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an open trail, and what depends upon the prosperity of the cattle industry needs no enumeration. When brought to their serious consideration it is not believed that any class of citizens can regard themselves as other than interested in this subject. The Fourth Texas association, therefore, confidently looks forward to a just and prompt response to their call for money.

The gentleman who has been selected to go from South Texas in this cause is well known by every one as being for the purpose the best man possible of selection. Judge Upson's congressional career will fitted him to grapple with any subject needed to be brought before our national legislators; he will command the respectful attention of the congressional committee and by his own excellent mental ability be enabled to do all toward success that can be done. In this he will be aided by Capt. Henry Warren of Weatherford, and the trail opponents may rest assured they have no pugilist to meet; but honest, fearless men who will in every honorable way seek success for their project and whose hands are well held up at home.

A Legal View.
If Dr. Carrothers denies the germ (theory) and defies the germinator, with reference to alleged Texas fever he is ably seconded by Judge Henry E. Barnard of San Antonio.

The presumption was strong, before the St. Louis stock convention, that a possibly lighter fight would there be made against a national trail—the basis of the opposition to be the havoc created by the alleged Texas fever. And while that aspect of the subject was presented it was not in such shape as to seem expedient, then, for all the heavy Texas ammunition on the other side to be brought out and fired. Hence neither the very able exposition prepared by Dr. Carrothers, (which is to be printed in the proceedings,) nor other equally powerful arguments not then presented are yet within the cognizance of the public, but eventually will be.

The ability of Kansas to pass and maintain a legislative enactment closing the cattle trail through the western part of that state is forcibly denied by Judge Barnard. He asserts such action to be in conflict with the Federal constitution and therefore a nullity. For authority on his position he cites the case of Railway vs. Husen, U. S. Supreme Court Reports, page 465. If anyone will read the lengthy decision therein given the ground will be found covered fully, the court having decided as unconstitutional action taken by the Missouri legislature in 1871, toward suppression of cattle fever and the providing for damages against railroads along which such fever was claimed to have been germinated or conveyed by transporting other cattle.

It was held as interfering with interstate commerce and only within the jurisdiction of congress to act upon.
"It is," says Judge Barnard, "within the power of Kansas to establish quarantine against sick cattle, and prevent the entrance into that state of such cattle. What then? Cattle inspected and found in good health, as Texas cattle have always been found to be when arriving there, such inspected cattle (not by any process be refused admission to any of the state's highways, and Kansas cannot prevent it. It is unreasonable, illogical—that cattle themselves in entire health, can convey to other cattle a disease. I believe with Chicago authorities, the germ idea is an exploded theory."

Opposing the Trail.
A correspondent giving the ominous name of "U. Hearme," addressed an interesting letter to the Daily Express of Tuesday last. The gentleman doubts the point made by the Express editorially and by other papers "that all classes of citizens are alike interested" in the success of the cattle trail. He argues from the standpoint of a "little stock-feller" that if it became necessary to slaughter Texas cattle in the state and ship by refrigerated process, those who are interested in grading up their stock will by sales, by weight get the justice and pay which is denied them when sales are made by the head only. He then argues: "All stock raisers would then vie with each other in a healthy emulation to produce fat cattle, and we might then perhaps get some good beef to eat at home. Buying by weight is also the fairest for both shipper and producer. Farmers would be obliged to introduce the many grasses which would be successfully raised in Texas, but which now are entirely neglected. Again establish abattoirs and you employ men, and following in their wake come candle factories, soap works, tanneries, stock yards, ice factories, etc., all of which bring in people of an industrious class, and Texas will prosper and improve. This state of the business will stop the arbitrary manner of trading which is adopted at the present time."

What he says will not be denied; but it becomes a question as to whether

or not the stockmen are ready or able to stand a radical change in the manner of conducting their business. It would undoubtedly bring ruin to many who otherwise with an open trail for the next five years could tide over their present depression and reach a condition preparatory to what may ultimately become the better and more profitable method,—refrigerated meat. Until relief shall come to the great majority of cattlemen through some other source than by the perpetuation of the trail, the greatest good to the greatest number will seem the fairer position to hold. There are few stockmen of this day who are not endeavoring and successfully so to grade their cattle up and improve their stock, thereby obtaining in the market a far better price even by the head than would be paid for common scrub cattle.
In the meantime it is essential to the welfare of the entire cattle interests of the state that a national trail shall exist, even for no longer a period than five or ten years.

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Died.
At San Antonio, Tuesday, December 16, 1884, after a lingering attack of typhoid fever, Mrs. Bessie C. Millett, wife of Alonzo Millett. Mrs. Millett was a bride of but five months, and is well remembered at her Austin home as Miss Bessie C. Anderson. As one of five sisters, she shared with them a magnificence of personal charms, a joyous, bright intellect and by her wealth of affection endeared to herself a wide circle of friends who fully appreciated the honor of such a position. Her untimely death is the more keenly felt, yet her departure, but sheds brighter light on the path heavenward. The sympathy of the JOURNAL is feelingly extended to Mr. Millett and the family in their affliction.

Hines Clark & Co.,
of San Antonio, are prepared to make contracts now for all kinds of cattle for spring delivery. Cows, calves, one and two-year-olds. Write or see them personally.

Cattle Market.
Very dull. Stagnation. But few sales and not many enquirers for stock. The market is reported abundantly filled with common cattle, but the demand is only for better class. Because of limited sales and indifferent supply, quotations are difficult to give with any degree of reliability, but \$17 to \$20 for good cows may be taken as a standard. Toward close of the week a little better feeling prevailed, and the market had an upward tendency.

Hines, Clark & Co. report sale of

5 head.....	\$ 80.00
20 cows.....	102.00
19 calves.....	4.50
1 cow and calf.....	12.00
10 cows.....	14.00
6 cows, 2 steers.....	10.00
2 cows.....	35.00
3 cows.....	114.00
89 mixed.....	1,658.00
2 yearlings.....	2,140.00
2 cows.....	2,200.00

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HORNS AND HOOFS.
How about the trail?
We will have a trail, gentlemen, sooner or later.
W. H. Jacob of Live Oak county, was also on deck.
Hugh O'Reilly of Bee county is here with beaves to sell.
J. T. Byrns of Bee county was here discussing the outlook.
Col. J. E. Ellison was in town again and chatted with the boys.
W. L. Crawford ran down from the capitol city for a day or two.
P. C. Conway of Cotulla paid his respects to this venerable legist.

Jap. Herd of Uvalde county was in San Antonio for a day or two.
Henry Shiner of Lavaca county, is in San Antonio on land business.
H. S. Tom of Fairview, visited his San Antonio friends with a horse.
The Hon. C. Upson was a wise choice

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year.

EARLY beavers next spring.

THE railroads are putting up the
rates on dressed beef again.

LET us not have too much winter, so
we can ship a few May beavers.

THE carrying capacity of Texas
ranges can be doubled by means to
hold the waterfall.

TEXAS is not fully stocked. Tanks
and wells will almost double the
capacity of the best ranges.

IN Dakota so far they have had an
open winter, and Dakota knows what
a winter is. The blizzard there takes
in the whole surface.

TEXAS is wrong in asking for a trail,
it seems like asking a privilege. What
is wanted is a single right-of-way,
and it should be so stated.

OLD man Venor is dead. Before he
died he predicted a mild winter for
Canada. We shall have much respect
for his bones if he can extend the mild-
ness down here.

GRASS beef shipped from Texas at
this season of the year will shrink so
the owners would not claim them by
their locks. The bill of lading governs
in such cases.

We don't exactly understand how it
is to be done, there being very consid-
erable of a contract undertaken, but
"Slade" says he will make a decent
man of "Sawney Sam" yet.

THE prices paid by feeders for three
and four year old steers has ranged
from \$23 to \$28 round, with \$26 for a
good average. With corn worth 35
cents, there should be money in feed-
ing cattle and hogs this winter.

LAST week we mentioned that a
thousand cows had been sold for \$30,
000 to go to a Panhandle ranch. There
were 5000 cows and calves sold by
Curtis, Atkinson & Lazarus to Charles
Goodnight for \$150,000.

ANY one desiring information as to
the carrying capacity of a first-class
open range can read the letter from
Throckmorton county. It should be
considered good reading in the counties
where one cow over stocks a hundred
acres.

THE only new list of estrays put up
this week in the JOURNAL are those
posted in Comanche county during the
months of November and December.
The list is a strong one and should be
perused closely by stockmen of adjoin-
ing counties.

ALL the weather prophets predict a
mild, open winter. It is really alarm-
ing to think of it. So many predic-
tions all the same way. Panhandle
stockmen had better get their range
riders on the banks of the Rio Grande.
There is too much warmth in the predic-
tions to be true.

MR. ARCHIBALD MCBRIDE was paid
off by the Fort Worth Refrigerator
works on Wednesday last, and soon
became under the influence of intoxica-
ting liquor. While attempting to
ascend the steps of the second floor
near the Occidental saloon, he fell and
injured himself so that he died in fifteen
minutes.

MR. SHOCKEY of Lawrence Kan-
sas yearling and two year old pure-
bred Hereford bulls and 100 high
grade and cross-bred Hereford bulls
for sale at a bargain. He keeps over
400 cows on hand and makes regular
sale of all young bulls for ranch pur-
poses, and to breeders. M. Shockey
runs none but good stock.

MESSRS. SMITHS & POWELL, Hol-
stein breeders, Syracuse, New York,
are about to make an extensive ship-
ment of their stock to fill orders in
Louisiana. To those who desire to
avail themselves of a good opportunity
for cheap transportation this firm can
offer good inducements. Their adver-
tisement will be found in this paper.

THE interest of Capt. J. D. Reed in
the Hittson & Reed ranch and cattle
on Double Mountain Fork of the
Brazos has been purchased by J. J.
Hittson who is now sole owner, and
assumes all liabilities and debts of the
property and former partnership. The
range of these cattle is in Stone-wall,
Fisher Kent and Scurry counties, and
the stock is one of the best in the state.

WHEN the nester found himself in-
side a large pasture without any outlet
he naturally kicked, and the law re-
quired that he should have a way out.
Yet the desire to close up Texas cattle
within their own borders is one and the
same thing. We require a right of

way for the cattle, because we have
been driven off the open lands which
are available to every other class of
stock.

HAVING in view the use of their
lands the capitol syndicate have been
digging for water and find it in many
places at from twenty to thirty feet.
The syndicate also planted 200 acres
of corn with good result. Col. Abner
Taylor interviewed by a reporter of the
Galveston News, said that the syndi-
cate would inclose their lands and
stock them with Texas cattle and
thoroughbred bulls.

DURING Christmas week, as usual
the STOCK JOURNAL force will take a
holiday. The paper always takes a
rest. There is no shipping of sheep,
mutton or hogs, no ranch work ex-
cept by the line rider, and all that is
done Christmas week might just as
well be left alone. Before New Years
we'll show up bright and smiling, and
the work we don't do won't be charg-
ed for. Fifty-two issues make the
year with us, but we take a year and a
week to issue them.

IN this issue the New York & Texas
Land Company offer 105,160 acres situ-
ated on the Red River, in Wheeler
county, Texas, for lease; also 16,000
acres in Presidio county on the Pecos
river, taking in a very large portion of
the river frontage. The particulars
concerning these desirable tracts can
be had of Mr. G. W. Angle, San An-
tonio, or of Mr. Ira H. Evans, presi-
dent of the company, at Palestine,
Texas. The advertisement will be
found on the first page of the paper.

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of agents for the genuine Glidden steel
barb fence wire for the state of Texas,
and have furnished wire for some of
the largest and best constructed pas-
tures in the state. Messrs. Sanborn
& Warner will send samples and
quote figures for any quantity, large or
small, on application. The prices in
effect now are lower than for some
time past, and have considerably re-
duced the cost of fencing. The firm
can fill orders through their agents in
any part of the state.

DR. J. HIRSCH, veterinary surgeon of
Denver Colorado, but formerly of Lex-
ington, Kentucky has lately arrived
in Fort Worth with the intention of
remaining here and practicing his pro-
fession. His experience has been ex-
tensive and but for his health would
have remained at Denver where he
had a large and lucrative practice
amongst the farmers, stockmen and
breeders. The JOURNAL welcomes
Doctor Hirsch and hopes that he may
find it to his advantage to remain here
permanently. The doctor carries the
endorsement and recommendation of
prominent Kentucky breeders as fully
qualified in every department of vet-
erinary science.

THE Fort Worth Refrigerator.
The closing of the refrigerator works
here is nothing against the profitabil-
ity of refrigeration in Texas, with
proper facilities and sufficient capital.
The attempt to run considerably
below the capacity of the works, was
attended with nearly the same expense
as would the killing of larger numbers
of stock, and the necessity of killing
stock directly after purchase, for lack
of sufficient pasturage, and feed yards
connected with the establishment
made each day's work dependent on the
purchases of the day before. With
one slight exception the meat trans-
ported and in good condition and no
shipment was sold at a disadvantage.

