if you don't think they get bugs take a garden hoe and dig down two or three inches and look for the worms; they are there, for I saw some last week. I feed my hens scraps from the table, meat scraps from hog killing and corn, oats, wheat, sorghum seed; have not tried Kaffir corn yet; in fact, don't see any use in raising it when sorghum seed is good enough and certainly produces more to the acre, and there was never anything less trouble to raise and the hens like them as well as anything they can get, besides the stalk can be fed to any kind of stock hogs, cattle, or cows; in fact, if I could only raise one kind of food for stock and chickens, I would raise sorghum, of course. I know our northern neighbors take more pains and more pride also with all their belongings than do we southerners. They are obliged to. We do not need glass houses for our poultry, the sun shines so many days in Texas, that the few cloudy damp days do not affect our poultry, as it does in the North. I've raised poultry in Kentucky and Missouri, and I know that Texas is so much better for poultry than either Kentucky or Missouri, and I conclude it must be better than anywhere further North. Chickens are not so subject to different diseases, here as they were there. The only thing that has given me any serious trouble is mites, but I have finally overcome them. I use tobacco stems in the nests. I use movable boxes and when preparing to set the hen I put tobacco stems in the bottom of the box more hay on top of the stems; do let the eggs touch tobacco for they will not hatch; if they do mites do not trouble hens only when setting, and if tobacco is used and the nests are burned after each hatch mites will never get troublesome. I bought a dozen hens last spring that were literally covered with fleas that were sticking to the flesh.

I found them before I turned them loose. I took a paint brush, and anointed those fleas with coal oil and laid equal proportions and kept them in a small hen house several days, and examined them separately, and the second day not one living flea could be seen and not one since. Mrs. Hawkins, in your last issue, thinks poultry would do nicely in a vineyard. Grapes may be good for turkeys, chickens; they are fond of them to my certain knowledge, for they do not leave me one to ripen. I even tied paper sacks over the bunches one some fine grapes. That I was anxious to try, and they picked the paper off and devoured the grapes. Now I think poultry in peach and plum orchards are a great benefit; they eat the worms in the fall on fruit and prevent them increasing the next year; in fact, I think every poultry yard should be set with peach and plum trees, or every peach and plum orchard should be turned into a poultry yard, for they will not only eat the curculio but they scratch and tramp the weeds and keep the orchard looking clean. Every farmers' wife should learn that all the skim milk should be let turn to clabber, and heated and fed to chickens and turkeys. It pays better than feeding to the pigs. Then that cornmeal dough that you intended the feed your chickens, mix it with the whey from the clabber and the chicken and pig are both benefited. Skim milk fed while sweet to hens has a tendency to make eggs watery.

MRS. M. J. WITHERS.

POULTRY IN GENERAL.

Texas Farm and Stock Journal,

Birdville, Tex.—On every farm and ranch in Texas there is ample room for raising poultry, which should not only include a few chickens, but turkeys, geese, ducks and guineas; they help to supply the table, and when properly managed add largely to the wants of the family in the way of spending money.

It can be truly said that the proportion of meat sold off the farm in the way of different kinds of poultry cost the farmer little or nothing if the cost could be ascertained. The receipts would show to be nearly all profit. And this should encourage farmers to improve and increase their stock, for what is more pleasing to the eye than a flock of pure bred poultry. They help to beautify the farm and are much more profitable than the common scrub.

The hen is the best all the year round layer, but the Pekin ducks are good egg producers. They generally begin laying February and continue till fall. A single duck has been known to lay over 200 eggs in one season.

But the largest profits in my opinion are realized from turkeys. They are great scavengers and gather most of their living from the farm that would otherwise go to waste. They rid the farm of many troublesome and destructive insects, and thrive better on them than any food you could give them. They are easily reared and need but little attention, after they are a few weeks old. Any woman or child can easily raise $100 worth or more of poultry and hardly miss the time. The most successful farmers in my neighborhood are those who count poultry raising one of their branches of farming. They not only keep large flocks of hens, but also keep turkeys and geese, ducks and guineas, and by doing so enables them to produce the most at the least cost, as one kind does not interfere with the other. No enterprising poultry raiser will attempt to make poultry pay without pure breeds. There is quite a difference in the beautiful plumage of a flock of thoroughbred, even colored chickens or the grand, large bronze turkeys and large varieties of geese and ducks compared to the old time barnyard fowl. I would urge everyone that raises poultry to determine what breed they like best and go to some reliable breeder of thoroughbreds and buy a few fowls or eggs. Anyone can soon raise a nice flock of beautiful as well as useful fowls they will be proud of and take pleasure in showing to their neighbors.

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Hogs require some other succulent food when debarred from clover, and, as they do not take kindly to ensilage, it is necessary to supply roots. Pumpkins are excellent to give variety and furnish succulence. The great value of juicy foods is not in the amount of nourishment they contain, but in the stimulus they afford to the appetite, thereby enabling the pigs to maintain digestion and assimilation unimpaired. Salt, charcoal and ashes should be freely supplied, as they aid in regulating digestion. They are particularly needed when the hogs are being pushed.

It is important to remember that it is not what a hog eats but what he digests that makes the pork. For this reason the animals should be watched when at meals, and should never be allowed to over-feed. This is a very common trouble, as hogs are naturally very greedy. Their real wants can easily be discerned by noting the eagerness with which they come to their feed. The supply should be proportioned accordingly, and any surplus should at once be removed. In profitable pork production the aim is to have the hogs eat as much as possible without cloying the appetite. To do this they must be fed regularly and, though tempted to eat, must only be given what they will eat up clean.—New York World.

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Place the material for a bed within the reach of the sow that is going to farrow and allow her to arrange it to suit herself. She will do it better than you can.

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The Grayson County Swine Breeders' Association has been organized at Sherman with C. W. Thomas president, Nat Edmondson secretary and has a strong membership. Next meeting of the association is fixed for March 7.

The State Fair grounds, Springfield, Ill., since the erection of new buildings in which the offerings of livestock may be conveniently and comfortably made, is increasing in its reputation as being one of the best public sale markets of the country. The sale here of Poland China hogs on February 26 brought bidders from Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Texas, Missouri, Iowa, Michigan and Wisconsin, and the entire lot of fifty-five head of brood sows sold for an average of $103 each, the highest price being $651 for a young sow, bred within a few miles of the grounds, by Mr. F. D. Waters of Mechanicsburg.

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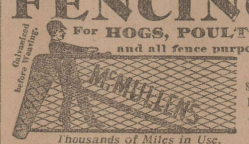
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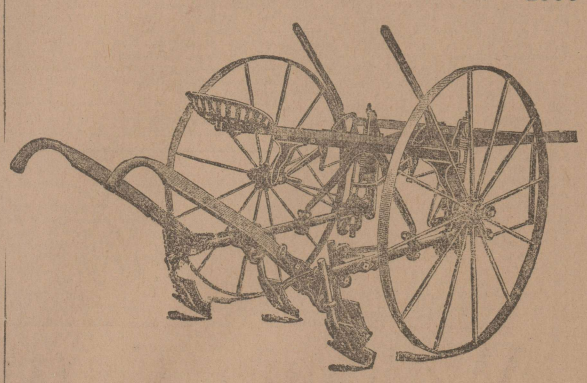
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THE FARM.

IRISH POTATOES.

Bulletin 29 of Georgia station, is a profusely illustrated pamphlet of 58 pages on Irish potatoes. The best land for Irish potatoes is sandy loam, rich in humus (decayed vegetable matter). This is cheaply secured by turning under clover or cow peas. Stable manure is not advisable. The best fertilizer consisted of 1100 pounds high grade superphosphate, 500 pounds nitrate of soda and 300 pounds nitrate of potash, making a ton costing about $27. Apply 1000 pounds of this mixture per acre. Apply half in deep furrow, cover with two inches soil, plant seed and apply other half over seed and cover. Cut medium sized potatoes into quarters regardless of eyes or seed ends and plant one piece every twelve to fifteen inches in rows of three feet apart. Eyes develop anywhere after planting. Cutting through an eye does no harm. The new plant is nourished by the seed piece till its roots extend far enough to feed it from the soil; hence the seed piece should be large enough to give strong plants a good start. Whole seed produce an earlier crop, but make seeding very expensive. The best depth is four inches, hence the furrow should be six. The best time is as early as it can be done safely. In lower Georgia, February, middle March; upper Georgia, April. Cultivate level. Mulching does not pay. Experiments prove that much loss is suffered by premature digging of potatoes. Except for early market delay as long as possible. In digging never allow sun to shine on Irish potatoes. Handle in boxes rather than baskets, as the splits cut and bruise the tubers. Handle as carefully as eggs. The fall crop is most profitable in the South. When digging the spring crop, bed good, medium sized tubers in a moist shady place, covering two inches deep. In middle of August cut and plant only such of these as have started to sprout. Plant as for spring crop. Or, if a new variety called Lookout Mountain be used for second crop, seed of the previous fall crop may be used without bedding as this variety keeps perfectly from one fall till the next if kept in barrels in dark, cool cellar or shed. For both early blight and late blight (dying of tops) spray with Bordeaux mixture. To prevent scab wash seed and soak four hours in thirty gallons of water into which one ounce corosive surblimate has been dissolved. Then dry and cut. Use a barrel as the sublimate corrodes metal, and as it is a violent poison see that no stock gets at the seed or vessel. Six pounds hard soap to each 50 gallons Bordeaux mixture will kill the flea beetle, and four ounces Paris green added will also kill the potato bug or Colorado beetle. The only remedy for the potato stalk weevil or borer is to burn the tops—also horse nettles and Jamestown or "Jimpson" weeds, as the insect passes the winter in all these. A good remedy for the potato worm, which attacks potato tops, is to grow a few Jimpson weeds and keep the flowers poisoned with a solution of cobalt in sugared water. This poisons the mother moths which are fond of the Jimpson blossoms. The spring crop cannot be kept long in the South. The fall crop keeps well if barreled and stored in a dark cool place or banked twenty-five bushels in a pile, like sweet potatoes, and kept dry, or if two furrows are thrown on each row they may be left where they grew to be dug as needed. Some 240 varieties were tested, yielding from forty-four to 308 bushels per acre, 135 varieties yielded over 200 bushels per acre each. Chemical analysis showed that of the twelve varieties richest in starch nine were of the Rose type and two of the others were cream colored. The per cent. of starch ranged from 14 to 22. If the latter be worth 50 cents per bushel the other is worth but 33 cents. The varieties recommended are Pride of the South, Early Rose, Beauty of Hebron, Carman No. 1, Peerless, Early Pride, Early Washington, Early Puritan, King of the Roses, Houlton Rose. For second crop Lookout Mountain.

WHEAT AND OATS.

Bulletin 57 of Kentucky station gives results of experiments in growing wheat and oats. In the wheat experiments Democrat was the most prolific variety; 6 to 8 pecks seed per acre and one to three inches in depth gave largest yields. Double superphosphate was the most efficient fertilizer tested. Imported Irish oats gave a heavier yield than any other variety. Muriate of potash was the most efficient fertilizer used on oats. The importance of planting a good variety is emphasized by the fact that the poorest variety in this test yielded fifteen and one-half bushels per acre, weighing thirty-one pounds per bushel, while the best yielded 49 bushels, weighing thirty-eight pounds per bushel.

KAFFIR CORN AND MILO MAIZE.

The great trouble with Kaffir corn and milo maize is the time it takes to gather the crop by cutting off the heads by hand or if a header is used the trouble to thoroughly cure the heads so as to save the grain. The difficulty in saving the crop is the first set of heads will ripen and the lower stalks will continue green until frost kills them. The best way we know to save both grain and stalks for forage is: just as soon as the main heads are ripe start to cut the crop, (which should always be planted in rows,) with a knife-cutting sled. It will take two horses and two men to manage the sled. One to drive and the other to sit on the sled and gather the crop. Place the crop as cut in bundles in regular rows; let them lie on the ground for a few days to partially cure and dry; then tie up the bundles and shock like wheat or corn. With good, dry weather the crop will be ready to stack in from seven to ten days' time. In building the rick place the butts on the outside, leaving an open place from one to three yards across at the bottom in the center of the rick according to the size of the stack you desire to build, drawing in the open space as the apex of the rick is reached. This rick will turn water if properly built, and the grain will be thoroughly cured. The top of the rick should be covered with hay or straw to cause it to shed water. A cutting sled can be adjusted to cut high or low, and two men can easily manage from four to six acres a day.—Amarillo Champion.

FREE SEED DISTRIBUTION.

Herctofore any muttonhead who voted the right ticket has been considered a competent hand to tie up garden seeds in the little packages and paste on labels indicating the contents and instructions how the seed should be planted. Considering the fact that the seeds and plants sent forth to constituents rarely sprout or amount to a hill of beans anyway, it was probably well enough to leave the seed store to members of congress and the pets for whom they felt bound to make an easy provision. Recently, however, Secretary Morton has prepared the questions that the civil service commission are to propound to applicants for positions in the seed bureau, and it is contended by members of congress that no one can answer them except professors of botany, phytography, phytology, vegetable physiology, herborization, agrasstology, arboriculture, dentrology, and allology. Senator West considers the questions a back-handed lick at his constituents and is again snorting smoke.—Dallas News.

VETERINARY.

Ramah, Colo.

Editor Texas Stock and Farm Journal.

Will you kindly inform me through your columns what to do for blackleg in calves. The calves are early calves in good condition. They were weaned in December, being fed on blue stem grass. We have moved them to a fresh pasture and fed them on alfalfa but they still die. Thanking you in advance, T. B. KUTCH.

It is generally conceded that blackleg is incurable. Vaccination after the Pasteur method is a proven preventive. See add in another column. Various articles on the subject have appeared in the Journal on and since February 7. See letter in issue of March 6 from W. P. Jones who repeats a recipe which is said to be a good preventive.

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HORSES AND MULES.

NOTES FROM THE PANHANDLE OF TEXAS.

The breeding of trotters in the Panhandle of Texas being in its infancy, items of interest to horsemen in general are scarce, but with a desire to further the breeding interest, I gladly contribute the following:

We see it stated frequently that "the breeding of trotters is overdone." If those who make the above statement were to drop in here and take notice of the number of gentlemen who drive horses that cannot show a four-minute gait and call them "hummers," I think they would confine their remarks to localities, at least. But with better times the demand will be for better horses. As I note the thousands of undersized, slow, curve-necked ponies that are now generally used here for drivers, the fact is evident that their days are numbered, and though not "fast goers," they are fast going, and their places will be filled by the "overproduction."

The first trotting stallion to come into this country was Judge P., and he was brought here by a Mr. Forry about 1890. Judge P. was by Pennypack, by Mambrino Pilot, dam said to be Morgan. Not long after his arrival a match was made between him and a black mare from Clay county, the stakes being a bunch of cattle against their equivalent in money, the distance one-half mile over a straight course, which was used for pony racing. Judge P. won, with plenty to spare. He subsequently took a record of 2:34 while in the Eddlemon string. From that on trotters have been gaining ground in popularity, and breeders have had access to a number of quite good horses. Among the number is Reno's Baby, 2:14, by Reno Defiance, dam the famous mare, Lucy Q., dam of Reno's Baby, 2:14; Peleg, 2:12 1-2, and Nannie E., 2:14. Lucy Q. has a 2-year-old colt by Electrite that great things are expected of. She is now in foal to Electrite, so I understand.

About four years ago this district took the draft horse craze. They were shipped here by the carload, and the agents had no trouble in selling them at high figures, as they were sold on long time. But he bubble burst, and now they are trying to get back where they started from.

Eddlemon Bros. have shipped to Pilot Point, Tex., from their ranch in the much disputed Greer county, all the horses that they expect to campaign in 1896, including a fast green pacer by Reno's Baby, dam the dam of Huse Holt, 2:25 1-4; also a green trotter, by the same sire and out of the same dam, that is also bothered with speed.

Owens & Scoville shipped from Warren county, Ohio, to their stock farm the following animals for breeding purposes: A bay colt, by Moquette, 2:10, dam the dam of Crysolite, 2:13 3-4, by Red Wilkes, second dam by Mambrino Patchen; bay filly, by Strader H., 2:09 1-2, dam by Bayard; bay filly, by Allen T., 2:27, dam by Bayard; gray mare, by Alabaster, 2:15, dam Gertie J., 2:24 3-4, by Wonder, second dam by Bayard.

Breeding here has been almost at a standstill for the last two years. There is not one stallion where there were ten three years ago, and those that were left that depended on the public did not pay for their keeping last year. There is more inquiry about breeding this year than for the past two years. I think breeders are beginning to realize that by the time they can raise a colt to a salable age he will be needed.—Correspondent Western Horseman.

THE LONE STAR COMMISSION CO.

