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Let townships co-operate in purchasing stone crushers—two or three townships owning one.

Let us have no hasty legislation.

Let us keep our eye on the electric road.

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Weather and Crops.

The following is clipped from the "Weather and Crop Bulletin," (United States bureau) for week ending May 15:

TEMPERATURE.

WASHINGTON, May 16.—The week ending May 15 has been the most favorable of the season in the spring wheat region, and in the states of the upper Mississippi and Missouri valleys, in Kansas, Indian Territory, and Northern Texas. The temperature was slightly in excess in the central valleys, lake region, and New England, and over the central and northern Rocky mountain districts. The week was slightly cooler than usual from Pennsylvania and Ohio southward to Florida, including the east portion of the cotton region, the cool nights being reported as unfavorable to the crop in South Carolina. It was also cooler than usual in western Texas and Arizona, while about the normal temperature prevailed on the Pacific coast, but in the interior of California the temperature was above the normal. The continued cool weather during the preceding month over the principal agricultural districts east of the Rocky Mountains, coupled with the excessive moisture generally throughout the central valleys and Northwest, has left the season from a week to ten days late in most sections, although farm work has been rapidly pushed during the past week in the principal grain states.

PRECIPITATION.

The rainfall during the past week was greater than usual from the lower Ohio and lower Mississippi valleys southward to the Gulf coast and thence west ward over Texas, except in portions of Louisiana and Southeastern Arkansas, where the rainfall was about normal. The week was relatively dry in the states on the Atlantic coast, although general rains are now reported from the Atlantic coast states. The week was also relatively dry in the upper Mississippi valley, and thence westward to the Pacific coast, although in extreme Northern Minnesota the rainfall was slightly in excess. Drouth is reported in Southwestern Nebraska, and reports indicate that rain is needed throughout the state. Very heavy rains occurred in the interior of Texas on the 12th, which resulted in some injury to the cotton crop.

Some injury has resulted from overflow in Arkansas and Louisiana, and the river is still rising south of Helena, Ark., although it is stationary at Memphis this morning and the Arkansas river is falling at Little Rock.

A telegram just received from Vicksburg states that "levee broke three miles north of Crand Lake, Ark., at 8 p. m. 15th, the break being 300 feet wide and from eight to ten feet deep."

From telegrams giving the general conditions throughout the United States it may be inferred that there has been a general improvement in the crop conditions over the principal agricultural districts, although the weather conditions were unfavorable in the east portion of the cotton region.

Tomatoes.

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The Beet Sugar Industry.

The New Orleans Picayune says that there is no longer the slightest reason to doubt that the beet sugar industry has become firmly planted in the United States, as the figures of production for the season just over would amply demonstrate. The complete statistics now available show that the production of beet sugar in the United States has considerably more than doubled during the past year, although there has been actually no increase in the number of factories at work, the gain being due to the very much larger tonnage of beets grown. The total production of the six factories at work was 27,083,322 pounds, equal to 12,091 tons, against a total production last year of 12,004,838 lbs, equal to 5359 tons. The amounts produced by the different factories, as officially reported are as follows: North Beet sugar company, Norfolk, Neb., 1.608,400; Oxford Beet company, Grand Island, Neb., 2,110,-100; Utah Beet Sugar company, Lehigh, Utah, 1,473,500; Chino Valley Beet Sugar company, Chino, Cal., 7,-903,541; Alameda Beet Sugar company, Alvarado, Cal., 2,506,560; Western Beet Sugar company, Watsonville, Cal., 11,-390,921. Total for 1892, 27,083,322. Previous season's production, 12,004,-838. Increase of 1892 over 1891, 15,078,-484. Of the total amount of sugar produced California is credited with 21,-801,322 pounds, while Nebraska produced 3,808, 500 pounds and Uoah 1,-473,500. By far the greatest increase in production has, of course, been in California, where the industry has existed for several years longer than in either of the other sections. Experiments in growing sugar beets have been tried in a number of Western states, and the success met with has been such as to greatly encourage the promoters of the beet-sugar industry and there is good reason to expect that at no distant date beet-sugar factories will be established in quite a number of states. Louisiana, the leading sugar state of the country, cannot be indifferent to the growth of the beet-sugar movement, because its permanent success cannot but greatly benefit our own industry by making friends for sugar in the national legislature among the reprsentatives of those Western states seeking to build up a beet-sugar industry.

Much that is planted in the front yard should be in the back yard. The finest things on a home ground are not for show or dress parade. Flowers should fringe the pathway to the barn, the vines should cling to and overshadow the back porch, constantly adding to the enjoyment of busy farm or home workers in their daily routine. If you have choice annuals, roses, or flowering shrubs, let their daily presence add pleasure to your lives in the closest companionship, and if your neighbor calls, let your back yard be a chief attraction.—Field and Farm.

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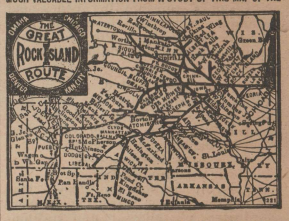

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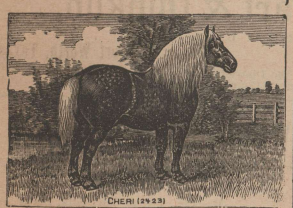

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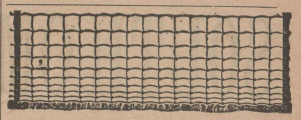

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SAN ANTONIO, TEX., May 24.—A trip was taken last Wednesday to San Marcos, and Thursday by dirt road to Martindale and neighborhood. Everybody who ever traveled over the International knows all about San Marcos, but Martindale, being off the railroad, is probably not so well known. It is a thriving little town, situated in Caldwell county, about seven miles below San Marcos on the banks of the beautiful river of the same name, surrounded by as fine farming country as the sun ever shown upon, and inhabited by industrious, thrifty and well-to-do stock farmers.

Martindale has about 200 inhabitants and all the other appurtenances that go to make up a live country town, including a daily mail.

James Ollison, a prosperous farmer and stockman of that neighborhood, went down to Luling Thursday to receive some thirty-five head of cattle bought there of various parties at $7.50 for cows, $7 for yearling steers and $15 for threes. He returned Friday and was in too much of a hurry to devote much of his time to a correspondent, as he wanted to get home and shape up some fat cattle to ship to market.

J. D. Fardy, manager of the extensive farm and pasture interests of Mrs. Z. T. Cliett, was seen at the ranch Thursday. He was rustling around lively, as usual keeping things going, and says weeds are making it exceedingly interesting for him, but he is pretty well up with his work and prospects are good for a bountiful crop.

John Murph, an important stock farmer, neighbor to Mrs. Cliett, says he thinks they have had a little too much rain and is somewhat behind with his work, but has a move on himself and will catch up in a week or ten days if the weather remains favorable. Cotton has done badly all this season and is now "doing no better pretty fast;" cut worms, lice and other insects and varmints have destroyed lots of it, and he has had to replant some twenty or twenty-five acres and expects he should have made it fifty. At present writing, however, he is able to get into it with his hands and take some care of it.

Rumor has it that in the Luling country the weeds got so far ahead during the wet spell that farmers are plowing up the whole business and planting over. How well founded the rumor is "quien sabe." Another version of it is that the hail is what destroyed the crop and necessitated the replanting.

If the latter is the case, and not the former, it is more to the credit of the farmers of that section.

Thursday morning J. L. Harris of the Wabash, H. E. Parker of the International, Maj. Lewis of the Santa Fe, and William Ragland of the Texas Live Stock Commission company, all passed through San Marcos on their way to Kyle, Austin, Hutto and other points, as a number of cars of cattle were to be shipped from those points. Of course each went to do business for their respective companies, and it is to be hoped that each was successful in getting his share of patronage.

J. J. Waldrup of Staple's Store, Lee Beady and Joseph Brothers of Luling, have each recently taken their horse stock out of Mrs. Cliett's pasture, where they put them to pass the winter months, as that is one of the best, if not the best, winter pastures in Caldwell country.

Arch Oldham and Dave Ragsdale of San Marcos shipped seven cars of fed cattle to market Saturday from Kyle.

F. Goforth shipped from the same place on the same day two cars.

L. Coffee bought of H. C. Storey seven cars of fed cattle, and with one of his own shipped from Kyle to market Friday.

A. D. McGehee shipped from the same place on the same day nine cars, Jerry Nance three cars, and McGehee and Earnest six cars, making in all thirty-eight cars from Kyle in two days—pretty good for a little country town.

H. C. Storey of San Marcos sold Julius Runge of Galveston 1000 ones and twos at $8.00@11.00, and will start with them on or about June 1 to deliver in Menard county.

Sam Heard has disposed of all his cattle fed during the winter at very remunerative prices. He sold at home before the "drop," and says the purchaser made something like $600 on the deal, which is gratifying to Mr. Heard, as he says he enjoys seeing those who risk their money make some. When asked if he was not sorry he sold he said, "No," that he sold at a handsome profit, and is glad the buyer did also. He says he did so well that there is no doubt he will feed again next year, "but, then, you know I always do anyhow."

Mr. Heard also reports a state of affairs in his county quite different from conditions in other sections. He says that pasturage is getting to be an item of considerable importance; that, instead of there being more pasturage than cattle, the reverse is the case, and owners can get 50c per head per month to pasture stock as quick as they will say the word.

Mr. Heard has a few very choice horses and mares for sale.

Bob Kyle was in San Marcos Saturday from his farm and says the lice and grass worms are fast destroying the young cotton crop, and his is not being neglected either by himself or the insects, but does not know yet whether it will have to be replanted or not. Says corn, however, is doing splendid, and if he is favored with another rain he will make twenty and possibly thirty bushels to the acre, which is a good crop. Mr. Kyle says this here talk about fifty and sixty bushels to the acre is rather extensive, and when it is pulled it does not count out. Of course it is sometimes made, but every acre of every field does not produce it, and that counting it is one thing and pulling and measuring it is altogether another.

Dr. R. J. Jameson came down from Buda to this city on the "excursion" Sunday, spent the day here among his friends, and returned at night. Says his fine stock is doing well, and that everybody is feeling frolicsome over the promising condition of things. The doctor says he has three race mares, Silent Friend stock, that he is desirous of selling.

Bob Reed of Reedville also availed himself of the excursion rates to visit the city and his friends here.

Pat Whelan of Corpus Christi, the popular sheriff of Nueces county, and something of a stockman, came up Saturday, and says the country down where he came from is looking very fine, and in two weeks more the country will be just as good as it ever was, and no signs of the drouth can be seen.

C. E. Way of Alpine, Tex., returned here last Wednesday from the Panhandle country, where he had been to dispose of a herd of his cattle. He was very shy while in town, and would not allow himself to be talked to very much, and a peculiar twinkle was noticed in his eye. It was all explained Saturday morning when he, in company with his bride boarded the Sunset train for home. Mr. Way was married Friday night, and the good wishes of his numerous friends follow him to his Alpine home. May he live long and happily.

W. L. Crawford, a wealthy cowman of Dilley, Frio county, came in Sunday evening and left Monday evening for Austin on business. Everyone in his locality, he says, is feeling better since the rains. Mr. Crawford says this is one year he did not ship his own beeves, as they would not get fat, in fact could not, so he sold them to A. E. Noble, and has just delivered 460 of the 1000 head sold.

S. W. McAllister came up from Pearsall Sunday, stayed over Monday and returned home Tuesday morning. He was strictly on business, and would only say he was feeling good over the good condition his country is in.

Ben Darlington of this city returned Monday from his ranch in Frio county. Says grass is fine in the pasture now, and, although it was leased to Jennings & Armstrong, they have just recently shipped out their stuff to the Territory and left it unoccupied except by a few head of fine Hereford cattle he has there. Mr. Darlington is contemplating stocking up, and says he will do so as soon as the Territory move is over.