THE works were rented from the
receiver, and the buildings being subject
to sale at any time prevented any ex-
tensive operations which involve the
entering into contracts for definite
periods, the limited operations also
preventing shipments to but one point.
The lessees of the works found great
difficulty in purchasing the beef re-
quired here, at St. Louis and Chicago
prices, less freights. Those who sold
here realized more than they could
have obtained by shipping, and several
cattlemen who refused to sell here
lost from three to six dollars per head
by their shipment. Our sheep raiser
who was offered \$2.05 per head for five
hundred muttons shipped them out
and received but \$1.00 per head at St.
Louis.

Another and the final finishing
touch was given to the works in an
advance of freights of \$90 per car, over
the original rate, between Fort Worth
and Baltimore. This is the action of
Eastern roads, and is possibly intended
as a protection for the greater markets
against any growing interests which are
here likely to do stock yards an injury
or to move into other lines the present
order of affairs.

The failure of the Texas Continental
Meat Company was principally due to
the lack of working capital, and the
late closing of the works under lease
is partly from the same cause. In nei-
ther case were the buyers able to ob-
tain stock at St. Louis or Chicago
prices, (freight off) except from large
owners who study the daily market
reports and know what their stock are
worth.

Looking for Profits.
George Geddes of Fairmont N. Y.,
says in the Country Gentleman: I
have been raising beef for the past
four or five years, and it has been my
constant study when is the best time
to sell them at the largest profit? I
have kept most of them until they
were three years old, and sold them at
an average price of \$65 to \$70, and
thought I was making money, but on
figuring the cost I find that the profit
is quite small, if any. Without going
into detail, we will say that \$8 will
cover the first six months of the

life of an ox, including milk, feed and
pasture. Now you put him in the
barn and feed him one quart of ground
oats and a little corn meal for 180 days,
at a cost of \$12, including hay. The
next six months' pasture, at 25 cents
a week, is \$6. Another winter with
two quarts of feed and hay, is \$16;
another summer's pasture, at 37 cents
a week, \$9; and the last winter four
quarts of feed and hay, \$20, when
he will be ready for the butcher.

Now we have him at the age of
three years at a cost of \$71, and he is
to be a good one to bring that price.
Where is the profit, allowing the ma-
nure to pay for the care of him?
This spring I tried a different plan.
Having some two-year-old heifers that
dropped their first calves in June, I put
two on a heifer and allowed them to
stay until last week, when I sold them
to a butcher for \$20 a piece, and he said
they were the largest, fattest and nicest
lot he had seen in forty years' expe-
rience in handling cattle. Their average
weight dressed was 300 pounds, which
brought at least 8 cents, which would
be \$24 for meat alone, to say nothing
about hide, etc.

Now, I have bought cattle in the
spring at two years old at an average
price of \$17, when the farmer has had
the care and feeding of them two years
at a much less price than he could pos-
sibly raise them for; and here is where
I think we all make a mistake. Is it
not better to sell two calves at \$40,
even if they have consumed the milk of
a two-year-old heifer for four months,
than to keep them for three years and
get \$65 or \$70 for them? The manure
is the same in both cases; it makes no
difference whether it is made by the
steer or the heifer.

THE only known preventative against
the visitation of which would be the
exercise of a little humanity. A very
slight expenditure of the last named
quality would save the equine race
from a long list of ills, which are now
consequent upon moral ignorance or
upon human brutality. It is painful
to reflect how many of those afflictions
spoken of as equine disorders might be
cheaply eradicated by the more reason-
able treatment of the animal which
man proverbially esteems to be his
most hazardous property. Cruelty is a
very extravagant indulgence.

My next article will treat upon the
"Anatomy and Treatment of the
Horses Foot."

Jerseys at Fort Worth
James H. Polk of Nashville, Tenn.,
has eighty head of Jersey heifers, none
of them below seven-cights in grade,
and carefully selected from the best
milk producing families of Tennessee
and Kentucky.

Tormentor 5333 the sire of many of
these heifers, is a bull owned and im-
ported by Maj. Campbell Brown of
Maury county Tenn. He was by
Khedive 103 P. S.—son of Comasie
and sire of Princess 20,—test of twenty
seven pounds,—ten ounces of butter in
seven days.

One ear load of these heifers has just
arrived in Fort Worth, consisting of
20 head 18 months old, all in calf to
thoroughbred Jersey bulls, and will
begin to calve in February. Also 7
head 8 months old and one registered
Jersey bull.

Shandon (1891) calved Nov 17,
1883. He is solid fawn by Bourbon
Lad 6940 and out of Belle Shandon
5792, a cow of smooth handsome form,
and immense constitution, neat head,
small horns. Richness and steady
milking characterize this cows family
on her dam's side, whilst her sire Sil-
vermine are told is highly esteemed
by breeders near Lexington Ken-
tucky. Mr. Polk is offering this stock
for sale on reasonable terms.

THE White Horse and Leap Year.
BY A BARKIS.
It is but due the white horse that
before the close of '84 his importance
as a factor in leap year courtships is
recognized in some public manner—
and where more effectively and appro-
priately than through the columns of
the STOCK JOURNAL? Every well in-
formed person knows that the ungal-
lant man who repulses negatively to
the female in the exercise of her leap
year prerogatives forfeits thereby a
white horse to said female. It has
become very common for a certain
class—confirmed bachelors and pen-
sioners flirts—to sneer at the custom as
one more honored in the breach than
in the observance. Why, they argue,
is the white horse a more soothing
poultice to wounded and unrequited
affection, than a brown, a bay, a paint
or a sorrel? In reply, I will say that
it is only in conformity to a long
established precedent, a precedent
whose classic history is an unexplored
polar region to said sneerers, and for
their benefit I relate it. Mark Antony,
a Roman gentleman of erudition birth
and powers, was appointed by the ex-
ecutive at Rome as minister to the
king of Egypt. His polished and
high bred manners immediately cap-
tivated the queen, the star eyed
smorous Cleopatra; she longed to make
him Prince Consort and told him so.

(Twas leap year.) Like many other
great men he was unable to stand a
prolonged siege of "slings and arrows"
of outright love-making, and their
dilatation soon became the talk of
court circles; rumors of it reached the
Roman congress just assembled, and
that august body refused to ratify the
nuptial of Mr. Antony. When
Cleopatra heard of the dispatch de-
manding his return she was frantic,
she had engaged in many a little
affaire de coeur before, but this she
was now completely mastered by the
power of the grand passion genuine.

In her frenzy she besought him to
leave behind her a souvenir—most like
himself—a kind of chamois for her
fore-d subscription to his temporary
absence. A convocation of the
Egyptian Magi to decide upon the
remembrance, named Antony's
white mule as the most perfect fac-
simile of himself available. O! happy
horse to bear the weight of Antony!
This was the memorable exclamation
of the love blinded "Sorcerers of the
Nile" on first beholding the weather-
beaten, battle-carrid, flea-bitten
hybrid and it is said that she actually
lived and died under the delusion that
it was a horse—not a difficult thing to
believe when we consider how many
women at the present day live and die
with animals fashioned in the like-
ness of man under the delusion that
they are men. It is in commemora-
tion of his connection with this royally
romantic episode that the white horse
is to this day considered *notre recom-
pense* for rejected overtures of love.
The antiquity of the custom should
protect it from the railery of the igno-
rant, if not commend it to popularity,
and bachelors that I am, I would urge
the fair sex to be shylock-like in col-
lecting for fetts, back numbers, and all,
on to the first of January. Why, an
enterprising maiden "cut West" by
the middle of April last had a large
herd of white horses on the trail to
Kansas. Every one paid as recom-
pense for the refusal of her hand. No
sooner had her business proclivities
developed than—witness the change!—
she became the belle of the West.

Wherever she rattled her silver tongue
the masculine multitude gathered to
worship, and she had the triumph
of refusing in turn every one who
contributed to her fortune by refusing
her, not only this but ministers,
doctors, lawyers and legislators with
which that section is infested, all
became Lazaruses at the portals of her

put on him, and Sam was asked if he
would try him again. He said nothing,
but in an instant was in the seat—
by only unbroken packages of the
Gold Leaf Dip. J. H. BROWN,
State Agent, Fort Worth.

affections; but success had puffed her
up, she could afford to look higher
and she did. She married the boss of
her snowy Kansas-bound herd. I
know there are some sensitively con-
scientious maidens who feel a hesita-
tion in urging the payment of the
forfeit on the grounds of being over-
paid. A whole white horse, they
agree, is too much for the loss of just a
man, to such I suggest the substitution
of a dark donkey for the white horse,
the principal will be carried out just
the same, and really the "eternal fit-
ness of things" will be better satisfied.
Then, may be, I can come in as part
payment on somebody's donkey ticket.

Refrigerated Beef.
The Fort Worth Refrigerator works
have closed business on account of ex-
cessive freight rates which have re-
cently gone into effect. The rates
have been raised 90 per cent, but
negotiations are now pending for a
reduction of the rate, consistent with
rates from Northern points to the sea
board.

A movement to discriminate against
Fort Worth and her industries cannot
succeed, and while it may close the
works for a brief period, by the 15th
of January next the Fort Worth Refri-
gerator Works will be killing corn fed
cattle and running steady at the
full day capacity of the
works. If it were possible to get
enough fat cattle, there is no doubt but
that the negotiations which are now
pending would result in running the
works to their full day and night ca-
pacity.

A great many parties who have been
feeding cattle expecting a strong home
market will be sorely disappointed if
the movement to again start the
works by the 15th of January should
fail. We trust the capitalists who are
now figuring on the opening will suc-
ceed in making favorable freight rates,
as this seems to be the only impediment
at present.

FROM PECOS COUNTY.
A Trip to Fort Stockton—Remarks
on Beef—Grass—Water.
Editor Texas Live Stock Journal.
FORT STOCKTON, Dec. 9, 1884.

Possibly an iron man, or a man of
iron constitution might ride from
Pecos city to this place and not feel
'fagged,' but I doubt if it ever was
done. The fact is, 75 miles of such a
ride, is too much for me, and I trust
that my friends will go to work, with-
out unreasonable delay, to build a line
of railroad here, by the time I am
called here again on business—or plea-
sure. Not that I have much idea of
coming here again for pleasure, but in
view of the fact that you never saw
such splendid clear springs of good
water, as are here and about here, and
in view of the possibility of this place
developing into a watering place,
in the future, I won't dare say I never
will come back for pleasure. Such
springs! Surely all the water in the
bowls of the earth—and rocks—for
fifty miles around here finds an out-
let here to fresh air. And such water!
As sweet as one could reasonably wish
for, who likes the taste of sulphur, in
solution, and as clear as the clearest
spring. And such a view! Mountains
to the right of you, mountains to the
left of you, mountains everywhere.
And such roads! Smooth as glass, in
most places, and having their propen-
sity to go winding "every way for
fifty miles around here, and so. They
say it is just splendid, and I dare say it
is—over the mountains. They say it is
better in quality than any other grass
that ever went into the anatomy of a
cow brute, and I dare say they have
heard of it, and they are good in qual-
ity. I will tell the absolute truth in the
premise, I fear I must express the opinion
that somewhere in this universe of
ours, perhaps even in Texas, there is
grass, half at least as splendid, and
possibly one-fourth as good in qual-
ity. Upon the principle, perhaps, that
the best in this life is generally the
scarcest, there is not too much grass
here to write of. It is here, in fact,
but of it I take the man grass I ever
saw. It takes the lead.

You have seen me too despatchly
proud and unaccustomed to permit them-
selves to be touched by their neigh-
bors. And when in the rough, and
umble and bustle of everyday life
they have been jostled roughly by
others, you have seen a look of sadness
in their eyes that made you pity them
and their weakness. I wonder if this
is the true explanation of the reason
why I am told, that I am in qual-
ity. And I wonder if this is one
explanation why just now, every sin-
gle bunch of this grass hangs its head
and looks "cut down." Jack Frost
has been here and has gotten in his
work, I am told, which may account
for the sad-bud look it leaves, but be
this as it may, the sad-bud look is
here. Still, it is fat and sunny
looking, and positively look better
than any stock I have seen this
season east and south of here, which goes
to prove that, though the grass is not
as numerous as there, it is good.

On my way up here from below I
traveled with John Simpson, John
Dawson and Mr. Newman of St.
Louis, all well-known owners. The
first named is to-day shipping fat
steers to St. Louis from Pecos City.
Dawson, with his wife and children,
is trying western ranch life, and Mr.
Newman has gone to El Paso to win-
ter.

Stockmen, Attention!
Ten thousand dollars worth of
books, stationery, fancy goods,
Christmas and New Year's cards
marked down to suit the times.

If you need any of these in our line
send in your order, or call on us. We
have a great variety of elegant push
goods from which you can select a
splendid present for a lady or gentle-
man at little cost.

G. W. BALDWIN,
Manager,
Houston House,
Established 1870. 257 Commerce st.,
San Antonio, Tex.

Confederate Scrip.
If you have any Confederate land
scrip and want a purchaser for it,
write to William Cassin, San Antonio,
Texas.

for the purpose of keeping track of the
mail.
The recent Indian raid in Presidio
county cost Wilson & Reid the loss of
many horses.

Henry Fink, of Fink & Co., of
Leon Springs spent a few hours in the
city this week.

