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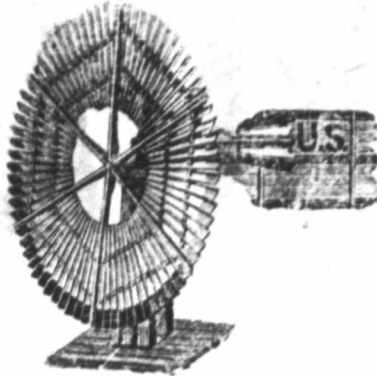
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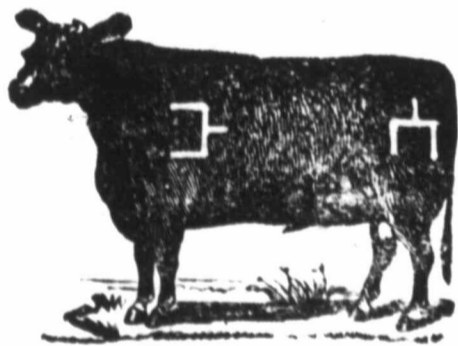
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The most convenient roost for fowls
is a 2x4-inch scantling put broadside
over 12-inch boards, forming a platform
to catch the droppings, which as ma-
nure are worth 75 cents to \$1.00 per
barrel. Heavy fowls should not have
more than eighteen inches. Each pen
should contain a dust bath so that the
fowls can roll in the dust and keep lice
off. A small box should be there to
hold broken oyster shells, old mortar
and gravel broken in small pieces.
Some of these substances are absolutely
necessary to furnish grit to grind up
the food. A certain amount goes to
furnish lime for the egg-shell, but
much of the lime for this purpose can
be given in the shape of proper food.

Coleman county seems to be doing a
good business in the poultry line. The
Voice says: W. P. Stamphill will
ship several pens of turkeys and chick-
ens Monday night. He is paying a
good price.

It is better to keep one hundred
fowls profitably than attempt to handle
five hundred and fail. It is not the
number he keeps that pays the farmer,
but how he keeps them. Wintering a
flock of five hundred head of fowls
means work, to make them profitable.
Don't expect it without constant atten-
tion.

An increased demand in turkeys is
expected during the Christmas holi-
days. If you have any to sell get them
in condition at once.

Geese are wonderfully healthy living
on food that the average fowl would
starve on. They are free from disease,
and do well on the farm where ample
range is at their disposal.

Turnips make a good food if boiled
and mixed with potatoes and such food
as is given fowls in the morning. Veg-
etables are good in winter, and turnips
are one thing that fowls like.

December is a dreary month of win-
ter. Cheer up your flocks with kind-
ness, giving them everything that is
comfortable and make them lay. There
is no excuse for neglect.

Dress all fowls you market from now
until spring. The difference in price
will more than pay for the extra labor.
Let all market stock be choice and
scrupulously clean; you are bound to
catch the custom by doing so.

Where a number of varieties are kept
there is a tendency to keep more dur-
ing the winter than you have space to
properly accommodate. A crowded
house means trouble with disease, it is
better to look out and avoid it.

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paper on "Success in the Medical Pro-
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Agricultural.

In dry weather do not do too much hilling.

Harrow and cultivate often soils that bake easily.

Especially in agriculture does steady application count.

The farmer should know more at the end of the year than he did at the beginning.

Perhaps your neighbor is wiser than you, because he no longer farms in the old groove.

The wise farmer makes his own pork and beef, and pays himself in money and in healthful food.

To make the best success with farming, diligence in pushing the farm work and care in feeding and handling the stock are very necessary.

If the ambitious farmer's wife wants a hand in the money getting, bee keeping is an industry in which her sex has been eminently successful.

The farmer cheats himself most when he cheapens anything he prepares for market; do not try to make cream cheese out of skimmed milk.

While it is not now possible for every farmer to have the best breeds of stock, yet they can take good care of what they do have so as to realize the most profit.

It is definitely ascertained that the corn crop of the year is several hundred million bushels short, and higher prices will rule toward spring. Farmers who can hold will doubtless be well paid for doing so.

Manuring may be overdone with young trees, as it will force too great a growth of wood which will not have time to ripen. With old trees in bearing it will hardly be possible to err in this respect.

Superintendent Porter of the census has had taken a special report upon the tropic and semi-tropic fruits, whose cultivation has grown to such large proportions in the southern states within a few years past.

Farming exclusively, that is without running any live stock in connection, may be successful, but with a few cattle, sheep, horses or hogs, it can be made much safer and surer and more profitable as well.

The qualities of pure bred animals are fully as desirable for the small farmer as for the large one, and in most localities there is no need of any farmer being denied the benefits to be derived from breeding and keeping the best.

Mr. Aaron Hedges, a well-to-do farmer and sheep raiser of Smithfield, this county, called on the JOURNAL Tuesday, and renewed his subscription for another year. Mr. Hedges is a strong believer in carrying a few stock on the farm.

Grass is the foundation of success on the farm. More and better stock can be kept, and a better system of rotations be carried out than with almost any other crop. When a farmer is growing a number of crops he runs less risk, for if one fails some of the others at least may not.

The farmers are the bone and sinew of the country, and it is proper and right that they should have a voice in the management of its affairs. In this, however, they should move cautiously and guardedly and be careful to exercise good reason and sound judgment in their demands.

I can see no rainbow for the farmer who fails to keep up the fertility of his soil, for the dairyman who fails to keep up and increased butter and milk capacity of his cows, or for the farmer who contents himself with producing crude products to be sold in remote markets, says the editor of the Iowa Homestead.

Every farmer owning a few sheep or cattle can add materially to the value of such stock by keeping them in good condition through the winter. It does not cost much to provide plenty of grass and fodder for bad days, but it adds much to the value of the stock you will offer for sale next spring.

The total cotton crop of the country last year was 7,313,000 bales. This year it will reach 8,557,000 bales. The crop being particularly good this year, the acreage that produced seven bales last year will produce eight this year, and the increased acreage of about 3 per cent. will produce the balance.

Farming land in England is worth from \$500 to \$1000 an acre, yet the English farmer finds it pays better as a rule to keep it set in grass and use it for grazing purposes. If this is true where land is so valuable, it will certainly pay Texas farmers to set aside a good proportion of their holdings for grazing purposes.

Another trust is reported as organized. The spring tooth harrow men have organized a company with a capital stock of half a million. The report says, however, that prices have been reduced. Trusts are not generally formed for reducing prices, and the National Harrow Co. is quite a novelty in this direction.

The Barber County, Kansas, Herald says: A large irrigation convention of business men and farmers from northwestern Kansas was held at Oberlin, Kansas, Dec. 10th, to devise some plan to protect themselves against a future drouth. This is a movement that should be universal, as our Italian climate was made for man's benefit.

The Philadelphia Practical Farmer says: The general farmer must be a man of genius if he can make as much profit without as with cattle. On his farm he will of necessity produce much rough feed that hogs will not consume; that cannot all be fed with profit to horses; and a part of which, at least, can be fed to cattle to better advantage than it can be fed to sheep.