W. A. Milam and John Pettus, both prominent and wealthy stockmen, and Ross Burke, a promising young lawyer of Goliad, arrived here last night from the lower country and will remain several days. Mr. Pettus, Sr.,(W. A.) says in the Goliad country they have had the best rains that have fallen in ten years. Of course they have had good rains and plenty of them all along, but none like the last. The beauty of it is that it would drizzle for a day, then rain heavily, then ease off to a drizzle, then rain again, which lasted for six or eight days. Crop prospects in his vicinity are very flattering, and are away ahead of any he has seen anywhere, even around Victoria and Cuero, and if they get another rain at the right time people will hardly know what to do with the corn they will make.

S. V. Edwards, stockman of Cotulla and inspector for the Cattle Raisers association of Texas, came in yesterday evening riding a freight. Says people were shipping some fat cattle from Devine and Lytle and he came up to inspect them and, as it was lay over either in Lytle or San Antonio he preferred the latter and came up. He returned home this morning.

Alfred Y. Allee shipped one car of fat cattle from Devine and one from Lytle Tuesday.

E. A. Von Arnim, formerly a prominent stockman of Bandera county, but who has sold out all his interests there and has been prospecting in California and Arizona, is back with us again for a few days. I regret to say he is contemplating leaving us for good and locating in Arizona. We hate to lose so good a citizen as Mr. Von Arnim, but as he is determined to go a prosperous life is desired for him in his new home.

S. H. Barton came in from Del Rio Tuesday, and says rain is needed there again. Although they had a good one when it rained everywhere else and all the water holes were filled and grass given a good start, still they want some more now to keep that grass going. Mr. Barton informs me that he met with quite a serious loss recently, losing his finest stallion by death at Lampasas when he went up to bring his horse stock down here, where he intended soon to start a fine horse ranch. The horse lost was a standard-bred trotter and not easily replaced.

The question of a fair seems to be agitating considerably the minds of many of the good citizens here, and there has been several meetings held to see what could be done in the way of having one here next fall, managed strictly by San Antonio men and others than those who managed the previous fairs. I attended the last meeting held yesterday afternoon, and found that the thing is scarcely under way yet, but those who have the matter in hand are working like troopers to get it under way, and are very sanguine of success. The only really important business transacted at the last meeting (and all that could be done until the committee are heard from) was the appointment by the chairman of the meeting, Capt. N. Mackey, of two committees, one to confer with the owners of the fair grounds and ascertain upon what terms they can be secured; the other to make an estimate of the cost of putting the ground and buildings in proper repair or condition to hold a successful fair. Considerable discussion was indulged in as to the best mode of procedure, but nothing could be definitely arranged until the two committees can report, which will be next Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock, when definite steps will be taken. The meeting, which was not large, but enthusiastic, adjourned until that time.

Col. G. W. Fulton, Jr., of Gregory, accompanied by his wife, arrived in the city Monday and has rooms at the Bexar apartments. Mr. Fulton says the past few years of the cowman's life has been devoted to solving difficult problems, and the solution has generally been to "grin and bear" the evils. Now he says there is another big problem on hand—this new fly that has made its appearance and is worrying, not a little, both the stock and owners. He wonders if the solution to this will be the same as previous ones.

When asked about the artesian well Mr. Fulton evinced a desire not to talk, but finally opened up and said that he must acknowledge the effort to secure artesian water on the coast, in their first attempt, was a decided failure; but he is by no means discouraged, and is now having the machinery moved to his ranch away from the coast and there open negotiations with mother earth with renewed vigor. One failure only tends to make such a man as Mr. Fulton more determined.

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SEND the JOURNAL short letters from your several localities on the subject of live stock farming, gardening, dairying; in fact, anything connected with the various industries of the country. In this way you will materially aid us in distributing information from all sections. Don't say that you "can't write for the papers;" this is writing for the people, so send them along and they will be prepared for the press and sent out to the people.

EXPORTS of principal articles of domestic provisions for April have been furnished by the treasury department of the United States as follows: Cattle, 15,299, value $1,389,364; hogs, 41, value $469. Total beef, hog and dairy products exported for April $7,314,500, against $10,446,468 for same period last year.

Oklahoma Soil.

Bulletin No. 5 from the Oklahoma agricultural experiment station has been received at this office. The analyses of the soil, as shown, is good, from an agricultural standpoint. Opinion as to the mechanical part of the work withheld.

K. of P. of N. J.

The proceedings of the Grand Lodge of the Knights of Pythias of New Jersey, held in Trenton, February, 1893, have been received.

This was the twenty-sixth annual session of this grand body, and from the size and contents of the report before us much work must have been done. This volume of the acts and doings of this grand lodge is interspersed with some bright photos of the grand officers.

"Choicest Gems."

Rev. R. L. Selle of Denton, who has been attending a session of the Fort Worth University, dropped in on us to say good-bye, as he was on the eve of leaving for home. He also left on our desk his book of Choicest Gems as a souvenir of his visit.

These gems are a collection of the most choice selections from the great mines of sacred music, especially arranged by the author for the use of Sunday-schools and revival meetings.

By calling on the Rev. I. Z. T. Morris, 308 Houston street, Fort Worth, a sample copy can be had for 25 cents, or a dozen for $3. They can also be obtained by addressing the author. Rev. R. L. Selle, Denton, Tex., who will send a copy for examination to any church or Sunday-school needing a book.

English, Y'er Know.

The English press and people never fail to hold up the hands of their laborers and their industries. Listen to the Mark Lane Express:

The inordinate imports of American flour into London last week made trade slower than it would otherwise have been. At the risk of wearisome iteration it must once more be pointed out that these wholly needless orders are the chief cause of the present most serious depression in the London grain trade. Some stand against these purchases of wheat, in the form of flour, ought to be made. It is not a question of free trade or protection, but of the loss to the community of the chance of grinding the grain. Prices would not be inflated by a prohibition of wheat imports, except as wheat, but the trade would be relieved from its most embarrassing feature. Last week 95,142 foreign sacks were brought into London, against 65,708 qrs. of wheat.

Commerce and Immigration.

The statement of foreign commerce and immigration for April, 1890, by the treasury department is before us, showing an excess in the value of merchandise imported over that exported of about $24,000,000 for said month, and the excess for the previous month was even greater.

The export of gold to the United States during the month of April is shown to be over $19,000,000, which is about equal to the amount imported for the year ending April, 1892. The whole amount of gold exported from the United States for twelve months preceding May 1, 1893, was $110,000,000, being in excess of amount imported for the same period of $90,000,000.

Immigrants to the number of 75,000 arrived in this country during April, the largest number (14,380) being from Italy.

Fort Worth Packing House.

The Kansas City Indicator of the 18th has this to say of our packery:

"The Fort Worth packing house will create a home market for Texas hogs, and thus stimulate what should be a very important industry in the state. The more diversified agriculture becomes within the limits of any given locality where diversification is adopted, the better for the country."

This reminds us that the last issue of the JOURNAL should have had a notice that Col. Simpson and his staff were on the ground, carrying things right along in the way of preparing the packery plant and stock yards for a full business this fall and winter. These facilities for handling stock, in all of its phases, will be extended so as to keep abreast of all demands. Col. Simpson and his associates have not put up a half million of dollars, as a starter, intending to let it become lonesome or die with dry rot. This is but a homœpathic dose compared with what the full course of treatment will be.

The stock producers, not only of hogs—as mentioned by the Indicator—but of cattle and sheep, in Texas and vicinity, can rely upon having a market, in all that term implies, right in their midst. This last expression is deemed appropos, for the reason that the great system of railroads concentrating at Fort Worth, places her, in fact and in truth, in the midst of the great Southwest.

The Cattle Commission.

Under this heading a telegram of the 22d from this place to the Dallas News is published in the news column of this week of the JOURNAL. With no disposition to criticise these appointments, it is hardly possible to pass them by without a word of protest. The appointees are all well enough, perhaps, but it is the location from whence they come that is objected to.

The act of the legislature constituting this commission can, under no fair construction, either in letter or spirit, be made to say that two of these gentlemen could be taken from the gulf coast.

The cattle district had in mind by the gentlemen who proposed and passed this bill is as well known, not only in Texas, but by the people (in all the country adjacent thereto that are interested in the raising and shipping of cattle) as if it had been chained off and a wire fence put around it; and when they said that these three commissioners should be taken, one from the east, one from the west and one from the south of this cattle district, they are presumed to have meant, and did mean, exactly what they said. If Galveston, Corpus Christi and Midland cover the geographical points referred to in the act, then perhaps the letter of such law has been complied with; if not, then neither the letter nor the spirit of this act has been kept in view in the making up of this commission.

This legislation was had in an earnest desire to foster and protect one of the greatest industries, not only of the state, but of the nation, and its execution, so far, will scarcely meet the anticipations of those who had hoped much from its successful operation.

Superfluity of Sheep

BRECKINRIDGE, MO., May 19, 1893.
Editor Texas Live Stock and Farm Journal.

The last few weeks has demonstrated the fact that Texas is sheep sick. She has taken an emetic (not willingly) and has turned her head toward Chicago.

G. B. BOTHWELL.

The above note is from a grower of fine sheep at Breckinridge, Mo., whose card will be found in our advertising columns.

Mr. Bothwell thinks that the extraordinary output of sheep from Texas, as shown by receipts at the Chicago market for the past few weeks, is indicative of a slight nausea with the sheep men of this state in regard to this special product of theirs, and they are unloading. In this Mr. B. is in error. Texas, in the first place, is a large country, and when there are shipments from the West or Southwest she necessarily is largely in it, for the reason that she constitutes a large part of that section of the United States.

The JOURNAL is ready to admit that 20,000 sheep per day, to be shipped from one state to one market, to the small flockmasters east of us, may appear a little frisky, but you must take into consideration the many millions that make up the flocks from which this detail is made. Oh, no! The flockmasters of Texas have no abdominal irritation on the sheep question; especially when lambs are from $7 to $8.

Owing to an unaccountable penuriousness somewhere, Texas may be short in exhibits, etc, at Jackson Park, but if you will step across to the Union Stockyards, you will find her numerically a long ways in advance of any of her sisters.

Wool Growers Convention.

The JOURNAL desires to call attention, once more, to the necessity of a full meeting of the wool growers of Texas at the convention to be held at San Antonio on the 6th of June.

The president says interests are involved that cannot be neglected, and he knows.

"IT IS thought the Duke of York soon to marry, will receive an annuity of $150,000 from the public strong-box as "a starter." Royalty comes high, but the British people still harbor the absurd hallucination that they 'ave to 'ave it."—[Exchange.

The United States has an annuity that taxes her people to an amount much beyond $150,000,000, that has not only come to stay, but is increasing year after year.

The British people may have a cranky sentimentality that is expensive, but our people are in no condition to criticise them, with an immense beam crosswise in their own optics.

Error Corrected.

The following dispatch was published in the Fort Worth Gazette on the 24th inst., and on the following day the card of J. C. Loving, secretary of the Cattle Raisers' association, appeared in the same paper.

Both are here given that the error may be corrected. No doubt but the press has been imposed upon by this pretended news item:

ST. LOUIS, MO., May 23.—One of the largest cattle steals ever consummated at one time has been unearthed by the Thiel detective agency. The steal runs into thousands and two men are charged with being thieves, and are now under arrest, one having been arrested in this city and the other in Texas. The latter passed through this city last night en route to Belleville jail. A few months ago valuable cattle were mysteriously disappearing from ranches in Northern Texas and owners of cattle were at a loss to know what became of them. The stealing became so notorious that complaint after complaint began pouring into headquarters. Cattle Growers' association of Northern Texas placed the case in the hands of the Thiel agency, who sent their best men to the scene of thievery, but it was impossible to obtain a clew where the cattle were being sent. All the principal stockyards in the country were watched without success. A short time ago there arrived in this city a trainload of fine bred cattle, ten carloads in charge of two men, who had the appearance of stockmen.

They came from the West, via the Missouri Pacific railroad, and stopped in the city only long enough to have a train of ten cars switched across the river to the East St. Louis yards. At the yards they had no trouble in disposing of the cattle, selling to butchers, traders, and two carloads to Nelson, Morris & Co A few hours after the men disposed of the cattle they mysteriously disappeared, failing to collect $500 due them from Nelson, Morris & Co., but promised before departure to send for the money. After their departure it was discovered that some of the cattle sold by the two mysterious stockmen belonged to members of the association, being so branded.