R. D. Hinde of Pecos county Indi-
pendent ranch was in San Antonio
while last week.

E. P. Crum is just over from
Cochitilla Mexico and will tarry a
while with us.

William Patterson of Frío reports
heavy rains westward and good out-
look for stock.

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San Antonio's electric light shine on
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J. C. Moffitt of Jackson, Tenn., is
here after horses. Has been buying in
Central Texas, and this is his first visit
to our market.

Sheriff D. A. T. Walton and H. J.
O'Reilly of Bee county graced the
festival board of the St. Leonard a day
or two recently.

C. Crosby a prominent Mason
county stockman, together with his
son, spent several pleasant and profit-
able days with us.

The Hon. E. R. Lane of La Salle
county, showed his raven locks among
his many friends here this week and
stayed several days.

J. P. Nelson, a stockman late of
Nueces county, was in town this week.
He recently took a large railroad con-
tract in Central America.

and it will be interesting to those who
have invested and who are disposed to
invest in that country to watch his
movements and keep posted as to the
results of his strategy. Some months
ago a powerful Mexican syndicate was
formed in league with the existing
government, which obtained certain
rights to many hundreds of leagues of
land in the state of Coahuila, and from
reports to parties in this city it is
judged that the prime movers in the
formation of this syndicate, and those
who acquired the larger portion of the
lands are in bad odor with the present
government.

Wool.
The fall clip seems pretty well run
out and receipts are insignificant.
Commission merchants look forward
with anxiety, only second to that of
the flock masters as to the outcome of
the winter. Many sheep owners are
already cramped to some extent finan-
cially, and need the aid of their com-
missioners to help them through the
winter; but all are endeavoring to hope
for better things.

Charles H. Nash, a prominent com-
mission merchant of San Antonio re-
ceived this week a letter from a
wealthy republican wool merchant of
Philadelphia and the wool section of
the extract is kindly permitted us:
—Eastern prices are firmer. It is
generally supposed that after the new
year there will be a decided improve-
ment in the demand. Many of the
mills which have been stopped will
start with the new year. The produc-
tion has not been over 65 per cent over
1880, with an increase of 12 per cent
in the population over that year. The
city of lower production is all nonsense.
In 1880 goods were not sold for less
than 1880 goods, and the only trouble now
is the lack of confidence. If you sell
more than you buy it means enriching
the country, a fact no theorizing will
do away with; and to-day the few ut-
terances made by Cleveland that he
did not believe in changes, has had a
good effect."

OUR WOOL SACKS.
Hides coming to the front.
Sheepmen are hopeful—after a fash-
ion.
The market's almost as empty of
wool as is this sack.
Wool stock on the market is esti-
mated at 300,000 pounds and not very
desirable.

J. F. Salter, on Eastern wool buyer,
is in town but finds little in the
market to tempt him.

Capt. J. W. Mitchell a prominent
sheepman of Hays county paid a
visit to San Antonio this week.

Geo. Croston of Fort Davis sold his
fall clip of 145 bales to J. F. Salter, but
the figures are held by the interested
parties.

William De Foulke of Kerr county
and who is possessed of a splendid flock
visited San Antonio last week and
called on the JOURNAL branch office.

A. M. Gilmer and others of Kerr
county sold to Henry Fawcett \$5,000
acres of land and 10,000 head of sheep
in Kerr county for \$45,000 this week.

W. H. Stott of Atascosa county
dropped in on the JOURNAL office and
reports plenty of good grass and water
in his section and good prospects for
sheep during the winter.

A prominent shipper of mutton was
loaded on Turner, that the Sunset
road would henceforward supply him
with no more double deck cars. That
shipper was in a mood to subscribe
liberally to a stockman's railroad.

Word was received in San Antonio
this week of the death of the wife of
Col. John Turner, of the *Stockmen*.
Mrs. Turner died of the *Stockmen*.
Her parents at Chilo, California. Her
death was not wholly unexpected, but
sincerely regretted by her many
friends.

FROM COLORADO CITY.

Heavy Shipments—Declaring Div-
idends—Rains—Happy
Stockmen.

Regular Correspondence Texas Live Stock
Journal.
COLORADO CITY, Dec. 15, 1884.

From what I can learn here, I sus-
pect the stock shipments for this
season are about over. The total number
of cars of live stock shipped from Jan-
uary 1, 1884, to December 6 at this
point are 553, of which 78,022
head of cattle, 25,928 head of sheep,
2665 head of horses, and 152 hogs.
This is probably the best showing ever
made in one year by any Texas town;
in fact, I doubt if it has been beaten
by any shipping point elsewhere. The
later shipments seem from the low
state of the market to have been very
unsatisfactory to the shippers. The
unsatisfactory returns are not only ac-
counted for by the dull market, but
partly from the fact that many cattle
have been forced on the market that
ought to have been left on the range
for another year. These heavy ship-
ments of half-fat young "stuff" has
generally been found necessary to
meet maturing obligations of ranch-
men, but in some instances the sacrifice
has been made by the managers of
large companies, where the only object
in view was to enable them to pay
dividends to their shareholders. This
is evidently a very great mistake, and
one for the prosperity and good of the
business it is to be hoped, will never
be repeated.

As far as I can learn, the cattlemen
in this section are in comparatively
easy circumstances, their recent ship-
ments notwithstanding the dull mar-
kets, having been quite sufficient to
meet their necessities.
The beef crop next year will be un-
usually light in many stocks, for the
reason that the good two-year old
steers have been shipped during this
season.
There has been heavy rains recently
all over the northwestern part of the
state, cattle show signs of having been
worked too much during the fall.
They are, however, in fine condition,
and no fears are entertained as to their
being able to "pull-through" the
winter.
Colorado City continues to improve,
and is certainly a first-class city. A.
B. hands, cattlemen especially, and Win-
field Scott particularly, seem to be
happy. Winfield is not only very
devoted to his new wife, but seems
to even love every body, and that is
especially, his new secretary, the
Weatherford is the best town in the
state. Suppose he judges the "tree by
its fruits."
Will leave to-morrow for Double
Mountain, Yellow House and Bisco-
Canyon.
G. B. L.

No. 415 Houston street, Matilda's,
the tailor.

STOCKS FOR SALE, yearling, two and
three-year-olds mixed. Will contract
to deliver in spring, near Dodge City,

What are you doing out in this
country by yourself young man?"

put on him, and Sam was asked if he
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Black of Calhoun county. They are for the New Orleans market.

Uncle Henry Clark of Bee county is eating Victoria horse and enjoying himself with the boys.

Steve Green, the pioneer hog raiser of the Lower Trinity, is visiting friends here. He reports stock in good condition in his neck of the woods, but says cholera has grabbed up a great number of hogs in Liberty, Polk and Hardin counties, which will be a slam on the freeman, as he will now have to rustle for pork.

Mr. Lake with his Herefords are still here. He has sold several at an average of \$150 per head. They are a very nice lot of yearlings.

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ERASTUS REED, Wholesale and Retail Dealer in FURNITURE

AND HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS. Is Selling at Prices to Suit the Times and Defies Competition. SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

CHARLES NASH WOOL

AND GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANT, SAN ANTONIO, TEX. PERSONAL NOTES.

Overcoats and Clothing. Notwithstanding the fearful frosts that have been made on the stock of overcoats and clothing at Malone, Waller & Co., fill in orders have supplied the place of those sold, and their stock presents an unbroken front.

Mr. H. G. Bedford of Seymour, Baylor county, was one of the latest arrivals in town.

Mr. J. W. Cartwright of Decatur was in Fort Worth on Thursday and paid the office a short visit.

Mr. J. B. Bowne of Finis, Jack county, was in town on Thursday last. He is one of the breeders who raise short-horns and trotting horses.

Mr. F. A. Savage of Cincinnati, Ohio, was a recent visitor to our office. He comes with a view to investment in land and stock. Mr. Savage went on to Abilene.

Mr. J. Z. Wheat of Cleburne has just returned from Kentucky, where he purchased two excellent trotting horses and a lot of jacks. These will be offered for sale at once.

Town was full of stockmen during the past week. The following are a few of those who were on hand: John and Clabe Merchant and Col. Berry, of Abilene; W. R. Curtis, Henrietta; Sam Lazarus of Jack; Glenn Haisel, Decatur; F. M. Houts, Hereford; J. W. Corn, Bean creek; Mr. Peacock, Colorado City; J. G. Johns, Kansas City; John H. Lewis, Weatherford; W. J. MacDonald, Wichita Falls; Abram Nave, Garza county; B. B. Groom, Greer county; H. C. Smith, Coleman; and L. B. Collins.

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Call on Him. Jas. H. Martindale the importing tailor of Fort Worth, if you want to get an elegant suit, dress suits and wedding suits a specialty.

Ladies' Wear. In the line of Russian circulars, dolmans, cloaks, wraps, and Newmarkets, the stock of Malone, Waller & Co., is not surpassed by any in North Texas.

No. 415 Houston street, Martindale, the tailor.

Now Is Your Time. To purchasers of Christmas presents Malone, Waller & Co. are giving an additional discount. Remember this and buy your wife a handsome circular, cloak or wrap.

Jersey Heifers. To arrive at Fort Worth, Tex., by the 20th of December, 1884, one carload of Jersey heifers, seven-eighths to full blood, ten to eleven months of age, with calf by a thoroughbred imported Jersey bull some of these heifers will calve very early in the spring. This is the best chance parties will have to secure at a reasonable price the best milk and butter stock ever imported to Texas. Call on address W. F. Bentley, with Geo. B. Loving & Co.

Farmers ought to give Foutz's Celebrated Horse and Cattle Powders to their stock during the changeable weather of winter and spring. They will prevent disease.

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The activity on the wool market at

Boston is extending. There is promise

of activity for the spring clip.

There is considerable movement in

wool yet to be made before the spring

clip will be placed on the market, and

while the prospect is not rosy with

regard to the spring clip, it is good

for 1884. The price for best, first and medium

clips, grown and put up light, 16@18

cents for inferior year's clips; 13 cents

for Mexican improved and 11 cents for

Mexican. Texas valuations.

Mr. C. S. Stewart of Barclay, Falls

claims that while sheep are low they

can stand the reduction as well as any

other stock. Only a little time to wait

and wool like water will find its level.

Correct: "The level of wool is higher

than present figures and we are on a

slight rise now. Wool growing is all

right. Mr. Stuart wants a shepherd

desirable of killing a wolf.

The Year 1884.

If we review the sheep interest of

Texas during the year 1884 there is not

much to congratulate ourselves on,

although there may be some profit in

going over it to see wherein we can

prevent the recurrence of anything to

our injury in connection with our busi-

ness in the future.

The year opening found that by the

operation of the new law, sheep could

not be run on any public lands, because

the law prohibits herding and the na-

ture of the sheep prevents turning it

loose. By this the stocking of new

ranches was curtailed and the demand

for sheep amounted to comparatively

nothing, as many were not prepared to

buy land at once while they were pre-

pared to invest in sheep.

The spring lambing was good

enough and at a moderate estimate

two million lambs were added to the

Texas flocks, making our total in

numbers close upon nine millions; the

grade is a shade better and the im-

provement is mostly toward fine wool.

The demand for mutton in the mar-

kets became very urgent before any

number of Texas sheep were ready for

shipment but a few muttons marketed

in April, a number in May and many

in June, realized to their owners from

\$1.55 to 3.75 per head, the average net re-

turn of sales being about \$2.35 around.

These figures were reduced later as the

runs became heavier and only a few

sales realized over \$2.00 per head,

many were sold at less than cost of

transportation, and a very good average

for the shipments of the last three

months is \$1.00 per head. On every

sheepsheding from Texas, by refusal

to furnish double decks, the railroads

overcharged forty cents per head.

The spring wool market opened low

as compared with previous years, but

many central Texas clips brought twenty

cents, some few sold higher, and all

early sheep clips sold well; latterly the

sales declined fully four cents

from opening figures until fourteen

cents was considered a good price for

year's clips. The markets went all

to pieces, and Texas wools sold rela-

atively lower than foreign wools of a

like character in their home markets,

duty not considered.

The fall wool market is not worth

speaking of; those who clipped to get

a little money realized very little, and

those who did not have reason to en-

gulate themselves that their wool

has not been destroyed in value by

being cut in half. The price of the fall

clip ranged from 5 to 13 cents, with

the average between 10 and 11 cents.

On the whole, between low prices

for wool, and single deck transportation

of sheep, the year's work was

only barely satisfactory to sheep rais-

ers free from debt, and those who had

sheep turning out a fairly good mutton

and a goodly clip of wool, and it was

extremely unsatisfactory to those

who were even slightly involved, and

to owners of light shearing, light

hogged sheep as the margin, if any,

over necessary expenses, did not

amount to sufficient to cut any figure,

and cutting down a flock in numbers

was no remedy to any debts.

The range as a rule, and as compared

with former years, was ordinary; in

Central Texas, and south of San Anto-

nio a most to the Mexican line, the

growth was severe, lambs did not grow

off well, and very few fat muttons

were shipped to market; the western

portion of the state was, and is, in the

last condition.