The JOURNAL wants to see every farmer in Texas, especially throughout the prairie sections, have a sufficient number of cattle, sheep and hogs to tide him safely over a dry year. In fact it is always best to be on the safe side, and the only safe way to farm is to have live stock enough to provide the necessities of life in the event the crops should from any cause prove a failure.

An enormous amount of grain is annually lost through the depredations of rats and mice. Rat proof corn cribs and granaries are the only safe protection, and now is the time to look at this. To make them secure, set strong cedar posts in the ground and place an inverted tin pan on the top of each, and build from this foundation. Movable steps must be used for access, and carefully taken away after using.

Keep out of debt, or if you incur indebtedness at all let it be for young steers, pigs or something that you know will enhance in value, and can be marketed at a profit in time to meet the obligations thus incurred. Modern machinery and handsome improvements are nice things to have, but it is much better to dispense with them until they can be paid for, than to incur by their purchase debts that will harass and annoy you.

A writer in an Eastern agricultural paper is rather hard on the young man who prefers to leave the farm, and goes for him as follows: Nine-tenths of the young men leave the farm because they can't get a living without good solid work, and the young man of the present day has got above work. He is going to find some business, if he hunts till he dies (and the probabilities are that he will) where he can get a living and a little more without working for it, and as soon as he admits it he has sunk himself to a level with tramps, for their aims are the same.—G. H. Snow.

Says a correspondent of a Western exchange: I am in favor of the experiment stations and farmers are at fault if they do not get benefit from them. Last spring my oats seemed to be struck with blight. I sent a few stalks to Washington and asked for instruction. The answer was that if they did not show signs of improvement in a few days to cut them and feed in place of hay. I did so and think it was the best to do with them.

A great many farmers who formerly owned beautiful homes in Kansas are now tenants for their former mortgages. A desire to make improvements and indulge in other extravagant habits beyond their means, led them to mortgage their homes. The drouth and crop failure that followed made it impossible to pay the interest. The result is they are now renting the land they once owned. The farmers of Texas should profit by the experience of their unfortunate neighbors and steer clear of mortgages.

In view of the fact that it pays to carry a few live stock on the farm, every farmer in Texas should provide himself with a good grass pasture now while land is cheap. If you are already surrounded by farms and in this way hemmed in or cut off from grazing lands it will pay you to sell out and move to a locality where you can have room enough to set aside a few hundred acres for grazing purposes. If you want to raise cotton exclusively you can possibly afford to dispense with the live stock, otherwise you can not.

Common stock of any kind never pays. The man who can show even a fine brood of blooded fowls does it with a pride that stimulates him. They cost no more to keep, and poultry and eggs of superior quality are always in demand at extra prices. The JOURNAL is equally ready to say that the poor farmer can never get rich so long as he wastes his energies and his feed upon poor grades of horses and cattle. Get a start with blooded stock, and thereafter the expense will be no greater than in raising that for which there is no market.

Let not the farmer make light of the information to be obtained at the "Institute." As well may he count of no value the instruction his boys receive at the academy. Let him lay hold of the theories and the experiences of others, even though they have not followed the plow so long. The busy tiller has not time nor has he ways of finding out all things for himself. The fact is that science is doing for him more today than is his hard work. Were it not so he would indeed need pity as he struggles against the adverse circumstances that seem to hedge him in.

Agriculture is the national study, and some time we will see the course in agriculture the most important course in the universities. The study of agriculture is the study of law, a law that you cannot escape. You can dodge legal laws, but you cannot escape the laws of nature. Success in agriculture means that we have a knowledge of the laws of nature and the skill to apply them. Failure means that we have broken these laws. Man is here to direct these laws correctly, and to this end the earth is his to use and not to abuse.—Prof. I. P. Roberts, Cornell University.

Among the most just demands of the Farmers' Alliance—very generally made in their conventions and platforms—is that the mortgage indebtedness should be deducted from the tax on realty. The owner of the land, who is in fact the one who holds the mortgage, should bear the burden of taxation so far as his interest relates to the whole. That farmers have some just reason to complain of unequal taxation is a matter that will not admit of any discussion. Land is in sight, and cannot be hidden from the assessor, as stocks and bonds can be. There are other taxes that many farmers bear that are more onerous than any imposed by the legal assessor. The Country Gentleman well says: "Decay and Rust are a firm of assessors in con-

stant activity all over the land. It is their delight to leay upon farm implements, and they let nothing escape, from the inexpensive hoe to the costly harvester and thresher. You cannot hide a mower in the most obscure corner of the fence, nor leave it in the far back lot, with the least bit of hope that it will escape their attention."

Sir Philip Miller, the great English horticulturist, writing in 1740, says: "The best method to have cabbages is to procure fresh seed from abroad every year, for it is apt to degenerate in England in a few years." The above is a simple illustration of the fact that the best seeds will rapidly degenerate under unfavorable conditions. The wise will take heed, therefore, and buy their seeds of D. M. Ferry & Co., Detroit, Michigan, whose world wide reputation as the best and most reliable, as well as the most extensive seed growers and dealers, is due to the fact that they take advantage of every circumstance of climate, soil, methods of culture, selection of seed plants, etc., to procure the best possible seeds and keep them up to that high standard. Send your name to the firm's address, and you will receive a copy of their seed annual for 1891 free.

The investigation into the condition of Kansas farmers, instituted by the Alliance of that state, reveals the fact that there are 21,000 tenant farmers, the majority of whom formerly owned the land they now occupy, and lost it through the foreclosure of mortgage. The facility with which loans have been obtained at excessively high rates of interest has been detrimental to the success of many settlers upon the new lands of the west. It induced a spirit of recklessness in procuring more land than they could profitably handle and in buying machinery and making improvements that were not commensurate with their real circumstances. This was not the manner in which the pioneers of fifty or a hundred years ago began. In making homes they lived within their own resources.

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No less than 516 trotters and pacers have beaten 2:20 to harness. There were over 100 additions to the list this year.

The Coleman Voice says O. C. Lain shipped a carload of horses from Santa Anna Monday night, but doesn't give point of destination.

An unknown disease, called by some "blind staggers," is proving very fatal to horses in certain parts of Kentucky. The loss to farmers has been very heavy.

An Englishman was lately sentenced to fourteen days' hard labor, without option of fine, for causing a horse to be worked in unfit condition and while suffering intense pain.

At the Brice and Kidd sale of thoroughbreds at Lexington, Ky., last Friday the three-year-old Palestine, by Powhattan, dam Cachuca, by King Alfonso, sold to Byron McClelland for \$13,000.

One section of good grass land and twenty-five or thirty good mares ought to be considered a fair start for a young man. These properly cared for will soon grow into several sections of land and a large herd of A No. 1 horses.

The horsemen in the range country on the prairies all report stock in good condition for winter. Those in the mountains are troubled some with the annual distemper among colts, but it is not so prevalent as usual.—Denver Field and Farm.

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Just how far a strange horse will travel to return to its old home is not fully demonstrated in our mind, but we know of an instance where a driving gelding traveled all the way from Denver to Omaha, a distance of about 550 miles. So says the Denver Field and Farm.