We have been watching with interest the career of the Lone Star Live Stock Commission Co., whose main office is at Kansas City, as they are the only company of the kind organized in Texas and operating under a Texas charter. Their first year's business has been a brilliant success, and they begin the new year with brightest prospects.

They have recently added to their list of competent salesmen Mr. John Dyer, formerly of Meridian, Texas, in the cattle department, and have secured an important addition to their hog department in the person of Mr. George Nichols, formerly with W. F. Moore & Co.

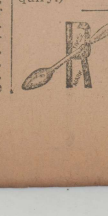
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IRISH WOLF DOG.

Vashti, Tex.—Texas Stock and Farm Journal: I noticed one of your correspondents recommended the Irish wolf dog for killing wolves. Will you please tell me through the Journal where they can be had, and what would be the probable cost. A. J. FARMER.

(We cannot tell where they can be had—probably some Northern dealer could supply them. They are scarce and costly. This also answers A. West of Brownwood, who makes a similar inquiry.)



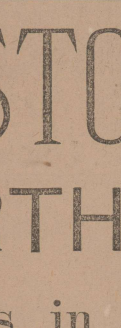
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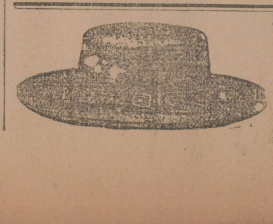
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CATTLE RAISERS MEET.

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SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

The convention reassembled in increased numbers this morning, owing to the generally known fact that the election of officers was about the first business on hand.

President Bush: There was a resolution before the house yesterday evening that was not acted upon.

Mr. J. C. Loving, secretary: Mr. Slaughter proposed a change in article 11 of the by-laws, as follows: "Any person eligible to membership in this association as specified in article 10, and desirous of becoming a member, shall make application through the secretary on blank forms furnished by him, and he recommended by two members in good standing, and the iniation fee as hereinafter provided shall accompany the application. After the application has been made, if made at an annual meeting, the same shall be balloted upon at once and the result declared; if made between the times of annual meeting the executive committee shall act upon such application, and their decision shall be legal, a majority vote being necessary to an election, both in the annual meetings of the association and in the executive committee."

Chairman: You have heard the resolution offered by Colonel Slaughter, to amend the by-laws as stated. The way the amendment is submitted, I do not know just what is intended to be cut out or what is to be put in in making the amendment in the form in which it was submitted. The resolution is not here.

Mr. McCoy: It would seem to me a resolution of that kind should be carefully considered, and I would make a motion that it be referred to a committee appointed of members of the association who have served on the executive committee, and that they report to this convention this afternoon.

Chairman: You have heard the motion that the resolution offered by Colonel Slaughter recommending a change in the by-laws of the association be referred to a committee of five selected from the executive committee or those who have served on the executive committee.

Th motion was duly seconded and carried.

The chairman appointed on the committee, in accordance with the above resolution, Colonel C. C. Slaughter, D. D. Gardner, I. T. Pryor, A. P. Robertson and J. B. Coburn.

Mr. Slaughter: The reason that resolution was offered, the president told me there was no executive committee.

(The secretary here announced that the citizens of Fort Worth tendered the Cattle Raisers' association of Texas and guests a grand promenade, concert and dance at the old court house building.)

Mr. Slaughter: I rise to a point of order. There was an offer to amend a by-law; there was a motion made, and another motion made, and a committee appointed. If that does not amend the by-law then I do not know what I am talking about. I ask the chair of he didn't state to me yesterday evening that there was no executive committee, and that was the cause of this thing being brought up. I am not interested in this matter one bit in the world. I rise to a point of order. I want order; I want harmony. I want to understand what I am to do; I am willing to work anywhere; but that by-law says it shall go to the executive committee. Now a resolution resolves that it is a special committee, and I want to get this thing straight. I can't stand under that. I am willing to do whatever the the association wishes, but one resolution was to amend the by-law, another resolution appointed a committee different from the by-law. You understand that I rise to a point of order, but the resolution that appointed a special committee does change that by-law.

Chairman: I will explain the point. It is simply this: An amendment was offered in the form of a resolution, which was put before the house, which is not an unusual thing. A motion was made that your resolution be referred to a special committee for consideration to report to this house. In the usual order of business with assemblies, all resolutions go to a committee, and are then acted upon by the house. That is the usual form of proceding for most assemblies at this day. That was simply a motion that that resolution to amend be left with a special committee to report to this house their judgment, and then the matter comes for consideration by the house. There was no action on that resolution at all, except it was referred to a special committee, to discuss and determine the question, as I understand it, of amending the by-law.

Mr. C. T. Herring: Is there anything before the house right now? I believe we suspended the rules when we adjourned yesterday evening, did we not, in reference to election of officers?

Chairman: I don't know about that; I am not certain.

Mr. Herring: Under the order of things I offer a motion that we elect or pass on the applicants for membership that have been presented to the secretary; that we pass on them as a body, before we take them or they are elected by the convention.

Chairman: Under our regulations and rules adopted by the association the applicants are referred to the executive committee to be passed on and reported to the association; that is the rule that we are working on now.

Member: I see from the by-laws here that the officers are elected for one year, and they shall hold until their successors are installed in office. Do I understand that you hold now that we have no executive committee; that we are without an executive committee? As I understand these by-laws, we have an executive committee until new officers are elected.

Chairman: That would depend very much. I don't know just in what form the motion was put yesterday as to the report of the committee. As a rule, when committee reports are received they are usually discharged. That is, a committee that is elected for a special purpose. I don't know whether that was included in the report received, and the committee discharged yesterday or not. If not, the old committee, possibly would still be in service.

Member: That is my view of it. In making that report, I did not understand that they asked to be discharged.

Chairman: No. It is not stated in their report at all.

Member: It seems to me that we yet have an executive committee, and for the sake of harmony and of giving every man a chance I don't see any impropriety in letting the executive committee have a short meeting and pass upon those applications.

Chairman: The matter is for you to consider and determine what action you will take about that. The chairman will not take upon himself the responsibility.

Member: I understood yesterday that that was embodied in the resolution when the executive committee's report came up, and understand that that was to accept that report, but not the committee discharged.

Chairman: I don't think the motion was put in that form, to discharge the committee at all. They usually consider themselves discharged when they get through with the year's work. You are possibly correct that the committee has never been discharged, and have to perform service until new ones are elected.

Mr. Herring: I make a motion that the committee call a short session for the purpose of passing upon those applications instanter.

Chairman: You have heard Mr. Herring's motion; he offers a resolution that the executive committee be called together to pass on the applications now on the table for membership in this association.

Member: Wouldn't that be out of order?

Chairman: I said awhile ago that the chair would not take the responsibility of ruling on that point, and would leave it to the house; leave it to them to decide.

Member: If the committee has been appointed, all right.

Chairman: That committee was to consider a motion for amending by-laws. There is a motion for the executive committee to be called together in session to consider applications now pending before this association.

Member: When are they required to make a report?

Chairman: As soon as they get through.

Member: They would have to make an additional report?

Chairman: Yes, sir.

Member: I rise to a point of order. There has nothing been done. We are doing the same thing over and over again. There has been a motion before the house and a committee has been appointed to consider these applications.

Chairman: No, sir. The committee is not appointed to consider these applications. The committee is appointed to consider resolutions offered to make a change in the by-laws. Do you understand the question, now? The motion before the house is that the business of the convention be suspended, the executive committee be called together to consider applications for membership now pending on the secretary's table.

Mr. Reed: It strikes me this is a very foolish piece of business. It is a well known fact that the executive committee shall pass on the applicants. It is for the express purpose of allowing them plenty of time to deliberate. Now we are asked to suspend the meeting all this time until this executive committee can get together and consider the applications. I don't know who the applicants are; they may be meritorious. If we do this the chances are that the executive committee will work on the question until night before they are ready to bring in a report. In the meantime the whole business is to be suspended.

Member seconds last motion.

Chairman: You have heard the motion. All in favor of the adoption of the motion made by Mr. Herring, that is, that the business of the convention be suspended and the executive committee take up these applications will say aye; contrary, no.

Motion lost.

Mr. Johnson: When we adjourned last night we suspended for the election of officers. I move we have the coming election of officers. Motion seconded.

Chairman: It is now moved and seconded that the association shall proceed to the lection of officers for the ensuing year. That has been declared as the order of business by resolution. The motion really is not necessary.

The election of officers is now in order.

At this point Mr. Bush resigned the chair to Secretary J. C. Loving.

The chairman announced that the nomination of officers was then in order and Mr. S. B. Burnett nominated A. P. Bush, Jr., for election as president of the association, as follows:

"I want to place the Hon. A. P. Bush in nomination for re-election as president of this association. I am a speaker, and don't believe that if I took three hours I would have any influence on the association. I hope to see Mr. Bush re-elected. He has made us a good officer, and I do not believe we can get another as good. I can frankly say that we never got a man to do more than he has done. I had the honor of placing him before this association some eight years ago. I don't think that we cao possibly do better than to re-elect him for this position. Mr. Bush took hold of this association some seven or eight years ago, when you mght say it was a small mole, and has built it up to a mountain; and if he continues to do as well if we re-elect him, in the future as he has been doing, I do not know how big we are going to get. We might go down and take in Old Mexico. Now you all know that we cannot get a more handsome man than Mr. Bush. We might get a man of more religion than Mr. Bush has—I think he is a very deligious kind of a fellow—and I hope that every man in thisi association will cast his vote for A. P. Bush for re-election. I don't like to see a cowman quit his business in which he has been for twenty-five or thirty years, for the first thing you know he will break. I am told, and I expect it is so, that there will be other opponents out against Mr. Bush, and I want to say to this convention that if I was the orator that will come out against him, which I think will be my friend Guy Borden, I would make a speech in behalf of A. P. Bush that would knock the horns off of every steer between here and the Rio Grande. I hope we will re-elect Mr. Bush as president of this association.

Mr. Pryor said:

"I have been a member of this association for twelve years and have always paid my dues and given account of my cattle on the association books. I think I have a right to say a word in this connection. I rise to second the nomination of our worthy president not through fear that it is not a just compliment due him, and I feel that I am not capable of expressing the approval of this association, the obligation that they feel to this gentleman for his services rendered us. A few years ago and about the time I became a member, the association was struggling along as an organization and barely existing. Our receipts were hardly sufficient to meet our expenditures, even under the management of a most conservative and economical executive committee. Within a year every man of us were willing that A. P. Bush should continue to hold the chair. Gentlemen, today we are in a prosperous condition; our association has grown and continues to enlarge, and I want to ask you to whom we are indebted for this increase of membership, ths development and extension of territory; I want to ask you to whom we are indebted more than any other one man for these benefits. Under the able management and administration of the man whose nomination I second. The detective and protective feature of our association has been almost perfect, so much so that the cattle thieves are beginning to carry the brand of our association in their pockets, in order to cut the association's cattle out of the bunches they want to steal and avoid getting any of our cattle. To whom are we indebted for these things? Mr. A. P. Bush. I don't suppose that there is a man that is a member of this association that has had a better opportunity to watch the working of Mr. Bush than myself. I have been a resident for a number of years of the capital city of this state. I have never yet found a bill in the legislature antagonistic to our interests, but what I found Bush there working like a beaver to defeat it. He has been president I understand about eight years gratuitously, and for only two years has he received a salary. He has brought this association from a local organization to that of a state association, and we are indebted to him for a great many benefits too numerous to mention ,and I feel that it is our duty to give him another election. Mr. Bush without exception has always been given the support of the executive committee, and I make the assertion here that nine-tenths of the executive committee today will cast their vote for A. P. Bush. Do you suppose that such men as those on your executive committee who represent North, East, South and West Texas and the Indian Territory would lend their voice and cast their vote for an unworthy man? Who has the best opportunity to jurge of the merits of the man in this association? The executive committee ought to be capable of finding out the worthy men, and we can make no mistake when we follow the executive committee in our selections. Gentlemen, I hope you will vote for Mr. Bush.

Mr. William Hittson nominated C. C. Slaughter for president of the association as follows:

I want to put in nomination Mr. C. C. Slaughter for the next president of our association. Mr. Slaughter has been here for a long time; has acted as president of this association and gave general satisfaction, but walked down out of the chair and gave it to old Colonel Carter, the father of this institution. Gentlemen, when I have been here before I have always seen old Colonel Carter's picture on the platform, but I can't see it now. I love to look at it because I loved him, and gentlemen I love Slaughter because I have been with him and known him for thirty or thirty-five years, and we have slept together when we almost afraid to say that our lives were our own. Gentlemen, we organized this association when there was just a few of us, and Mr. Slaughter framed its constitution, and I will just say be careful how you vote—vote according to your own conscience. I have said about all I can say. I want peace and harmony in this institution.

Mr. C. T. Herring seconding the nomination of Mr. Slaughter, said:

I second the nomination of Mr. Slaughter, and in doing so I feel that I am acting in the interest of this association. Colonel Slaughter has been a member, I understand, from the beginning, and has come all the way along with it until now it is almost a full grown man—twenty years old. I understand he has ever been ready and willing, and has always gone down in his pocket after the hard-earned dollar to forward the interests of this association, and I do not know of a man in the association today that has a greater claim than C. C. Slaughter. Therefore I second the nomination of C. C. Slaughter.

Mr. James Simpsen said: Part of the house could not hear what the gentleman said, but we take it that he has seconded the nomination of C. C. Slaughter for president of this association.

I rise to second the nomination of Mr. Slaughter as made by Uncle Billy Hittson. I do so not because I love Mr. Bush less, but that I love Mr. Slaughter more. You all know that Mr. Bush has made us an efficient officer. This cannot be questioned. We do not contend that this is not a fact, but we do contend and insist that there is not only one, but there are hundreds of men in this association who would make as good a president as Mr. Bush or Mr. Slaughter either. If it came to a point where only one or two gentlemen of this association were capable of running the association as president then I say we had better turn the cattle loose and let them go; we would not know how to bring them back. If there were only two there would not be enough to head off the drift. But I want to say this for Colonel Slaughter: When I was a boy a few years ago, with the chairman and a few other gentlemen a short distance from here in the west, this association was organized. If you will find the records of the organization of this association you will find that Uncle Billy Hittson, C. C. Slaughter, Colonel Carter, Uncle Kit Carter, Mr. J. C. Loving and a few others organized this association. I want to give the position to him who has supported and helped make and has made this association. From the time of the organization of this association down to this good minute Colonel C. C. Slaughter's money has been the bottom sill of this association. Colonel Slaughter went into this thing in its infancy and he has grown up with it. There has not been a day since its organization that he has not been one of its officers. We made him our president once, and I say it without fear of contradiction no one gave us a more satisfactory administration than did Colonel C. C. Slaughter. On the termination of his term of office he would have been re-elected, but he got up and asked that his name be withdrawn in favor of the first president, Colonel C. L. Carter of Palo Pinto who was elected. After Colonel Carter's death Mr. Bush was elected, and he has been our president ever since, and a good one; but we think there are other people who should have a chance. Give it to Mr. Slaughter once; give it to somebody else again, and let it go around. Therefore we say we have presented a man who is capable, willing and done as much for this association as any other, and therefore we back him and vote for our man Slaughter for the presidency of this association for the incoming year.

Mr. T. T. D. Andrews addressed the convention as follows: "Peace like a gentle spirit should be over this assembly, and harmony should prevail in all of its councils and in its deliberations. We are not at war with one another, but as a band of brothers seeking the same common good for the same great cause. Spare with me a moment and I will briefly relate the simple story of a good man's life. Born in the state of Texas, the son of a consecrated sire, who at the battle of San Jacinto was with the immortal Houston when Texas achieved its independence as a republic; beginning early in life, at the age of twelve, in handling cattle from Louisiana to Texas; constantly progressing forward in an earnest endeavor to follow life's duties; at the age of nineteen he found himself with a little herd in the hills of Palo Pinto county. Civilization had been extended to the pioneer forts of America, and no one in Texas has done more than C. C. Slaughter to advance the border of civilization in our state, and we claim it from the savage host; present in the little band of struggling heroes at the battle of Keefe river, when Cynthia Ann Parker, through the indomable courage of John C. Ross, then an humble captain, was reclaimed and brought back from captivity, reunited to her people and restored again to her family. After that as captain of a company of minute men who went forward in fighting back the red men, and twenty-one years ago the necessity of organized action suggesting your honored chairman (Mr. J. C. Loving) among others, and that illustrous, grand and glorious man, Colonel Carter, formed the grand work of this association. His life has been spent in training in the field of the cattle industry; his heart has always been in the advancement of this great state. I have always challenged the love of that man, dear to Texas, in comparison with myself, for I love her as I love the immortal, but in the presence of this man whose nomination I second, when it comes to the esteem in which he has ever held her, I bow in great reverence. Gentlemen, far be it from me today to say aught of unkindness towards the presiding officer of this association, whose relations with me in the past have been exceedingly pleasant. I have no criticism to make upon his administration, but I believe from the bottom of my heart that there is a sense of justice that permeates this great body from center to circumference, and that it will do honor to a man whose life has been mingled with its past and its aims. This is not all of C. C. Slaughter that is worth relating. When the necessity suggested, his was the hand that brought about the formation of this association; his was the first that was ready for its donation. When the deep water question arose, at his own expense he traveled hundreds of miles and informed himself upon various subjects relative to the commerce of this great state, recognizing, my fellow-citizens and gentlemen of this convention, that the progress of this great state, depended upon the ultimate success in deep water enterprises, where the commerce of the mighty empire could be borne onward to European markets.