The outlook for sheep between now

and spring is good. Up to date, no

well ranged and decently managed

sheepsheds have suffered. The year

before last up to this time we had ex-

perienced full two months winter,

while up to date, one or two mild

storms are all that can be counted

against us. Take all in all, how-

ever, this has been a rather severe

year on Texas sheep.

The sheep campaign of the year 1885

will begin with veterans. The

voices in the sheep business can be

counted on the fingers and toes; the

business was not found to be all wealth,

and sheep raisers squealed, the sound

was heard far and wide, and few come

in to engage in an occupation where

so few who have already embarked

have so little to say in its praise. The

veterans hold the fort now and may

expect to hold it until the sheep have

worked out their salvation, redeemed

their character and satisfied the people

of the state that there is money and

profit in running them. We look to

1885 to do much to this end.

If Texas sheep raisers desire to re-

move the stumbling blocks from their

paths which ought not to be there,

they should work together one and all,

tooth and nail, by every possible legiti-

mate means.

For the repeal and modification of

the law which prevents herding flocks

on public lands.

For a bounty to be offered by the

state for scalps of wild animals.

For a double deck rate for sheep.

Individually each sheep raiser

should cull out and dispose of all light

shearing and puny sheep.

Should shear only once each year

and put up the wool in such a man-

ner as to entitle the clip to the respect

of the buyer.

And endeavor, by every possible

means, to strengthen the state associa-

tion so that the committees appointed

by the chair to attend to the matters

concerning the whole interest be not

obliged to neglect their duties for the

want of transportation to the place of

business, or the means of support

while there.

Boston Wool Market.

Weekly Advertiser.

THURSDAY EVENING, Dec. 11.

The total receipts of wool at this

port during the past week comprise

4776 bales domestic and 369 bales for-

eign, against 5889 bales domestic and

1191 foreign for the same time last

year. The total receipts since Janu-

ary 1, 1884, comprise 419,452 bales do-

mestic and 59,655 bales foreign, against

492,170 bales domestic and 12,649 bales

foreign for the corresponding period

of 1883.

The sales for the week comprise

3,058 100 pounds of domestic fleece and

3,488 and 2800 pounds of foreign,

making the week's transactions foot

up 3,060,900 pounds against 2,506,400

and 4,19,900 pounds for the two pre-

vious week's transactions.

The business this week has been

very similar to that for the correspond-

ing week last year, or 3,060,900 pounds

this week against 3,107,000 last year.

The demand has been more general,

and sales would have been much lar-

ger had the offers of manufacturers

been accepted. This improved de-

mand with the large sales for the past

few weeks has given a better tone to

the market without any notable ad-

vance in prices. It is no longer a mar-

ket favorable to buyers or prices being

easy. Wools, for which a few weeks

ago there was little or no demand, can

now be more readily sold at prices

than asked. This is the main feature

in the improvement in wool. The im-

pression seems to be rooted in some

people that an active market means

necessarily a boom in prices. We re-

peat what we have in substance stated

in reports of the past two weeks: Deal-

ers are free sellers at the quotable

prices, and the tone of the market has

been strengthened by the greater ac-

tivity. The increased demand has not

been general, but for special kinds of

wool, such as fine territories, Texas

and similar wools. This week the

transactions in scoured have been quite

large, some of the hosiery mills having

purchased supplies. We note that

some manufacturers are buying wool,

whose mills have shut down, believing

that it is a good time to buy at the

prices current, and that better selec-

tions can be made than some weeks

hence. No higher prices are looked

for by the best authorities until woolen

goods improve in prices. There is an

abundance of fall Texas and California

and a good deal of ordinary territory

wool still on the market, and they

are not as firmly held as are the

better wools. There is not much de-

mand for XX Ohio and Pennsylvania,

and full prices are not easily realized

except for the best lots. Commission

houses have shown a disposition to

close out small lots before the end of

the year, which is customary at this

season. Some special lots of Spring

Texas, suitable for combers, are worth

21 cents, but the best clothing is other-

wise worth 18@19 cents.

The demand for delaine wools has

been fair, and there is no accumulation

of Ohio delaine, but Michigan delaine

is not so much sought for, although in

fair demand. There is still a good

supply of Michigan and fleece here, for

the demand has not been sharp for X

fleece. Some of the mills which are

large consumers of Michigan wool have

been stopped.

There is a good deal of inquiry for

fine fall Texas scoured at 39@41c.

Some large sales of Montana at 10c

have been made in Chicago to Eastern

buyers.

The largest sales this week were of

Texas and California spring. A week

ago the sales of Texas were also very

large.

A dealer just returned from Ohio

reports that there are a great many

lots still held in second hand, more

than usual, and that 35c is asked

for them. The wool is pretty much

out of farmers' hands.

One house has sold over 500,000

pounds of wool this week, and another

400,000 pounds. More wool has been

sold this week than reported, but sales

are not given out until wool is weighed

and shipped.

The hosiery mills will shut down on

the 15th to take account of stock, which

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THE CONCHO CATTLE CO OF TEXAS. G. M. CARRY, President; H. W. SALMON, Secretary and Treasurer; Clinton, Mo. S. H. BROWN, Manager, Postoffice, Coleman, Texas. Ranch on Mustang Creek, Concho county, Texas.

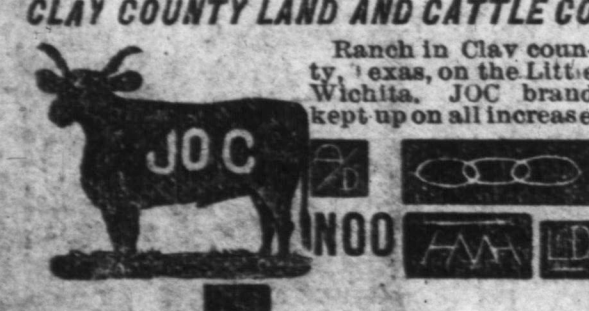
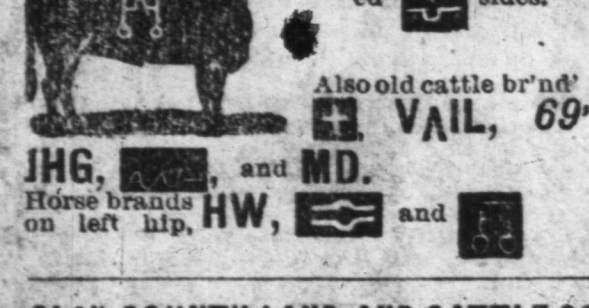
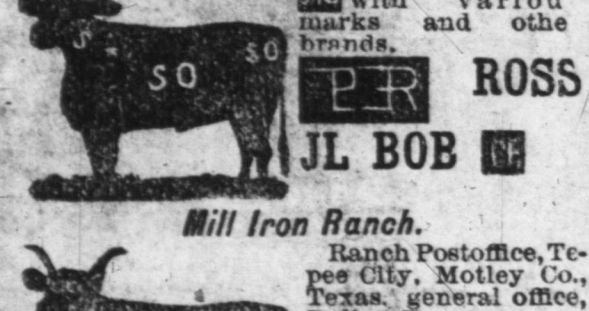
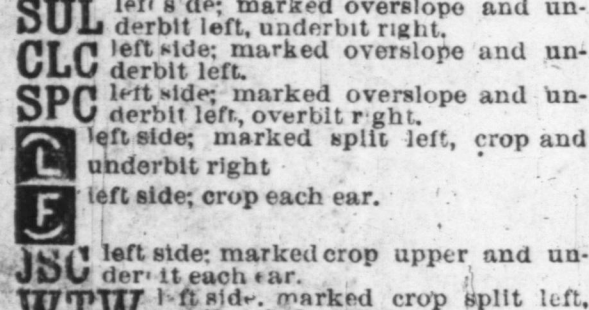


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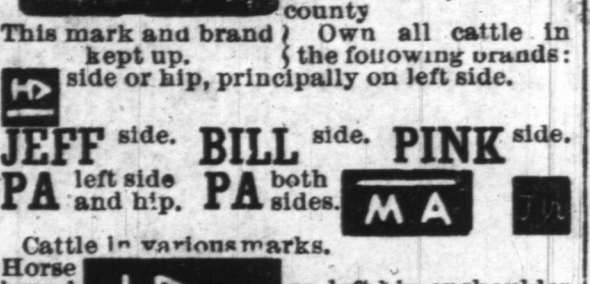