The same laws of heredity that have been put in use to form different types of animal life when the same is domesticated are being used just now to improve the light harness horse. The law that makes pointers point is making trotters trot, remarks the Mirror and Farmer.

The Fort Worth Investment Co. offer 750 good American stock horses for sale cheap and on easy terms, or will exchange them for good unincumbered real estate. This is a splendid opportunity for some one to pick up a fine herd of horses at a bargain and almost on their own terms.

Under the new tariff bill the duty on each horse imported is \$30, provided that horses valued at \$150 and over shall pay a duty of 30 per cent. ad valorem. Any animal imported especially for breeding purposes shall be admitted duty free, provided such animal is pure bred, of a recognized breed, and duly registered in the book of record established for that breed.

Senator Stanford, speaking of the loss of his famous great sire Electioneer, said: "I have some sixty horses in the 2:30 list and I am confident that Electioneer was not the sire of a single horse which with proper training could not trot in 2:30. Last year he was the sire of over forty colts that sold at auc-

tion at an average of \$5000 each. Some of his highest priced gets are Bell Boy, sold at auction for \$51,000; Chimes, a two-year-old for \$12,000; Sunol, upwards of \$40,000; Hinda Rose, for whom I was offered \$20,000; Norval, \$15,000, and many others whose prices I can not recall. I can hardly say which stallion I now consider at the head of his list. Palo Alto, Electricity, Norval, Anteeo and six or eight others are equally renowned."

For ten years I have driven a pair of farm horses with open bridles and have been saved many accidents by their ability to see what was going on around them, says a correspondent of the New York Tribune. If every one having care of farm horses would adopt the rule of universal kindness, discard unnecessary check and remove the blinders, many accidents would be avoided and the comfort and usefulness of the horses increased.

C. W. Williams of Independence, Iowa, has offered Robert Bonner \$10,000 for the use of his mare, Sunol, to raise one colt from the former's stallion, Allerton. The offer was declined. Sunol is only four years and seven months old, and has already wiped out all the records made by horses and mares of all ages except the 2:08 1/2 of Maud S and the 2:10 by Jay-Eye-See. Mr. Williams raised Axtell, the fastest three-year-old the world has yet seen, Sunol alone excepted.

Joaquin Miller adds the weight of his protest against the fashion of banging horses' tails. It is English, he allows, but England is a breezy and cool land, with much mud and no flies or mosquitoes. This vast land of ours is hot, dry, dusty and filled with flies and mosquitoes, that torment horses almost to madness. The horse needs his tail here as much as he needs his teeth. God gave it him, says the poet of the Sierras, and if you have the ghost of a heart you will let him keep it.

The highest priced yearling ever sold in the world, either privately or at auction, was a thoroughbred colt, King Thomas, by King Ban, dam Maud Hampton, which was sold at the Higginson sale in New York City for \$38,000. Maximillian is the next highest priced yearling, he having sold in England for \$20,664. Neither of these two top-priced thoroughbreds has gained a reputation on the turf, and the thoroughbred that cannot win is practically worthless.

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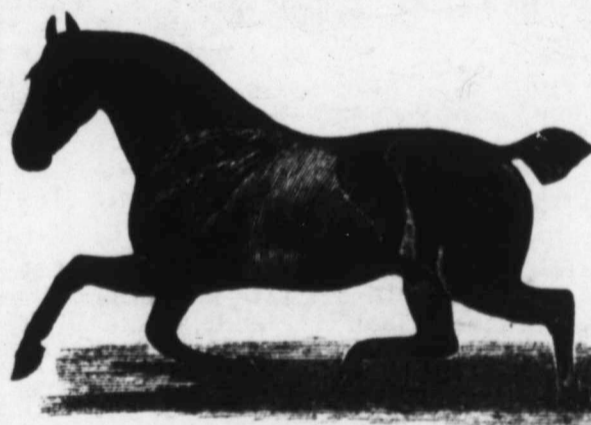
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SAN ANTONIO.

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 19, 1890. Editor Texas Live Stock Journal.

The change in style noticeable in the LIVE STOCK JOURNAL is receiving general commendation here.

Stockmen and commission men and dealers are complaining that money is tight and collections are very slow.

Hines Clark, whom everybody knows, is here recovering from an attack of dengue. He says his folks at Alice, Nueces county, write him that he may as well prolong his visit indefinitely, as it is too dry in that section now for him.

Billy Ragland, the Chicago Commission company's representative here, says his business has actually dried up. There is very little trading in cattle, and the country is so dry that no business need be expected until after there has been a general old gully washer.

Uncle John Clare, of Bee county, drops in to see us every week, and says his idea is that cattle trading is slow because there are few sellers. "Folks now have a very good opinion of yearlings and two-year-olds and beeves and cows. There is a mighty strong probability for higher prices next spring. We believe it anyhow, and we are holding every head that we don't have to sell," said he.

Hon. Henry L. Lewis, of Hearne, has been visiting here for several days, and says he is trying a reversal of the old rule. Instead of shipping Texas mules to Tennessee and Kentucky, he is importing Tennessee and Kentucky mule colts to Texas and maturing them on his plantations in the Brazos bottom. Thus far the experiment has proved to be a success, and he will now import a larger number.

Mr. R. A. Gregory returned on Wednesday from eastern Mississippi, where he sold two carloads of fine Spanish mares and mules at excellent prices. Mr. Gregory states that while in that portion of Mississippi the people estimate that they raised only a half crop of cotton, yet he found them in very comfortable circumstances and he had less trouble than usual in disposing of his stock. He also states that he found no reports there of any disease in Texas stock.

The International Fair association, at its meeting on Tuesday, elected Mr. J. J. Dickinson secretary and general manager of the association, and he assumed the duties of his position on Wednesday morning. Mr. Dickinson is a native of the blue grass region of Kentucky and with a natural love for fine stock. He received a thorough classical education and then studied law, but after being admitted to the bar he adopted journalism as his profession and worked on leading papers in St. Louis, Kansas City and Texas. He came to San Antonio about five years ago and has for the past four years been a member of the editorial staff of the Express, first as city editor, in which position he won a fine reputation for his excellent work, and lately as telegraph and night editor and also agent of the Associated Press in this city, as well as correspondent for the Republic of St. Louis, and other metropolitan dailies. He brings to his new office a mind naturally brilliant and well trained and a judgment matured by a large and varied experience. It is not mere flattery to say that the International Fair association has chosen wisely and that the live stock and agricultural interests of Texas have a warm friend and advocate in the new secretary and general manager. The premium list for the fair of 1891 will be issued with all possible dispatch and from this time forward there will be active work in the secretary's office. Bonds have been issued to pay the present indebtedness of the association and to provide funds for the preliminary work for the next fair. Every debt of the association will be paid in full as fast as collections are made, and in the course of a few weeks

the credit of the association will rank A No. 1.

The Horse Market.