There are two questions that I wish to touch upon briefly; I do not wish to take your time, but the subject that I have in hand is as dear to my heart as the lives of my kindred. I have made it a rule since the time of my manhood to the present moment, that no man should ever be a greater friend to me than I proved myself to him. I have known this man to sacrifice himself in the aid of a friend, and the man that handled a hundred head of cattle was as dear to him and as much respected as he who handled thousands. Can you find a like character anywhere? Can you find another who deserves more of this association?

In closing, my fellow citizens, I wish to remind you that C. C. Slaughter asks this positon at your hands this time only. He will not embarass you by repeated demands for the presidency; he will be willing to retire in the interest of harmony.

Chairman: If there are no other remarks to be made we will proceed to vote on the two candidates before the convention, Mr. Bush and Mr. Slaughter.

The by-laws provide that you vote by ballot. I would like to have some one suggest some way of collecting the ballots.

Member: I move that the ballot be deposited as the roll is called, roll of membership.

Chairman: You have heard the motion.

Member: I suggest an amendment: that the chair appoint three tellers to pass the paper among the voters and after their names are written to pass around the hat to take up the collection.

Motion seconded.

It was moved by Mr. Simpson that the members of the association put their names on the back of their tickets and avoid ballot-stuffing.

The former motion to appoint three tellers was amended by motion to appoint five tellers to take the vote cast.

Motion carried.

The chaiman appointed as tellers R. L. Ellison, I. T. Prior, J. S. Godwin, D. L. Middleton, Sam Sherwood and E. T. Davis, the latter being a substitute for one of the tellers excused.

The vote was announced by the chairman, Mr. Loving, as follows:

Mr. A. P. Bush, Jr., 166.

Mr. C. C. Sloughter, 129.

The chairman declared that A. P. Bush was elected as president of the Cattle Raisers' association of Texas for the ensuing year.

Mr. Bush said:

It is hardly necessary for me to attempt to express the feelings of my heart. Since 1888 incidently and in of-

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fice since 1889 you have given me your confidence, you have given me your indorsement, and you have done that gratuitously. I have never been called upon, nor have I ever asked an office at the hands of the association or from any other source. Such remarks of confidence, gentlemen, must be appreciated by any man who has a soul in him.

The work of this association, as you all know, and more especially those who have served on the executive committee, is a great work. We have gone on with prosperity, until today we are recognized as an industrial association, the greatest in magnitude known almost in the world, as a class of men who have no superior. This work falls largely upon the officers and committeemen. It is to them that is largely due the welfare of the association. As Mr. Simpson has said, there is no one man that any organization is dependent upon. There is no one man in any organization of ay kind who only is capable of serving them. We hear that repeated in history every day. Fall them out one after another, and there is always another just as good to fill the office, and we never know the difference. So I take it in the compliment that you have bestowed upon me, and it is because of that confidence and because you feel that I will endeavor to faithfully serve you like others who may serve you just as well. The progress of this association, as I said before, has not been due to any one man. It is due to the committeemen who serve you gratuitously from year to year. It has been due to these men and such men as Colonel C. C. Slaughter and Colenel J. C. Loving, who have faithfully kept themselves at your service at all times, and when I say that I speak knowingly and I speak now because I have worked with them and they have worked with me. We have worked harmoniously together, have indorsed each other through and through, and it is to them the progress of the association is due.

Now, gentlemen, I wish to say in accepting this compliment that I shall be as I have been in the past, I shall serve you to the best of my ability. I thank you, one and all, gentlemen, for this testimonial of your confidence and the compliment that is carried with it.

Calls for Colonel C. C. Slaughter to address the association. Colonel Slaughter said:

Gentlemen of the association of Texas, now comprising the Indian Territory, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Texas, I come before you first to return thanks to my friends for what they have done. They have gone to work and nominated me without my assistance in any way. I have never spoken a word to anyone except last night when Uncle Billy Hitson and another friend told me they wished to nominate me. You have shown me that you are in the minority. Now, for the good of the association and for the feelings that you have for me, get down to the work of the association just as you always have done. Don't feel because your man was beaten at the polls that you want to kick out of the traces. Feel like this: That it is the first time that any man ever stood before your ever stood before your honored president. Feel that it is the first ballot that ever was cast in this association. Mr. Bush knows today that he is president of the association, and he has got it by ballot. Now I wish harmony in all of this association. In harmony in unity there is strength. The association has just commenced to grow; it is going to make a power; she ought to make a power and she will make a power. You have been told of my work for the association. Of course, in my humble way I have done all I could towards it, and I am proud to know that I got the votes of my old neighbors of Jack and Palo Pinto and of the west, where my ranches are and also my city of Dallas. I want to say that I have no feeling against any man who voted against me; I have no feelings against any man who nominated Mr. Bush or who seconded his nomination. That is a right that every man has in this free American country. Not one word yet have I heard the man that opposed me bring to bear that I ever acted dishonorably in any respect. Remember when your interests are to be voted on see that if you are defeated that your character is established. Let me advise you all for harmony. Lay that all aside—I belong to the president of the association—I belong to the association. The president is the standard bearer; be proud of him; say all you can every place you go for him. I say to you that I intended—made up my mind last night, that if I was elected I would hold the office one year and then I would retire; but you have only hastened my retirement one year; that is all. It gives me pleasure to say that I got a good strong vote and I am not ashamed of it the least bit, and I don't think I have lost any sleep over it and I don't think I will. I don't think my wife will leave me or my cattle will die on account of it. I have almost been afraid to shake hands with my friends for fear they would think I was trying to squeeze a vote out of their hands. I think my friends are sorer over this question than I am that is why I come to them any say while they are here together, let it go. That is all right; you made your fight; then both men can't whip when they get to fighting And with the best of feeling I now tender to this association that is as dear to my heart as any association that can ever be made in this country or any other, I tender to them my resignation as an officer in the association, and ask the president now before—I don't wish to refuse—to not put me on any official duty, and I am through with you.

There was a motion made and seconded that the election of Mr. A. P. Bush, Jr., as president of the association be made unanimous. Carried.

Mr. Bush resumed the chair and announced that nominations were in order for first vice-president.

Mr. Reed nominated R. J. Kleburg for the position.

Nomination seconded by Mr. McCoy.

Mr. Reed moved that the secretary be authorized to cast the vote of the association for Mr. R. J. Kleburg as its first vice-president.

Motion seconded and carried.

Upon motion of Mr. H. H. Brooks, seconded by Mr. Ed Fenlon, A. L. Boyce of the Capitol syndicate, was nominated for the position of second vice-president, and upon motion the secretary was authorized to cast the vote of the association for Mr. Boyce as second vice-president.

The chairman announced that nominations for Secretary for the coming years were in order, and Dr. Taylor nominated J. C. Loving for the position, and upon motion the president was authorized to cast the vote of the association for J. C. Loving as secretary of the association.

Mr. Loving: I simply want to say that to merely thank you for the honor does not not express my feelings, especially when I consider the fact that this is the twentieth time that I have been elected to this office in this association. I promise to serve you to the best of my ability.

Mr. S. B. Burnett nominated Mr. E. B. Harrold for treasurer, and upon motion the secretary was authorized to cast the vote of the association electing that gentleman treasurer.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned until 2:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The chairman called for the reports of committees, and Mr. Reed read the following report of committee appointed to confer with stock yards and railroad committees on the question of terminal charges at Chicago stock yards:

To the Officers and Members of the Cattle Raisers' Association and Texas Live Stock Association:

We, your committee, appointed to investigate the subject of terminal charges at the Union stock yards, Chicago, Ill., beg leave to report that we met a like committee from the Texas Live Stock association, and herewith submit the result of our investigation as a joint report on the part of the committee of each association.

The joint committee met in the directors' room of the National Live Stock bank. There were present: Ike T. Pryor, J. M. Daugherty and A. S. Reed, on the part of the Texas Live Stock association; J. W. McCoy, Dr. J. B. Taylor, C. C. Slaughter and J. R. Wilson, on the part of the Cattle Raisers' association of Texas. As representing the railroads there appeared: J. T. Dickson, of the Wabash; H. T. Keenan of the C., B. & Q.; H. G. Krake of the Missouri Pacific; George H. Turner of the T. and P.; Homer Eads, of the Iron Mountain; C. A. Waterman, of the I. & G. N., and John Nesbit, of the C. & A. railroad.

As representing the Union stockyards of Chicago, there appeared: J. C. Denison, secretary; J. L. Harris and William P. Anderson.

The meeting organized by the election of H. W. McCoy, chairman and A. S. Reed secretary.

By request Mr. J. C. Denison then appeared before us and submitted the following statement, as showing the position of the Union stockyards:

Hon. Isaac Prior, J. M. Dougherty, A. S. Reed, J. I. Clare and others, committee.

Gentlemen: In accordance with your request made to our Mr. W. P. Anderson for a statement of the facts regarding the "Terminal charge" made by the railroads delivering livestock to the Union Stock yards and Transit company of Chicago and the trackage charge made by our company to the railroads, etc., I would say the facts, briefly stated, are these:

In the spring of 1894 this company was requested by the Inter-state commerce commission to make a regular report, as required by law. To meet the requirement made by the commission it became necessary to establish a uniform trackage charge, which prior to that exempted livestock and only covered dead freight. The charge on this commodity on all lines leading towards Texas was 40c per car each way, except on one road, and this was 75 cents each way. It was decided that we could not discriminate in favor of livestock and the same charge was put upon that, viz: 40 cents per car each way, excepting on one road, where, owing to the long haul, it was made 75 cents each way. This $2 per car charge was made by the railroads and is collected by the freight department of the secretary's office of the Stock Yard company, as agents of the railroads, the same as any other item of freight, and turned over to the railroads intact as an extra terminal charge, and the Stock Yards company, through the transit department, bill on the railroads for trackage charges at the rate of 40 cents per car, with the one exception noted above.

From the general talk current amongst the stockmen at the recent San Antonio convention it would appear that all the conditions regarding this terminal charge are not fully understood. The Union Stock Yard and Transit company disclaim any responsibility for the $2 charge made by the railroads, and on the other hand, claim that the charge we do make covers a greater service for less money than that performed by the auxiliary markets, through which much live stock passes en route to Chicago. We quote prices for the service at Kansas City and St. Louis:

To the Rock Island, Wabash, Hannibal and St. Joe, the Milwaukee and St. Paul, Santa Fe and other lines, each hauling stock at $2 per car. For deliveries made by the Union Pacific and Kansas City Belt to packers $3 per car is paid, except for deliveries made by the Kansas City Belt to packers for the Missouri Pacific, for which $4 per car is paid. In all cases these charges are paid by the road which receives or delivers the property, and absorbed by it in their regular freight rates.

At the Kansas City yards there is no terminal system of tracks belonging to the Stock Yards company, the stock yards being reached over the tracks of the roads mentioned. The Kansas iCty Sstock Yards, however, make an unloading charge against the railroads on livestock, of 50 cents per car, which is also absorbed by the railroads, as against the unloading charge of the Union Stock Yards, Chicago, at 25 cents per car.

At the National Stock Yards at East St. Louis, on the East side of the Mississippi the railroads delivering the stock thereto make the same freight rate as is made to the St. Louis Stock Yards on the west side of the river, although the extra cost of transferring livestock cars across the river is $4, and in addition a charge of $1 per car to and from industries located on their tracks must be added to the $4. This charge is also absorbed by the railroads in their freight rates, and no charge is made to the shipper.

These facts, gathered from official sources, effectually disprove the charge is without precedent or that the railroads should be allowed to transport livestock over the tracks of this company free.

All the litigation thus far which has been conducted defending the rights of the livestock shipper has been carried on by the Chicago Livestock exchange and the commission firms, and the courts, as well as the Illinois warehouse commission have decided against the extra terminal charge. Notwithstanding all this we are glad to say that the operating departments of all railways hauling Texas cattle, as well as the Union Stock Yard and Transit company have vied with each other during the past year in expediting the handling of livestock, and the livestock agents of the various railroads located at the Union Stock Yards are all doing everything in their power to facilitate the handling of stock and the accommodation of the shipper.

It is proper to say in conclusion that the mere use of the tracks in and out of the pens is not the only valuable consideration given to the railroads in return for the trackage charge. Extensive areas of track yards have been constructed upon land expressly purchased for this purpose by the company at a large expense for the storage of cars belonging to the railroads. It is unquestionably the duty of the railroads engaging in the livestock traffic to provide therefor suitable track and yard facilities, and it is evident that this can be done much more cheaply for the railroads collectively than were each road to maintain its own special depot. Within five years past over half a million of dollars have been expended by this company for additional grounds and tracks, on which the railroads store their cars, and there are continuously every day in the year over a thousand cars occupying these tracks, for which accommodation they have not paid and do not pay any additional compensation whatever. It is a fact that will admit of no contradiction that these yards furnish the cheapest terminal charges of any stock yards in the country.

If there are any incidental charges which place this property at a disadvantage with other competing institutions, or which are unreasonable or unjust we shall be very glad to have our attention called to them, and we assure you that a most careful consideration will be given to any such claim, and any injustice found will be corrected.

J. C. DENISON,
Secretary.

Messrs. John Nesbitt, H. T. Keenan and H. G. Krake then submitted the side of the railroad companies, and in substance stated what is herewith submitted, being a letter from Mr. J. W. Midgley, chairman of the Western Freight association:

Messrs. C. A. Mallory, W. T. Keenan, M. P. Buel, W. L. Tamblyn, E. A. Wood and C. A. McKelvey, Chicago, Ill.:

Railroad Committee Chicago Livestock Exchange: Gentlemen—At the conference held with you June 22 it was agreed by the representatives of the railroad companies that reply to your petition should, by the undersigned, be made, in order that the reasons for the additional charge for the delivery of livestock, etc., at the Union Stock Yards, should be stated.

When the Stock Yards company was organized, over thirty years ago, as an inducement to the railroads which then entered Chicago to make deliveries of livestock at the new location, the company constructed a system of connecting tracks, by means of which, regardless of the proximity or remoteness of the terminals of the various roads, loaded cars would be carried to the yards and empties be returned to junction points without charge to the railway companies for the use of such connecting tracks. In no other way could the yards have become established as a common receiving point; because, from all competitive territory, the charges for the transportation of cattle, etc., to destination in Chicago must be made uniform. The equality thus begun continued until this spring. Meanwhile the rapid extension of the railroads throughout the northwest, west and southwest resulted in a vast and profitable business to the stock yards, which fact is evidenced by the surprising growth of the company's permanent investment.

The facilities thus created were tendered to the railroad companies at a time when their charges for the transportation of livestock were far in excess of those now in effect. For example, the rate on cattle for distances of 500 miles approximated $100 per car; whereas the average now received falls short of $50 per car. Formerly cattle were carried in cars owned by the railroads of no unusual size of pattern, while of late years specially constructed equipment, of exceptional length and style, is required. The drain upon the revenues of the railroads has thus been constant, until a point has been reached below which it is, in the judgment of the managers of the properties, unsafe to go.

When, therefore, the Union Stock Yards company gave notice that, effective June 1, 1894, "the same trackage charge would be made on livestock cars, both loaded and empty, as was made on other cars passing over that company's tracks," a situation was presented that demanded grave and immediate consideration. The condition subject to which the railroads entering this city had consented to make deliveries at the Union Stock Yards at the Chicago terminal tariff rates had been set aside, and inasmuch as it would, on and after the date named in the notice, cost the railroads more than it had previously done to deliver stock at the yards, and their net returns were by no means excessive for the service performed, they were obliged to average the incrased expense, and add it to the Chicago tariffs as a toll for the privilege of obtaining access to the Union Stock Yards.

Manifestly, the railroad companies could not be expected to absorb the cost of reaching an industry which is beyond their rails. In all fairness, as well as a matter of common usage, the service being additional, the attendant expense should be added to the Chicago rates. The tariffs of the railroads prescribe charges for transportation to their terminals, and they would not, in the first place, have included in such price a delivery at the stock yards if that company had not offered free trackage over its system of connecting rails.