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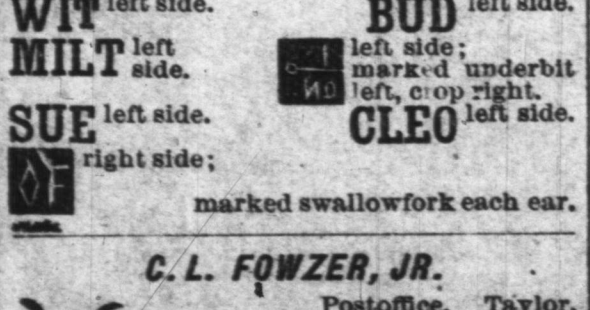
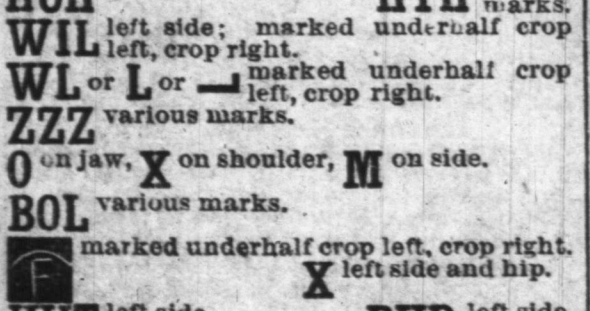
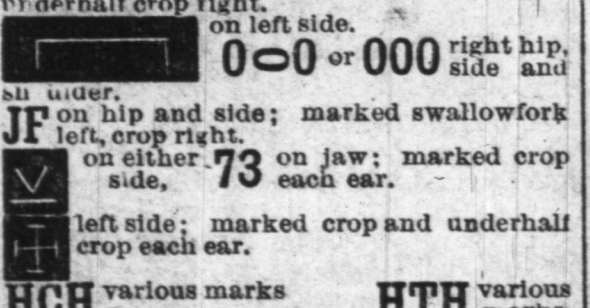
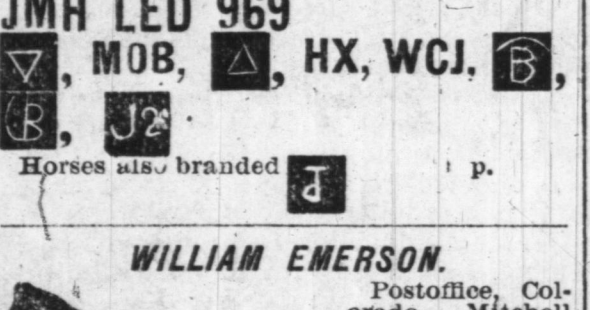
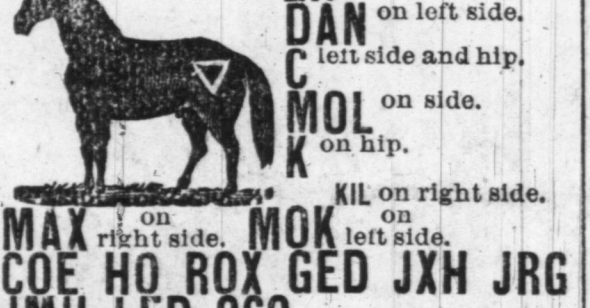
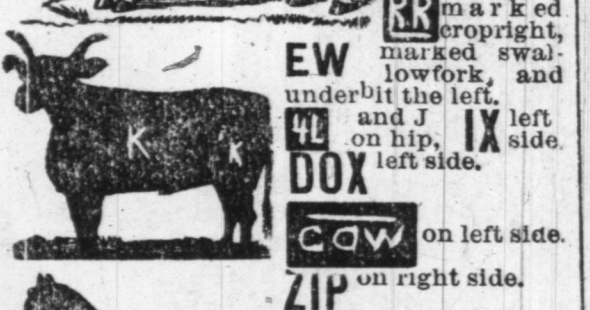
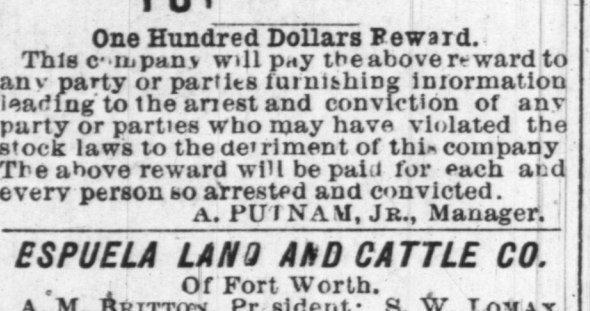
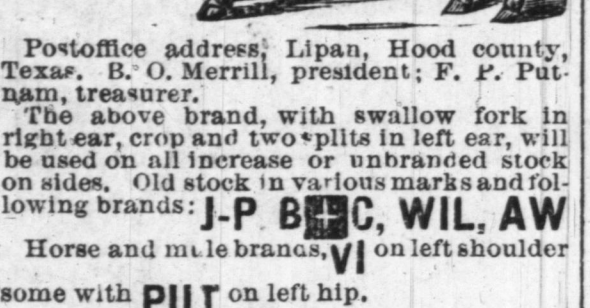
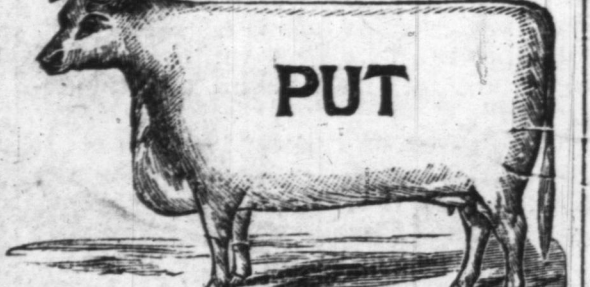
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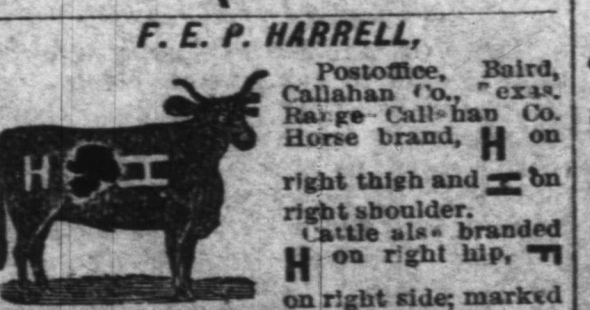
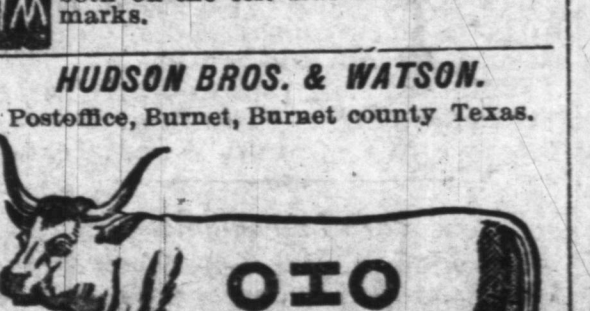
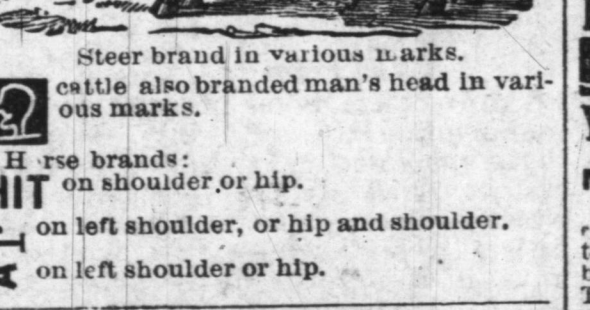
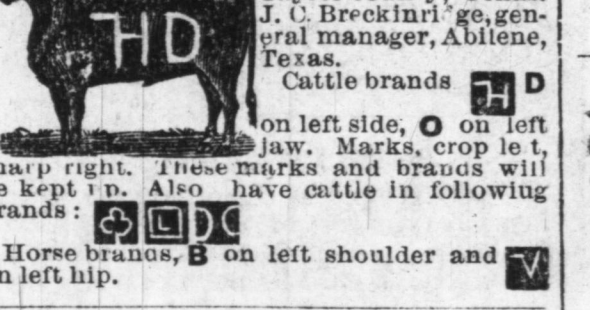
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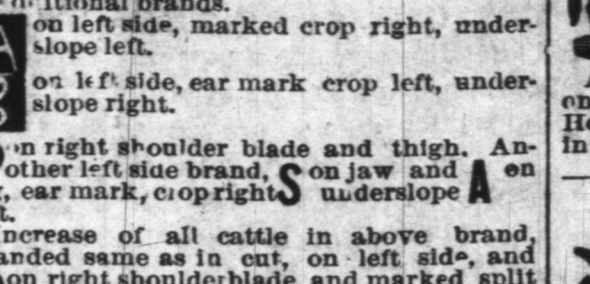
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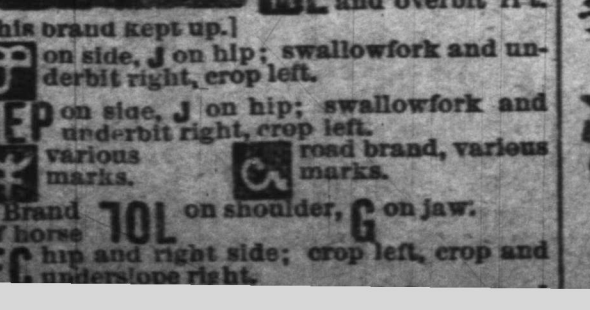
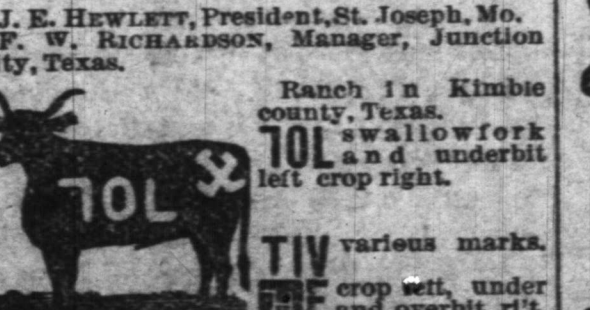
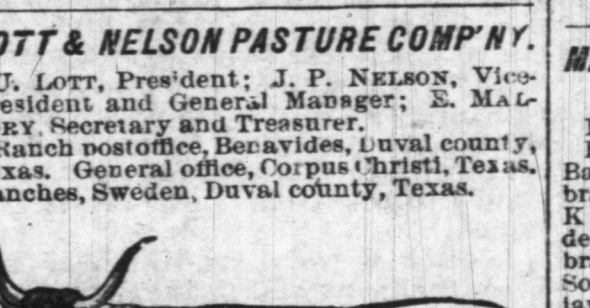
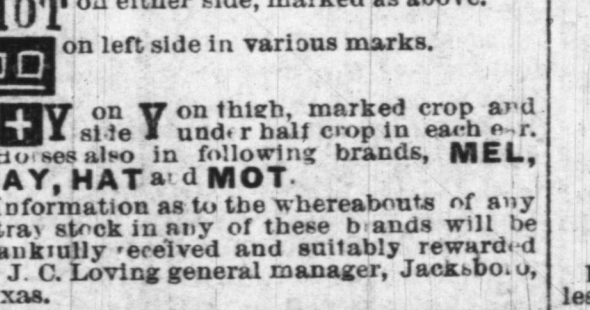
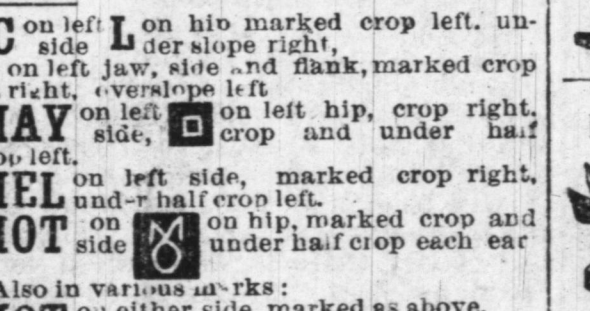
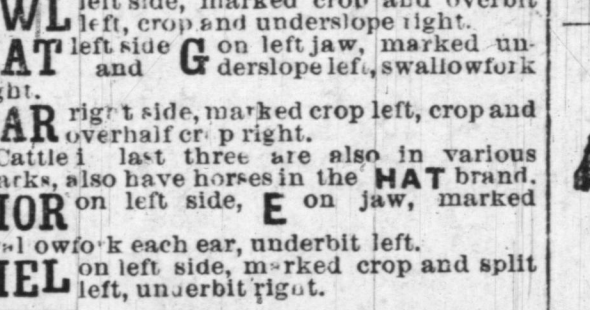
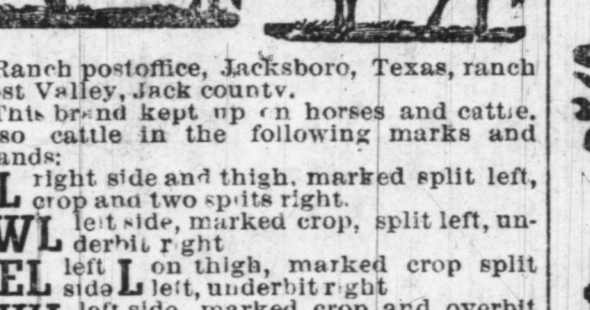
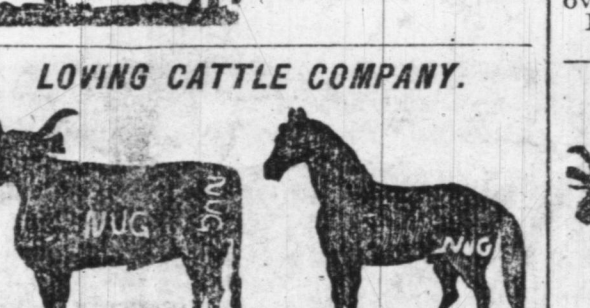
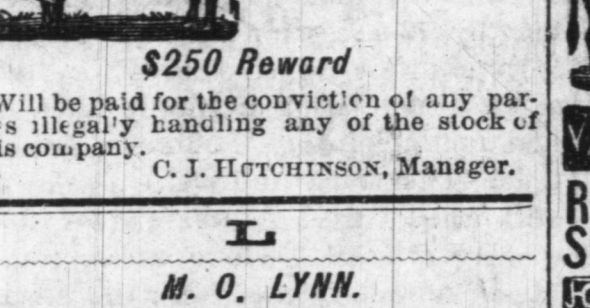
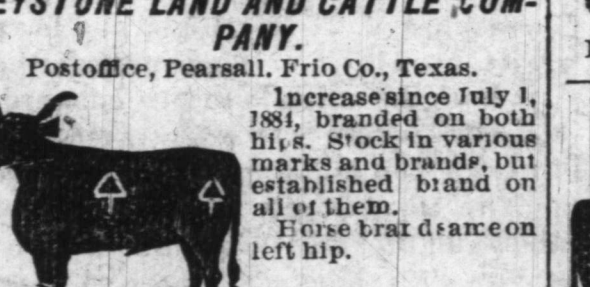
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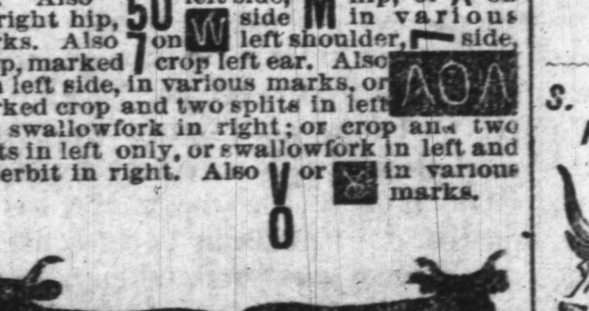
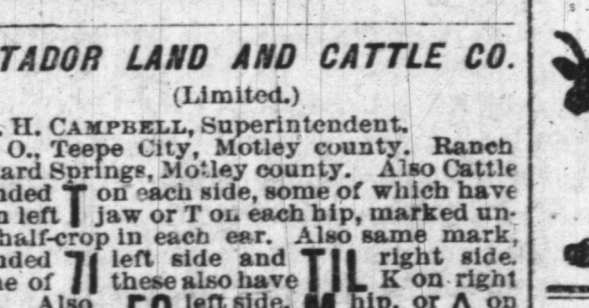
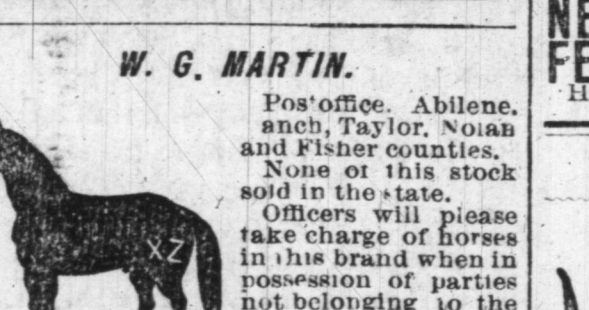
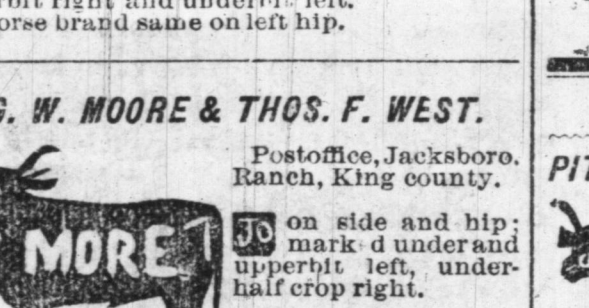
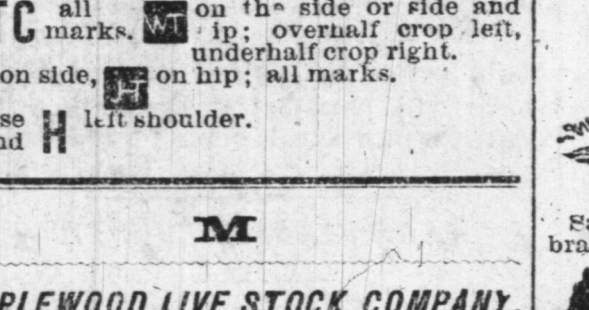
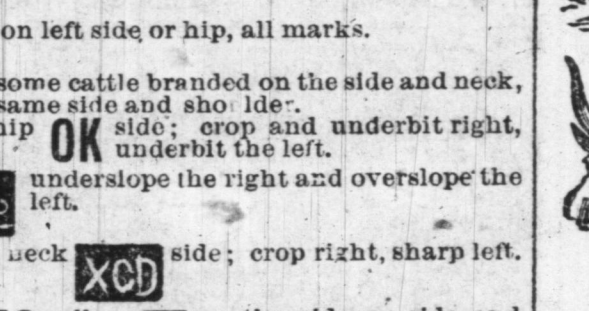
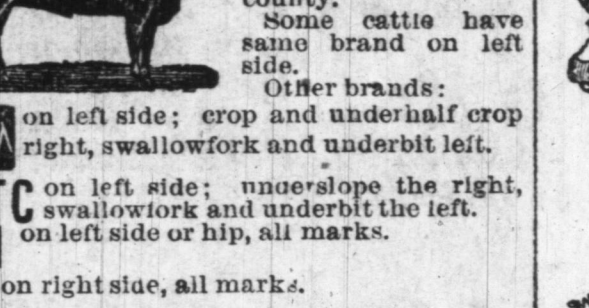
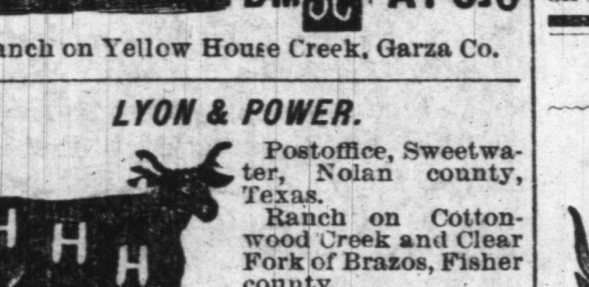
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P. J. LOONIE. (Loonie's Ranch, Bosque county, Texas). Postoffice, Meridian, Bosque county, Tex. All persons are hereby notified not to trade for or buy any of the above stock cattle or horses, as I have no agent. Any information respecting this stock will be cheerfully received and well paid for.