The Thiel agency was notified and a hunt made for the men, and one was finally located in the city. With the aid of the Third district police, he was arrested and taken to Belleville, Ill., where he gave the name of John Hayes. His partner was John Ratcliffe. He was hunted for and not until Sunday was his capture effected. He was at once taken by officers on a train north and arrived last night. He was transferred to an out-going train bound for Belleville, where both men have been indicted.

The payment of the $500 by Nelson, Morris & Co. has been stopped.

J. C. LOVING'S LETTER.

FORT WORTH, TEX., May 24, 1893.

Editor Gazette, Fort Worth, Tex.

DEAR SIR—I see a dispatch in this morning's Gazette pretending to give an account of a certain large cattle steal detected at National stockyards, Illinois, in December last.

Said dispatch gives the Thiel detective agency the credit of working up the cases against Hayes and Ratcliff, who are now in jail at Belleville, Ill., charged as being principals in said steal, while the facts are that the Thiel detective agency had nothing whatever to do with the cases, and the dispatch does the Cattle Raisers' association of Texas a great injustice, as the cases were all worked up by the inspectors of said association without assistance from any detective agency.

Our association is not in the habit of publishing to the world or boasting publicly about what it does, but after having done good work like the above cases referred to, we seriously object to some "Jim Crow" detective agency claiming and publishing to the world that they did it.

This association has its own detectives, and when they fail to work up cases of cattle stealing it would be useless to call on any other agency to do such work. Yours very truly.

J. C. LOVING, Sec'y.

Kansas City Market Letter.

KANSAS CITY STOCK YARDS, Kansas City, Mo., May 24, 1893.

Special Correspondence.

As receipts of natives were light Monday was really a good day for Texas cattle.

Receipts of Texas and Indian cattle were 117 cars, nearly 3000, or two times as many as on any previous day of the season. About ten cars were cows and mixed. The steers were largely good to choice, yet there were enough common ones. Buyers were ready for the supply at good prices and most of the trading was early and active. At the start good quality steers were strong to higher, common to medium were about steady and all were slow with the strength lost at the close.

Fish & Keck Co. sold for J. W. and R. W. Bennett, Lonoak, Tex., 35 steers, 979 pounds, $3.90; 47 steers, 871 pounds, $3.70; J. M. Browder, St. Jo, Tex., 40 steers, 1049 pounds, $3.90; 24 steers, 1077 pounds, $3.90; W. M. Morris, Lonoak, Tex., 47 steers, 940 pounds, $3.55; Morris & Bates, Lonoak, Tex., 41 steers, 1136 pounds, $3.50; J. B. Grant, St. Jo, Tex., 75 steers, 933 pounds, $3.40; Dale & McQuig, Brenham, Tex., 55 steers. 956 pounds, $3.40; Woods & Henderson, Purcell, I. T., 53 steers, 931 pounds, $3.40, and for others 48 cows, 725 pounds, $2.50.

McCoy & Underwood sold for E. B. Johnson, Norman, I. T., 123 steers, 1135 pounds, $4.40.

Rogers & Rogers sold for Z. Davis, West, Tex., 102 steers, 1074 pounds, $4.40.

Scaling & Tamblyn sold for G. M. and J. S. Casey, Brandon, Tex., 127 steers, 1135 pounds, $4.40, H. Henges, Bellevue, Tex., 47 steers, 939 pounds, $3.55; 48 steers, 843 pounds, $3.15; for Ray & Fuller, Whitewright, Tex., 22 cows, 821 pounds, $2.90; 35 cows, 591 pounds, $2.90, and 48 heifers, 448 pounds, $2.25.

W. F. Moore & Co. sold for S. B. Jones, Higgins, Tex., 131 steers, 1126 pounds, $4.35; for J. M. Pancake, Jonesboro, Tex., 46 steers, 987 pounds, $4, and 58 steers, 887 pounds, $3.65.

Greer, Mills & Co. sold for William Warren, Terrell, I. T., 50 steers, 1078 pounds, $4.10; 24 steers, 1006 pounds, $3.80, and 25 steers, 994 pounds, $3.80.

Evans-Snyder-Buel company sold for J. E. Massey, Cole, Tex., 48 steers, 1058 pounds, $3.70; Utiger & Massey, Cole, Tex., 47 steers, 1006, $3.70, and H. L. Baden, Purcell, 54 steers, 998 pounds, $3.65.

Among other sales were 140 steers, 989 pounds, $3.70, and 24 cows, 827 pounds, $2.60.

Tuesday but 12 cars of Texas cattle were received. They were common and grass fed, of fairly good quality. The market opened active and steady, and closed 5 to 10c lower.

The Fish & Keck company sold 16 Indian Territory steers, 953 pounds, $3.85; 35 Indian Territory steers, 897 pounds, $3.70; 97 steers, 1045, $3.80, 17 Indian Territory heifers, 725 pounds, $3 00.

The O. C. Peters commission company sold 254 grass Panhandle steers, 855, $2,90. Other sales were 31 cows, 663 pounds, $2.10, and 27 mixed, 585 pounds, $2.10.

To-day there were forty-two cars in the Southern yards and 500 head of two-year-old stock heifers from the Panhandle in the native division. The quality was fair, with a great many common cattle. The market was dull and 15 to 25 cents lower than on Monday, the greater part of the decline being on the poor kinds.

Taylor, Taylor & Huston sold 83 "Rocking Chair" brand in the native division, averaging 1120, at $4.25.

C. M. Keys & Co. sold for R. M. Bourland, Terrell, Indian Territory, 42 steers, 1141, $4.20, and 21 steers, 1169, $4.20.

Scaling & Tamblyn sold 45 steers, 1126, $4; 44 steers, 1145, $4; 52 steers, 1054, $3.90; 30 steers, 1027, $3.75; 40 steers, 1039, $3.70; 95 steers, 1042, $3.65; 22 steers, 942, $3 65; 42 steers, 1045, $3.60; 26 steers, 870, $3.60; 47 grass steers, 1046, $3.15; 25 grass steers, 936, $2 65; 34 grass steers, 951, $2.65; 22 cows, 822, $3.35, and 14 cows, 727, $2 25.

Scruggs, Hall & Co. sold for Orton Love, Marietta, I. T., 125 steers, 912 pounds, at $3.65.

Evans-Snyder-Buel Co. sold for Ellison & Blanks of Ninnekah, I. T., 28 fed steers, 1133 pounds, at $3.10, and 106 steers, 958 pounds, at $3.40.

Receipts of native cattle have been liberal, aggregating 12,000 in three days. A very large proportion were steers of pretty good to choice quality; though too many unfinished cattle are coming.

Monday's market was active to strong, with a little added to prices in numbers of cases. Cows were especially strong and active.

Tuesday the run was excessive and there were a number of fine steers in the lot. Trade lacked the life of the previous day, yet sales of light steers were unusually steady, but heavy ones were weak to 10c lower, particularly at the close, which was dull. Top sales were: 16 steers, 1560 pounds, $5.35; 68 steers, 1516 pounds, $5.25, and the bulk of sales $4.50@5 05, with few sales below $4.

To-day receipts were lighter and prices were steady in most cases, with now and then a load 10 cents lower. However, the quality was much more common than yesterday. One bunch of twenty steers, 1565 pounds average, sold for $5.20 and the bulk sold between $4.40 and $5. Cows have continued comparatively scarce all the week and prices are almost unchanged as a rule. Sales have been active and the yards cleared each day. The supply of feeders was light and trade dull unchanged all the week.

The supply of hogs is increasing and is now in excess of demands. Over 3000 stale hogs were in the pens on Tuesday, when 10,400 more came. The market was dull and closed with a large lot unsold, yet prices remained steady with Monday, the bulk selling at $7.15 to $7.25, and pigs and lights at $5 to $6.50. To-day there were 15,600 on sale and there was a general tumble in prices of 15 to 20c, beginning at 10c and closing at 20c lower—tops being $7.17½ and the bulk at $6.95 to $7.10.

Receipts of sheep are much higher than last week, and the demand for good muttons is stronger. Prices are firmer, and in some instances 10 to 15c higher than the low time. To-day's sales were 19 lambs, 55 lbs, $6; 522 Texas, 81, $4.45.

World's Fair Visitors.

An intending visitor to the coming World's fair at Chicago need have no far as to the possibility of securing satisfactory accommodations at reasonable rates at either the many hotels or residences listed in a neat pamphlet entitled, "Homes for Visitors to the World's Fair," compiled at great expense and published by a trustworty Chicago firm.

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SWINE.

Bear in mind that June is the month to breed for fall pigs.

Don't be guilty of any stingy cut-back when you are measuring feed for your sows or pigs.

The first four months of a pig's life determine whether he is going to be a paying investment.

Pigs farrowed in the spring that will weigh 250 pounds in the December following must carry with them a net profit to the breeder.

Feed to make pigs grow fast. When they are grown, lose no time in getting them to market. That's the only way to make money in pork.

Fall pigs have the advantage of fine weather and though they sell for less than spring pigs, more live and do well, and the results are not so far apart after all.

Country lard is said to be in strong demand in many country towns, and cannot be had to meet the demand. It will be in demand as long as a compound is on the market labeled pure leaf lard that only contains 20 per cent of pure lard.

Never sell a sow simply because she is getting old, at least so long as she will bring good litters of thrifty, healthy pigs; as pigs from old, well-matured sows will be better in many respects than pigs from younger, less matured animals.

Any farmer who sticks to scrub pigs these days, when there is so good a supply of well bred animals to be had for breeding purposes, deserves the inevitable results of such a course. He ought not to complain because he is less successful than his neighbor.—Stockmen.

Prices in the hog market declined a little last week; more, perhaps, for the reason that buyers wanted a little rest from the exhaustion than an over-supply of hogs. Seven to eight dollars per hundred for live hogs is quite fatiguing to those unaccustomed to such violent exercise.

Total western pack of hogs the last week was 200,000 head compared with 245,000 the previous week and 285,000 the corresponding week last year. Total pack March 1 to date 1,635,000, against 1,990,000 last year. Reports of the loss of spring pigs and the general unsatisfactory litters, resulting from the unseasonable weather, considered, it looks a little bit as if hogs next May might be worth as much if not more than they are now.

Farmers who buy sugar-cured hams at the nearest grocery store, have you ever calculated what your corn would bring you if those hams were made at home. And more—somehow or other you don't always know about the quality of the sugar or "lasses" they are sweetened with? Admit it is a little trouble to prepare the meat in shape of nice hams for summer use—it is trouble that pays an astonishing interest to those who give it care.—Stockman & Marmer.

Inter Ocean: Packers bought three loads of 290 to 300-pound hogs early yesterday as high as $8, but the best heavy closed at $7.80, or $3 higher than a year ago and $2.80 higher than two years ago. July pork closed yesterday $10.90 per barrel higher than a year ago and $9.10 higher than two years ago. July lard closed $4.85 higher than a year ago and $4.60 higher than two years ago. July short ribs $3.25 higher than a year and $3 higher than two years ago. July corn the same as a year ago and 16¼c lower than two years ago.

Chicago Evening Journal: Looks like a friendly and accommodating movement of the shippers of prime heavy hogs to the eastern markets in quietly dropping out on Wednesday and leaving the market entirely at the option of the packers; last Wednesday the shippers dropped out and values went off 10@15c, when the packers went in and bought about 16,000 at the decline out of a total run of 18,000; today to movement on the part of the shippers was repeated, values went down 10@15c, packers went in and bought heavily.

Breeders Gazette: Pro ably the chief point of interest brought out by our crop and stock review in this issue is the large number of reports of unsatisfactory litters of pigs and losses resulting from the unreasonable weather. The high prices of last winter led many farmers to market many of their most salable brood sows, so that an unusual percentage of shelly old sows and young gilts were relied upon for the spring crop. This accounts for the comparative lightness of the crop of pigs, and the floods and blizzards have done the rest. That there is a suspicion of another great shortage this fall in the minds of speculators in this product is amply shown by the recent course of the market for mess pork on the Chicago board, the September delivery mounting to beyond $20. per per barrel, an advance of from $4.56 to $5 per barrel from the low point of the decline which set in after the great "bull" movement during January. It may not be wise to speculate in hogs at present values, but it seems absolutely certain that swine are to be valuable property for some months to come.