The receipts of horse stock and mules by rail during the past week have included 153 head, against 327 head during the previous week and 518 head during the corresponding week last year. The receipts of horse stock and mules on hoof have shown a corresponding falling off in numbers and have been of generally poor quality. Even thin scrubs are scarce and the market has settled down to its regular dullness. There are enough buyers here, but the drouth in southern counties keeps the stockmen from shipping or driving at present, except in rare instances, and then the stock arrives here in such wretched condition that it is very difficult to sell them at anything like their value. Good fat stock will sell at outside figures on arrival.

The shipments of horse stock and mules by rail during the past week have included 414 head, against 683 head during the previous week and 883 head during the corresponding week last year. Thus the shipments have been below the weekly average of this year and are 469 head below the number shipped during the corresponding week last year. The total shipment of horse stock and mules by rail thus far this year show a decrease, as compared with the totals of the corresponding time last year, amounting to 14,199 head.

The demand is entirely from the eastern cotton states, as is shown by last week's shipments to points outside of Texas, which were as follows: Alexandria, La.; Columbus, Miss.; Gordon, Montgomery and Selma, Ala., and Greenville, S. C.

The following tabulated statements show the receipts and shipments of live stock by rail at San Antonio since January 1 and during the corresponding time last year:

LIVE STOCK RECEIPTS BY RAIL. Table with columns for item, Since Jan. 1, and Same time last year. Includes Horses and mules, Cattle, Calves, Sheep and goats, Bucks, Hogs, Bulls, Jennetts, Jacks, Stallions.

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The following quotations rule in this market:

Table listing market prices for various types of stock such as Scrub and poor mares, Medium mares, Yearling fillies, etc.

The Cattle Market.

During the past week the commission men have not been idle. They have worked off and shipped out the trashy stock that overloaded this market, until there are now very few head left in the pens, and an active demand has developed for choice fat animals at fair prices. Stockmen, however, are cautioned against shipping any but choice fat cattle here, as the demand only includes such animals, and heavy receipts of common cattle will cause the recurrence of the previous dullness and depression.

Goats and Muttons.

Goats are in active demand and the supply is very limited. Larger receipts are needed during the holiday season.

Muttons are in limited demand, as goat meat is sold principally as "mutton" by our butchers, and a very few sheep tails will serve to delude the ordinary "mutton" buyers for a long time. Butchers claim that very few of their customers can tell the difference between the flesh of a graded Angora goat and a sheep, and when the goat's carcass is ornamented with a sheep's tail even so-called experts are often deceived.

Hogs.

The demand for hogs has received a fresh impetus from the cooler weather of the past week. The supply, however, has been ample and the only change in the market is that heavier hogs are sold more freely. There is no sale for thin hogs. Grain is too valuable for feeders to be wanted now.

THE PAST AND FUTURE.

An Interesting and Instructive Letter from Col. H. L. Bentley.

ABILENE, TEX., Dec. 18, 1890. Editor Texas Live Stock Journal:

In the summer of 1871 I was in Brenham, which was then the temporary terminus of the Houston and Texas Central railroad. North of this point there was not a mile of railroad in Texas. The Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railroad company were building in this direction, but in July of that year had but entered the Indian Territory. I had to travel at that time over a large portion of Northern Texas, and among the other counties visited by me was Collin, where I saw the best lands in the county selling at from \$3 to \$4 per acre, and not selling rapidly at those figures. Now these same lands are worth on the market from \$25 to \$40 per acre. Then Texas was an unknown quantity, comparatively speaking, so far as the outside world was concerned. It was known, indeed, as a great big state, but people, when they thought of it at all, thought of it as the refuge of the lawless element from everywhere. The supposition was that there was little law in Texas, and that little could not be enforced; if, indeed, there was much disposition on the part of the constituted authority to enforce it. In the great Panhandle of Texas and along the line of the Texas and Pacific railroad, and, indeed, generally west of Weatherford and of San Antonio, there are still millions of acres of land quite as valuable intrinsically as the Collin county lands were in 1871. These sections now have railroads that connect them with all sections of Texas and the United States. The laws of the state are the best of any state in the union and they are cheerfully obeyed by most of the people, and are rigidly and easily enforced in the main as to the naturally lawless element. Good schools are found everywhere and so are church organizations and buildings. And Texas is the best advertised state in the union, and is regarded as having, by all odds, the best prospects for the future.

What is the point of all this? you may ask. The point is a suggestive one and worth the careful consideration of your readers.

Free grass for sheep is already almost a thing of the past, and in a few years more flockmasters will have to own or control their ranges, or go out of the business. They are now prospering and have money to spare. The disposition is to invest in more sheep; but my advice is not to do it. Instead, let them secure their ranges now, while these rough lands are cheap, and so make themselves solid on the range question. If they wish to have more money invested in sheep, let them gradually get rid of their inferior grades and handle only the best sheep they can find.

And what about the investments in lands? Collin county lands under adverse circumstances increased in market value from \$3@4 to \$25@40 per acre in less than fifteen years. If flockmasters purchase good lands now, at present prices, in west and northwest

or in southwest Texas, in less than fifteen years, they will be worth two, three, four, or even five to ten times what they will now cost them. They will be able to use them for range purposes in the meantime, and by the year 2000 will be able to dispose of them at figures that will prove the investment to have been far better than any 10 or 12 per cent. investment.

The flockmaster who takes advantage of the present opportunities for purchasing his range is the man who is going to be in funds when the new century is ushered in. Provided, always, that he manages his sheep to that time on the same principles that control good business men in other businesses.

A word to the wise is sufficient.

H. L. BENTLEY.

The Value of Good Bulls.

HENRIETTA, TEX., Dec. 17, 1890. Editor Texas Live Stock Journal.

I write you about the sale of two grade cows belonging to Willie S. and J. B. Ikard, at National Stock Yards, East St. Louis, Ill., December 8. One weighed 1080 pounds and brought \$2.70 per 100 pounds; the other weighed 1210 pounds, and brought \$2.80 per 100 pounds. They were raised and fattened on grass, and sold for \$1 and \$1.10 more on the 100 pounds than Texas cows sold for the same day at the same market. The difference in price per 100 and difference in weight is evidence that there is more money in fewer and better cattle, and that the scrub bull ought to go. The better the bull the better the cattle, and the more money for the producer. It would pay all farmers and breeders to sell scrubs and buy better bulls. The bull is half the herd, and the best bull a man can buy is the cheapest in the end. The use of good bulls is one of the best ways to get better prices for beef. They will always bring more money off of the same range and on the same market than any scrub. Yours truly, W. S. IKARD.

A Model Letter.

FT. MCKAVETT, TEX., Dec. 11, 1890. Editor Texas Live Stock Journal:

Inclosed find \$1.50 to extend my subscription to the LIVE STOCK JOURNAL one year from January 1, 1891. Allow me to congratulate the readers of the JOURNAL as well as Mr. Loving upon his return. He certainly made the best stock paper published before and I think he will again. It is what is going on in the stock world, more especially range stock, that we want to know, in a terse, condensed form, and not long articles copied from farm papers that are not adapted to us or our needs. Of course, I recognize the fact that the tendency in Texas is toward stock farming.

We have the same story to tell here of few steers, stock doing very well and wolves bud, that seems to be general this year. Respectfully yours, C. G. BURBANK.

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Miscellaneous.

The time to buy is when there are more sellers than buyers.