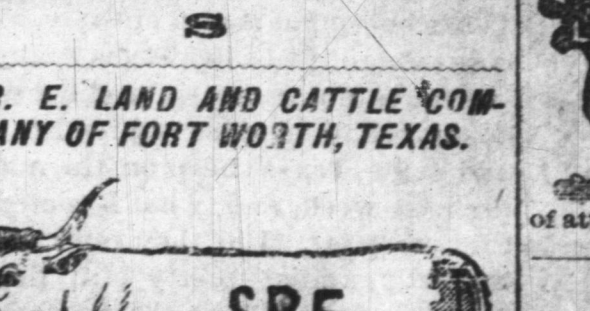
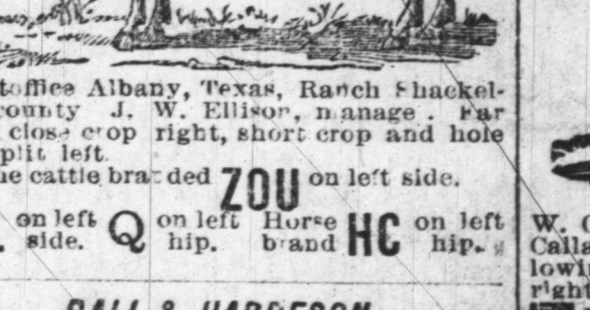
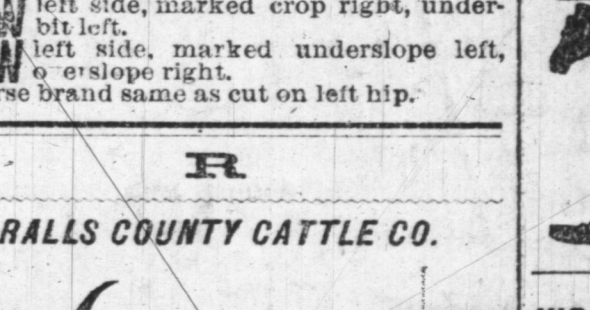
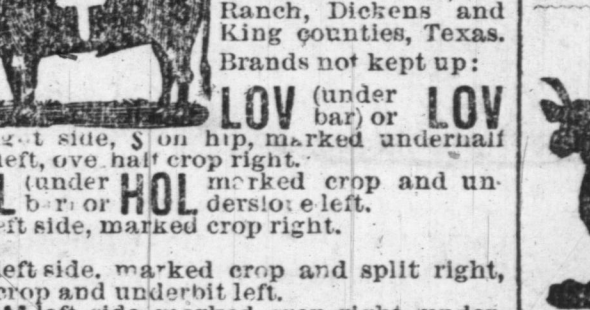
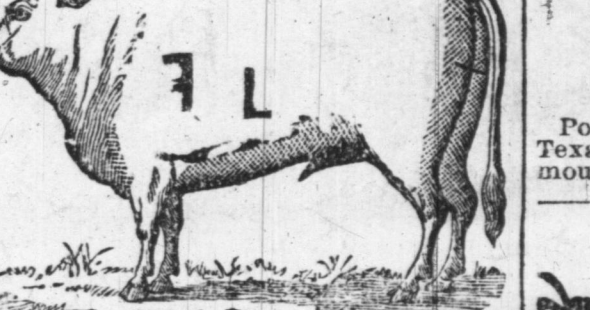
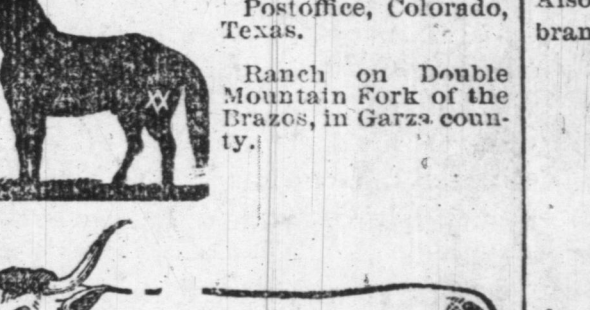
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MONTGOMERY & CO. Fort Worth, Texas. Ranch on Little Red Mud Creek, Kent county, some branded on both sides. L. B. Barkley, Ranch Manager, P.O. address Lockums, Dickens county.



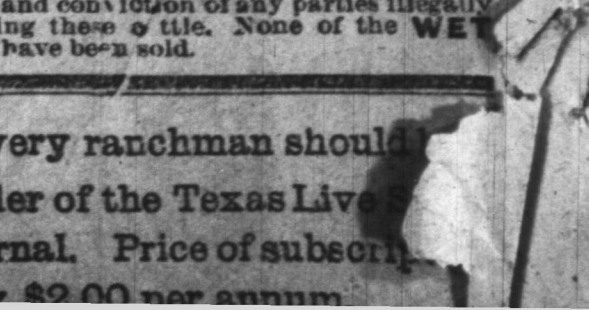
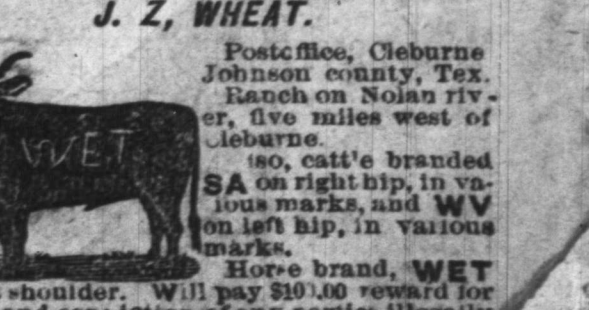
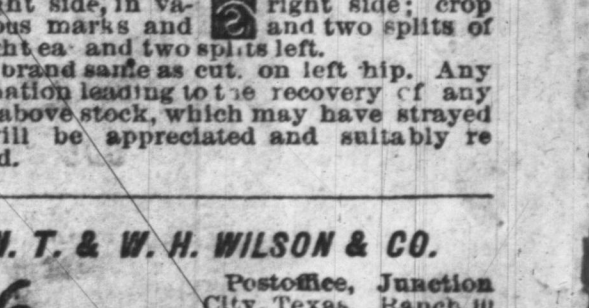
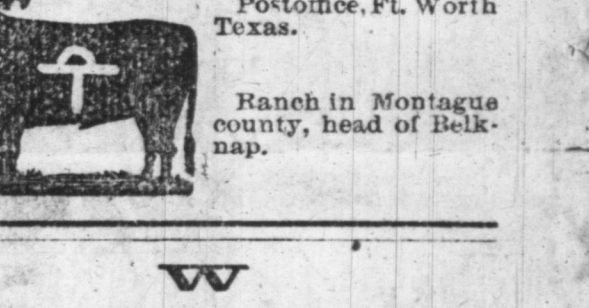
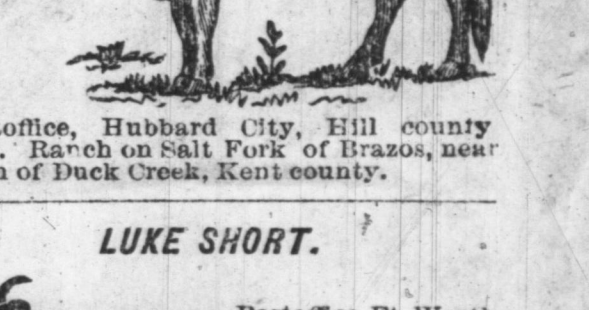
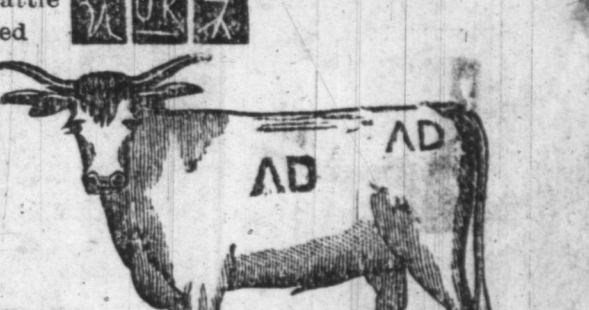
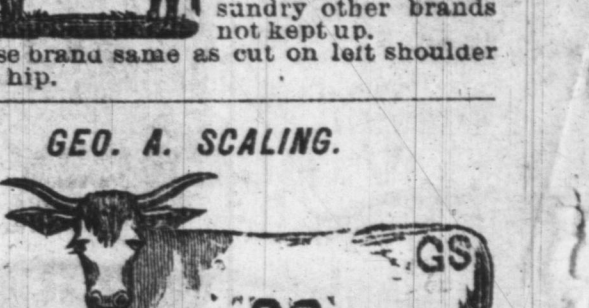
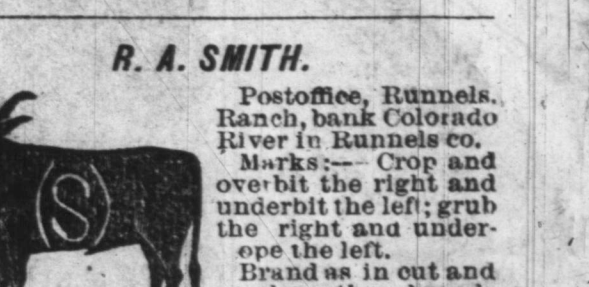
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J. H. STRADLEY. Postoffice, Jacksboro, Texas. Ranch, Jack county. TRA brand on left thigh.