HORTICULTURE.

The tuberose is a native of the South.

Don't run too close to your heavy bearing vines with your cultivator.

The Gano is a competitor of the Ben Davis apple for commercial honors.

Don't be afraid of preparing, pulverizing and manuring your ground too much for strawberries.

Keep your poor berries at home. If you put them on the market, they will tend to make a trade-mark for you.

Prof. Bailey used a potato stock for grafting a tomato. The top crop was tomatoes and the bottom crop potatoes.

The banana tree is largely used in the state of Vera Cruz as shade for coffee trees. Even for local consumption the fruit pays handsomely.—Mexican Trader.

People easily run to extremes. From not spraying fruit trees at all, some overdo the matter by spraying the blossoms and thereby kill the bees, which insure perfect pollenization of the fruit.—Lewiston Journal.

The judicious pruner will not attempt more, than a gentle guidance in nature's own direction, and chiefly by the mere suppression at the outset of all new growth that is redundant or undesirable.—New York Tribune.

In starting an orchard do not get too many varieties. Have some of the earliest, and some of the late keeping varieties, that you may have fruit from the first week in August until the last week in June. Let your principal crop be not over four varieties.—V. P. Decoster.

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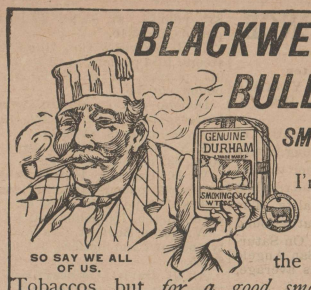

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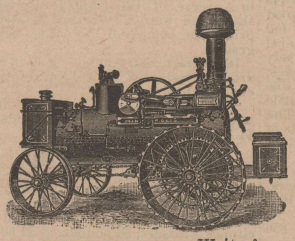

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Peach Crop in Maryland.

BALTIMORE, MD., May 21.—The reports from all parts of this state indicate an unusually heavy peach crop this summer. On the Eastern shore the trees are in excellent condition and the growers are expecting large yields. It is a curious and interesting fact that the best peaches are now grown in the mountain region of the state. Five years ago a gentleman owning farm land on the western slope of the Blue Ridge mountains tried fruit raising as an experiment. He was astonished at the result. The peaches were superb in size, color and lusciousness, and they easily brought advanced prices in the markets. The effect of his success was to stimulate the fruit-raising interests of the mountain region and the Cumberland valley. Land that was begging for a few dollars an acre jumped up to $100 and some of it now could not be had for $200.—C. Rural World.

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HOUSEHOLD DEPARTMENT

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

A MERRY HEART.

'Tis well to have a merry heart,
  However short we stay;
There's wisdom in a merry heart,
  What'er the world may say;
Philosophy may lift its head
  And find out many a flaw,
But give me the philosophy
  That's happy with a straw!

If life but brings us happiness—
  It brings us, we are told,
What's hard to buy, though rich ones try,
  With all their heaps of gold.
Then laugh away—let others say
  What'er they will of mirth;
Who laughs the most may truly boast
  He's got the wealth of earth.

There's music in a merry laugh,
  A moral beauty, too—
It shows the heart's an honest heart,
  That's paid each man his due,
And lent a share of what's to spare
  Despite of wisdom's fears;
And made the cheek less sorrow speak,
  The eye weep fewer tears.

In the absence of JOURNAL correspondence I draw, without hesitancy, on my private "fund," and give extracts from personal letters. In doing so I do not feel as though any trust or confidence was being betrayed.

An industrious breadwinner says: "Had it not been for that one gladsome encouraging letter my mother wrote me when failure and despair were staring me in the face, I never would have succeeded. Her words in that dark hour, when I was laboring so hard to attain a cherished end, the accomplishment of which meant success, while failure meant failure, were "You will succeed; persevere. Do not give up because the cloud is hovering around you."

Upon these cheering words my heart became lighter, and, it seemed to me, my brain more active. The work became easier. I said "I will, and I must." I did, and you know the rest, she adds.

"I do not believe she loves him, but then you know this is a cold, hard world, and those who lay aside all feelings of love and romance for the more solid one of filthy lucre or worldly wealth are, I believe, considered the sensible and practicable wsmen of today.

"If left to her own sweet will and better judgment, I think her heart would accompany her hand in marriage. Viewing things from my standpoint, there is little or no congeniality whatever between the two, and I do not think it possible for the culmination of it in marriage to be fraught with happiness to her."

Is it any wonder that marriage so often proves a failure? It is not likely to be otherwise when mercenary motives are the incentives.

A friend in "the bottom" says: "We are in great danger from an overflow. I shall be forced to go with the children to the hills for safety should the levee give way or be cut. Should an overflow occur now down here it means ruin and disaster to us all."

It was my mission once to pass over a great portion of the overflowed section of the sugar lands of Mississippi and Louisiana. The ruin and distress that was everywhere visible and the uncertainty and continual anxiety that those living in that section were experiencing sent a thrill of horror through me as I witnessed the utter destitution of many families who but a short while before had lived in comparative ease and luxury on their big plantations. The strain is too great even if these lands possess Golconda's wealth.

Another extract is from the pen of a sweet girl just nearing womanhood, whose mother died when she was a wee baby. "I thank you so much for your letter, and particularly so for the sweet words contained therein. None of us, you know, have our lives too full of love and affection, and I am perhaps more than ordinarily grateful for loving, kindly words."

We are all more grateful for loving words and deeds of kindness than we are for unkindness and harshness. The burden carried is lighter. Life has more sunshine and is brighter. We feel more like we had something to live for, that life is worth the living.

Paste for Scrapbook.

You keep a scrapbook, no doubt, and you will be glad to know how to make a sweet-smelling paste to fasten your treasures in your book. Try this and see if you are not well pleased with it: Dissolve in water two square inches of glue, and the same quantity of alum. Boil with flour just as if you were making flour paste and stir until very smooth. When cool stir in two teaspoonfuls of oil of lavender. This ought to make a pint of paste. It will keep as long as you care to keep it—a year, if necessary.

New York Recorder.

Cultivate your mind and manners so that you will have a refined, intellectual countenance. Think pure, sweet, gentle and generous thoughts only. Don't talk of other women's petty personal affairs, or indulge in gossip and backbiting. Think no evil of any human being, but give all people full credit for the best that is in them. Ignore entirely gossip, envy, criticism and spite. Keep your temper. Every fit of rage brings a wrinkle. Don't fret. There is nothing worth getting angry or fretting about. Do exactly as you would have them think of you. Think more about other people's goodness and less about your own. A merry disposition and a contented mind have a good deal to do with keeping one young, and beauty of expression is a gift that time cannot take away. So shall you be young and beautiful to the end; so shall all who meet you say: "What a sweet, bright-faced woman!"

Crystalizing Fruit.

Though no authority on crystalizing fruit—that is, professionally—there is a simple process for home crystalizing which I know of. The fruit is dried first. For this the finest fruit is selected. It must be very ripe and thoroughly dried, and after this "sweated." Then it is dipped in the very heaviest syrup one can make—say that used for candied fruit, which is a gill of water to a pound of sugar. I can give no exact rule for time of dipping—two or three minutes in the hot syrup. Then the fruit is dried again. This process makes a delicious article, and for this reason: The dried fruit, without sugar, retains all the fruity flavor, and the dripping process after the drying does not penetrate the fruit so as to destroy that fine, natural flavor, but merely adds to it the taste of the sugar crystals which are formed on the surface. It is unnecessary to say that the very best granulated sugar should be used. I might add that some confound crystalized fruit with sweetmeats or candied fruit. As I understand the matter the difference between them is this: For the former the fruit is dipped in the syrup after being dried, not cooked in it; while for the latter the fruit is cooked slowly and carefully in the heavy syrup, and then dried.

THINGS WORTH KNOWING.

Chili Sauce.—A most acceptable winter appetizer is made from eight quarts of ripe, red tomatoes, a pint of small white onions, a pint of small red peppers which must also be fresh, a pound of brown sugar, three pints of vinegar, half an once each of ground cloves and cinnamon, four ounce of salt and a quarter of an ounce each of ginger and mace. Peel the tomatoes by dropping into boiling water and rubbing the skin off; chop them and peel and chop the onions; chop the peppers; tie the spices in a little cheese cloth bag and boil all together for three hours. When ready to take from the fire remove the bags of spice, wet a tablespoonful each of ground white ginger and mustard and a teaspoonful of cayenne peper with a little of the sauce, stir it in and add more salt if necessary. This may be bottled in any wide-mouthed pickle bottles but it is much easier to use self-seaing pint jars with porcelain-lined tops.

A very nice sauce that can be made without boiling is as follows: Take two quarts of ripe tomatoes, two white onions, two sweet green peppers, one quart of the best cider vinegar, one cup of sugar, six teaspoonfuls of salt and four each of allspice, cloves and cinnamon. Chop tomatoes, onions and peppers fine and mix thoroughly with the other ingredients. Seal in air-tight jars, keep in a cool, dark plack, and there will be no danger of fermenting.

Tomato catsup—Peel and chop a peck of ripe tomatoes; cook until soft enough to rub through a sieve, using a porcelain-lined kettle; put through a sieve, assisting the process with a potato masher; add four tablespoonfuls each of salt and mustard, mixing the latter with a cupful of the best cider vinegar, cloves, mace, allspice and ground white pepper, two tablespoonfuls each, and one level teaspoonful of red pepper; boil these ingredients for an hour or until very thick; put up in catsup bottles, taking the precaution to heat these in water; cork and seal.

Cucumber catsup.—This is the recipe used at the New York cooking school: Peel twelve fine large cucumbers and chop very fine; add an equal measure of finely chopped onions; four large green peppers, first removing the seeds; four shallots and a bulb of garlic; grate a medium sized root of horse radish; cover all these with cold vinegar and boil in a porcelain-lined kettle until thick. The seasonings required are half a cupful of salt, a tablespoonful each of cloves, allspice, mace and cinnamon and red pepper to taste. Mix thoroughly with the rest of the ingredients before boiling.

At the Philadelphia cooking school a cucumber catsup is made without cooking. Pare large cucumbers, remove the seeds and grate them. To every pint of the pulp add half a pint of vinegar, a tablespoonful of grated horse-radish, a teaspoonful of salt and one-fourth as much cayenne. Drain the grated cucumber thoroughly before adding the spices, mix well and seal.

Tomato Soup—Take one can or a like quantity of fresh tomatoes and put them to boil in the soup pot. Add one pint of water after the tomatoes have cooked for half an hour, and be sure not to let the liquid burn. Strain them, then add butter the size of a hen's egg, salt and pepper to taste and one quart of milk. When this comes to a boil add a teaspoonful of soda and a very little thickening of flour.

Wool Growers Convention.

RICE, TEX., May 8, 1893.

To the Wool Growers of Texas:

I have called a meeting of the Wool Growers' association to meet in San Antonio the first Tuesday in June.

All who wish to keep up the Wool Growers' association or reorganize the same and attend the meetings will please drop me a card to that effect by the first mail.

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Joe Thayer, who developed the Village Farm colt, Americus, and drove him a mile in 2:15½ as a two-year-old, has a two-year-old in his stable this year that he thinks is faster than Americus was.

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SHEEP AND WOOL.

Feed your lambs.

Sheep are great salt eaters.

Wheat can often be fed to sheep to advantage.

Castrate your ram lambs if you intend to send them to market.

Full blood Merino lambs weigh more and fatten faster than the mongrels.

Keep your ewes strong and vigorous if you want healthy, large lambs.

Tag all sheep that are on new grass. By so doing you will keep them clean and avoid fly-blow.

The sheep business is a good one, but no beginner should expect to make a fortune in it the first year or two.

Yes, certainly, there is no better country under the sun for sheep than the state of Texas. Come right along with your flocks.