Latest advices from abroad indicate a sounder feeling in money matters.

Bad time to speculate, but a good time to invest in legitimate enterprises.

The Indians enjoy their ghost dance and the white people pay the fiddler. His bill will be a big one.

With breeding stock there is always a danger of deterioration, which can only be avoided by care and vigilance.

Two-thirds of the cultivated land in England is under grass, in addition to immense areas of permanent pasturage.

During the past six years 2,666,276 immigrants landed in this country. This is a number equal to the entire population of Holland.

At the husking bee if you get a red ear you may steal a kiss; while, on the contrary, under other conditions, if you steal a kiss you may get a red ear.

Bermuda grass is the best grazing grass that can be found for the South. Is not as good as clover for milk and butter, but for fattening it has no superior.

Dr. Alf H. H. Tolar has again taken charge of the Colorado Clipper, and will in the future no doubt give Colorado City one of the best weeklies in the state.

During the last year 35,000 lives were saved and property valued at nearly \$5,500,000 was rescued from destruction by the Life-Saving service, at a cost of less than \$1,000,000.

The United States government holds in its vaults a greater amount of gold and silver than any government in the world. It is the direct custodian of \$325,500,000 in gold coin and bars and \$318,000,000 in silver.

Reports from some parts of New South Wales, Australia, announce an alarming increase of rabbits. On many stations the sheep are too poor to shear, and farmers have to purchase forage to keep their horses alive.

The Pueblo Chieftain thinks extermination the only remedy for the Indians. It says: Extermination comes high but it begins to look as if it were the only true solution of the Indian question. Denver whisky and small pox would be valuable agents to assist the cause.

"Why, how is this, my dear sir?" inquired the local practitioner. "You sent me a letter stating that you were attacked by fever, and I find you suffering from rheumatism?" "Well, you see, doctor, it's like this," said the patient—"there wasn't a soul in the house who could spell 'rheumatism'."

A commission appointed by the governor of Nebraska to devise means for relieving suffering due to shortage of crops reported that 10,400 families are in need of assistance. In the frontier counties there are 8000 people, and a large portion of them are becoming desperate. All salable stock has been disposed of and that remaining is being killed.

"Yes, brethren," said the clergyman who was preaching the funeral sermon, "our deceased brother was cut down in a single night—torn from the arms of his loving wife, who is thus left a disconsolate widow at the age of twenty-eight years." "Twenty-six, if you please," sobs the widow in the front pew, emerging from her handkerchief for an instant.

Chief Mayes, a few days ago, received a telegram from the Lucas Cattle company of Colorado inquiring if he would entertain a bid of \$30,000,000 for the Cherokee outlet. This pot is getting pretty big now—\$7,000,000 by the government, \$10,000,000 by Andy Snider, spokesman, a third \$20,000,000 by a Chicago syndicate, and now \$30,000,000. Will the "ante" see the raise?

It is stated by Scottish papers that a perfect cure for pleuro-pneumonia has been found in "paraffin oil," or, as Americans would say, kerosene. It is administered by thrusting a sponge saturated with oil into one nostril and holding the other one tight, so that the animal must inhale the remedy with its breath. Perfect success is claimed for the new remedy.

The Boston Herald says: The Kansas farmers did some queer things in the recent election. They have elected judges and county attorneys who were not even lawyers. The fact is recalled, however, that the New Hampshire farmers did the same thing a long time ago, and justice was well administered there, in the opinion of Chief Justice Parsons. They made up in common sense what they lacked in legal lore.

The total population of the country, including Indians, will reach 63,000,000 after all. Already the census office has returned in round numbers 315,000 Indians and whites in the Indian Territory. This, with the population of Alaska, which Special Agent Petroff estimates at 38,000, will bring up the total population of the United States to 63,000,000, a numerical gain of 13,000,000 for the decade since 1880.

A Bill Authorizing the Inspection of Cattle and Hogs.

The house of commerce considered and favorably reported the bill which passed the senate last session authorizing the secretary of agriculture to inspect live cattle and hogs and the carcasses thereof, which are subjects of interstate commerce, and to condemn such as are diseased or unfit for use. The bill also authorizes the secretary to cause to be inspected and destroyed all meat products which are to be canned or salted that are subject to interstate commerce. The third section of the bill provides a fine of \$500 for the violation of the provision which prohibits one person delivering to another, for transportation from one state or territory into another or to any foreign country, any stock required by this act to be inspected which has not been inspected.

The Best Butter Cow.

The best butter cow on record is the Jersey cow, Eurotisama, bred and owned by D. F. Appleton, of Ipswich, Massachusetts. This animal has broken the best previous record by completing a year's test, which shows a total product of 945 pounds and 10 ounces. This is 8 pounds and 11 1/4 ounces more than the yield of the only other cow that is known to have reached 900 pounds. The record would have been raised still higher, perhaps to 1000 pounds, but for a sickness caused by the cow eating stolen sour apples during the twenty-first week of the test. This mishap reduced the yield of butter from 22 1/2 pounds to 17 pounds. The animal has noted blood in her veins, being related to the Stoke Pogis, Victor Hugo, Alpha, and other distinguished Jersey strains. Of course, from calf-hood the feed and care bestowed were of the very best, but the owner asserts that not a particle of anything in the way of medicine, condiment or stimulant was taken by the cow during the year of her test.

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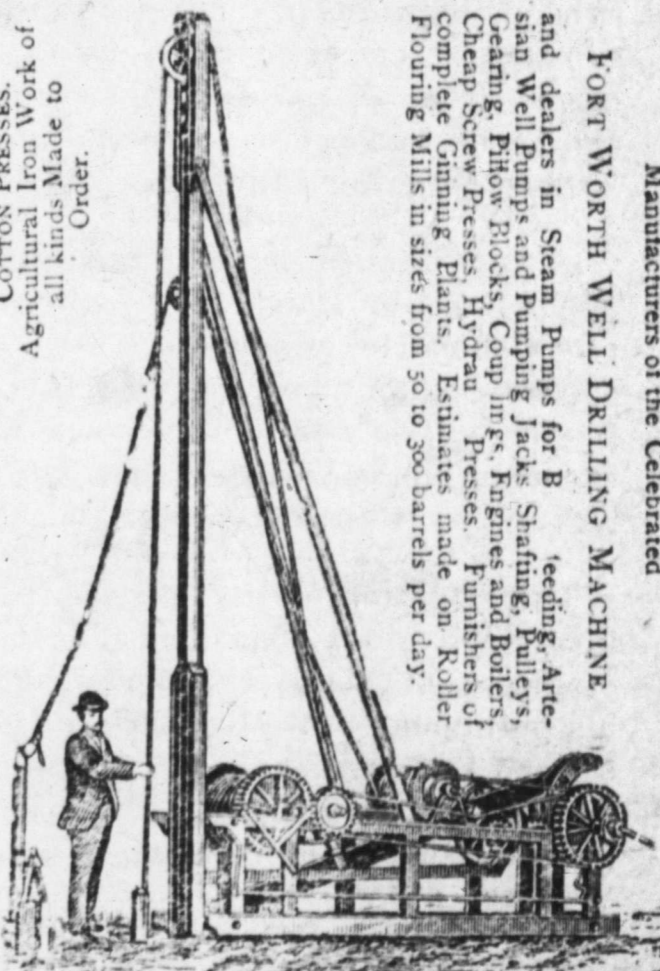
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THE grain crop of the past year was not, generally speaking, a good one, yet the people of Texas are in good condition.