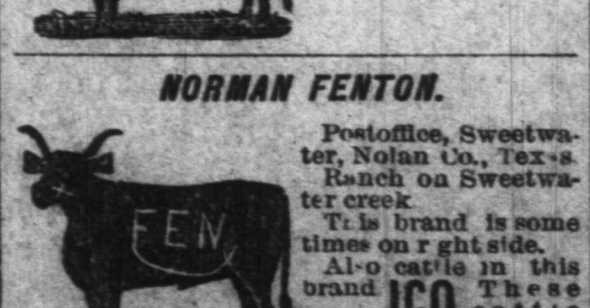
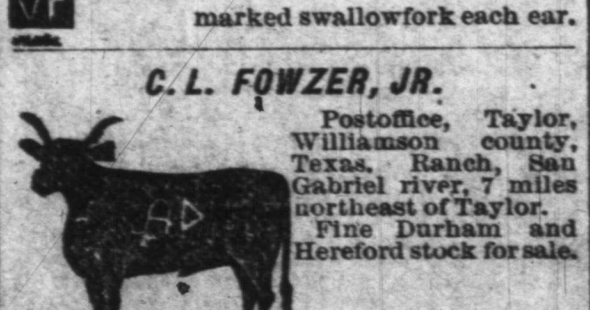
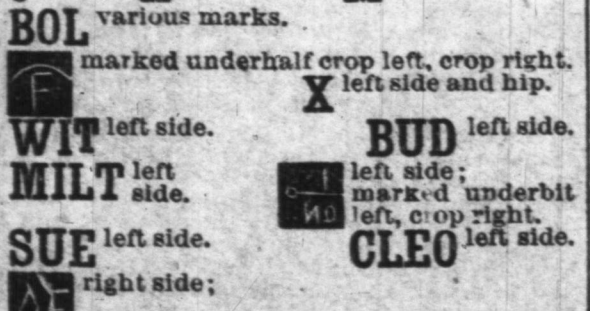
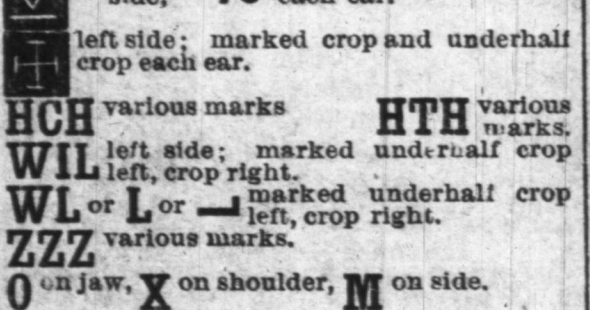
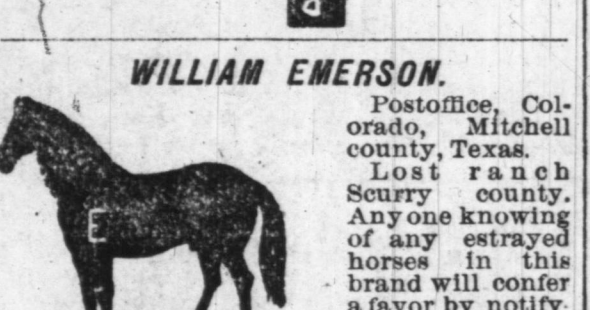
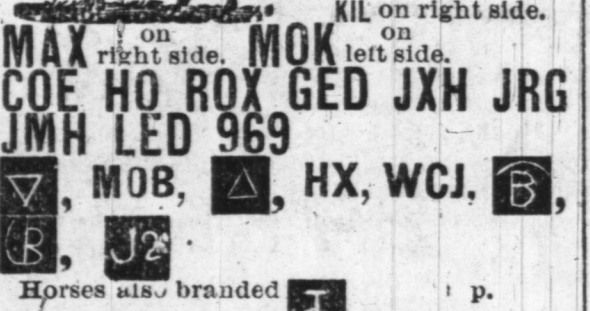
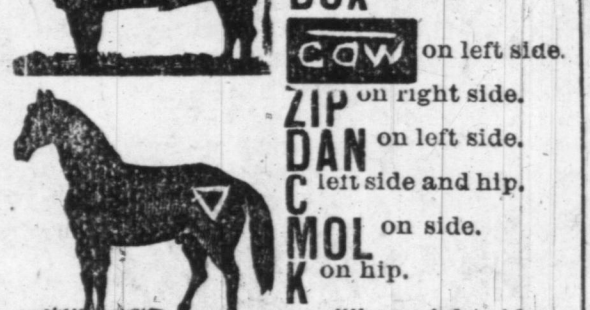
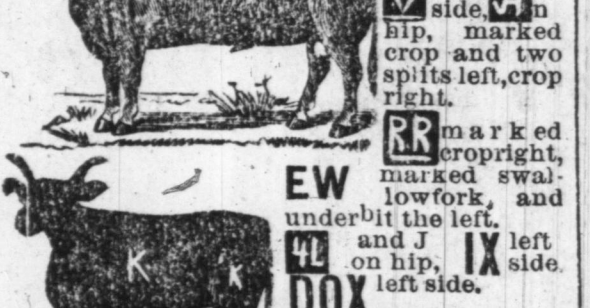
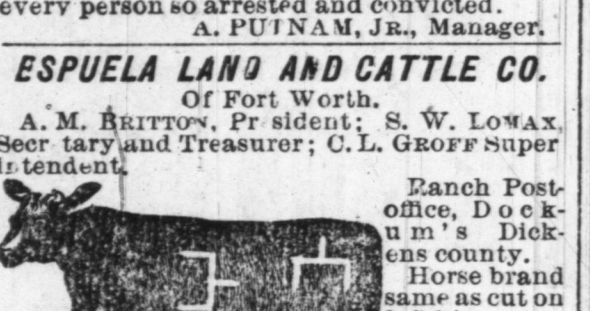
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ERATH CATTLE COMPANY. Postoffice address: Lipan, Hood county, Texas. B. O. Merrill, president; F. P. Putnam, treasurer.



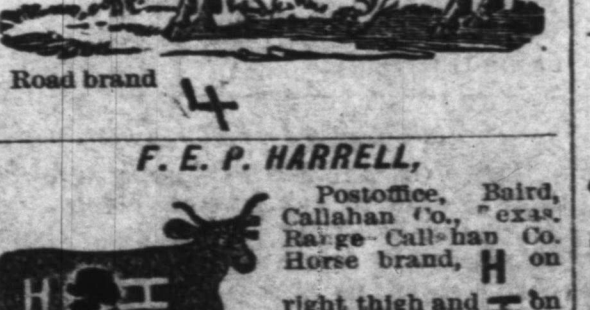
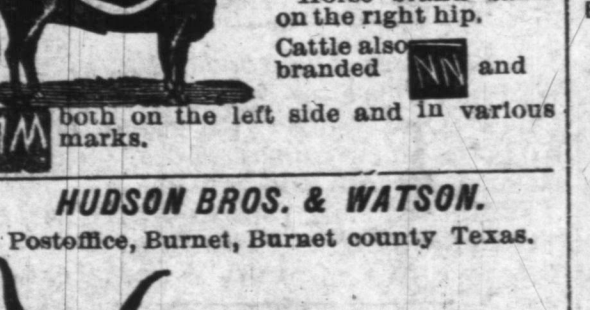
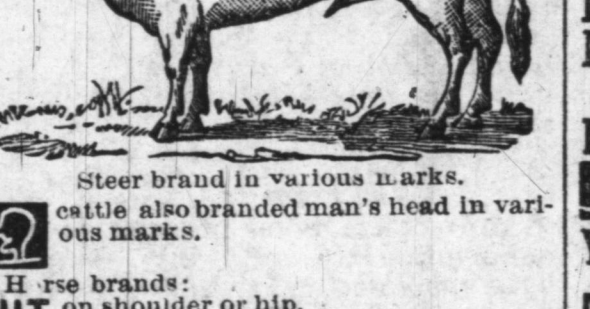
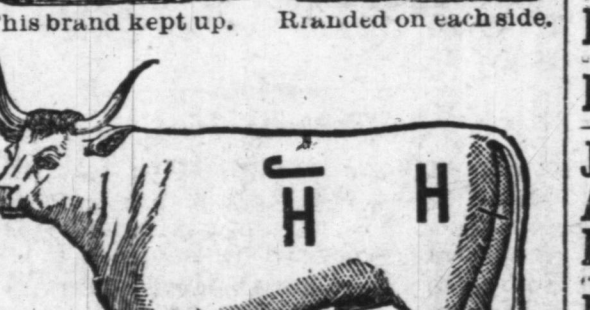
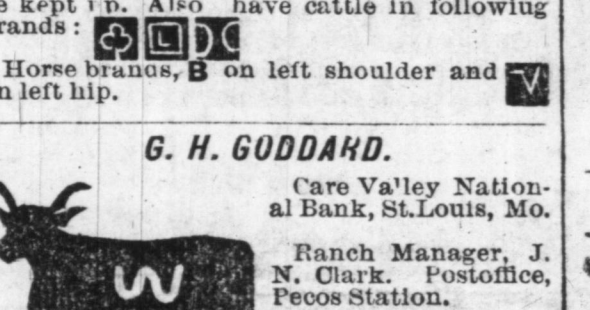
The above brand, with swallow fork in right ear, crop and two splits in left ear, will be used on all increase or unbranded stock on sides. Old stock in various marks and following brands: J-P, BEC, WIL, AW.



W. STEVENS, Superintendent, Postoffice, Wichita Falls, Texas. Ranch, Wichita Co. Other ranch brand: PK.



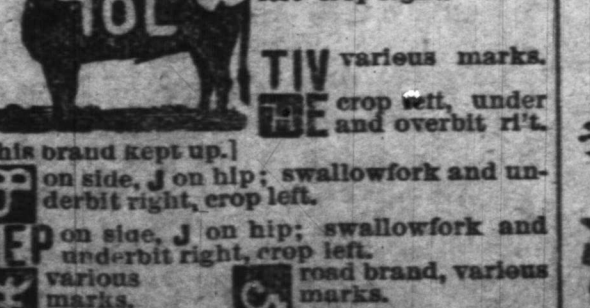
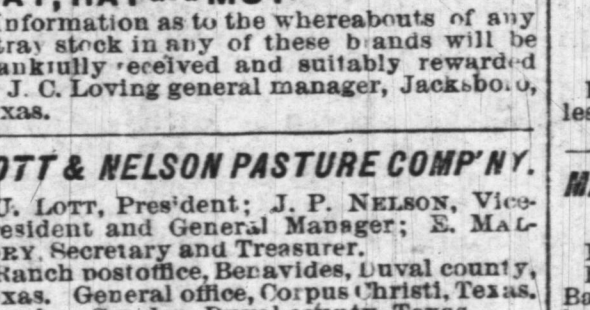
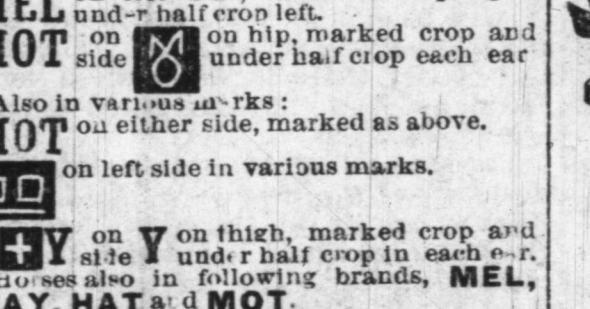
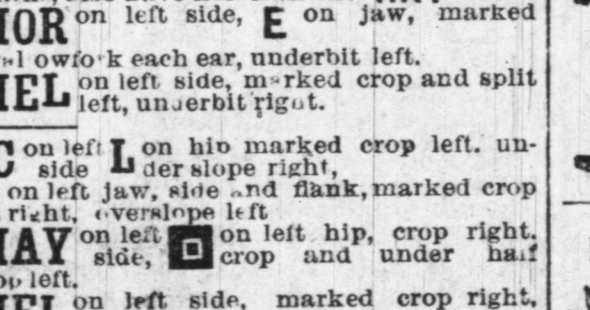
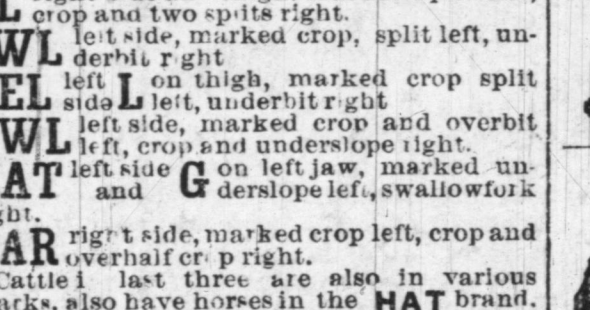
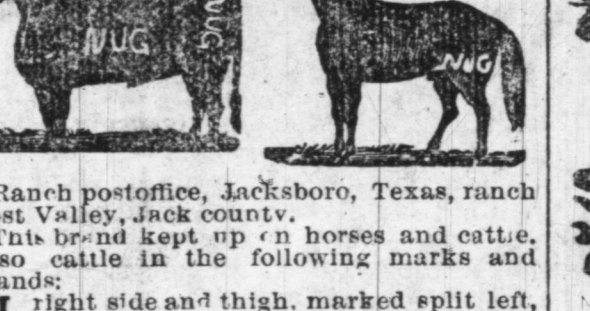
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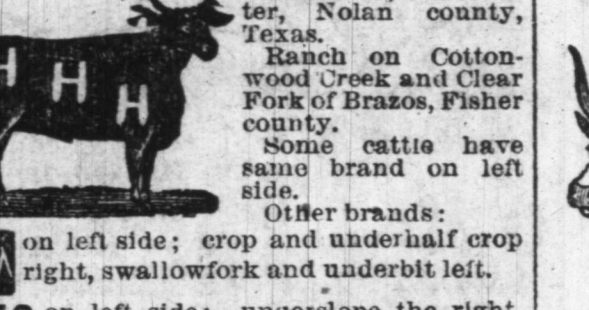
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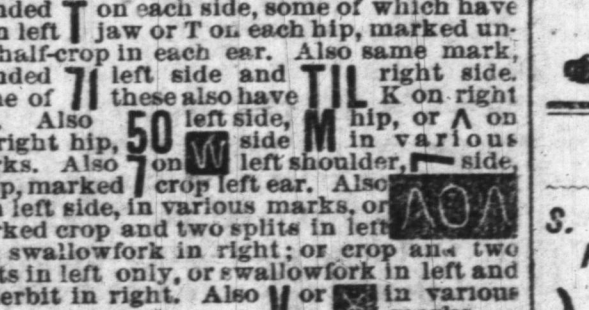
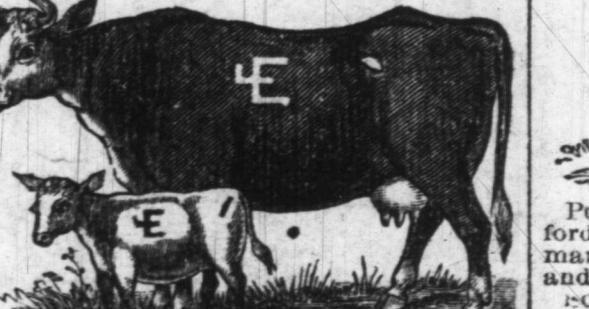
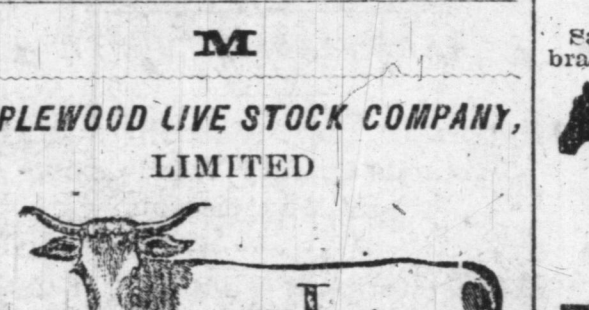
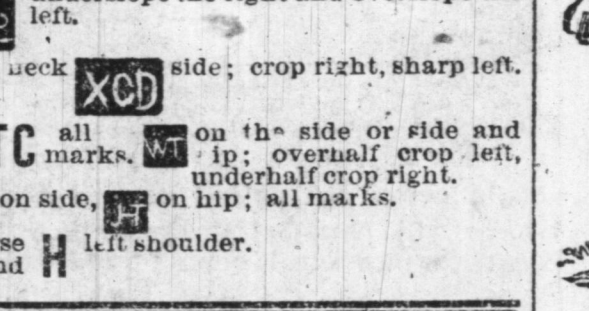
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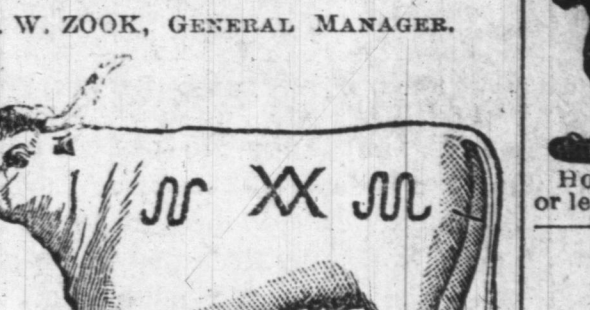
LEXINGTON RANCH CO. J. W. BURGESS, president, Fort Worth, Texas. W. F. Smith, Manager, Snyder, Scurry Co., Texas. 202 brand as cut kept up. The company also own the following brands: DM, C, F, A, O, J, O.