Put pine tar on the sheep's noses if you see them running with head near the ground and stamping. The fly that produces grubs in the head is about.

By increasing the density of the growth of wool the profit will be enlarged. The length should rarely be increased to a point so that the fleece will be open.

Nebraska clipped sheep were sold recently in the Chicago market for $5. This is not a very bad price for sheep with the fleece removed. We have sold for less with the wool on.

Wool buyers have no money to pay for dirt, and they dock heavily—in price—every dirty fleece; and they, naturally enough, give themselves the benefit of all doubts when docking. Put up a clean, honest fleece.

Those who are going to plant rape seed this spring for sheep must not forget the unfortunate mistake of last year whereby bushels of bird seed were sown in the West by farmers who thought they were raising the other kind to feed their sheep on. Be sure you get the right kind this year. The seed cannot be sown in most parts of the country before the middle of June.

Secretary Carlisle has issued a circular directing that no animal which is brought into the United States from foreign countries for breeding purposes shall be admitted free, unless the importer furnishes certificate of its record and pedigree in the prescribed form, together with affidavit that the animal is identical with the animal described in the pedigree. This forbids the importation of sheep in flocks as has been heretofore practiced, and will force breeders to record sheep individually instead of in flocks.

Northwestern Live Stock Journal, Cheyenne, May 5th: "The heavy losses to sheep owners in consequence of the cold snow storm of last week is directly chargeable to the haste of flock-masters in beginning the work of shearing. There is no economy and much less humanity in denuding the dumb brutes before the warmth of the summer's sun comes, and while we are sorry for the loss sustained, the people of the whole land will condemn the methods of our wool growers and manifest little sympathy for their misfortunes under present management."

America is not the only country that has a large supply of sheep this year, if those who have traveled in England are to be relied on. They say that the American mutton does not compare favorably with English mutton and that American sheep go begging in European markets when the supply of native mutton is large enough. Tricky, underhanded dealers, therefore, buy the American article, which is cheaper, and resort to an unscrupulous practice. The hoof of the English sheep is much larger than the hoof of our sheep, and the tricky dealer pins the hoofs of the natives to the legs of American sheep and hangs the carcasses in a conspicuous place. From this standpoint the supply of English mutton this year is very large, because the supply of American mutton is the largest on record.

Value of Sheep.

Sheep have other compensations than a direct one of money than other domestic animals do not. As a means of eliminating weeds, bushes and briars they are of inestimable value. As fertilizers of soils, no other animals can compare with them. A 100-pound sheep, well fed and watered, drops five pounds of manure every twenty-four hours.—Galen Wilson.

Wool.

The American Wool and Cotton Reporter in its last weekly review of the New York wool market says:

The dealer is between the devil and the deep sea—he looks at prices which are being paid in the interior, then at the situation here, and is puzzled as to what to do. He is certain of course, that if he can get a fine spring Texan that he can sell at once, or within the next few weeks, on a basis of 50 to 52c, he is safe, but what he may be able to do if he carries the wool until fall is what he does not know. It is a trying season to him, but it is dollars to cents that he will go in and buy in his usual way, or mighty close to it. That is about what he is doing now, or what some are doing. Texas market has not got under way as yet, but enough has been done to indicate what is probable, and that is that the market will open somewhere near to last season's prices.

Wool-Eating Sheep.

When sheep eat their wool it indicates either that they are suffering from digestion and an abnormal appetite, as cows are at times when they eat wool, or that they are suffering from some irritation of the skin which compels them to bite themselves and thus pull off the wool. Marsh hay alone is such poor food for sheep that they may be reasonably excused if they do try to improve their rations by adding even a mouthful of wool, dry as it is, to the poor feeding. It is quite probable, too, that these sheep are pestered by ticks, which are a great toment to them, burying their heads in the flesh and sucking the blood. The remedy is to give the sheep better food, as some grain, oats being the best, and if possible roots of some kind, as with the marsh hay alone sheep cannot be kept in healthful condition. The sheep should be examined to discover if they are troubled with ticks, and if so they should be freed from the pests immediately.—Southern Farmer.

Roses.

Roses are heavy feeders and cannot have fertilizers too rich. Cow manure is the best if mixed with rotted sods, but is not objectionable if applied pure and mixed well with the soil around the bushes. Manure them very liberally and cut out all the old wood; cut back the bearing wood, and the bloom will be larger and sweeter. There are a few old stand-by roses that are very fine and should cheer every home. They require little care. Plant them and enjoy their bloom. It requires no great variety to make a magnificent show. They can be grown in hedges, large clumps, bowers, skirting fences, and covering low walls and buildings with good effect, as well as singly on the lawn or in the family garden. Plant a few hardy roses and take care of them.

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Kite tracks are losing their grip on public taste, and very few will be built this year.

Trotting horse drivers, whose stables are outside the fair grounds at Lexington, are charged $150 per year for the use of the track.

Tusk, a pioneer mule, who crossed the plains during the civil war, died at Carrollton, Mo., a few days since, aged thirty-four years.

Ninety-one stallions have sired 2:15 trotting speed, and of these there are sixteen that have two or more 2:15 trotters to their credit.

Fable—The horse being engaged in combat, sought out man as an ally, who, once seated on the horse's back, has remained there ever since.—[Horace.

The high class horse of size, style and beauty is the only product of the farm that the farmer can put his own price on, because this class are so scarce, and the fairly good to common horse is the cheapest product of the farm because of the enormous overproduction; then which class will you raise?—Exchange.

The New England farmer cannot begin to compete with his western brother in producing draft horses, and of the best class, for the reason that the West has superior as well as far cheaper grasses, and also far cheaper grains. These are the raw material and manufactured even in stock concentrates at a point where the raw materials are cheapest and other things equal The principles themselves are sound beyond question; and our readers who take his advice and stop breeding until they know the kind of horses it is possible for them to breed at a profit, will not go far wrong.—[Indicator.

Horses' Teeth.

Between 2 and 3 years old our colt begins to change his teeth. The middle pair of front teeth are pushed out by the front teeth which take their place, and the same process is taking place far back in his mouth among the molar teeth. From this time until the horse is 5 years old these changes of teeth are taking place at short intervals, and we may consider what steps may be taken if any cause interferes with the natural process. Occasionally a milk tooth, instead of dropping out at the proper time, becomes entangled between the two neighboring teeth and causes a great deal of annoyance to the poor colt. This is shown by an unusual amount of slobbering, and the colt eats very little, and in bad cases he spits out his food after partly chewing it.

Occasionally the breath has a bad smell, and there may be swelling of the tongue or cheeks. These symptoms are common to any disease of the teeth or injury to the back part of the tongue or jaws, and should lead to an immediate examination of the mouth, and if necessary a visit to the veterinary surgeon. I have seen many young and old horses reduced almost to living skeletons by diseases of the teeth that were cured by proper means, and no doubt many such cases perish through the ignorance of their owners as to the cause of their malady.—Northwest Farmer.

A Horse Story.

"A friend of mine, who is now a stud groom in Leicestershire," says a writer in an English publication, "was sent when a boy to Ireland with a horse, called Oakstick, for Punchestown races. The night before the race the lad was to sleep in the loose box of the stable with his horse, which was tied up. The boy had brought a bushel of oats from England with him, anu he fetched in a pail of water overnight for use in the morning. Being very tired, he lay down on a sack for a nap, and he was soon fast asleep.

The horse managed to slip his headstall, and, being awake, and loose, and with nothing to do, occupied his time in eating almost all the oats, and in drinking the whole of the water. When the lad awoke at 4 a. m., Oakstick was swelled out like a beer-barrel. The boy was in a sad way when he found out what had happened, and did not know what to do. But he took the horse out, and walked him about gently for two or three hours. Then, as the people were coming about, he brought the horse into the stable, and put a muzzle on him.

He was afraid to tell the trainer what had happened. And, at 2 p m., the horse was taken to the saddling paddock. The flag fell, and Oakstick sailed away, never running better in his life, and won the race (a four-mile steeplechase) in a common canter, against sixteen others. Neither that lad nor I have ever, since that day, sent out our horses, hungry, for a hard job." This extract is taken from "The Management of the Horse in the Stable, and on the Bord. By a Studgroom."

The book is dedicated to Lady Louisa Moncrieff, and was issued in 1882 by the London Literay society, 377 Strand. It has a motto, a Spanish proverb, which, translated, runs thus: The man that knows, and knows that he knows, leads a happy life; the man that does not know, and knows he does not know, gets on almost as well; but the man that does not know, and cannot find out that he does not know, is wretched indeed." That stud-groom knew something besides the lore of the stable.

Matches made 1829.

CATTLE.

Don't all ship at the same time.

Don't ship something that nobody wants.

The sellers and buyers are bound to get together, because the market basket says so.

A syndicate from North Dakota and Minnesota is reported to be arranging to put 10,000 steers on the choice range near the mouth of the Little Missouri river.

The sequence of a full pen is a flush pocket. Just think of such a hand! And yet the cattlemen are holding them right along. No wonder they "won't go home till morning."

The stockmen of the Black Hills region commenced their annual round-up on the 15th, at the mouth of the Belle Fourche river. They are confident the stock will be found in first-class condition, and the loss during the winter very small.

Monday's Chicago Drovers' Journal: H. S. Manville, manager of the Converse Cattle company, was here with a lot of range-bred Hereford steers which attracted considerable attention and demonstrated again that good breeding and good feeding pay by selling at the highest price of the day. There were 36 head which averaged 1687 lbs at $6.45 head; 1519 lbs, at $5.90; 44 averaging 1420 lbs and 13 averaging 1576 lbs at $5.40. They were corn-fed at Tilden, Neb., and were about as good as beef cattle need be.

Denver Field and Farm: Secretary H. H. Metcalf of the Colorado cattle growers' association says the business of raising cattle on the plains can now count profits for the first time since 1874, when the big slump set it in on the heels of the heavy transfers of English, Scotch and Eastern companies. The rapid development of the business of the years immediately following 1884 kept prices down. At this time there is an actual scarcity in all the markets. The supply in Colorado is very limited and no fresh cattle to amount to anything have been brought in. Those in search of stockers will come in contact with the increased price of that class of cattle, to which are now selling at from 85 cents to $1.00 per 100 pounds in excess of last year's rates with a rising tendency.

The increasing demand for good beef in all the markets of the world and the diminishing supply in all the cattle breeding states is becoming more apparent and prices for high grade beef cattle are improving and must materially improve upon same basis as the high prices for hogs last winter. But who has any fine high grades ready for for market? Those who had no faith in cattle sold out close and quit breeding or at least were so discouraged that they quit improving and were content with raising common stock to eat up the surplus feed of the farm. Now notice the difference in price: Already high grades command $6 per hundred, or $75 to $100 for these early maturing grades, with an active demand, while the common stock are selling by the thousands for $3 and they are either ligher or a year older and sell for $30 to $50—half the price of good grades. —Stock Journal.

Lord and Lady Aberdeen of Haddo House, Aberdeenshire, Scotland, are now in Chicago and are taking a deep personal interest in the exhibition. While his lordship is the owner of a good herd of Aberdeen-Angus cattle he will not be an exhibitor. The countess has been the active promoter of the interesting special exhibit known as the Irish village, illustrating the industries of the peasantry of the Emeral Isle; and her bevy of dairymaids are said to have "scored" their first hit on Monday. Just as the president was leaving the grounds his private car was boarded by the girls under the guidance of the Scottish patroness, and after rendering a tuneful melody reminiscent of "the old sod" were rewarded by receiving the personal thanks of the president. They had expected a call from his excellency during the day, but as "the mountain did not come to Mahomet" they decided to seek the chief executive on their own account, which they did with the result above noted. —Breeder's Gazette.