But, it may be asked, why should charges in addition to those imposed by the Stockyards company be assessed for switching to and from the Union Stockyards? Those are known to differ according to the varying distances of the terminals of the several roads from the stockyards. That feature was taken into account when the yards were established, and in order to place the roads upon an equality in that respect, free trackage over the rails of the Stockyards company was assured—thereby enabling competing roads at common points, to contract to receive and deliver livestock for the same total price at the Union stockyards. Regardless, therefore, of the differences in the cost now imposed by the Stockyards company, it was essential that the charge should be made alike by the several competing roads for the delivery of livestock at a point in Chicago beyond their terminals. Otherwise there would be preferences and discriminations certain to be misunderstood, and which would inevitably provoke confusion and strife. Hence, a uniform switching charge was adopted which is exceedingly low; as, in addition to the payments by the railway companies for trackage to the Union Stockyard and Transit company, they assume the expense of operating their trains over the track in question.

Yours very respectfully,

(Signed) J. W. MIDGLEY,
Chairman.

From all the information before us your joint committee have concluded that the Union Stockyards company of Chicago originally absorbed a number of small yards in various portions of Chicago, and located in one general yard at its present site, and further provided a sort of belt line of railway tracks to facilitate the ability of the various railroad lines entering Chicago to reach these yards. For a great number of years the Stockyards company made no charge against the railroads on livestock shipments for the use of their tracks. On June 1, 1894, for reasons best known to the Stockyards company, a trackage charge was made on livestock cars of 40 cents for going into the yards and 40 cents for returning the empty car. This rate was to apply on all roads handling Texas business except, as stated by Mr. Denison, one road, when the charge was 75 cents per car.

To provide for this trackage charge it seems the railroad companies here practically added to their regular tariff rates the sum of $2 per car, which they allege is an effort to equalize the terminal charges as made by the Stockyards company.

It was stated to your joint committee that the railroads would probably discontinue this terminal charge of $2 per car if the Stockyards company would discontinue the trackage charges.

Without assuming to determine the merits of the questions in controversy, we conclude that there is a difference between the railroads and the stockyards people, which should speedily be adjusted between them, as under present arrangements the livestock shipper is certainly paying $2 per car in excess of regular tariff rates, and we recommend that pending the adjustment of the differences herein noted our shippers should patronize other yards than Chicago.

H. W. M'COY,
Chairman.
A. S. REED,
Secretary.

The above report was unanimously adopted.

Attention was called to the fact that applications for membership in the association of Messrs. Bird Halsell, R. H. Alexander, J. M. Baldwin, George M. Lasseter, T. F. Atkinson, A. W. Long, Dodge Mason, E. J. Simpson, J. H. Miller, J. R. Stinson, F. C. Sparkman, W. T. Foster, F. C. McKenzie, Ed Woodward, Charles L. Campbell, Ben Kilgore, C. C. Camp, H. H. Brooks, James Smith and F. M. Thomas had not been disposed of. Colonel Slaughter arose and declared in unmistakable language that it was a shame to keep these men out of the association. They had been well recommended; had paid their initiation fees, and he could not understand why their application was not acted upon. He wanted them to have a chance; to either be accepted or rejected.

The chair ruled this discussion out of order.

Upon motion of Mr. Comar the report of the committee read by Mr. Reed was received and adopted.

Motion made and carried that the report be referred to the incoming executive committee to take into deliberation and act upon.

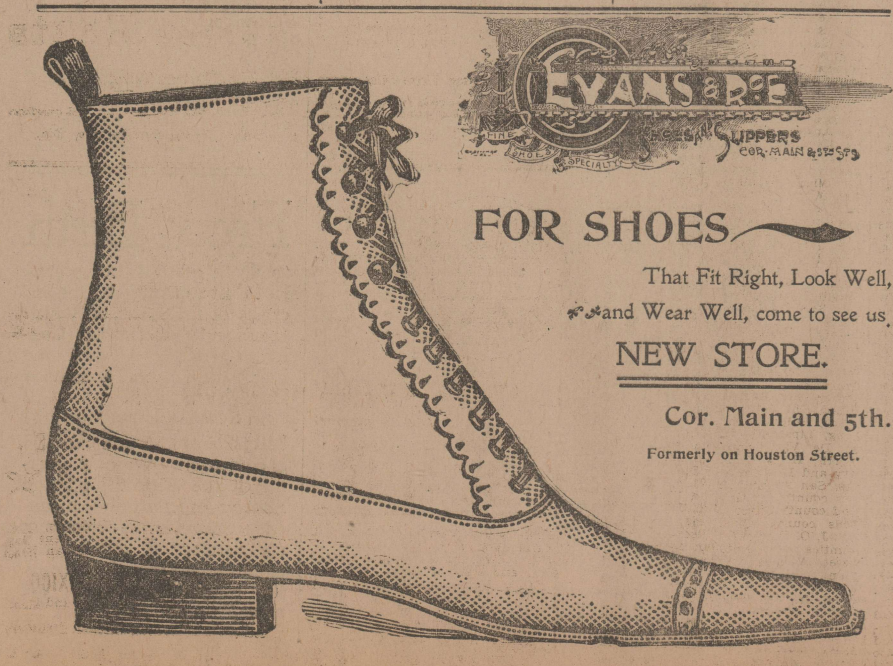
Upon call of the chairman for the report of the committee appointed to consider resolution offered by Mr. Slaughter to amend by-laws with regard to admittance of members, Mr. Slaughter stated that he was of the opinion that the committee had not acted on the matter.

Mr. Burnett: I make a motion that we just refer that to the next committee. It seems to me it is unnecessary.

Chairman—That is a fact.

Mr. Slaughter: I accept the motion. I think it ought to be acted on by the committee. I don't think we ought to be in the condition we are supposed to be in here. I think it is a shame. While I am on this subject I will just state that I believe it to be a shame; you have got the thing in such shape here that men want to join, have paid their money, and have come recommended, and you can't take them in. I didn't speak about this before because some one would say "Well, Mr. Slaughter is running for office, and he wants those men in." I don't know how those men would vote. We ought to have an understanding with those men, by which they could be taken in, and when the association is in session, provided your executive committee can't work; then I believe the executive committee ought to carry them all and take them in during the year.

Mr. Loving: The wrong in this matter is that the impression went out yesterday that we did not have any executive committee. We did have; the by-laws say the executive committee shall serve until their successors are appointed. What we ought to have done was to refer those applications to the committee, and in thirty minutes they could have passed on them, and then



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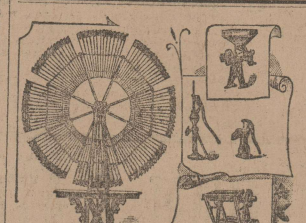
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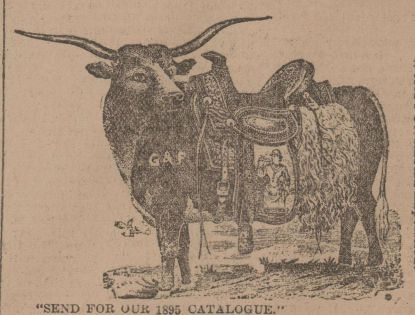
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they would have been ready to present to the convention. We got tangled up and made a mistake about it in some way. The order of business provides for the receiving of applications the first thing after the executive committee's report.

It was moved that the committee be relieved from further duty and the by-laws stand. Motion seconded.

Chairman: If there is no report there is nothing to do about discharging the committee. You have heard the motion. There is no reason why it should not be submitted.

Mr. Slaughter: I have asked several times—it seems that the error was made by the chairman.

Chairman: I told Mr. Slaughter, wthout discussing or arguing it, that I thought the committee's report being received they were discharged. I told Mr. Slaughter the only way to change the resolution was to write it out and submit the amendment.

The simple question is whether that committee wants to report or be discharged.

Mr. Slaughter: I would move that you discharge the committee because it is a mistake. The committee would never have been formed had there not been a mistake.

The motion was carried.

The chairman read the following invitation from the Commercial club:

Fort Worth, Tex., March 10.—The Commercial club extends a cordial invitation to the members of the Texas Cattle Growers' association in convention in this city to visit the rooms of the club while here.

M. B. LOYD, President.
N. T. STUBBS, Secretary.

The following resolution, introduced by Colonel W. G. Simpson of Fort Worth, was adopted amidst great enthusiasm at the afternoon session:

Whereas, the people of Texas have unanimously decided to celebrate the semi-centennial of the acquisition by the Unted States of Texas and the other states and territories acquired under the treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo; and

Whereas, the time has arrived when Texas should push herself forward to the front rank of American states by showing her resources to the world through a forward movement by all the people of the state in this enterprise; and

Whereas, the celebration under the plans adopted by the Dallas convention on the 25th ultimo, are entirely feasible, the people of the state at large, the owners of its railroads, non-resident land-owners, manufacturers and business houses dealing with Texas being under obligation to aid it in their own interest, while the federal government that has dealt so liberally with like celebrations cannot fail making a large appropriation for this very striking event in American history; therefore be it

Resolved, that we heartily endorse the proposed celebration, pledge it our most hearty support and earnestly urge our senators and representatives in congress to use their utmost efforts to secure from congress such an appropriation for theoccasion as it merits and will reflect credit upon our national honor.

Mr. Simpson said: I want to say a few words in support of this resolution. I was one of the first to endeavor to bring it to Fort Worth—Fort Worth first. This is the great state of Texas, and it affects the great state of Texas, and it seems to me this convention can do no better than to give it a hearty endorsement and make it the greatest success possible. I was in a railroad office in New York the other day. George Gould of the Texas Southern road, who had just received a paper from Dallas and he said there was nothing that would aid Texas so much as the centennial would; that the railroads would meet it very generously, and I certainly hope this convention will endorse it.

Mr. Slaughter moved that the association heartily endorse the paper read by Mr. Simpson, and the motion was carried.

Mr. Simpson stated in connection with the following resolution:

All of the people present may not be aware that two weeks ago myself and others met at Washington and succeeded in raising the quarantine on Texas cattle, allowing them to go to England during any month of the year. We met in Washington; we had no politics I pull, but we had the facts. We showed that Texas, the Indian Territory, Arizona and New Mexico had half as many steer cattle as all the Northern cattle-growing states, and when we presented this to the secretary we stated that the time might come when Illinois or Iowa could not support cattle, but the time would never come when Texas could not do so. I took this up last spring. Quite a number of people in the North said it could not be done. I wrote to the chief vetintrinary and he replied it would interfere with the American cattle business. I wrote to him that it was strange to me that while England was willing to receive cattle from anywhere it was strange that Texas could not send her beef over there. Formerly the quarantine was raised on the 1st of December and put in effect again on the 15th of February, being only seventy-five days in the year during which cattle could be sent out. We want the privilege of sending cattle to England any day of the year.

And I think the secretary of agriculture is entitled to have a vote of thanks of this association for raising the restriction on Texas cattle and allowing them to go to England the same as Northern cattle.

Thereupon Mr. Simpson read the following resolution.

Resolved that this association extend thanks to the Hon. J. Sterling Morton, secretary of agriculture, for his prompt and generous action in removing the restriction on Texas cattle for export to England via New Orleans and Galveston during the entire year thereby placing the Texas cattle raisers on the same footing which the Northern shippers have enjoyed in the past.

G. W. SIMPSON.

Upon motion the resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Simpson continued: The shipment to England was a success as far as the cattle was concerned. They didn't make any money but they arrived in fine condition. The steamship agent has been here today and it is proposed to keep this channel open to England for these cattle. There is great opposition by the stock yards, packing houses, railroads, steamships, and the North; but they never can stop it. They can go to England just as cheap as to New York. I propose to go to England this year myself, and if possible bring English buyers direct on the Fort Worth market. No country is too far away for Texas cattle. I want to bring Texas and England together. I put Texas first because I think she is bigger as a cattle raising country.

President Bush then read the names selected by him to serve on the executive committee for the ensuing year: A. P. Bush, Jr., R. J. Kleberg, A. G. Boyce, J. C. Loving, S. B. Burnett, E. T. Comer, A. B. Robertson, D. B. Gardner, J. B. Wilson, Charles Goodnight, J. B. Taylor, Murdo McKenzie, W. E. Halsell, Cyrus Lucas, W. T. Waggoner, C. C. Slaughter.

Mr. Slaughter: I asked you today not to put my name on the list, because I told you in my little talk I didn't do it because I was beaten, or anything of that kind, but I made up by mind if I got the presidency only to hold it a year, and I told you that you simply relieved me a year before, and that I had worked hard enough, and I know there are plenty of other men; I didn't want to refuse you, I have got a great deal to do, and I think you should let me off of the committee.

Chairman: I put your name on there because I knew your services and the value of your services, and that perhaps you would serve us as you had done.

Member: I have noticed a great many times that when important matters came up, although he said nothing to us perhaps for a while, we all turned to him for information and advice, and I recommend that Mr. Slaughter remain on this committee for another year.

Mr. Slaughter: I don't want to refuse it; I want to work. I have been on that board ever since it was formed; there are plenty of good men to be put on it. I don't want to refuse, but I say to the association that I wish to refuse any position I hold in the association; I don't wish to be appointed again. I am 59 years old, and I want to quit; that is all there is about it. I know you have got younger men that are as good as I am to fill the place, and I think I have served long enough on it, and I think you want to inject into that committee a different kind of man. I have got to working in the same channel all the while, and running in the same grove; let some man that has got a bright mind, a man with new ideas, go on the committee. I have not got any new ideas; they are all old fogies.

Mr. Fenlon: I am not on the committee this year, and I am very sorry to see Colonel Slaughter decline to serve on it. Besides, the ability he has shown in the duties of that committee is also a consideration. I hope Colonel Slaughter will sit on the committee, because of what service he can be to the association, but if he will not I would like Colonel Slaughter to suggest some one from his locality to represent his place. We are trying to have that committee represent all parts of the state. If he cannot think of anybody from Dallas, why somebody else can.

Colonel Slaughter: I can do that mighty quick. There are plenty of men right around me; I can name one—John D. Wilson.

Mr. Wilson's name was substituted for Mr. Slaughter's, and upon motion the names of the list read by the chairman were elected to serve on the executive committee for the ensuing yar.

President Bush called a meeting of the executive committee for 9 o'clock Thursday morning, and stated:

The trouble we have every year is to get a committee to attend and work. I want to impress upon you gentlemen that the position of member of the executive committee is one of a great deal of responsibility. Sometimes we barely get a quorum, and, gentlemen, I hope that you will attend this year and make your arrangements to be at the meetings. The first thing for them to consider is the application before the association, and there will be a meeting at the office of the association, as stated.

The following resolutions were then adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of the association be tendered to the citizens of Fort Worth for their lavish hospitality to the cattlemen belonging to the Texas Livestock Raisers' association.

Resolved, That the thank of the association are due and are hereby tendered to the press of Texas and elsewhere, who have given to us and to the country so full and complete accounts of the doings of the association at its convention.

Mr. Waddell offered a resolution, under the head of new business, that members of the executive committee be paid their railroad fare to and from Fort Worth at the stated and called meetings of the committee, and in addition thereto be paid five dollars a day while in attendance on meetings.

Mr. Burke Burnett asked if Mr. Waddell didn't think he was a little high. "I believe you can live in Fort Worth for less than $5 a day. I live in Fort Worth and don't want anything."

Mr. Fenlon said he believed the expenses of the executive committee to and from the meetings of the committee should be paid by the association; that all of the members could not afford to pay out two or three hundred dollars a year to attend the meetings of the committee.

Mr. Johnson made a substitute motion that the railroad fare and actual expenses be allowed.

Mr. Waddell accepted the amendment with the consent of his second.

Dr. Taylor stated that the executive committee had paid their own expenses for twenty years, and that he did not see any necessity of making a change. "I have always paid my way, and I prefer to do so."

Chairman: We will turn to the other resolutions pending before the house in reference to the executive committee. The motion was that the executive committee be allowed their railroad and hotel bills, as I understand it. That they must submit to the secretary or treasurer their bills for expenses on each trip.

Upon motion the committee was allowed $3 a day and railroad fare to and from meetings.

Mr. Herring spoke about the carelessness of members in shipping other people's cattle to the markets, and recommended that they be fined a fixed amount for each animal so shipped.

This question was discussed at length.

Mr. Fenlon moved that the convention adjourn to meet at Fort Worth on the second Tuesday in March, 1897.

Mr. Taylor said;

There are other towns around the country that want to be heard from. I know there is a little hot-tamale town here that wants to be heard from. The people down there are very anxious to have this association come there just once. We don't ask it but once. We make the same offer we did last year. Come there once and we will guarantee that the next time Fort Worth has the vote of every San Antonio man. I don't know that there is another San Antonio man in this convention; so far as I know there is not. I ask you as a favor to San Antonio that you allow this meeting to come down there once. I am satisfied there are many people here from northern Texas that have never been in San Antonio that are anxious to go there. I would like to hear from some one.