MONEY is just now closer than for years. It is, however, thought by those in a position to know that it will be more plentiful than ever before by the first of February.

THE JOURNAL feels greatly encouraged at the words of commendation and substantial encouragement being received from all parts of the country, and hopes to meet the expectations of its most sanguine admirers.

IN THIS issue of the STOCK JOURNAL Webb Bros. of Baird, Tex., offer for sale a choice lot of mule colts, and any one seeking an investment in this direction will do well to correspond with them. A mule, young or old, little or big, is always good property.

THE attention of live stock shippers is directed to an official circular in another part of this paper announcing the discontinuance of feeding pens at Houston and LaFayette and the erection of pens at Beaumont, Texas. The circular gives important information.

COMPLAINTS about the wholesale destruction of live stock by wolves continue to come in from all parts of the country. The people should and must see to it that the next legislature does not fail to enact the necessary laws to insure protection from varments of this kind in future.

THE JOURNAL asks its readers to carefully read every department of the paper. Each farmer and stockman is interested, at least indirectly, in everything that is being done in the agricultural and live stock world, and in no way can they get as much information for the money as by reading every line of the TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL.

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The live stock business of Texas and the entire range country has undergone a wonderful change in the past five years. These changes, however, great as they have been, will perhaps hardly compare with those that are to follow in the near future. Free grass is now a thing of the past. The stockman must in future either by purchase or lease, pay for the grass used. This will necessarily add materially to the cost of every animal raised. The expense will, under the new order of things, amount to more than scrub animals will justify, but will still have a good profit in improved stock.

Now that stockmen are undoubtedly on the eve of better times, they should at once avail themselves of all possible means to enable them to make the most of the situation.

The first step should be to secure the necessary amount of range, which, of course, will be governed entirely by the amount of capital to be invested. The second step should be the selection of only such classes of breeding stock as will pay. Those who buy for breeding purposes should buy none but good ones. Those who are already in the business and are supplied in this respect should no longer continue in the old ruts, but at once set about culling out and marketing all badly shaped, ugly colored females, and by breeding to only well turned and desirable colored animals and using none but high graded or thoroughbred males, they can soon have greatly improved herds.

The JOURNAL would not be understood as advising stock raisers to begin only with high grade females. This is not necessary, besides it would be too expensive. Good, smooth, well turned females of common Texas stock are good enough, if bred to high graded or thoroughbred males. In this way a good herd can soon be built up from common stock, and with but comparatively little cost. But the JOURNAL does not only advise, it urges those engaged or about to engage in raising live stock to dispense with, for breeding purposes, such females as are from color, form or any other imperfection, calculated to impart to their offspring objectionable features. In other words, it proposes to wage a war of extermination against scrub stock of all kinds, in all branches and departments of the live stock business. The same rules that apply to cattle will, in substance, be equally appropriate to horses, sheep and hogs.

When the country was open and grass free, money could be made on any

and all kinds of live stock, for the reason that it cost nothing to raise them; but even then it paid to raise good ones, and now since the stock raiser must and from choice will own his range, he must adopt the most improved methods, be prepared to meet competition, and conduct his business so as to get the benefit of all there is in it if he expects to succeed.

There is good money in raising cattle, horses, sheep and hogs on either a small or large scale, to those who exercise good judgment, and make the reforms and improvements demanded by the times, markets and surroundings. On the other hand, those who do not propose to keep up with the procession will do well to sell out now and try to engage in a business that neither requires forethought, improvement nor progressiveness.

THE Chicago Drovers' Journal explains the scarcity of money in this way: "The banks, or many of them, are using their surplus funds in buying up cheap stocks and bonds which have been forced on the market and are known to be fine investments. That is one reason why some of the banks are doing so little to help outsiders—they are helping themselves by purchasing depreciated securities." The same paper adds: "The banks are busy buying depreciated securities—investing in soft snaps. Everybody says causes for financial uneasiness are being rapidly removed. The London money market is in good condition again, and confidence on the London exchange in American securities is rapidly gaining. This is certainly very encouraging. The Mexicans are contemplating building slaughtering and refrigerating plants in their own country. It is said they have caught the American spirit of fostering home industries. It is well for Mexico."

THE Wilcox (A. T.) Stockman sums up the situation as follows: The stock industry is looking up and is gradually recovering from the depression which overtook it four or five years ago. The increased movement of the population to the southwest and the occupation of the land by permanent settlers has not resulted, as was expected, in diminishing the stock products of that section, but has rather increased them. It has been demonstrated that the decadence of the range will not cut off the supply, but that it will render it more certain.

It is neither safe nor the most profitable to depend alone on the farm or on live stock, but the two together will not only insure a competency, but grow into a fortune, if well managed, in a few years' time.

PRESS GREETINGS.

Good Things the Boys say About the Journal.

WELCOME BACK.
Albany News.

Mr. Geo. B. Loving, the founder of the TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL, has returned to his first love, so to speak, and now owns the controlling interest in that paper. The News welcomes him back to the fold, where in days long gone, his facile pen brightened its pages, and made Texas an able exchange.

BEST POSTED IN THE COUNTRY.
Chicago Drovers' Journal.

The TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL is once more under the control of its founder, and one of the best posted newspaper and live stock men in the country, Mr. Geo. B. Loving.

NO ABLER CHAMPION.

Kansas City Live Stock Indicator.

Geo. B. Loving, founder of the TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL, but not connected with the paper since 1885, has purchased a controlling interest in the paper and assumed the position of editor. The live stock interests of the Southwest have no abler champion than Geo. B. Loving.

The editor of the JOURNAL is indebted to Russ Kistler, the popular editor of the Las Vegas Daily Optic, for the following appreciated compliment:

George B. Loving, recently connected with the El Paso Times and also engaged in the real estate business in that city, has taken editorial charge of the Fort Worth LIVE STOCK JOURNAL, a paper which he founded at Weatherford more than ten years ago. Mr. Loving is an agreeable gentleman and an able newspaper man in any department. The Optic congratulates the JOURNAL on Mr. Loving's return.

OLD-TIME FAMILIAR AIR.
Jacksboro Gazette.

The TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL has an old-time familiar air about it since Geo. B. Loving has taken charge of it. Mr. Loving is better acquainted with Texas stock raisers than perhaps any other man in Texas, and the Gazette wishes him success as editor of the paper of which he was the founder several years ago.

OLD-TIME FRIENDS PLEASED.
Northwestern Live Stock Journal.

Geo. B. Loving, the founder of the TEXAS LIVE STOCK JOURNAL, has resumed editorial control of the paper and his old-time friends will be pleased.