The cattle business appears to be in a healthy condition all around, as they go on marrying and giving in marriage in cattle and beef producing circles. The following announcement is copied from the Daily Drovers' Telegram of 17th inst., Kansas City:

This evening at 7:30 o'clock Mr. J. D. Cox and Miss Minnie Tower will be united in marriage at the residence of the bride's parents, 2420 Peery avenue. Mr. Cox is well known at the yards, and has been connected with P. D. Armour for several years. Miss Tower is the eldest daughter of H. B. Tower, head cattle buyer for the Armour packing company. The ceremonies will be performed by Rev. J. Z. Armstrong of the Independence avenue Methodist Episcopal church. Many good wishes accompany the newly married couple. After a brief visit with friends at Chase, Kan., they will be at home at 2420 Peery avenue.

Monday's Omaha Stockman said: L. L. Folsom, a ranch man of California, and also engaged in the livestock commission business, was at the yards en route East. In speaking of the cattle industry of the coast district, he stated that heretofore the raising of cattle had been greatly hampered because of the lack of a good market, and the producer was at the mercy of local butchers, who bought in small lots, and only when they needed for immediate slaughter. This defect has been partly remedied lately by the establishment of yards and abbatoirs at San Francisco. The number of cattle, however far exceeded the local demand, hence stock raisers are looking to the east for an outlet for their product. Hog raising is in its infancy out there and it is a question as yet whether they can qe raised profitably, owing to the lack of food, as corn is almost unknown in the section. Experiments in feeding alfalfa, grain, etc., to the hogs are continually under way, and if anything is found that will produce solid fat, hog raising will prove quite an industry. Alfalfa is used almost exclusively in cattle feeding and some of the cattle appear on the market in good flesh.

The matter of permitting such a breeder's exhibit as that proposed by Col. Moberley has been broached informally to the authorities and appears to meet with some favor. The plan, it will be remembered, was that a number of breeders should contribute entry fees to a sort of "jack-pot," and join in a competition for a given number of cattle bred by the exhibitor. If there be any objection to this scheme on the part of the authorities it will likely be the confining of entries for this special to those who contribute to the prize money. The fundamental rule of the exposition is that no entry fees shall be charged, and objection would likely be made to a special of this kind to which entry could only be made by the payment of a large fee. If a special purse is made up by exhibitors for such a breeders' competition and is left open to all who may wish to enter, it is probable that arrangements could readily enough be made with the authorities to recognize it and provide for its adjudication. This would in reality amount merely to a matter of form, for it is hardly to be expected that any breeder would enter such a competition unless he had contributed his share to the prize. We are advised by Messrs. J. H. Potts & Son, the well known shorthorn breeders of Jacksonville, Ill., that they are willing to enter such a competition on the terms proposed by Messrs. Moberley, Van Natta, Brown and others.—Breeders' Gazette.

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A common remedy is to rub them with the leaves of the stonecrop or the inside part of bean pods, the mild astringent slowly wearing away the tissue without the bleeding which is sure to follow removal by the knife. If there is a thin neck the wart may be killed by tying a strong, fine thread around it to strangle it, when it will drop off in time by the death of the counecting neck.

Or some corrosive substance, as a solution of sulphate of copper or chloride of iron, may be applied to the warts to eat them away, and when they are removed to close the connecting blood vessels and thus prevent a new growth, which always occurs unless this precaution is taken.

The primary cause of these excrescences is some unhealthful condition of the system, so that to remove this by proper treatment is a part of any effective remedy. Generally poorly fed animals are most subject to this disease. Consequently, it is not good business to buy such animals for feeding for profit. —Southern Farmer.

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MARKET REPORTS.

BY WIRE.

ST. LOUIS.

ST. LOUIS, MO., May 25.—Cattle—Receipts, 2400; market strong for native Texans and Indians, 10c higher; good fed Texas steers, $4 25.

Hogs—Receipts, 5900, market 20c lower; choice heavy, $7.25; bulk of sales at $6.90 to $7.10.

Sheep—Receipts, 3000; market lower; natives, $4.50@5.15; Texans, $3.50@4.35.

TEXAS STOCK.

UNION STOCK YARDS, CHICAGO, ILL., May 25, 1893.

Special to the Journal.

Receipts—Texas cattle Wednesday, 4902 head; to-day, 900; first four days, 8900, against 9124 same time last week. Wednesday's cattle sold 10 to 20 cents lower, but recovered to-day, prices being nearly as good as the best of the season. Wednesday 635 to 847-pound cows sold at $2.25@3.25; grass steers, 700 to 940 pounds, $2.90@3.60; fed steers, $3.70@4.30. Offerings to-day very light and generally poor. Bulls sold at $2.75, cows at $2.65, and a few steers, 768@973 pounds, sold at $3.50@4.00.

A string of 87-pound Texas sheep sold at $4.60 yesterday, against $5.05 Tuesday. On May 2 some of the same sheep sold at $5.50. Texas wethers at $4.45@4.50; 518 Texas ewes, 82 pounds, $4.30; wooled Texas lambs, 80 pounds, $6.25 per 100.

KANSAS CITY.

KANSAS CITY, MO., May 25.—Cattle—Receipts, 1700; market steady to strong; range steers. $2.65@4.40; shipping steers, $4.50@5.60; native cows, $1.80@4.25; butchers stock, $3.55@4.65; stockers and feeders, $3.55@4.50; bulls and mixed, $2.60@3.95.

Hogs—Receipts, 5900. Market weak, 10 to 20 cents lower. Average price about 7 cents.

Sheep—Receipts, 1400. Market, weak. Natives, $3.25@4.90; lambs, $4.20@5.85.

TEXAS CATTLE.

STOCKYARDS, KANSAS CITY, MO., May 25, 1893.

Special to Live Stock and Farm Journal.

Texas steers—20 cars, 6 cars cows. Market, early active, and 10c higher. Sales—40 steers, 1119 lbs, $4; 24 steers, 1065 lbs, $3.85; 21 steers, 961 lbs, $3.55; 30 steers, 1135 lbs, $4: 53 steers, 1195 lbs, $3.80; 17 steers, 928 lbs, $3.25; 23 cows, 1068 lbs, $3.35; 11 cows, 849 lbs, $2.30; 8 cows, 842 lbs $3.30; 89 canners, 728 lbs, $2.25; 51 calves, $5.50 each.

CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, ILL., May 25.—Cattle—Receipts, 12,000; market active, steady to stronger; choice steers, $5.80; no extra steers here; medium, $5.25@5.60; others, $4.25@4.95; Texans, $3.90@4.00; cows, $4.55@4.65.

Hogs—Receipts, 29,000; market slow, 20 to 40c lower; average about $7.15.

Sheep—Receipts, 12,000; market lower; clipped Texas stockers, $3.25@3.75; ewes, $4.00@6.30; wethers, $4.40@4.85; lambs, $5.50@7.40.

TEXAS CATTLE.

NATIONAL STOCK YARDS, EAST ST. LOUIS, ILL., May 25.

Special to Live Stock and Farm Journal.

Cattle—Receipts, 70 cars. Market 10c higher, closing strong.

A. A. Laral, Wills Point, sold 19 steers, 1156 pounds, at $4.25; 14 steers, 1103 pounds, $4.25; 14 steers, 980 pounds, $3.85.

M. A. Withers, Lockport, 29 steers, 1180 pounds, at $3.85.

Reddles Bros., Alvarado, 200 steers, 913 pounds, at $3.50.

E. O. Jones, Wills Point, 51 steers, 790 pounds, at $3.35; 22 steers, 955 pounds, $3.50.

S. N. Donaho, Marlin, 68 steers, 895 pounds, at $3.25.

Taylor Bros., Lockport, 78 steers, 790 pounds, at $3.

W. H. Jennings & Co., Pearsall, 15 steers, 840 pounds, at $3; 251 steers, 890 pounds, $3.25.

Stiff & Shain, McKinney, 26 steers, 980 pounds, at $3.50.

Mrs. Borke, Cotulla, 99 head, 880 pounds, at $2.75.

Sheep—Market 10 lower.

Receipts all fair muttons.

A. B. Robertson, 514 head at $4.30.

Newton Bros., San Angelo, 519 head at $4.30; 250 head at $4.35.

Chicago Market Letter.

Special Correspondence.

CHICAGO, ILL., May 23.—Last week's receipts of cattle were the smallest in a long time. Of the 44,361 cattle received 10,000 were from Texas, against 18,054 the previous week and 4311 a year ago.

About three-fourths of last week's Texas cattle run came the first half of the week, and that is why the market rallied.

This week opened with the cattle pens as clean as a $1000 bill or the pages of a really good public library book. There was less uneasiness in financial circles, and the cattle market danced upward in a way that made salesmen and owners again feel that life was worth living.

Monday the supply of Texas cattle was very meagre. Sales of grass steers were at $3.10@3.35, with partly fed 887@988 pound steers at $3.60@4.15.

To-day there were about 1500 Texans here. Some salesmen thought the market was 60@85c above the low time, or about as good as at any time this year. Others contended that prices were not within 15@20c of the top notch, especially on the good fed steers. Among the sales were 828-pound steers, $3.90; 981-pound steers, $4.50; 860-pound steers, $3.60; 1060-pound steers, $4.40; 790 pound grassers, $3.10, and a lot of 420 head averaging 868 pounds, which the salesman said were not so good as some he sold last week at $3.25, sold at $3.60; 1038 stags and bulls at $2.80; plain 1010-pound steers at $4.15, with a lot of 776 pound bulls at $2.25.

Dealers generally shared the fear that the late sharp reaction would cause excessive receipts and another sudden down turn. The demand is in good condition and there are no more cattle than will be wanted at good prices, but shippers should remember that the trade is in a somewht uncertain condition, owing to the havoc the professional bears have been trying to create in the money market.

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Distillery cattle, 1000 and 1400pounds, $4.75@5.40; the latter the highest of the year.

Hogs, $7@7.90; pigs, $4.25@7.

Texas sheep sales Monday included 70 to 77 lbs culls at $3.50@3.75; fair to good 75 to 87 lbs shorn sheep, $4.00@4.70, with 3000 head at the latter price and 1010 head of 93 lbs shorn wethers sold at $5.

To-day Garrett & Fusch were the owners and shippers of 868 Texas wooled lambs, averaging 79 lbs, which sold at $6 per 100 lbs, or $4.74 per head gross. A lot of 1167 78 lb Texas ewes sold at $4.25 per 100 lbs; 1600 87 lb wethers sold at $5.05. Other sales of Texas sheep were: 999 head, 84 lbs, $4.50; 809 head, 87 lbs, $4.87½, and quite a string of 80 to 87 lb wethers at $4.60 @4.90 per 100 lbs.

Texas sheep, although still coming quite frequently, have not been coming at such a reckless rate as ten days ago, and are about 25@40c per 100 pounds higher than a week ago.

The general sheep market is strong. Some 80-pound fed Colorados sold at $5.20, with 247 head of fancy 79-pound shorn Nebraska lambs at $6.30, and a load of 120-pound shorn yearlings at $5.65.

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New Orleans Market Report.

[Reported by Albert Montgomery, Live Stock Commission Merchant, Stock Landing.]

NEW ORLEANS, LA., May 22.—The run of beef cattle, calves and yearlings has been liberal. At the close there is a fair supply left over and with values weak. Trading is confined mostly to the best selections, poor stock being hard to sell.

Hogs dull.

Good fat sheep in fair demand.

	Receipts.	Sales.	On Hand.
Beef cattle	1434	1319	286
Calves and Yearlings	2012	1957	419
Hogs	994	848	313
Sheep	....	....	....

Texas and Western Cattle—Good fat fed beeves, 3¼@4c; good, fat grass beeves, per lb. gross, 3½@3¾c; common to fair beeves, 2@3c; good fat cows, per lb. gross, 3@3½; common to fair cows, per head, $10@15; good fat calves, per head, $7.50@9; common to fair calves, per head, $5@7; good fat yearlings, per head, $9@11; common to fair yearlings, per head, $6@8.

Cows—Good milch cows, $30@35; common to fair, $15.00@25; attractive springers, $17.50@25.

Hogs—Good fat corn-fed per lb gross, 6½@7c; common to fair per lb gross, 5@6c.

Sheep—Good fat sheep, per lb, gross, 4½@4¾c; common to fair, per head, $1.25@2.25.