Mr. Coburn: When this matter came up last year we were cordially invited to San Antonio. I hope this year that the association will accept the invitation of San Antonio for once, with the understanding as Bro. Taylor says, that it is for one year only, and I don't think it will be understood; if we accept the invitation that we are at all criticising the hospitality of Fort Worth. I live in the Panhandle, and to get to San Antonio I have to go that much further; that does not make any difference. Let's go to San Antonio.

Mr. Slaughter: If you gentlemen don't go to San Antonio come to Dallas. Of course I don't want to say anything against Fort Worth or San Antonio; might get up a war between Fort Worth and Dallas. I can't help but offer you the hospitality of Dallas. I don't like the proposition just exactly that comes from San Antonio, but I have to take my medicine, you know; it is that they are going to give all their votes to Fort Worth. I want to say to you when things don't suit you in any way come to Dallas; we will take care of you if you let us know in time; take you for a ride on the steamboat—we have got a steamboat down there; if you don't believe it come and see. I hear we have got about eight thousand dollars hanging around on the bushes over there, but I will have to look around to see if I can round it up. I have not got the telegrams in my hands from down there that I had before, but if it was necessary I expect part of it could be rounded up. We simply offer the town in case you should not agree on the other town. I offer you our hospitality.

Member: I second the motion for San Antonio. I live in San Antonio, and I know the people of that place are very anxious to have the convention there, and notwithstanding you people have other places here just as good as San Antonio, and other places that would be just as proud of the convention as San Antonio, San Antonio would be very proud indeed to have the convention come there, and if it comes there I am satisfied the citizens will do all they can to entertain it. We only ask it for one time. We have plenty of inducements there; we have four or five breweries and several saloons, and above all we have got good artesian water and we guarantee you will go away from San Antonio with a clear head and in a happy condition.

Mr. Kleberg: I don't know about the breweries and the saloons, but the western country and San Angelo is hardly in favor of that. I would second the motion, believing that it would do this association a whole lot of good from a business standpoint and that we ought to go there just for one time, as they ask for it.

Mr. Burnett: I am of the opinion that Fort Worth certainly could not make the fight under the invitation from San Antonio, and under the understanding that it will be returned to Fort Worth. I am in favor of San Antonio.

Mr. Simpson: The bulk of the people that come here come for business. I believe that Fort Worth is the natural place for this convention.

On a final vote the result stood: San Antonio, 46; Fort Worth, 26; Dallas, 1.

By rising vote San Antonio was selected as the meeting place of the convention for the second Tuesday in March, 1897, and the convention was adjourned.

CONVENTION NOTES, SECOND DAY

Several of the visitors are leaving tonight. Others are taking in the ball and theater.

Several trades are on foot, but not many effected yet.

"Sin-Killer" Griffin is holding forth far the cowmen's benefit (and his own).

Governor Culberson left this morning for Stephenville.

The superior attractions at the stockyards accounted for the paucity of members when the '97 meeting place was being made.

Mr. Bush was not Slaughtered. —(Tribune.)

No hard feeling was engendered by convention results. All are willing to bow to the will of the majority. One gentleman who, in the heat of argument said some hard things, apologized afterwards in manly style.

In every respect the convention was a success.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEET.

The new executive committee of the C. A. R. met yesterday. Twelve members were present. The nosentees were R. J. Kleberg, detained at home at sickness; Murdo McKenzie, absent in Scotland, and J. B. Wilson of Dallas, who left before his appointment and had not been apprised of his selection in time to attend.

The salary of President Bush for the ensuing year was fixed at $1000. This sum barely defrays, it is said, the legitimate expenses of the president in the transaction of association business. The salary of Secretary and General Manager J. C. Loving was fixed at $3000 for the ensuing year. The compensation of inspectors and other employes remains unchanged.

Additional new inspection points were created and the protective and detective features greatly extended.

The recommendations made by the executive committee looking to greater efficiency were all taken up and steps inaugurated looking to their being carried out.

The levy of 2 1-2 cents per head on all cattle in the association was made with which to derive revenue to carry on the work.

The body chose a transportation committee as follows: A. P. Bush, Bill Halsell, R. J. Kleberg, Ed T. Comer, S. B. Burnett and D. G. Gardner. All questions relating to basing points for Texas, rates, etc., will come before this committee. This committee can also employ a freight rate representative should the interests of the association demand it.

The $2 per car terminal charge at Chicago was also taken up and considered. While nothing along this line was given out still it is known that the committee decided to delay action for a time in order to see if Chicago stock yards and the railways would not between themselves adjust this matter. As was remarked by a member of the committee tonight:

"The stock yards people and the railroads interested are now engaged in saying, You are another to each other and the outlook is good for results beneficial. At least a chance will be given them by the association to get together before this association takes a hand acticely in the game."

The re-election of Secretary James C. Loving as general manager of the association was unanimous. After transacting much routine business the committee adjourned.

The following is a complete

LIST OF MEMBERS

of the association. It is revised and corrected up to the time of meeting. Accessions, if any, during or since the convention, will be reported afterwards:

Tom Adams, King and Knox counties, Benjamin; William Addoms, Hesperian Cattle company, Foard and Cottle counties, Vivian; J. P. Addington, Comanche Reservation, Ok., Arlington, I. T.; A. J. Akers, Archer and Baylor counties, Dundee; William Alexander, Chickasaw Nation, I. T., Purcell, I. T.; C. A. Allingham, Wilbarger county, Harrold; T. T. D. Andrews, Home Land and Cattle Co., Carson county, Fort Worth, A. G. Anderson, Mitchell county, Colorado; Anson & Verner, Indian Territory and Tom Green county, Vigo; G. W. Arrington, Collingsworth county, Aberdeen; G. C. Arnett, Coke and Nolan counties, Edith; H. C. Austin, Victoria county, Victoria; L. P. Alexander, Monroe, La.; Ardmore Oil Mill company, Ardmore, I. T.; Arnold & Nations, Ashland, Kan.; A. O. Anderson, Big Springs; L. P. & C. L. Anderson, Ardmore, I. T.; W. A. Anderson, Newlin; W. M. Anson, Coleman; J. C. Avery, Barstow; Robert Atkins, Dumas; Theodore Barnhart, Chickasaw nation, I. T., Chickasha, I. T.; J. H. 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MUSINGS.

In other days when I was young,
And the cares of life were yet begun,
The roseate bow of promise glowed
In my future sky and to fancy showed
Sweet visions of fame and glory in store
For me as it has for others before.

With soul enraptured I would peruse
The lofty thoughts of an inspired muse,
Whose words and music of rythmic clime
To my secret musings and tho'ts kept time;
While my raptured soul drank in its fill
Of the beauties portrayed in the lines distilled.

Then o'er my soul a longing would come
That in the future I might become
A writer great, whose name would shine
Like a brilliant star on the scroll of time:
Whose fame might reach from shore to shore,
And thousands extol my praises o'er.

But the noonday of life has now come on;
The burdens and duties have all begun;
My dreams of fame have vanished away,
My muse lies still, and silence holds sway
Where once in my fancy the rythmic chime
Of poetical measures sweet kept time.

Now to my hand fresh duties have come;
The making, planning and cares of a home.
Four dimpled arms 'round my neck entwine
And love-lit eyes look into mine;
A loving husband each eve comes home
When the sun sinks low and his work is done.

"It might have been" is a sad, sad thought
When sometimes used; but if it brings naught
But an empty shell and an aching void,
Which fame cannot fill, nor wealth destroy,
Then 'twere better thus with an humbler lot,
With love complete in a lowly cot.

BUSY BEE.

Riverside Cottage, February 23.

The household letters appear this week without being headed by the custimary editorial. The members must not, however, think themselves slighted, as unavoidable causes prevented. We hope for its appearance next time as usual, also many letter from members which are not printed this week.

FROM WEST TEXAS.

Nolan, Tex., Feb., 1896.—Dear Mrs. B. and Household: I have just finished reading the nice letters of the Household, and no one knows how much I enjoy them, as I live away out in West Texas, and my neighbors are very scarce. I teach school and don't notice the loneliness until Saturday and Sunday, so you may have an idea how much company they are for me.

I have just finished embroidering a bunch of pansies for my crazy silk quilt. I have been making it for seven years, but have it nearly finished. Now I guess it will not be any trouble for you to believe that I am an old maid.

Several of our members have been giving their hobbies, so I will give mine. It is to do fancy work. I have a great fancy for piecing quilts. I have some very nice ones, pieced and quilted.

I do enjoy living in the country so much, but would like it better if I had some more good neighbors. I have a nice horse and saddle, and enjoy riding very much.

I drive six miles every morning to school in a hack and take my little sisters and brother with me, and we enjoy it very much.

Oh! There are so many nice letters this week. I am real glad that Luna Bonita sent the secret of mixing paints, as I am going to paint some designs on my silk quilt.

Oh! I enjoyed "Circle Dot's," "Cowboy's" and all the rest of the members' letters so much.

Now, Cowboy, I don't believe you mean to be an old bachelor, as you have begun farming; that is the way—get your cage and then the bird.

I know from the tone of your letter that you intend to make "a model husband." Now keep on, and if you are left for an old bachelor it won't be the fault of the girls of Texas.

Dear Isabelle, why don't you write once more? I would not care if they did give me a talk now and then. If we are old maids, it may not be from choice. Who knows?

Dear readers of the Household, I received your kind letters and send you the bulbs. Now, you plant them in hills two feet apart, around a frame or gallery. They won't do much the first year, but take care afterwards; they don't have to be planted but once. The bulbs grow on the vine like seeds. With best wishes to you and the household, I am as ever,

P. E. L.

A MIS(S)ADVENTURE.

Dear Household—I have been intending to write again for some time. I see some one has taken my name, Trudie, so I'll have to change mine; I wonder why so many take others' names? I'm glad we have some uncles in the household, I always liked uncles.

The other day Pansy Dewdrop and I were driving along, when something frightened our filly, and she turned so suddenly that everyone fell out. Dewdrop held to the buggy and was dragged a few yards under the buggy, but let loose just in time for the wheels not to go over her. Pansy said her first impulse was to run home and tell mamma we weren't hurt. Ceveletia trotted home with the buggy. We like adventures.

The woods are full of flowers; they are so pretty.

Wel, I guess I have lingered long enough, so good evening.

VERNA TRUE.

FROM A SCHOOL GIRL.

Dear Household—I am glad the household has grown so much lately. I hope it will continue to do so. I am like you, Mrs. B.; about it being more like a household since there are uncles and a baby, besides so many others. I wonder why there are no "aunties?"

Yes, I like Texas history very much also, I have just completed it. I like to read of the brave men that settled up our state, that changed it from a wilderness to the grand "Lone Star State" of today.

Since I wrote last my uncle from Missouri has made us a visit. He came to Texas for his health.

Now, on my way to school we can gather pretty flowers, so fresh and fragrant. They, and the little birds flying around, hunting a place to build their little nests, tel us that "King Winter" will so depart and leave us with Spring.

I wonder if Rustic Admirer is too far away to hear our longing for a letter from her. I think it must be the way or she would surely write.

I attended a Valentine and croquet party combined the night of the 14th, but we played croquet some before night. It was given for the school children. They meant to have them come early in the evening and play till night—I mean play croquet—and then read their valentines after dark, and not stay very late. But they did not come till late. I had a real nice time. With best wishes to the household, I am, yours truly,

DEW DROP.

ADMIRES NATURE AND ART—ANOTHER BABY MEMBER.

Jolly, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Buchanan and Members of the Household—I hope you will pardon my intruding so often, but it is so pleasant to come into our cozy parlor and chat with the charming members that I cannot resist any longer.

I has been raining here today. I love the bright sunshine, but sometimes it is very pleasant to hear the soft patter, patter of the raindrops upon the housetop and window panes.

I thought when quite a child I would like to be an artist. How beautiful it would be to paint trees, lovely flowers and beautiful streams. Even then I was a great lover of Nature, but I gave up that desire many years ago. I found that I would never make an artist.

As Uncle Ned has introduced his baby girl into the Household, I must present sister's dear little boy, Master Harry Myers. He was 6 months old the 18th of this month. I am very fond of children, and just guess if you can how much I love this dear baby. He has great, big expressive brown eyes, round, rosy cheeks, a dear little bald head and a smile for everyone.

Circle Dot, I think if the cowboys are all like you and Cowboy they must be very noble fellows. I used to have the impression that cowboys were all rough and coarse, but I am glad I have found out differently.

Mrs. Buchanan, can you tell me if there is such a book as the History of the Civil War? I am very fond of history, and as most of our fathers fought in the civil war that is especially interesting.

How many of the members have read the Scottish Chiefs? I think it a splendid book. The hero, Sir Walter, was a grand, noble man, that I have always regretted came to such an end.

Mrs. Buchanan, when I get to be an old maid I'll have you get Love Affairs of an Old Maid for me, but no one shall call me an old maid for ten years, even if I don't marry within that time. The book must be good, though. Lillian Bell's writings are so quaint and original. Some one more interesting has arrived, so to make hoom for them I must say goodbye.

BELLE SMITH.

(By way of explanation it should be stated that "Uncle Lee" is the proud proprietor of our new baby member, but his letter, through some inexplicable vagary of the "intelligent comp." appeared signed, "Uncle Ned."—Ed.

"HOUSEHOLD" CURED THE BLUES.

Tishomingo, I. T.

Dear Mrs. Buchanan.

A few days ago, being tired and dispirited in general, I seated myself and began perusing some books and papers for amusement, when I came across the Stock and Farm Journal. I espied the Household letters and began reading and in a short while was so charmed that the "blues" had entirely left me. I found sweetest consolation in the rhyme,

"Be not afraid to act yourself,
But have your motto good;
He can afford, whose heart is right,
To be misunderstood."

For that very day I had had the bitterness of being what seemed to me misunderstood. I enjoyed Little Nell's letter very much, and in fact every letter in the Household, and from now on shall look forward to the coming of the Journal with delight.

Tess, I wonder how you would like living in the Indian Territory; you spoke of ranch life being so lonely for girls. It is very lonely here sometimes, but such a beautiful country that the loneliness is soon forgotten. The birds are singing so merrily and the sun shining so brightly while I am writing that it is a difficult matter to remain indoors. It will soon be time to go fishing; then we territory people have delightful times. There are such lovely streams swarming with fish, and the wild flowers are beginning to peep out from their lonely beds. How delightful it is to walk out in early spring and gather violets and daisies and other flowers, some nestling in the corners of fences, some among the grass, where they look like little stars.

God might have made the earth bring forth
Enough for great and small,
The oak tree and the cedar tree,
Without a flower at all.
Our outward life requires them not;
Then wherefore had they birth?
To minister delight to man,
To beautify the earth.

As I am quite a stranger to the Household, I will not make my first call too long for fear I shall not have the privilege of calling again.

With many good wishes to each and every member of the Household, I am

EULALIA.

ON GOSSIP.

The Live Oaks, near Strawn, Tex.—Dear Mrs. Buchanan and Friends: I hope you will not think a few words on gossip, out of place on the Household page. Idle talk is a great source of evil, and there is no greater enemy to a neighborhood than a confirmed gossiper. Almost every community can number one such person in their midst. If the gossiper is naturally vicious, there is no telling the amount of harm such a one can be the cause of. It has been said that man's greatest enemy is man. The tongue can wound, and leave deeper and more lasting scars than any other weapon. It is a weapon that one is almost powerless before. The only way to get rid of the gossiper is to discourage any talk of other people's affairs, while in your presence. Always speak a good word for the absent, if possible. Now, dear girl friends, let me give you a word of advice. I know that I am not much older than many of you, but still I have seen enough of the world to know that much evil is done by talking too much. Let your conversation be sensible and elevating, rather than mere idle chatter. Read the best books; not novels altogether, for too much novel reading unfits the mind for anything deeper or more serious. It is well to read some good history now and then, as well as the works of the great poets and novelists. Books of travel, on land and sea, are very interesting. The lovers of nature can always find something to interest them in the works of the great naturalists. Read the magazines and newspapers; one cannot keep up with the times without reading carefully the news of the day. When the mind is well stored with useful knowledge there is no inclination for idle gossip. Of course girls can have an innocent happy conversation together, without being called gossipers. You all know what that word means. The gentlemen are fond of calling us gossipers. Dear girls, I know you will agree with me when I say that I have seen some of the "Lords of creation" who were not above a wee bit of gossip now and then. Let me tell you (quite confidentially, of course), that they seemed to enjoy a little gossip quite as well as the ladies. However, that does not excuse us; so we must try to have our "Household" letters something higher and nobler, than instruments of gossip.

The gossiper often wounds some poor, sad heart with her thoughtless talk. No careless word of ours should be added to the burden of sorrow, mortals are called upon to bear in this life.