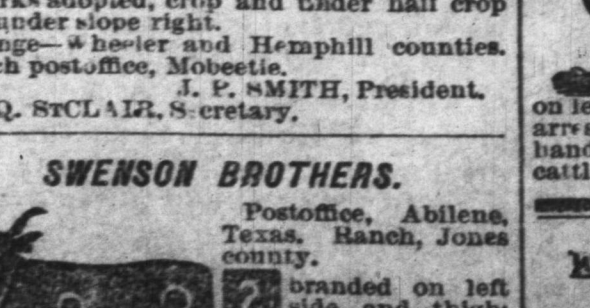
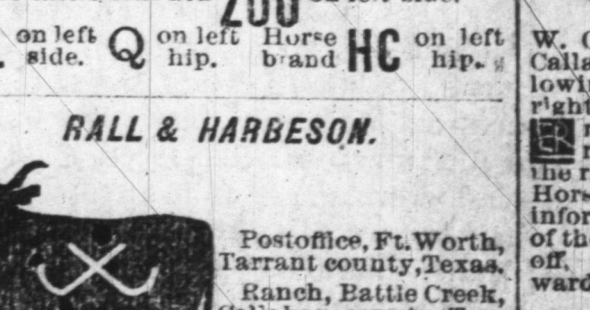
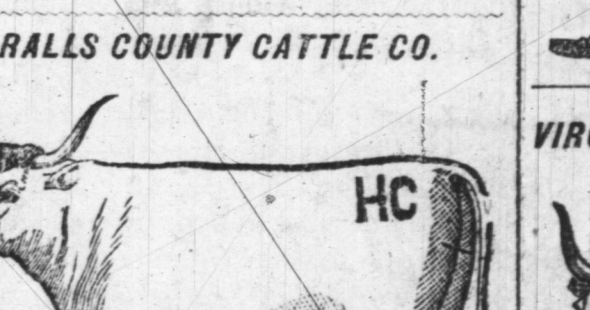
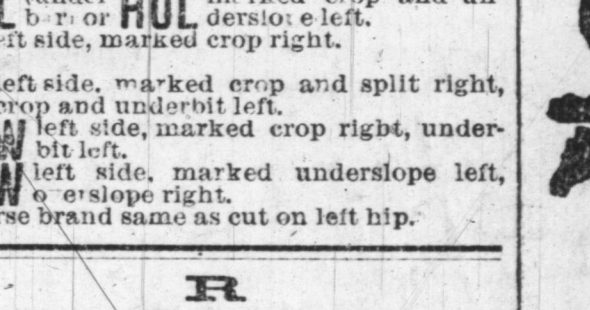
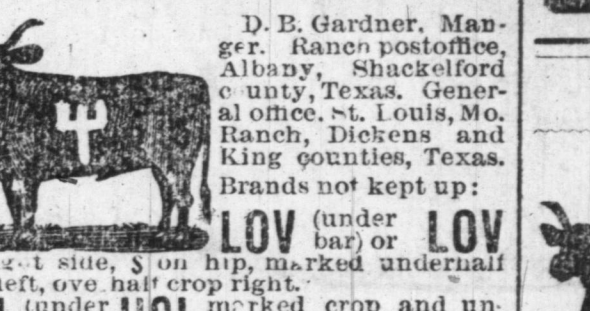
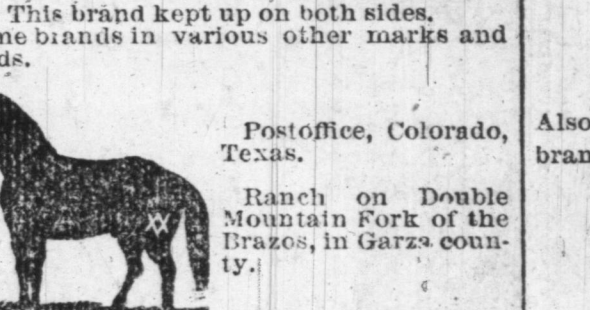
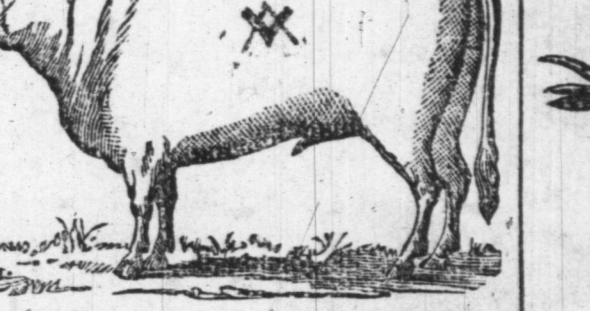
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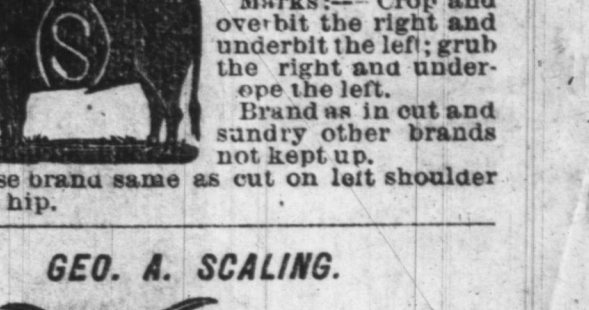
T. H. MATHIS. Postoffice, Rockport, Aransas county, Texas. Ranch on Nueces River, San Patricio county. Young cattle all improved. Horse brand same as cattle on left shoulder.



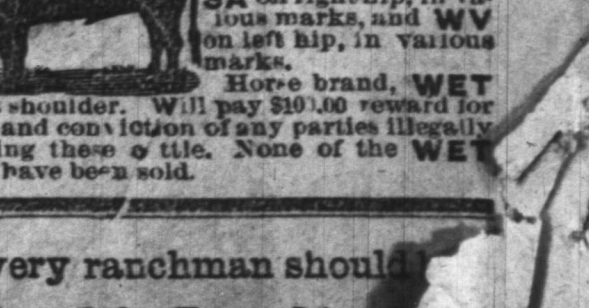
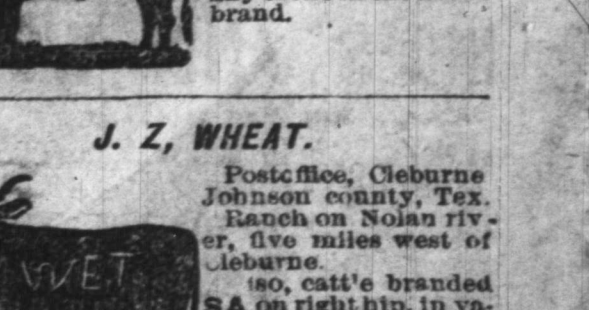
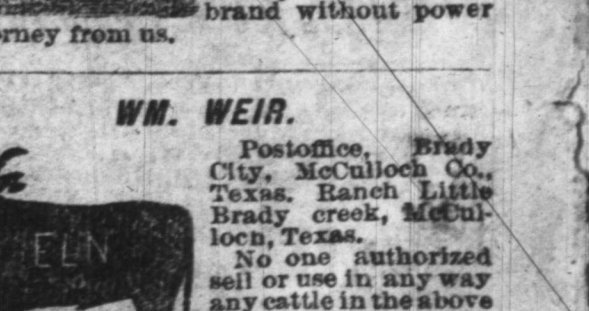
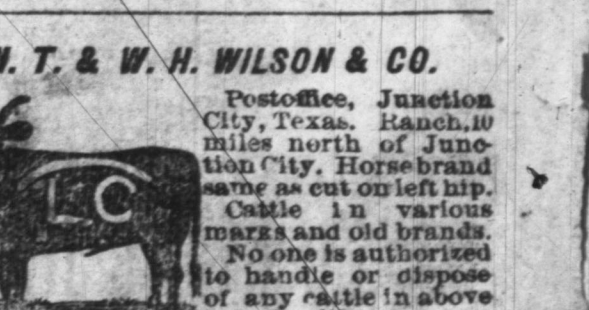
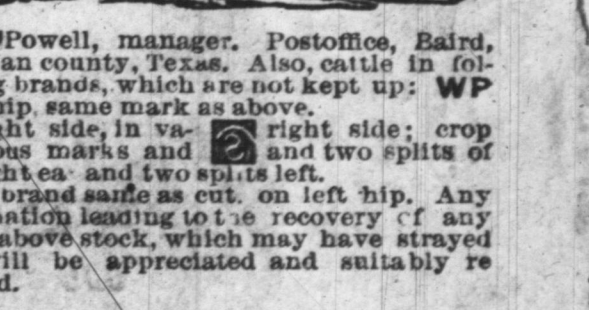
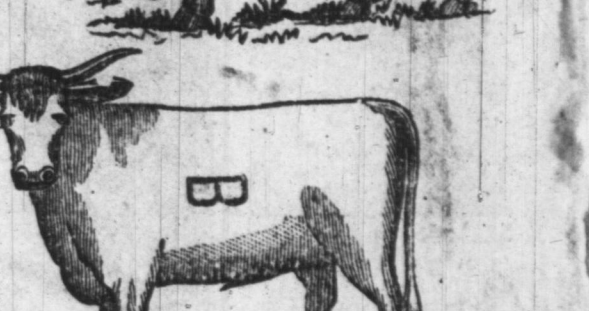
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S. D. SIMS. Postoffice, Williams Ranch, Brown county, Texas. Ranch, Brown county, Texas.



Additional brands: On left side, crop and under half crop right, swallowfork and under left. On right side, under slope the right, swallowfork and under left. On left side or hip, all marks.



ESPUELA LAND AND CATTLE CO. Of Fort Worth. A. M. BRITTON, President; S. W. LOWAN, Secretary and Treasurer; C. L. GROSS, superintendent.



Additional brands: On left side, crop and under half crop right, swallowfork and under left. On right side, under slope the right, swallowfork and under left. On left side or hip, all marks.