Think of the poor chickens and turkeys when the scorching hot weather comes. If you have no peach or plum trees or trees of any kind to shade them, plant sunflower seeds and castor bean seeds where the broad leaves will keep the sun off the poultry.

CORRESPONDENCE.

St. Louis Market Letter.

ST. LOUIS NATIONAL STOCK YARDS, May 23, 1893.

Special Correspondence.

The market for Southern cattle at the close of last week was strong, active and fully 20 to 25 cents higher than at the opening of the week. The receipts were light and of inferior quality. The demand was good, and all cattle found ready sale at the advance. On Saturday Murray Bros. & Co. of San Angelo had in 345 steers, 820 pounds average, which sold at $2.90.

At the opening of this week the market continued strong and was 10 to 20 cents higher than on Saturday. The receipts only amounted to thirty-seven cars and nothing specially good was on sale, the receipts principally being Western Texas cattle of fair to medium good quality.

Sales included: For J. V. Huntsberry, Kyle, 20 fed steers and oxen, 1198 pounds, at $4.10; 24 head, 987 pounds, at $3.95, and 21 steers, 994 pounds, at $3.95.

For S. E. Allen, Harrisburg, 23 bulls, 835 pounds, at $2.

H. E. Ritchie, Pearsall, 23 steers, 1083 pounds, at $3.30; 24 steers, 912 pounds, at $3.30; 20 steers, 1163 pounds, at $3.75; 34 cows, 591 pounds, at $2.15, and 28 cows, 736 pounds, at $2.65.

J. M. McFadden, Aloe, 82 calves, at $7.75 per head.

H. A. Cox, Moore, 21 head of mixed cattle, 738 pounds, at $2.

Burns Bros., Wylie, 33 fed cows and heifers, 709 pounds, at $3.10.

R. H. McCormack, 29 fed cows, 801 pounds, at $3.15, and 27 fed cows, 762 pounds, at $3.15.

E. B. Rutledge, Encinal, 30 cows and heifers at $2.30.

To-day the receipts amounted to 149 cars, and included some fair to good fed steers and cows, some common fed cattle and some grassers and several cars of calves. The market was steady to strong on all the desirable grades, and this class of cattle were soon disposed of, but the common fed cattle and grassers were a little dull. The bulk of the offerings were sold at about steady prices as compared with Monday.

Among the sales were:

Dink Chisholm, Terrell, 19 fed steers, 1262 pounds, at $4.50; 41 fed steers, 1056 pounds, at $4.35.

J. B. Brothers, Kossee, 15 cows, 656 pounds, at $2.50.

C. J. Fogleman, Kemp, 18 fed cows, 715 pounds, at $3.35; 21 steers, 966 pounds, at $3.50; 21 steers, 851 pounds, at $3.50.

Hargrove & Lackey, Sulphur Springs, 24 cows, 765 pounds, at $2.85; 53 steers, 913 pounds, at $3.75.

C. C. and C. W. Kelly, Wolf City, 89 cows and heifers, 761 pounds, at $3.25.

Riddle Bros., Alvarado, 24 steers, 903 pounds, at $3.60.

Rogers & Inscho, Florence, 154 steers, 834 pounds, at $3.30.

Cushenbary & Fields. San Angelo, 110 steers, 767 pounds, at $2.60.

K. D. Orr, Terrell, 25 steers, 872 pounds, at $4.00; 18 steers, 847 pounds, at $3.85.

J. H. Williams, Weston, 56 calves at $8.50 per head; 26 steers, 768 pounds, at $2.60; 14 yearlings, 401 pounds, at $2.75.

George Houston, Gonzales, 14 steers, 661 pounds, at $3.

Dawson & Hargrove, Mount Vernon, 28 heifers, 847 pounds, at $3.60; 27 cows, 880 pounds, at $3.50; 21 steers, 993 pounds, at $3.60, and 58 heifers, 765 pounds, at $3.50.

I. D. Houston, Gonzales, 158 steers, 834 pounds, at $3.

T. A. Sawyer, Gatesville, 17 cows, 791 pounds, at $2.40; 32 cows, 747 pounds, at $2.30.

E. P. Wilmot, Austin, 220 steers, 990 pounds, at $3.50.

W. D. Miller, Gatesville, 24 steers, 790 pounds, at $3.20.

Mills & Street, Gatesville, 40 steers, 837 pounds, at $3.40; 25 steers, 796 pounds, at $3.15.

T. R. Brown & Co., Gainesville, 66 steers, 1014 pounds, at $3.75; 24 heifers, 917 pounds, at $3.75; 22 steers, 1036 pounds, at $4.

Donoho & Co., Marlin, twenty-two heifers, 478 pounds, at $2 30; thirty-two cows, 680 pounds, at $2.35.

S. N. Donoho, Marlin, twenty-three cows, 632 pounds, at $2.40.

W. D. Holman, Hutto, twenty-four steers, 945 pounds, at $3.90; twenty-two steers, 1026 pounds, at $4.10; twenty-seven mixed, 786 pounds. at $3.40.

Wright & Burnett, Grapevine, thirty-one cows and heifers, 642 pounds, at $2.65.

A. J. Davis, Gainesville, twenty-three stags, 1038 pounds, at $3.

J. K. Berry, Gainesville, twenty-six steers, 850 pounds, at $3.40.

L. L. Baldridge & Bro., Gonzales, 766 pounds, at $2.90.

D. C. Ragsdale, Kyle, eighteen steers, 1193 pounds, at $3.60.

Hogs continue to keep up and are now about 20 cents higher than at this time last week. A good demand prevails for all good, fat, corn-fed hogs, and this class have no trouble in finding ready sale, but for pigs, common light mixed, rough hogs and inferior grades of all kind, the market is slow and dull, and in fact they are not wanted at all, and only find sale after the good hogs are all gone.

Winfield Scott of Blackstone, I. T., had in on Monday several cars, including 281 packers, 255 pounds average, at $7.45.

Closing quotations to-day are: Butchers' and best heavy packers, $7.60@7.70; common to fair packers, $7.20@7.50; good yorkers, $7.40@7.50; fine light butchers', at $7.55@7.60; pigs, culls and common truck at $5@6.50, and fair to medium mixed grades at $6.65@7.15.

The sheep market is in a better condition than last week, and the demand for good, fat muttons is good, and far in excess of the supply. Common sheep are wanted, but not at strong prices as compared to the better grades.

Isaac Hart, San Angelo, sold on Saturday of last week 1512 clipped grassers, 81 pounds, at $4.

Yesterday J. R. Lewis, Sweetwater, sold 795 clipped grassers, 79 pounds, at $4.12½.

P. H. Wentworth, San Angelo, 236 clipped grassers, 83 pounds, at $4.12½.

A. J. Saunders, San Antonio, 250 stockers, 79 pounds, at $3.25, and 240 stockers, 64 pounds, at $2.75.

To-day J. T. Cooper, Talpa, sold 649 clipped grassers, 86 pounds, at $4.60.

E. S. MCINTYRE.

Godair, Harding & Co.'s Weekly Letter.

UNION STOCK YARDS, CHICAGO, ILL., May 23.

Special Correspondence.

The decided falling off in the receipts of Texas cattle during the latter part of last week imparted much activity to the trade and raised the market out of the slump which characterized it the early part of the week. The buoyancy in the trade for the past few days was sufficient to add 40 or 50 cents to prices current the middle of last week. Notwithstanding this sharp advance, values are still 25 cents below the best prices of the season.

It is well to make note of the fact that the cattle market does not rest at present on a very secure foundation. The unsettled financial condition of affairs and the prospective heavy runs of contract cattle, especially distillery steers, are two factors which are likely to effect values. The market for Texas cattle, however, depends largely upon supplies.

It is the opinion of most dealers that there will be no disastrous break in prices for Texas cattle for the next few weeks. Receipts for the past week were 10,436 head, against 12,054 the previous week and 4311 for the same period last year. In the past few days receipts have been very light. Good to choice fed steers have sold at $4@4.50; poor to fair, $3.75@4; grassers, $3@3.75; cows, bulls and yearlings, $2.25@3.50. A year ago prices for Texas cattle were mainly at $3@3.75, or about 50c below present figures.

Sheep—The general supply of sheep for the past week showed a decrease of about 4000 with the previous week, but the shortage in Texas will be about ten to fifteen thousand head. This fact has sharpened the tone of the market for Texas sheep and occasioned an advance of about 25 cents during the week. If Texas sheep could be marketed in reasonable numbers supplies could be gotten rid of at satisfactory prices.

This week starts out with very liberal runs from Texas, but so far the market has shown no important change. We have sold during the week a good many desirable wethers at $4.50@4.70, with a secondary class at $4.00@4.40. The demand for good feeders is fairly, but buyers don't care to pay more than $3.50@3.60. Inferior sheep are salable at $2.50@3.00. Unless supplies keep down the prospect for a better turn in the market is not encouraging. Very respectfully,

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PERSONAL.

B. P. Hervey, manager C. O. Hervey & Co., stationers and printers, has just returned from a purchasing trip to New York.

J. E. Barrett & Son, real estate dealers of Mount Vernon, Iowa, have a card in this issue. Look it up and write them.

P. C. Wellborn, the breeder of Holstein cattle and Duroc-Jersey hogs of Handley, this county, has recently sold to Claude Ayers of Clarendon two sows and one boar, all pure bred Duroc-Jerseys. Mr. Ayers, like every one else who has bought stock of Mr. Wellborn, is well pleased and speaks in the highest terms of the honest, upright manner in which Mr. Wellborn conducts his business.

Mr. S. W. Knight has two fine stallions in training under Kenny Pybas on the old race track, and reports rapid improvement in both. They will be entered in the fall circuit. Joe Allen, by Anthurton, dam by Pilot Membrano, is now four years old; the other, a pacer, Hal Harding, is three years old, and carries three-fourths Hal Pointer blood. They are both fine animals, and the owner expects a good record from them. Mr. Knight is devoting much attention to raising jacks, and has recently sold a car load at first-class prices ranging from $500 to $1000.

A Chance to Make Money.

I have berries, grapes and peaches, a year old, fresh as when picked. I use "Hood's improved process;" do not heat or seal the fruit, just put it up cold. Keeps perfectly fresh and costs almost nothing; can put up a bushel in ten minutes. Last week I sold directions to over one hundred families. Anyone will pay a dollar for directions when they see the beautiful fruit samples. Fall and winter are the best time to sell directions, so people can experiment and be ready for next fruit season. As there are many poor people like myself I consider it my duty to give my experience to such, and feel confident anyone can make one or two hundred dollars around home in a few days. I will mail sample of fruit and complete directions to any of your readers for 19 two-cent stamps, which is only the actual cost of the sample, postage, etc., to me. Mrs. W. M. Griffith, New Concord, Ohio.

The Common Cow.

Try feeding and handling the unpretending common cow for a few weeks or months as you would a $200 thoroughbred, and see whether she does not respond so that you will change your mind about sending her to the butcher. If she does not respond at the butter tub, she will in meat, and then the food is not lost if the cow is sent to the shambles.—Hoard's Dairyman.

POULTRY.

Eggs should be sold by weight instead of by the dozen.

Before you start to raise a thousand hens be certain that you can manage a hundred properly and profitably.

Keep your henhouse cleaned out, as the warm weather and mites will be along, the former certain, the latter also certain, unless you take the precaution to prevent them.

The quiet, demure cat will breakfast on a young chicken without leave, if he has a chance and is hungry, and when you see him lying on the rug in all his innocency you are disposed to give him the benefit of the doubt and say "not guilty." That cat is simply too smart for this world, so let him go to the beyond.

Flavor Egg.

Eggs are flavored to a certain extent by the food on which the fowls feed. This is shown by feeding them onions, which sometimes taint eggs so that they are unpalatable. To have eggs of a fine flavor the hens must have clean food. Those fed on putrid meats and decayed animal substances will lay eggs not fit to eat.—Ex.

Poultry in Winter.