Whenever we are inclined to speak of the affairs of our neighbor or friends. We should think of the golden rule. We should be careful to say nothing that we would dislike to have them say of us. Then, I am sure, there would be many words die on the lips, for none of us like to be the subject of a gossip. A Quaker lady once recommended the following six unfailing cosmetics:

For the lips—Truth.
For the voice—Prayer.
For the eyes—Pity.
For the hands—Charity.
For the figure—Uprightness.
For the heart—Love.

Now dear friends, if we follow this prescription throughout the year we shall not give way to evil habits, like that of gossiping. For our minds will be filled with something more elevating. Friends are often alienated by the idle talk of some gossiper; going from house to house, she tells something that may have been said—in a moment of indignation—perhaps called forth by her speech. The best way is to hush the gossiper up at once. Friends are too dear for one to permit a few thoughtless words to sever a friendship that may have lasted for years. "Oh, many a shaft, at random sent, finds mark the archer little meant, and many a word at random spoken, may sooth or wound a heart that's broken."

MARY E. THOMAS.

A TRIP TO ABILENE.

Belle Plain, Tex., Feb. 6, 1896.—Dear Mrs. B. and Household—I feel that it is my duty to come again as "Little Nell" said that "Claudian" promised to be one of the most interesting contributors I will try to prove myself worthy of the compliment. Oh, the Household has so many new and interesting members, their letters are so eloquent the Household grows brighter with every issue. I am sorry we have no "Sweet Sixteen," as that pretty title always brought to me a vision of loveliness, although we will never grieve as long as "Woodland Mary" comes to our rescue.

"Little Nell," your letters speak for themselves. They come from a bright mind. I will tell you all what a pleasant trip I had to the little city of Abilene. My youngest sister accompanied me. We took the train at the small town of Baird. The very moment we entered the coach we met quite a number of friends. Among them was a beautiful actress. We all talked and clattered as fast as possible about the good old times we had spent together and of the present also, laying out plans for the future. Our platter was cut short by the colored porter throwing open the coach door and yelling out Abi-l-e-n-e, and sister commenced to count her bundles, as you girls know how many boxes and bundles it takes to complete a woman's toilet. So bidding a hasty goodbye, promising to write to this one and to visit another we stepped onto the crowded platform at Abilene, where we again had the pleasure of meeting a host of friends and acquaintances. Oh, we were royally entertained. Those deserving special mention were Mr. and Mrs. John Medaris and the family of Mr. C. W. Merchant. Mr. Merchant was not at home. His wife, one of the kindest and best ladies I ever knew, and her three sons, who are such bright young fellows, saw that we had a jolly good time. We had music, singing and dancing to our hearts' content. We went to the opera, which was good. The play that impressed us most was "Heart of the Oaks." I am very fond of the opera. We also went out driving, and to the Y. P. S. C. E. meetings, and the week passed off entirely too quick. Once more we found ourselves on the train, homeward bound. Of course, we were glad to get back home and we haven't got through talking of our pleasant visit yet.

Now, as winter's charms are o'er
Let us all our duty haste,
Using rightly every moment,
How can life, then, be a waste?

On our march we'll pause to listen
For the sweet entrancing knells
That were caught by laughing zephyr,
As they left the merry bells.

Naught save mem'ry holds the transports
Of the cheerful days gone by.
Naught save fancy paints the future,
Blooming 'neath a cloudless sky.

Future is a book whose pages
Dearest household, we must fill.
Else our lives, like great Sahara,
Naught save barrenness will thrill.

Can enchantment's lyre sonorous,
Lull the busy wheels of time,
Or recall the golden moments
Wasted in the bloom of pride?

Luna Bonita, your letter of January 15 was just splendid. I know how you felt when you saw the little innocent children's faces clouded with sad disappointment, God speed the time when all will do unto others as they would have others do unto them. I for one give the new woman a hearty welcome. I think she is about the idea. If you will excuse the phrase. "Cow Boy," I hope you will succeed in launching your boat on the sea of matrimonial bliss. Uncle "Lee" I am glad to welcome Baby into the household. A household without children is like a house without windows. Baby Lilie, I hope you will grow up as pure and pretty as your name. "St. Clair," I agree with you exactly about what our motto should be. "Cheerfulness," if you're like your beautiful title I would like to have you for my nearest neighbor always. Mrs. B., I think there is quite a romance brewing in the Household, and if I am not mistaken promises to be real amusing. In the language of the poet, "coming events cast their shadows before."

Oh, Mrs. B., pardon me for making my call so long.

"CLAUDIAN."

RANCH GIRL'S LIFE.

On the Plains.

Dear Mrs. Buchanan: Many thanks for so kindly admitting me into your Household. You are so kind and good I do wish I knew you personally, for to know you would be to love you, I am sure. I often wonder what you look like. I wish I had your picture. I approve of Circle Dot's plan in regard to having all the Household members send their pictures to our beloved editress, and then have her to send one of her photographs to us. I think that would be a good plan. I would love so much to have one, dear Mrs. B.

You very kindly asked me to describe a ranch girl's life. I will attempt to do so, but I fear I will tire you all very much. It is very pleasant whenever you are so fortunate as to have a girl companion to roam over the prairies with you, but as I am alone most of the time, it is not so gay. My neice comes to see me some times and we have a jolly good time riding and driving cattle, but goodness, how I have to work! We always milk lots of cows in the summer, and we always raise a good garden and lots of melons in the spring, but after all I had much rather live on the ranch than in town where you are just crowded to death and can't get a breath of fresh air at all, and in the fall there is the canning and preserving to do and after we get through with everything then I piece quilts and crochet and do a little fancy work to pass away the time and when I get real lonesome I saddle my horse and go to town. We live fifteen miles from town. Some of the girls at town ask me if I am not afraid to come by myself and I ask them what is there to be afraid of, and they say they don't know, and I don't either. I wish some of the Household girls would come out and spend the summer with me. We would have a fine time, and really it does seem as though the cowboy might find him a girl among the Household. Wouldn't it be nice to have a romance running through the Household department! This is leap year; some of us girls ought to try to make a trade with Cowboy. See? He has very kindly given us a chance if we will accept the same. Come again, Claudian, and cheer us with your bright cheerful letters.

Ethel J. Thurman, write again. I love to read your letters.

Well for fear this tiresome epistle will find its way to the waste basket I will make my exit with kind wishes to all.

PANSY.

WOMAN'S RIGHTS.

Brushy Creek, Tex.

Dear Mrs. B.: While sitting musing over the many letters that grace the page of Household I caught myself frantically knocking on the door of the dear department. Immediately I heard a chorus of voices wailing out that welcome encouragement "Come in."

Flushed with anxiety and trembling with fear I creep into a cosy corner to have a social chat with you all. I distinctly see you all giving your brain cages a knowing nod to each other and hear one ask the other in a questionable manner, "Is she a woman for rights."

My candid answer is ye-es, yes, yes. I see you all giving me unsatisfactory glances of scorn, so I had better begin to explain myself.

Indeed I am in favor of every woman having her rights, but am bitterly opposed to her intruding on the rights of our superior sex by taking the "fashionable grab" on the back folds of her trailing costume (which her better half owes for) and flaunting up by the side of a burly negro to cast the vote that her husband should be casting—but instead, he is at home tossing the colicky baby.

After awhile, in comes the flurrid wife and hurls a team of—not loving kisses, but wrathful words, at the dear husband who is now so tired and overcome with the baby that he has declined the idea of going to cast the vote he is so much entitled to.

Come again Kit, I enjoy your letters very much, pardon me, I have gone so far as to form a liberal opinion of you. I imagine you a handsome, stalwart fellow with laughing eyes of dappled gray and hair to match, and a broad expansive mouth, which, when you laugh, shows two rows of tobacco-stained teeth, with here and there a member missing. I imagine your most prominent feature is your highly elevated Roman nose, which speaks for itself and tells me that a playful mule planted its hoof just above the Roman part of your nose when you were quite a child. Now, "Woodland Mary," let's hear your opinion of him.

Dear Isabella, I would be so delighted to have you visit me. I live where the stately old pine towers high and sends forth a never-ending song which keeps time with the lonely hours I spend here with no one to cheer me, but an aged father and mother.

Mrs. H., I was favorably impressed with a letter of yours of recent date warning girls to be careful how they paint life's picture. The warning letter ushered itself so forcibly into the door of my heart that I for one have been trying to paint my life picture in more glowing colors, as I am yet quite a girl, the summers of my life numbering "EIGHTEEN."

P. S.—If you look carefully you will find my given name in the following lines.

Shall we met at the beautiful gate,
All wearing a crown of gold,
Leaning on Jesus whom with grace
Landed us so high to rescue our souls.
In Him we shall have peace
E'en through all ages and forevermore.

"E."

Albert Murchison of Amarillo, S. Davidson of Henrietta, and J. N. Ward of Fort Smith, Ark., were amongst Monday's callers.

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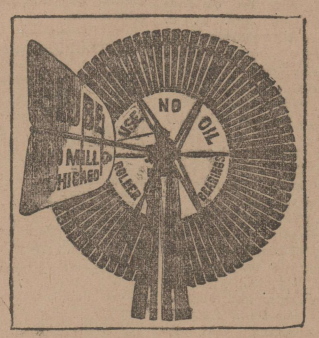
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An up-country contemporary transferred bodily a recent editorial of the Journal into its editorial columns, thus reproducing it as original matter. "Imitation is the sincerest flattery."

If the cattlemen fail to put themselves on record, and denounce in no uncertain terms the importation of Mexican cattle next week at the Fort Worth meeting, they may as well "hereafter hold their peace."—Amarillo Champion.

Well, brother, they have duly "failed." You were there, however, took part in the fight and saw for yourself how the cat jumped.

Our readers will doubtless overlook the fact that the various departments are not as fully represented as usual, owing to the report of the Cattle Raisers' convention (which is more full and complete than in any other journal, daily or weekly), although the paper is one-third larger than the usual size. Convention comes but once a year, however, and most likely all our readers are more or less interested in its proceedings.

To the possible suggestion that the Journal, in its advocacy of protection against Mexican cattle is silent as to sheep, the following extract from an editorial of December 27, 1895, under the caption "Protect Home Industries," will be sufficient answer. After advocating prohibitive tax, the article reads: "The above remarks apply with equal force to the horse and sheep industries, and consistency alone would suggest that they be included in any demand made."

Settlers in Greer county are becoming uneasy on account of recent reports indicating that the claim for that county is now pending in the higher courts had been decided adversely to Texas. The latest dispatches state that nothing definite has been heard nor has the decision of the courts been made public. If adverse to Texas, it is more than likely that present settlers will be protected in their holdings, having settled in good faith, and their occupancy never having been prohibited. A proclamation is about being issued by the government warning "boomers" to keep out of the country.

OUR HOUSEHOLD DEPARTMENT.

Just one year ago the Household Department of Texas Stock and Farm Journal, which, prior to that time had not assumed its present importance, was reorganized, and its editorial duties undertaken by Mrs. E. S. Buchanan, the present editress. At that time there were no regular members, but accessions soon commenced and the Household has gained a gradual and steady increase until at present its membership has reached to nearly a hundred.

This is most gratifying and unmistakably indicates the close and sympathetic bonds of union evidently existing between the presiding deity of the Household and her numerous family. Specially noticeable, too, is the character of many of the contributions containing as they do sentiments of the loftiest order and inspirations to the worthiest thoughts, and actions. The Journal only repeats a frequent statement in asserting that its Household department is the peer of that of any paper in the land and trusts that its readers will realize, as it does, the pleasure and profit derivable from the Household column and encourage the members of their families to an interchange of ideas by reading and correspondence. The Journal is a welcome visitor to many homes remote, and isolated from friends and neighbors. To their inmates the paper's weekly visits are doubly appreciated when enlivened by letters from those whom the readers have learned to know and love through the Free Masonry of the Household columns. And they in turn can minister similar pleasure to many others. The Journal is proud of its Household department, and extends congratulations upon its entrance to a new year of existence.

THE CONVENTION.

The twentieth annual convention of the Cattle Raisers' association is now a matter of history. The attendance, which many were apprehensive would be materially lessened on account of the withdrawal of free transportation privileges, was not only fully up to the average, but in general estimation larger than ever before, and fully representative, cattlemen from all sections of the country being in attendance. Fort Worth, however, was equal to the occasion and as far as can be learned no one suffered for lack of accommodation. It is to be hoped that the entertainments provided by the city for her guests, which were to some little extent interefered with by wet weather on the first day, were satisfactory to all. As regards the business transacted, amongst the most prominent was of course the summary disposition of the Mexican cattle importation question. The executive committee at the eleventh hour added a final clause to their report—protesting against the introduction of the question and as will be seen from the report elsewhere, the adoption or rejection of this clause furnished the text for the flood of arguments which followed, resulting in its final adoption. That the executive committee in good faith acted for what they believed to be for the association's best interests must be conceded from the statement of one of their number that nine-tenths of the committee were opposed to Mexican importations. In fairness, too, it must be admitted that there is not much weight to be attached to the suggestions that the fact of this being campaign year possibly influenced some members with political aspirations, because some of the opponents to discussion of the question are Republicans "of the strictest sect." The logical deduction then is that the convention excluded this question, honestly believing it to be necessary for the association's interest to steer clear of anything of political semblance. Now that the question has thus been disposed of or rather ignored, so far as the convention is concerned, the cattlemen should assemble somewhere in mass-meeting and express their views on this question. So far as the Journal is concerned, it has nothing to retract and expects to continue the advocacy of its already expressed views.

The additional tax on cattle of one half cent per head to meet current expenses of the association was shown to be necessary by the Secretary's report. Doubtless it was, so long as no increase in the cattle renditions could be expected, and the work of the association being so largely increased. The association on the whole is to be congratulated on the state of its affairs, the large and steadily increasing addition to its membership, and the efficient and valuable services of its executive officers, which are no small factors in producing these desirable conditions.

THE PRESIDENCY C. R. A.

The Cattle Raisers' association have honored their retiring president, Colonel A. P. Bush, by re-election for the ensuing year. This is largely complimentary to that gentleman, who has been a consistent and faithful worker for eight years past. As its readers are aware, the Journal has advocated the claims of Colonel C. C. Slaughter on the ground of his past services and his general ability, and also in accordance with its conceptions as to the desirability of rotation in office. In this advocacy no reflection was meant or personal feeling entertained against the retiring president. The convention having thought fit to re-elect Colonel Bush, the Journal in common with his distinguished opponent and all well-wishers of the association bows gracefully to the will of the majority, and in congratulating President Bush upon his re-election assures him of the same hearty support that it would have accorded to Colonel Slaughter had the latter gentleman been the successful candidate.

SAN ANTONIO—1897.

The Journal is much gratified that the views of the Cattle Raisers' convention as to the advisability of holding their next meeting at San Antonio were in accord with the repeatedly expressed opinion in these columns of the wisdom of such course. It will result in materially strengthening the association, improving the social and business relations of the two sections of country and be beneficial all around. True, Fort Worth will sadly miss its annual "round-up," but will welcome it back more heartily than ever the following year. The convention has done the graceful and proper thing, and we are certain San Antonio appreciates the compliment.

INTERESTING JOURNAL COMMENTS.

Editor Texas Stock and Farm Journal. In late numbers of your valuable paper I see many interesting things from different writers. From one contributor I notice a quotation regarding home industries from our honored and beloved Henry Grady, whose name thrills the heart of every Georgian. Being myself a native of that state, it is both with pleasure and pride I read the names of our worthy leaders, although many of them within the last few years have passed away to a country of richer fame than all this world can give.

Another contribution from a farmer giving useful information regarding advertising their business is noted. I have often wondered why they did not advertise when they wished to buy or sell, instead of riding over the country in search of buyers or sellers, losing so much good time from the farm, where there is always so much to do and to see after, even on rainy days; and it is such pleasurable work for both men and women. Then they have more leisure than city people. Their evenings or nights are their own. I love to visit relatives on farms, where all are busy during the day and when "evening shades appear" and supper is over, the family eagerly grasp the papers, among which the farm paper and Dr. Talmage's Christian Herald are the first to be read, I almost envy such homes, so peaceful, so pure and so quiet.

Only a short period of my life was spent on a farm or plantation, and those halcyon days are often reverted to with pleasure. No city or town home can compare with a country home; but we must be content wherever we are and with what time, changes and circumstances bring to us.

Another writer in the Household mentions the culinary department of a farm home, where the "hog jole, turnip greens and corn bread" are still to be seen. I remember seeing them cooked to perfection by the colored people quite awhile ago, and it was a treat to almost every one; but I have seen nothing of that sort lately, and really never hear of hog jole any more, and I have thought probably probably since the great improvement in hogs there was no jole at all, or if there was it might be called by some other name. But, as Shakespeare would say, there's nothing in a name. So the jole and turnip greens would be just as good called by any other name, even if it was Frenchy, which so many Americans like to adopt; but plain English, with no affected drawl, is good enough for me.