THE Kansas City Drovers' Telegram explains the newspaper failures in South Dakota as follows: This has been a hard year on South Dakota. The Indians are causing a vast deal of trouble and nearly a dozen newspapers have suspended. The misfortune of the newspaper men and their inability to issue their sheets lies in the fact that the Indians used the sheets in their ghost dances.

THE wolves, panthers, mountain lions and their ilk must go; they have depredated on the good people long enough. The people who elevated Jim Hogg to the highest position within their gift should now petition him to embody the necessity for a scalp law in his forthcoming message.

THERE is a great deal of Texas that will never be a first-class farming country. It will, however, grow fine native and Johnson grass, sorghum and other feed for live stock, and can always be utilized for stock and stock farming.

THE Farmers' Alliance at Terre Haute, Ind., has resolved to boycott dressed beef.

Cattle Department.

The receipts were light in Chicago Monday, consequently prices advanced.

Cattle are said to be too thin to handle in the extreme southern corner of the state.

Some fat, old fashioned 1898-pound cattle sold at Chicago on Friday at \$4.65, and some 2050-pound exporters sole at \$5.50.

The steer trade will hardly open before the 15th of February, but from that time to June 1 lively times in this line may be expected.

The Chicago Drovers' Journal contends that very heavy cattle are out of fashion, and 1200-pound steers, if fat, often outsell 1800-pound steers.

It is stated that the grand jury will next week take up and investigate the allegations that "lumpy-jawed" cattle have been received at the stock yards, slaughtered and sold for food.

There were twice as many she cattle spayed and calves slaughtered during the past season than any previous year. This wholesale onslaught of she cattle, if kept up for a few years would exterminate the bovine race.

A bunch of grade Polled Angus steers were sold in Chicago last week for \$6.35 per hundred. They weighed 1757 lbs average and were said to be as fine as silk. They were fed by R. B. Hudson & Sons, of Carrollton, Mo.

The scarcity of money and the threatened panic in financial circles is having a very injurious effect on every department of the cattle business. This, however, is only temporary, and will not last to exceed thirty days longer.

It is claimed that last week was the worst market of the season; in fact, the worst for many years. Fair grass cows sold at from \$1.15 to \$1.40, while it took pretty good grass steers to bring \$2.25. A few shipments of good but only half fat Texas steers sold as low as \$1.70 to \$1.80.

It is safe to calculate that after deducting the number of calves shipped and spayed during the past year, that the calf crop will not, throughout the range country, exceed one-half the number branded five years ago. This is one of the many straws that points to a beef shortage in the near future.

The Drovers' Journal says: The way to hold up the prices is to hold up the stock. See how cattle prices went up when receipts went down? Saturday 134 cars of export cattle were shipped from Chicago. Most of them were held over from Friday, owing to a scarcity of cars. Morris forwarded 49 loads and Hathaway 40.

While the proportion of steers in the Panhandle country is less than usual, yet there is a large number in that section. They are mostly, however, aged steers intended for next year's market. There are but few young steers, and, comparatively speaking, but few breeding cattle in the section referred to. In view of this the question very naturally arises, where are the steers to come from to replace the ones now being pastured, when they are gone?

Cattle values are gradually stiffening in most portions of the range country. Of course, in the sections where feed is scarce there has been no advance, but wherever the prospects for winter are reasonably good there is a quiet growth of confidence, and some sales at advanced prices. Especially is this true of steer cattle in Montana and the country west of the Rockies. Many parts of Texas also feel renewed strength from the situation.—Northwestern Live Stock Journal.

Range cattlemen are in much better shape financially than they have been for many years. The large advances made by live stock commission firms to cattlemen during the season have all been refunded with proceeds of cattle

sent to market. The results have been very satisfactory to all concerned, and while the shippers and ranchmen have not made much money, they have been able to meet their obligations and do much in the way of re-establishing the business on a solid financial basis.

The northern ranges seem to be in unusually good shape and the indications are that the loss will be light. On this the Northwestern Live Stock Journal says: The continued good weather leaves stock throughout the western ranges in good condition up to date. A few more weeks without severe storms and the winter's terrors will have been largely dissipated. Of course there is yet time for trouble, but with stock strong in midwinter there is less risk than with the strength gone by reason of cold and storms passed through.

Until the present stringency in money is over there will be but little trading in cattle. In fact, there is no money to do business with, consequently trading must come to a standstill. As soon, however, as money is again easy and plentiful we may safely depend on a lively trade in steers for spring delivery, at better prices than have prevailed for several years. There is, however, no real immediate demand for steers, neither will there be until money is again easy, consequently the JOURNAL advises its readers to keep their steers off the local market until times are better, which will certainly be not later than February 1 next.

Secretary Rusk of the Department of Agriculture thinks that the British government will soon be forced to withdraw all restriction against the importation of American cattle on the ground of alleged unhealthfulness. The secretary says that pleuro-pneumonia is absolutely stamped out now in this country, and that as soon as sufficient time, in his opinion, has elapsed since the last case occurred, he will make an official declaration to that effect and will strive to convince the British government that the disease does not exist. If that does not procure the withdrawal of restrictions, England will at least have to abandon the charge of unhealthfulness of our cattle as the cause.

The New Mexico Stock Grower is authority for the following: The man who raises scrub cattle is these days in the soup. Good cattle are slowly advancing in value, and the prospect for very high prices in the spring is daily brightening. Six fifty per hundred sounds like old-time prices. It was paid at St. Louis this week for some 1500-lb two-year-old Hereford steers. They were choice cattle. The same day scrubs sold at from \$2 to \$3.50. Reports indicate that through the Southwest there will be a good many old steers for sale next spring, though the number to market shows a decrease each year. Very few stockmen whose circumstances will permit are offering any young steers an indication of a justifiable feeling that prices will take an upward turn next year.

CONDITION OF LIVE STOCK.

Synopsis of Report of the Bureau of Animal Industry Sent to Congress.

The secretary of agriculture has sent to congress the annual report of the chief of the bureau of animal industry. The report says that the year has passed without the discovery of pleuro-pneumonia in any new district. The department's regulations have been enforced without difficulty. No cases have been discovered in New York, except on Long Island; none in Pennsylvania; none in Maryland since October, 1888; New Jersey has improved rapidly, and there is no contagion in any other states. The efficiency of the department methods is demonstrated by the fact that the disease has been confined to the restricted areas of the Atlantic seaboard which have from the first been

recognized as affected. With the almost complete eradication of the contagion, the danger of any infection extending to any other sections has practically disappeared. The total expenses of the work during the year have been \$274,329, of which \$85,150 was spent for cattle. There were purchased for slaughter 676 affected cattle, at an average of \$26.19 per head; aggregate, \$17,704, and 3,033 exposed cattle at an average of \$22.36; aggregate, \$67,807.

The number of the affected cattle during the past year was 724; the number the year previous, 2,134; the number of affected herds last year, 159; the year before, 379. The decrease in the number of cattle slaughtered has been steady ever since the work of eradicating the disease began. During the month of October, 1890, no cases of disease were found, and the bureau draws the conclusion from these facts that the time is approaching rapidly when pleuro-pneumonia will be entirely eradicated in the United States.