There is no part of the United States but what has winter enough in it to require protection for animal life at certain period. A correspondent of the Western Rural tells how he winters his poultry, as follows: I have seen a number of articles in the Rural of late about poultry, and they all go on to tell why poultry does not pay, but do not tell how to make it pay. As I have been one of the kind of farmers whom you tell about in the rural of March 4, and have succeeded in making poultry profitable, at least to the extent of making a profit on twenty hens this winter, I will state how

Last fall I built a hen house 10x12 feet with a window in the south side large enough to let in lots of sunshine and made good and warm. The building complete cost me $8. It was rather late when I finished it and I did not get my hens in before cold weather. They were laying some before I put them in, but as soon as I put them in the house they stopped laying altogether. Then I began to think that I had missed it in spending any money in trying to make my hens pay me a profit, but I thought that I would give them a good chance before I gave up. I purchased a package of egg food and commenced feeding that and they commenced to lay in about ten days, and after I had fed it about fifteen days I got about ten eggs a day and have been getting about that many ever since. We sold the eggs for 30 cents per dozen, the feed that I fed was corn and oats twice a day and plenty of water to drink, warmed to about seventy degrees.

My henhouse is built on the side of my barnyard so that the hens could come out warm, sunshiny days and scratch in the straw, which they seem to enjoy. I bedded my henhouse with good clean oat straw and kept it cleaned out quite often and fresh straw put in. Now, I know that this is far from being the best way of taking care of hens, but it is better than they have ever had before on my farm, and I think it has paid me to do it. Now, if some one can tell me how I can feed or care for my hens so they will do better, I will be very glad to have them do so. The main thing, I think, in trying to educate the farmers to make a profit out of poultry is to tell them how to do it as well as to tell them why they do not. Some writers tell us that we cannot make hens lay by feeding them on corn. But that is about all my hens have had with a little oats, but they did not seem to eat the oats very well. I gave them all the corn they would eat up clean twice a day.

NOTES AND NEWS.

Queen Victoria's yearly doctor's bill is £800, divided among four physicians.

Miss Anne Whitney of Boston has finished busts of Mrs. Stowe, Miss Willard and Miss Lucy Stone, and is now at work on a portrait of Mrs. Mary A. Livermore.

Mrs. Burgess, wife of a member of the Newfoundland assembly, accompanied her husband to the session at St. John's, walking 230 miles over ice and snow on snow shoes.

Reports from the Solomon valley are very blue. If they raise wheat enough for seeding purposes the community will be happily surprised, as they do not look for that much now.

The thinnest tissue paper measures 1-1200 of an inch in thickness. The Krupp Gun Works claims a machine which will roll iron so thin that it would take 1800 sheets to make an inch.

In the house with Thomas Duffin, at Lincolnshire, England, whose age is 96, dweil his son, George, aged 72; his grandson, George, aged 47; his great-grandson, Joseph, aged 25, and his great-great-grandson, George, aged 6.

An old picture dealer declares that really good etchings, prints, engravings and other works of art bring more than their value, even at public auction. He believes that judicious investment in pictures is as safe as buying diamonds.

Queen Victoria has sent specimens of her own art work to the Chicago fair. She has three landscapes, mounted in plain frames representing scencs near Balmoral. A fourth is a view of Aix-les-Bains, taken from the spot where the queen intended to build a villa.

Colt Killed.

WAXAHACHIE, Ellis Co., Tex., May 23.—George P. Wilson, a farmer on Long branch, lost a $100 colt to-day. It cut its throat on a barbed wire.

Horse Show.

GARLAND, Dallas Co., Tex., May 23.—There was a horse show here Saturday. A number of fine stallions were on exposition. J. F. Ramsey's "Endower" won the blue ribbon, and Dr. Sumner's "Warrior" was awarded the red.

Market Tips.

Top hogs, $7.45.
Sheep, about steady.
Another big run of hogs.
Some demand for feeders.
Provisions open easier, but rally.
Not enough cattle to make a market.
Cows in small demand and prices strong.
The few cattle sell rapidly at strong prices.
Hogs, all of 15c lower, but steady at the decline.
Bulk of the hogs sell at $7.30@7.40, with $7.35 as the popular price.—Drovers' Journal.

The Cattle Commission.

FORT WORTH, TEX., May 22.—The appointment of Messrs. Wallace of Galveston, Kleburg of Corpus Christi and Martin of Midland as members of the sanitary commission was received here with surprise. Nobody here knows Mr. Wallace. Mr. Kleburg is known all over the state as the manager of the great King ranch. He married Mrs. King's daughter and has successfully looked after the interests of the herd, one of the largest in the state, for a number of years. The general opinion here is that his selection is not a bad one. Mr. T. J. Martin of Midland, who was appointed as the West Texas member of the commission, is a member of the Texas Cattle Raisers' association and is listed on the books as the owner of 6000 head. He is a practical cattleman, having been in the business a number of years.

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The Great West.

Col. L. A. Allen of the well-known Kansas City Live Stock Commission company, has lately returned from one of his extensive tours through the great west, and in an interview with the Kansas City Times reports things rather dry out in the arid lands.

Following is an extract of what the Times and Mr. Allen has to say on the subject:

"At the cattlemen's convention held in Ogden, Utah, he introduced the resolutions which were passed favoring the cession of the arid lands of the west by the government to the various states and territories in which they lie. On this subject Mr. Allen has much to say, having for the past thirty years been crossing the mountains and plains.

"The arid lands, he says, begins at or a little west of the one hundredth meridian of longitude. It starts at a point a little west of the mouth of the Rio Grande river in Texas, north through Western Texas, Western Indian Territory and Oklahoma, Western Kansas, Western Nebraska, through Western, North and South Dakota, to the British possessions. Mr. Allen says that of his own knowledge and observations, and from as far back as there is history of the country, that all that part of the United States west of this line is arid and always has been, and that all that part east of it has always been in the rain belt, from the fact that it lies directly north of the Gulf of Mexico, from whence the evaporation of the gulf water is carried north by the trade winds and distributed over that part of the country within the rain belt east of the line described, while the same trade winds from the south blow north over the high dry lands of Mexico and gather no moisture to distribute over the arid regions of the United States west of the 100th meridian. Consequently that part of the country is and always will be arid, which is proven by the average rain fall in twenty years. The rain fall is insufficient and does not fall at regular intervals to make the country west of the arid line a safe one for agricultural purposes without irrigation, and owing to the very light supply of water furnished by the small rivers and streams of that part of the United States, a small portion, and this only in narrow strips along the streams, is sufficient for irrigation. The remainder of the country lies high and dry.

The JOURNAL is disposed to question a part of the colonel's theory, as to the evaporation from the waters of the gulf furnishing all the rain supply for that part of the country named, east of the 100th meridian.

The fact is, quite an amount of the precipitation that takes place on that part of Texas lying north of the 31st parallel and east of the meridian named is brought in by the east winds from the evaporation of the Mississippi river, its tributaries and swamps.

The 100th meridian, as shown by the maps, must be nearly 200 miles west of the mouth of the Rio Grande, and even a line due south from Fort Worth would hardly touch the gulf at the point where the Rio Grande river empties into it.

The altitude, perhaps, has something to do with the drying up of the arid regions as well as the want of a reservoir for evaporating purposes.

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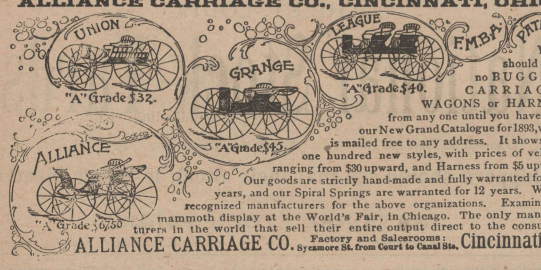

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STOCK FARMING.

The foundation for success in live stock farming lies in the economical production and use of feeding stuffs. Then, given good stock, and the problem is pretty nearly solved.

The live stock raiser has very little to complain of this spring. The markets have been very favorable for the seller and prices are higher than they were a year ago. Good stock will always bring full market value, but the scrub will never touch the top mark.

It is not much more work to urn the oats through the hay cutter than it is to thresh them, and if the straw is clean and bright it makes good feed for the horses, and saves much hay. If the horses are working hard, good hay and a little cracked corn may be substituted at night.

Many stockmen will plant a field of sorghum this year for fodder, and will get the best of fodder, too, if it is only cared for. It will not make as much fodder as field corn, but what it does make is more nutritions, and, as the crop will stand a drouth better than corn, it sometimes succeeds where the other fails.

The New Hampshire experiment station has been analyzing some of the cattle foods and condition powders extensively sold, and finds that farmers could readily prepare most of them at a cost not exceeding one sixth the market price. Why not have these sold under guaranteed analysis as well as fertilizers?

Stick to your farm, if you propose to be a professional farmer. Keep your tools bright and your equipment up to the highest standard of the profession. What would you think of a surgeon who proposed to perform an operation with old rusty knives and saws; or the lawyer who had neither books nor briefs as the manager of an important case for you in the courts?

In the department of live stock at the World's fair work is progressing very rapidly, yet there is considerable to be done. In order to give further time, the committee recommends that the rules be changed so as to make the closing date of entry for horses July 15 instead of June 15, and for sheep August 1 instead of July 1. The committee also recommends that a chief of live stock department be appointed.

Live stock farmers have the kind of property which grows the year round, whereas, perennial plants and all productive growths from the soil which are not cut from the ground in a few months after planting are dead property during a considerable portion of the year. It is not an adequate answer to this to say that farm stock is profitless during the winter. If profitless, then this is owing, not to the necessities of the case, but rather to the character of the stock or the mode of keep.

Improvement in farm animals must be looked upon in the light of engrafting, and the practice must be carried out on that basis. As an illustration of the great importance of using a sire of superior breeding and merit, we have to remind the reader that he cannot as a rule depend upon the sire transmitting more than half his good qualities to his progeny, while in full grafting he can procure the full duplication of the fruit of the higher quality through the process of engrafting upon the inferior bearing tree.

Breed the Cows.

The sooner the cows are bred now the better, provided there is comfortable shelter for them and the calves next winter. Taking everything into consideration, the most profitable time to have the dairy cow calve is in the fall and winter, if she is properly fed and cared for. With good feed the milk flow can be kept up until grass comes, and if this be done there is no difficulty in getting milk from the right kind of cow ten months in the year. As for the calves, on most farms they can be raised better and with less trouble in the fall and winter than in summer. A fall or winter calf is ready for the grass when it comes, and can get the full benefit of it, which the summer calf never does. They are weaned by the time the young pigs most need the milk and before the hot weather comes, when it is difficult to keep it sweet.—Exchange.

Mule Growing.

We expect to see, in the next year or two, quite a revival in the business of mule growing in the West. Our reasons are the following: A great many farmers regard the horse business as overdone. For certain kinds of horses it is; for the best class of horses it is not. We do not mean by this to be understood as saying that the old prices for horses will be realized; but that the best kind of horses will yield the farmer a good profit, and when this is the case the business is not overdone for that kind of stock. If, however, the farmer thinks the business is everdone he will turn his attention to something else.

Horse breeding was a long time so profitable in the West that the farmer will not readily believe it is overdone for more than the time being, and will be inclined to try his hand on the mule, and the more so that in this way he can gradually stop the further overdoing and still keep his horse stock in hand to be ready for future changes in the direction of better profits.

Whenever farmers began to raise mules the supply of brood mares will at once began to decrease, and when that occurs the business will recover.

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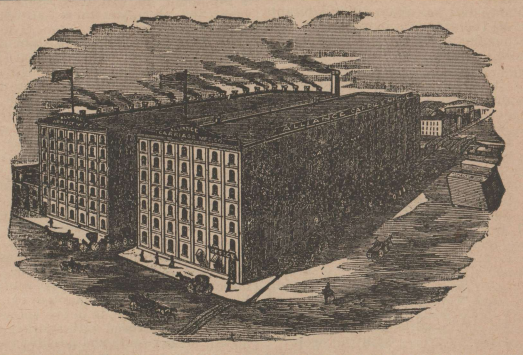

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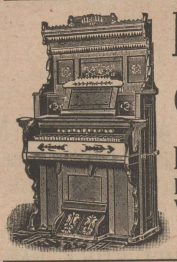

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