In the next place I read with much interest the ideas of "Uncle Ned and Hobo" regarding the "new woman," which was the best thing on that subject I have seen lately. I say to them, write again, write often; such language meets the hearty approval of every truly good woman.

We live in a progressive age, and the improvements of the day are wonderful, the amphibious steamer, the new light by Professor Roentgen, and many other late discoveries and improvements that are now benefiting the world, but when the world tries to improve woman or make her a "new woman," in the present sense of the term, it is a downright, dead failure. She can be improved in Christianity and industry, also in higher education if she likes. But the "new woman" means a demoralized future generation, discontented, restless, roving, with no fixed principle or purpose in life. See what it is already doing in America! Though it is said the leaders will soon run the race and be heard of no more. Woman, I think, is intellectually equal with man; but this is no reason why she should be encouraged to come out and stand side by side with man in politics and public affairs. If her mind and education be sufficient, she can and may with all propriety be a leader in literature and charm the world with her writing and books, as Marion Harland, Mrs. Barr, Margaret Smyth and others have done and are doing. This is commendable. Yet there are comparatively only a few women who can make writing a financial success. So the overwhelming majority have to take other occupations and be content with their homes and surroundings, unsung and unheard of, and often they are no doubt the happier of the two classes, at the same time making others happy.

In closing I would like to mention the writing of another contributor, a gentleman who says the maiden ladies of his town or vicinity have organized a society for themselves only, requiring every one to tell why she had remained single. This seems queer to me, for among all the maiden ladies it has been my pleasure to know there was but one solution to their having remained single, and that was supposed to be publicly known, viz., they were single from preference, for all can marry if they wish to.

Some of our best women have never married, and are no doubt as happy or happier than the married women.

General R. E. Lee's daughter, Miss Winnie Davis, Miss Laura Haygood and many others have not married, and no one ever asks why they are single, because it is well known, it is from choice.

Paul says the "unmarried woman careth for the things of the Lord instead of the things of the world," therefore her pleasure consists wholly in these things. Yet she has a very high regard for noble manhood, for in her estimation a good man stands as high as a good woman. MISS ANNA L.

OUR CATTLEMEN HAVE COME, And no doubt will carry with them many pleasant recollections. Prof. Preuitt, of the Fort Worth Business college, had the pleasure of showing a great many through the different departments of that institution, all of whom expressed surprise to see over two hundred intelligent young men and women energetically engaged in receiving instruction in book-keeping, shorthand, telegraphy, etc., a large representation of young cattlemen among the number. All interested should write at once for information to the President, E. P. Preuitt.

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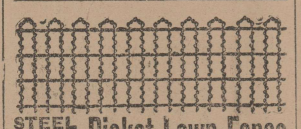
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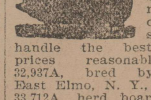
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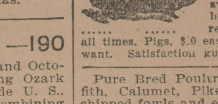
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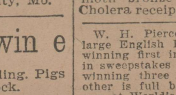
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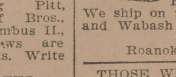
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TRANSFERS OF JERSEY CATTLE.

The following is a complete list of the transfers of Jersey cattle sold since registration to Texas parties for the week ending March 3, 1896, as reported by the American Jersey Cattle club, No. 8 West Seventeenth street, New York, N. Y. J. J. Hemlnway, secretary.

BULLS.

Lottie's Tormentor, 32,5555—W. N. Murphy to T. W. House, Houston.

Moses Solon, 40,671—S. C. Patton to S. H. Reese, Columbus.

Penelope's Prince, 42,957—Parks & Parks to E. Winton, Morgan.

Ridicule, 30,024—J. W. Persohn to J. A. Spaugh, Farmersville.

Tony Kilgore, 42,529—Henderson & Bro. to Mrs. D. Abner, Marshall.

Virgil M., 21,411—N. M. Gay to A. B. Hoelscher, Ellinger.

COWS AND HEIFERS.

Caroline Messenger, 94,057—Gray & Bivins to Parks & Parks, Morgan.

Daisy Boyd II., 97,571—Gray & Bivins to Parks & Parks, Morgan.

Della Signal, 105,912—Gray & Bivins to Parks & Parks Morgan.

Lucy N., 90,063—Gray & Bivens to Parks & Parks, Morgan.

Margaret Mather, 73,612—J. F. Hutchins to McKnight Bros., Hallettsville.

Marie M. Landseer, 109,639—J. H. Carpenter to S. B. Hendricks, Elysian Fields.

Ollie Melrose, 97,570—Gray & Bivens, to Parks and Parks, Morgan.

Signal's Brown Bessie, 103,673—H. C. Taylor to Mrs. V. G. Kidd, Sealy.

It will not pay to establish creameries until all the conditions are favorable. The cows must be there and the right sort of men must be there to handle them. And there must also be the right sort of men to run the factory. Where four hundred good cows cannot be had within three and a half miles, it will be better for farmers to run their own creameries, or rather dairies. The best butter is now made in private dairies. Learn how to make good butter and then make it, and the thing is done. There is better profit to be made from a given number of cows by manufacturing the milk at home.—Texas Farm and Ranch.

MILK FEVER.

Many cows in herit a predisposition to milk fever, the Jerseys being especialy liable to it. Over-feeding and want of exercise are frequent causes of the disease. The symptoms are chills, twiching of muscles of head and face, stoppage of milk and urine, "paddling" with hind feet, staggering, grinding the teeth, and sometimes violent tossing of head and bellowing. Treatment: Put the cow in a warm place. Wrap the body closely with a sheet. Blanket the neck and rub limbs with wisps of straw. After perspiration starts, change sheet every half hour. Make the bowels act by injecting Eserine under the skin, or giving the following: One ounce powdered nux vomica, 2 ounces tartar emetic, 1 ounces glauber salts, 4 1-2 ounces fine salt—all boiled ten minutes in 2 quarts of water, and give one-fourth of the entire quantity every half hour. If cow is down, keep her propped up on brisket. If she bloats, puncture the paunch, from above in the hollow just in front of "haunch" bone. W hen sheet and blankets are removed cover her with a dry blanket to prevent chill. Squibb's fluid extract of Ergot is a good preventive and cure.

Interesting dairy expeiments have been recently made at the North Dakota experiment station with the following result: The station dairy herd consisted of 16 common cows bought in the neighborhood. The average yield of butter for the year was 220 pounds per cow. The best record was made by a grade Jersey, which gave milk for ten months, yielding a total of 5,553 pounds milk, making 337 pounds butter. The poorest yielded 3,413 pounds milk and 143 pounds butter. Feed for the year cost $472.26, and labor $171— total expense of herd, $643.-26. The income was 3,520 pounds butter at 25 cents per pound—$880, leaving a net profit of $237.74. The manure, skim-milk and butter-milk offset some labor not included in above estimate. Some feed and pasture tests showed that the native prairie grass is superior to mixed cultivated grasses. Eight cows were fed grain while on pasture and eight others of equal buter capacity received no grain. The first lot yielded enough more butter than the second to pay for all the grain eaten and leave a profit of $7.67. The period of this test was 55 days. Dehorning the cattle checked the flow of milk slightly but it was higher in quality and all were back to the regular quantity by the fourth milking after the operation. The separator made more butter and better butter than either deep or shallow setting.

CATTLE.

John Scharbauer of Fort Worth sold George Hosburgh of Espuela about 300 head of thoroughbred yearling Hereford bulls. Terms private.

F. C. Reynold, El Campo, sold to a buyer from the Creek nation 3,000 four-year-old steers at $16.

George Coppinger of Scurry sold to Mr. Franklin of Dakota 4,000 two-year-old steers on private terms.

George W. Littlefield bought 1,000 steer yearlings from Llano counuty parties at $11 a head.

The Standard Cattle company of Nebraska bought yesterday 1,500 two-year-old heifers from J. H. Paramore of Abilene.

Jones Bros. & Brown sold 3000 head of 3 and 4-year-old steers to northwestern parties for deliverey from their ranch in Lamb county at Amarillo on 1st of May. Terms not stated.

FUTURE OF BEEF CATTLE FOR TEXAS.

Henrietta, Texas.

Ever since the "palmy days" in Texas cattle raising, when all range was in common and was plentiful, the successful cattle raiser has been doing more or less of feeding.

Feeding is expensive and must therefore bring good profits or cattlemen can not practice it. The question naturally arists to what breed of cattle must we give this feed that we may obtain the best results. I have had considerable experience in this and have tried many different breeds and found the Herefords by far the best. They are thrifty and hardy and good eaters and will take on a large amount of flesh. They are equally as good on the range as in the feed pen. They are good "rustlers" and are as free, if not more so, from disease, than any other breed.

While on my trip to Missouri, Kansas and Illinois a few days ago, I found that Herefords have grown in public favor a great deal in the North. In the large markets they stood at the top and in some had carried off a differential of from five to fifteen cents per hundred in their favor. I found nearly every prominent breeder with all his available cattle sold out at good figures so great had been, and then was, the demand. They are very enthusiastic on Herefords. Most all of these sales have been to breeders, who are starting new thoroughbred herds to supply this increasing demand. One breeder told me he had received more inquiries during the last five weeks than during the last five years previous. All prices are very high—in fact, higher than they have been for ten years.

There are many reasons why Herefords are the most profitable beef cattle for Texas and why they are becoming so numerous and so popular over the state. As we have said before they are well adapted both to the range and to the feed pen. They take on flesh readily and easily. Their quarters are very full and large and their back, from which comes about 65 per cent of the high-priced beef, is exceptionally wide. It is for the beef that we raise them and since the Herefords are so superior to other breeds in the amount of this high-priced beef as well as the other grades of beef that can be cut from them there is nothing so very strange about this favor they are receiving.

I have a car of high grade Hereford heifers, in fine condition, and bred to fine registered bulls, that are on the market at $30 per head.

W. S. IKARD.

STATE QUARANTINE LINE MOVED. WILBARGER COUNTY INCLUDED.

The state sanitary comulssion met in Fort Worth on the 10th inst., and issued the following order:

To His Excellency, the Governor of the State of Texas.

The live stock sanitary commission of the state of Texas have reliable information that cattle from that portion of the state which is situated east and south of the county of Wilbarger are liable to communicate contagious, infectious and malignant diseases, known as southern or splenetic fever, to the cattle now located in said county of Wilbarger if permitted to come in contact with them; now, therefore, by virtue of the authority vested in the live stock sanitary commission of Texas, in order to protect the live stock interests of the county of Wilbarger, we, the said live stock sanitary commission of Texas, hereby make and fix the following quarantine line:

Beginning at the southwest corner of Wilbarger county, thence east with the southern boundary line of Wilbarger county to the southeast corner of said county, thence with the eastern boundary line of Wilbarger county north to the northeast corner of said Wilbarger county; thence in a northwesterly course up the southern margin of the Red river to the northwest corner of said Wilbarger county.

And it is hereby ordered that from and after this date it shall be unlawful for any cattle to be transported or crossed over said quarantine line into the said county of Wilbarger, except when said cattle are being transported by rail to market for immediate slaughter beyond the limits of the state of Texas and in accordance with the rules and regulations fixed by the United States department of agriculture, governing the transportation of cattle for the year 1896, and that these rules and regulations and the quarantine line hereby made shall remain in full force and effect until the 15th day of November, 1896, and that any violation of these rules or regulations is an offense and punishable as provided by the laws of the state of Texas.

We therefore ask your excellency to issue your proclamation as the law provides.

ROBERT J. KLEBERG,
W. J. MOORE,
W. B. TULLIS,
Of the state live stock sanitary commission.

The board also issued the following:

At a meeting of the live stock sanitary commission held at Fort Worth, Tex., March 10, 1896, present W. J. Moore and W. B. Tullis, recommended that his excellency, Governor C. A. Culberson, revoke so much of the quarantine line established February 10, 1896, as to that part of the line beginning at a point on the North Fork of Red river at its intersection with the southern boundary line of Roger Mills county and extending northerly and westerly therefrom to conform with special order modifying the quarantine of Oklahoma Territory by the secretary of agriculture, dated March 3, 1896.

Moore and Tullis, both present, concur and sign this. Meeting with and conferring with the gentlemen was Hon. Albert Dean, live stock agent in the bureau of animal industry in the United States agricultural department, Washington; Colonel W. D. Jordan, special live stock inspector of the national government, and J. J. Johnson, president of the Kansas state quarantine board. The communications above may be presented to Governor Culberson here tomorrow, but it is not thought he will issue any proclamation prior to his return to Austin.

The remainder of the proceedings of the board were executive.

CHICAGO TERMINAL CHARGES.

The joint committee from the State Live Stock association at San Antonio and the Cattle Raisers' association of Texas met with the railway men and commission men interested at the Live Stock National bank this evening. The cattlemen are hot at the railways and the Chicago commission men owing to that $2 per car terminal charge there. Both associations are on the war-path and right after Chicago.

At the meeting this afternoon nothing other than organization and a hearing of the railway side of the matter was had. The joint committee meet again at 1 p. m. tomorrow. The cattlemen are right after Chicago anent that $2 per car terminal charge matter. There may be a row over this. The association is loth to touch it unless they have to, but is ready to deal with it if it has to do it.

DENTON COWMEN MEET.

The Cattlemen's association of Denton county met in Denton on March 10 in regular meeting. It was decided to offer a reward of $100 for the first person convicted of cattle theft and a reward of $50 for the conviction of any other person connected with the same theft. The number of cattle owned by each member was recorded and the brands of the members were registered.

CUT BY INSPECTORS.

Fort Worth, Tex., March 10.—The meeting of commission men and cattlemen interested in cattle cut by inspectors and held up at foreign markets was largely attended tonight. The cattlemen feel that their claims of this class are not being settled as promptly as they should be and action was taken along that line tonight. The proceedings were largely executive. This association wants those claims settled, and if they can bring this about they are going to do it. The outlook is good for a speedy adjustment of this matter.

MARKETS.

FORT WORTH MARKETS.

The past has been a banner week at the yards so far as hog receipts are concerned, no less than 4,200 head having been handled, besides 363 head of cattle, exclusive of transit stock. On Tuesday alone there were 1,500 head of hogs handled. These receipts were in the face of a declining market. Doubtless the large attendance at the convention partly accounted for the large receipts. Today the market is quiet at $3.60 for top hogs. Fat cows worth $1.80@2.35.

Amongst the contributing points for hogs since last report: Velasco furnished a carload, shipped by L. A. Mather. This was the first shipment of hogs from the coast county and doubtless is the precursor of many more. McGregor, Troy, Hutto, Mineral Wells, Bartlett, Wichita Falls, Wynnewood, Roanoke, Comanche, Santo, Weatherford, Moody, Chico, Abbott and Grandview were also initial points for some good shipments. An attractive feature at the yards this week was the fine live stock exhibit. Colonel Burgess of this counuty exhibited some fine shorthorns as also did E. M. Daggett. Colonel Rhome, of Rhome, a car of fine grade bulls; J. E. Hoxenkamp and John Maloney of Tarrant, a lot of fine shorthorns. F. G. Buford also had some fine saddle and trotting stock on exhibition at Polk's yards. Also fine black pacink king Hal, stallion, which was universally admired.

CREAM SEPARATOR INFRINGERS.

Some of our correspondents call attention to the fact that certain infringers of the De Laval Patent Rights, deny that their machines infringe such Patents, and are now talking of "protection" to buyers.

Certainly nobody can have expected these infringers to publicly ACKNOWLEDGE that their imitations of the De Laval machines DO infringe our Patents.

Infringers Already Enjoined.

That could scarcely be expected of such infringers, notwithstanding that some of their own agents and representatives—and many of the unfortunate buyers of their machines—have ALREADY been perpetually enjoined from the further use of same. Concerns which have long opposed the advance of centrifugal separation, in the selfish manufacture of impractical gravity setting apparatus, and then when forced to abandon same, have turned round and brazenly attempted to appropriate the just and lawful Patent Rights and invested interests of another are no better in any sense than those wh- would take anything else of value, and no more to be trusted by anyone.

Avail of Offers of Protection.

If these offers of "protection" are made in good faith, users of such infringing machines will do well to IMMEDIATELY avail themselves of same, AND THEY SHOULD IN SELF SAFETY DEMAND A BOND GIVEN AND SECURED BY THE ENDORSEMENT AND GUARANTEE OF SOME BANK OR OTHER RESPONSIBLE PERSONS IN THEIR OWN COUNTY AND STATE, since it is safe to assume that such infringing manufacturers, whose actual financial responsibility is at best limited and doubtful, will in the near future have all they can well provide for in the shape of direct damages on their own account, and advertising guarantees are of no actual value to anyone.

Further Caution.

That no infringing maker, agent, dealer, or user can have reason to complain at the possible outcome of such further proceedings as are pending and as may be necessary in protecting and maintaining our just and lawful Patent Rights and business interests, due and repeated caution is again given in this respect.

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To Texas Cattle Shippers.

I would advise all shippers of Texas cattle to Union stock yards in Chicago Ill., that the Wabash railroad will deliver your stock into Union yards over our own track. Our competitors stated before the investigating committee at the Fort Worth convention that no road leading into Chicago billed stock through to Union yards. I desire to state to cattle shippers of Texas that the Wabash railroad bill all their stock to Union stock yards and deliver same over their own tracks. Give us your business and we will verify our statement. J. T. DICKSON,
Live stock agent, Wabash railroad.

Cattle For Sale.

16,100 Cows located in the counties named as follows: 3000 in Webb, 5000 in LaSalle, 600 in Colorado, 500 in Anderson, 1500 in Coke, 500 in Ellis, 500 in Panola, 1500 in Webb, 1000 in Live Oak, 1000 in Jefferson and 1000 extra good highly graded spayed cows in Crosby.

63,100 Mixed stock cattle distributed in the counties named as follows: 7000 in Presidio, 4000 in Donley, 1000 in Baylor, 2300 in Tom Green, 25,000 in Chaves county, N. M., 500 in Stephens, 3000 in Howard, 3000 in Chaves county, N. M., 6000 in El Paso, 800 in El Paso, 1000 in Shelby county, 500 in Chambers and 9000 in Guadaloupe county, N. M.

29,600 Two-year-old steers located in the counties named as follows: 300 in Erath, 1000 in Menard, 1000 in Smith, 2000 in Nueces, 1000 in Duval, 2000 in Eddy County, N. M., 1500 in Mitchell, 2000 in Encinal, 1200 in Webb, 700 in Callahan, 3000 in Hardeman, 1000 in Kaufman, 1300 in Reeves, 2500 in Chaves county, N. M., 600 in Wilson county, Texas, 1200 in Frio, 2000 in Cameron, 500 in Live Oak, 4000 in Live Oak and 800 in Crosby.

26,000 Yearling steers located in the following counties: Three lots of 500 each in Coryell, 500 in Erath, 500 in Colorado, 2500 in Liberty, 1500 in Hopkins, 1000 in Smith, 1000 in Taylor, 1000 in Ellis, 1000 in Nueces, 1000 in Duval, 500 in Van Zandt, 500 in Fannin, 2000 in Encinal, 1000 in Anderson, 1000 in Burleson, 2000 in Travis, 1000 in Lubbock, 3500 in Eddy county, N. M., 1500 in Midland, 500 in Live Oak, 1000 in Jefferson.

51,100 Three and four-old-steers distributed in the counties named as follows: 2500 in Menard, 2000 in Colorado, 800 in Callahan, 400 in Eastland, 3000 in Tom Green, 3500 in Coke, 500 in San Saba, 4000 in Liberty, 3000 in DeWitt, 500 in Uvalde, 1000 in Crockett, 5000 in Encinal, 500 in Garza, 2500 in Hardeman, 1000 in Throckmorton, 3000 in Crosby, 4000 in Mason, 2000 in Glasscock, 4000 in Kerr, 2000 in Llano, 1000 in Harris, 500 in Eddy county, N. M., 2500 in Chaves county, N. M., 400 in Atascosa county, Texas, 1500 in Live Oak.

185,900 Total.

The above (which is only a partial list of the cattle we have for sale), will be sold at prices in keeping with the market. Buyers will find it to their interest to call on or correspond with us before purchasing.

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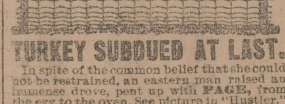
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PERSONAL.

To give a detailed list of the visitors would mean first the name of a big proportion of the members of the Cattle Raisers' association, numbering nearly one thousand strong, besides the hundreds of visitors connected with the stock raising interests in one way or other, and hundreds more who took advantage of the excursion rate to visit the city. The Stock Journal office, as usual, was headquarters for many of the crowd, and amidst the continuous throng of comers and goers it was impossible to obtain a complete list of names.

The names of very many of the Journal's friends and patrons who called during the week are doubtles somitted from these columns. We trust, however, that any such will not feel themselves slighted. With the continuous throng of comers and goers all through the week from early morning till nearly midnight each day, it can readily be understood how many names were overlooked. To add to the general hurly-burly a large number also desired business with J. C. Loving, secretary of the Cattle Raisers' association called at the office of George B. Loving, president and manager of the Journal Publishing company. But all were equally welcome, many old acquaintances were renewed and new ones formed both in business and a social as well as a combined way. The Journal management, and individuals composing it, greeted with much pleasure their many friends and trust their visit to Fort Worth has been pleasant in the extreme.

C. C. Poole of Aledo was a caller.

Johnson Harden of Childress was a visitor.

J. F. Strange of Crafton was a visitor Monday.

J. N. Morrison, of Running Water, a stockman, was a caller.

Hon. W. P. Jones, ex-county judge of Childress county was a visitor.

P. C. O'Laughlin, a solid stockman of Eolian, called at the Journal office.

W. H. Jennings of San Antonio was one of the delegation from that city.

T. J. Dickson, livestock agent of the Wabash railroad, is taking in the meeting.

H. O. Skinner, agent of the Street Stable Car company, is here from San Antonio.

Sam Britt, a wide-awake, hustling cattleman of Childress took in the convention.

C. A. Snider, of the well-known Evans-Snider-Buel company, firm, is amongst us.

Governor Culberson reached the city Tuesday afternoon and registered at the Delaware.

Will Bolton of Woodward, I. T., editor of the Live Stock Insepctor, made a fraternal call.

Capt. J. M. (Doc) Day, the veteran cattleman of Austin was a visitor in the Journal office Thursday.

J. M. Ikard of Minco, I. T., an extensive cattleman, was amongst the Journal's callers Thursday.

R. C. Graves of Bowie has 400 head of two-year-old steers which he offers for sale. See his ad in this paper.

Pat Sweeney of Brisco county, an old friend of the Journal, made a social call while down for the convention.

Johnson Hardin of Childress and Wallace Good of Quanah were among the Journal callers Wednesday.

Dr. Randall of Washburn, local agent for the Pasteur Arthrax Vaccine company, was amongst the visitors.

W. E. Reynold, traveling manager of the St. Louis stockyards, East St. Louis, attended the convention.

Vories P. Brown, of San Antonio, editor and manager of the Stockman and Farmer, is amongst the visitors here.

Lewis & Renfro, of Bullard, Tex., John Edge, Amarillo, and J. M. Slate, Oxford, were cash callers this week.

Capt. R. A. Smith of Ballinger has a nice bunch of two-year-old steers for sale. Refer to ad elsewhere in this paper.

John Hunnicutt of Albany, John Dennis and James Carradine of Cisco, were amongst the cash callers this week.

W. P. Harned of Bunceton, Mo., breeder of fine Shorthorns and an advertiser, called and made personal acquaintance.

W. G. Busk of Coleman, Tex., has a bunch of high grade yearling Hereford bulls for sale. See his ad alsewhere in this issue.

W. P. Anderson, representing the Chicago Union stock yards, showed his genial presence in the Journal office this week.

J. C. Gilliland of the Bank of Mangum and of the firm of Gilliland & Claunch at that place, was a pleasant caller this week.

Tom Hasket, of Quanah, a well-known farmer, called to the Journal office this week and notched up his subscription a year.

H. T. Keenan, general agent of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy was among the railroad men present at the convention of cattlemen.

A. J. Norton of Quanah, a well-known and prosperous cattleman, visited the Journal office and enrolled his name amongst its subscribers.

George M. Lassiter of Weatherford, a substantial merchant and cattleman and an old friend and subscriber of the Journal, made a pleasant call Wednesday.

Jerome F. Wares and wife attended the convention. Mr. Wares is general manager of the Burton and New England Car company, headquarters at Chicago.

H. H. Brooks, of the Amarillo Champion, was a visitor. Mr. Brooks was the first newspaper man to protest against the free importation of Mexican cattle.

Isaac T. Pryor, the retiring president of the Texas Livestock association, is here. Mr. Pryor has accomplished a great deal in the promotion of the best interests of the association.

C. O. Finley of Valentine, Tex., is one of several correspondents desiring information as to where Irish wolf dogs can be had. If any of our readers can say, please advise through the Journal.

R. E. Gatewood of Rio Vista, a prosperous farmer and stock raiser, was a caller at the Journal office this week to renew his subscription. Mr. Gatewood has a nice bunch of yearling steers for sale.

Colonel Albert Dean, live stock agent of the Bureau of Animal Industry, dropped into the Journal office this week to renew his subscription, and chatted on the quarantine question.

M. S. Swearingen of Childress, W. W. Pearce of Cleburne, Dr. C. F. Randall of Washburn, J. T. Gregory and S. B. Kutch of Cresson, were appreciated visitors at the Journal business department this week.

John S. Kerr, of Sherman, one of Texas' pioneer and principle nurserymen, writes: "Trade is immense—planting largely for future also." The Journal is pleased to hear such encouraging news from one of its staunch friends.

A. Davidson of Childress, a prominent young merchant of that place, and Sam Britt, the well known cattleman, also of Childress, were callers at the Journal office, and deposited a year's subscription each as an earnest of good wishes.

W. P. Bush, of Topeka, Kan., was amongst the Journal's visitors this weeek and left a copy of the catalogue of the famous Rock Creek herd of Hereford cattle which are to be closed out at auction at Burlingame, Kan., on March 19 and 20.

Frank P. Holland of Texas Farm and Ranch and (incidentally) mayor of Dallas, and "Farmer" Shaw of "Texas Farmer," arrived in the city Monday to arrange for taking the convention to Dallas next year, and favored the Journal with their august presence.

Among the Kansas City men attending the convention are: F. W. Flato, Jr., Eugene Rusk, Chester Snider, T. S. Hutton, Charles T. McConn, W. S. Brown, E. F. Denison, Harry Trower, L. A. Allen, J. P. McMurray, W. C. Quinlan, S. R. Walker, H. M. Stonebroker, and Colonel A Drumm.

S. C. Gallup of the far-famed saddlery firm of S. C. Gallup and Frazier of Pueblo, Col., took a run down to see the convention and was a pleasant caller at the Journal office. Gallup & Frazier's saddles have been true and tried for many years amongst cattlemen and have a world-wide reputation.

A big delegation came from San Saba to the convention. Among those are: J. W. Kennedy, S. W. Walker, T. S. Walker, G Gray, James Doflemeyer, Tom Thaxton, W. L. Banister, J. T. Williams, J. W. Smith, W. W. Walker, R M Ward, O L Williams, P. H. Walker, Peter Campbell, L. W. Kirkpatrick.

Amongst the many appreciated callers to renew subscriptions this week were F. M. Faulkner, Tulia; S. M. Payne, Quanah; S. A. Roberts, Blooming Grove; T. L. Keen, Doxey, O. T.; Cyrus Lucas, Berclair; J. C. Skinner, Lampasas; Henry Fox, Lampasas; W. C. Isaacs, Canadian, and S. A. D. Melton, Belchefville.

J. N. Brooker of Rogers, a merchant and banker of that thriving little city, was amongst the many callers at the Journal office this week. Mr. Brooker has lately purchased the Jones county four leagues of school land in Hockley county; also 1000 head of yearlings from Harris & Oxshire of Lubbock, to be delivered April 1.

J. J. Weatherley and J. R. Williams of Benjamin; E. R. Crockett, of Waldrip; L. E. Walker, of Waldrip; S. E. McKnight, of Lohn, Tex.; J. R. Stinson, Quartz Ok., formerly of Vernon; J. E. B. Stewart and J. M. Crelia, of Weatherford, were all pleasant callers and contributors to the subscription department of the Journal.

N. E. Mosher of Salisbury, Mo., writes us: "Trade is good. Hog trade also splendid. We recently sold 22 pure bred Hereford bull calves to Messrs. Moore, Mechener & Co., of Claude; have 30 choice pure bred Hereford cows and heifers still for sale at a bargain, many of them are the dams of the above named bulls.

Dr. Allen V. S. had a call to attend on a sick cat last week—for the second time in his professional career, the former occasion, being some years ago on the occasion of the Crystal palace cat show in London. In this case a fine Angora cat was the patient. The doctor administered the proper remedies, which it is hoped relieved the sufferer's "feelin(g)s."

E. P. Linehan of Chicago, representing the Pasteur Anthrax Vaccine company, was in the city during the convention, in the interest of his company, for whom he did some good work in the way of interesting the cattlemen on the subject of the famous blackleg preventative. It is understood that several of them will use it largely amongst their herds.

A party consisting of President G. W. Simpson and wife, Miss Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Simpson, and Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Hibbard of Boston; A. F. Breed and Mrs. Breed of Lynn, Mass., and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Simpson of Chicago, are stopping at the Stock Yards hotel. They are en route to Mexico City and Tampico in a private car, and will leave tomorrow on their journey.

The Pasteur Vaccine people made no imstake in sending Mr. E. P. Lenihan to represent them at the convention. The young gentleman made his headquarters at the Journal office, but was ubiquitous, hustling here, there and everywhere all day and far into the night. The Journal is much gratified to note the great interest being worked up and hopes ere long to see the great blackleg preventive in universal use.

Colonel W. L. Black of Fort McKavitt was amongst the Journal's most appreciated callers this week. Colonel Black, amongst other subjects, outlined his plan for the establishment of an international cattle bureau, which is in line with a bill of Senator Vest's now pending, and upon which Colonel Black has expended much time and study. If estabished this bureau would be of vast benefit to the cattle interests of the country.

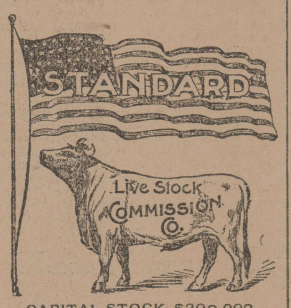
Colonel George H. Thompson, treasurer of the Carbolic Soap company of New York was amongst the visitors to the big convention and favored the Journal with a call. The company of which Colonel Thompson is treasurer is amongst the foremost in the world in their line. Their Cresylic ointment has for over thirty years been the standard and won first premium at the late Dallas fair. Colonel Thompson, as representative of his company, is without doubt the right man in the right place.

M. P. Smith, of Sterling City, a prominent cattleman of his section and president of the Sterling City Cattlemen's association, made the Journal a pleasant call Wednesday. Mr. Smith is a specially appointed quarantine inspector and it was through his efforts that a small herd was stopped after crossing the line a few days since. He says they are determined the law shall be fully enforced down there. Mr. Smith says that he and his neighbors all appreciate the Journal.

Among the St. Louis "livestock" delegation to the convention were noticed many prominent men, including E. B. Overstreet, Al Keechler, Sam Scaling, A. D. Evans, Aruthur Godair, Major H. M. Pollard, W. E. Reynolds, Editor Philip H. Hale of the National Live Stock Reporter, C. A. Marshall of the Continental National bank, and Colonel O. L. York, who is remembered as one of the old-time pioneer Texas merchants. This delegation is headed by President W. B. Stickney of the St. Louis Live Stock Exchange.

A few amongst the many notable comers attending the convention were: Ben Van Tuyl and William N. Waddell, of Colorado City; T. J. Martin, of Midland; Fred Horsburgh, of Naspuela; C. C. Slaughter, of Dallas; Ed East, of Archer; B. T. Ware, Al Ponham, W. H. Fugua and William Harrell of Amarillo; J. K. Zimmerman, of Memphis; G. W. Arrington, of Canadian; O. H. Nelson, of Kansas City; S. A. Fisher, of Chickasha; George T. Reynolds, of Albany; E. P. Ikard, of Chickasha; Ed Fenlon, of Midland; Ed T. Comer, of San Angelo; J. H. Paramore and C. W. Merchant of Abilene; A. B. Robertson, of Midland; Marion Sansom, of Alvarado; Ike T. Pryor, of Columbus; A. W. Hudson, of Kansas City; John F. Clare, of Beeville; W. G. Good and sons, of Quanah; J. D. Jeffries, of Clarendon; G. S. White, of Weatherford; D. D. Swearingen, of Quanah; M. S. Swearingen, A. J. Fires, C. E. Brown and W L. R. Dickson, of Childress; H W. Newberry, Sam Payne, J. E. Stout, W. B. Tullis and Mart Byrd, of Quanah.

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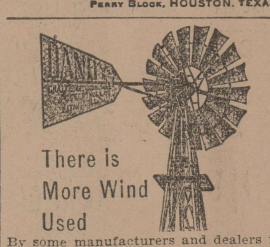
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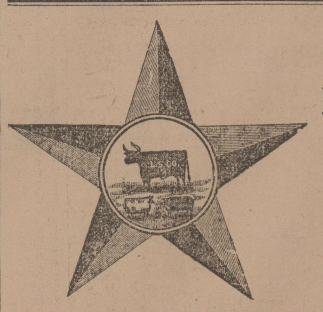
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