Concerning the regulations established at the time of the discovery of Texas fever, the report says that these have not been extended east of the Mississippi river. There is no doubt, however, that the Gulf and South Atlantic states are infected with this disease to the same degree as Texas, and there should be the same regulation of cattle coming from them. The effect of the regulations established in the west has been extremely beneficial. But a small amount of the disease has been reported either in the United States or among cattle shipped abroad. The losses during ocean voyages have been so much less than usual that insurance is said to have been reduced over 50 per cent.

The report says that there is no foot and mouth disease in the United States, and there has been none since 1884. An examination of the disease which prevailed in Missouri, and which was reported by the state veterinarian to be foot and mouth disease, proved it to be different from the disease of Europe.

Fewer but Better Cattle.

The live stock department of the Fort Worth Gazette is to cattlemen a very interesting feature of the paper. In a recent issue the live stock editor sums up the situation as follows:

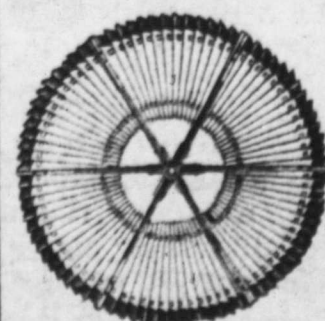
It certainly ought not to take a man of even ordinary brains to see the profit in raising a few good steers, and marketing them when they are fat, in preference to a large number of inferior stock. The markets to-day show that ordinary cattle are bringing from \$2.25 to \$2.75, while fat steers, corn-fed and in shape are bringing from \$5.25 to \$6. A steer weighing 1400 pounds does not eat any more than one weighing 800. As a general thing good stock does not require any more attention than an inferior grade, and the sharp cattleman of the present day is gradually working off his old cows and grading up his herd with new blood.

During the past two or three years thousands of cows have been shipped to market, and it is interesting to note that the reduction of the natural increase of the range cattle will be one of the strongest factors in advancing prices within a twelve month.



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CATTLE AND CATTLEMEN.

Col. R. G. Head, of Denver, was in Fort Worth Sunday.

Lark Hearn, of Callahan county, says the range was never better nor cattle in finer condition.

L. B. Haver, a cattle dealer from Caldwell, Kansas, is quietly talking steers in the cattle center.

There is considerable talk of trade, but, as far as the JOURNAL knows, no sales have yet been made.

S. Foltz shipped 204 calves and 116 fat cows from the Day herd, in Coleman county, to New Orleans last week.

Luther Clark, who makes his home in Denton county, but owns a big cattle ranch in Greer, was in this city Monday.

E. B. Carver returned from St. Louis Tuesday. He will represent the well-known live stock firm of Cassidy Bros. another year—Clay County Chieftain.

J. D. Jefferies, manager of the Tongue River ranch, with headquarters at Childress, was in Fort Worth Tuesday. He says cattle throughout the Panhandle are in fine condition.

Maj. W. V. Johnson, of Colorado, is in the city. The Major owns and controls several notable ranch properties in Western Texas and is a strong believer in the future of the cattle business.

George Herndon, a well known and popular cowboy, who is in the employ of the Z ranch, came into the city yesterday and left for Texas, where he will spend the winter.—Las Vegas Optic.

J. D. Oaks was in from his ranch the first of the week. He reports his cattle to be all heaves and the range was never known to be better than it is this winter. So says the Folsom Springs (N. M.) Metropolitan.

E. B. Peter, formerly of Denton county, but now a wealthy Dallas real estate owner, spent Monday in Fort Worth. Mr. Peter was, during the good old days of free grass, one of the leading cattlemen of western Texas.

James A. Alcock and family left Carrizozo ranch on Wednesday for the railroad. Mrs. Alcock and child will visit in California this winter, and Jas. A. will be back in a few days. So says the White Oaks (N. M.) Interpreter.

C. J. Stafford, jr., the good-looking business manager of the San Antonio Stockman, was in Fort Worth Thursday. The stockman, under Mr. Stafford's management, is doing a good business and is deservedly very popular.

Tuesday Mr. W. H. H. Cranmer, who has been a sufferer for some time, breathed his last at his residence in Denver. The cause of death was paralysis affecting the heart. As a pioneer stock grower he acquired a fortune.—Denver Field & Farm.

W. M. D. Lee has sold his interest in the Lee-Scott Cattle company to his partner, Lucien Scott. The property of the company consisted of several hundred thousand acres of land and between twenty and twenty-five thousand head of cattle.—Canadian Enterprise.

S. S. Gholson, the "Big Injun" from the plains of the Llano Estacado, was in the city this week and called on the Clipper. Gholson is editor and proprietor of the new town of Lubbock, and says his town is looming up a bid to be a trade center, and will soon be the county seat of Lubbock county. So says the Colorado Clipper.

Mr. John Hudson, of Moweaqua, Ill., offers through the columns of the STOCK JOURNAL imported Devon cattle for sale. Mr. Hudson is an intelligent, practical importer and breeder of cattle, and any one desiring to invest in Devons could do no better than to place themselves in communication with him.

C. F. Bennett, a well known and prosperous cattleman of Caldwell, Kansas, is in Fort Worth making inquiry for cheap cattle.

The Fort Worth Investment Co. are authorized by one of the solid cattlemen of western Texas to sell for him 5,000 first-class two-year-old steers for spring delivery.

John A. Blair, for many years secretary of the Cherokee Strip Live Stock Association, and a member of the wealthy cattle firm of Williamson, Blair & Co., is spending a few days in Fort Worth. The firm of which Mr. Blair is a member may conclude to make some heavy cattle investments in this state.

W. W. Dyer, of Quita Que, Floyd county, manager of the Goodnight High Grade Cattle company, spent Tuesday in this city, leaving for the company's ranch Wednesday morning. Mr. Dyer was returning from Kansas City. He seems quite hopeful as to the future, and thinks his cattle will go through the winter in fine shape.

John McLeod, a prominent ranchman of Rincon, New Mexico, is visiting El Paso and attending the races. Mr. McLeod is at the head of an irrigation company of the territory, which proposes to build an irrigation canal over fifty miles in length. He is an energetic, progressive and patriotic citizen. So says the Tribune.

Burk Burnett shipped a car-load of extra fat grass cattle to the Fort Worth market this week. The car consisted of six cow cows and four steers. The average weight was 1050 pounds. Pretty good for grass cows. They were from Mr. Burnett's Hardeman county ranch, and were sold to the Fort Worth Packing company.

Rich Coffey, one of the early pioneers of Texas and one of the biggest hearted men in the state, is now engaged in farming on the Colorado river. The Coleman Voice mentions his arrival in Coleman with two bales of cotton. The same paper also makes mention of two prominent gentlemen as follows: G. K. Elkins and Sam Gholson started for home on Monday morning.

T. F. Timmons, a member of the well known live stock commission firm of Cassidy Bros. & Co., of St. Louis and Kansas City, spent a few days this week in Fort Worth. Mr. Timmons gives special attention to his firm's business in Kansas City, where they are building up a very satisfactory business. Their St. Louis house is one of the oldest, most reliable and successful in the business.

Capt. J. C. Beatty, formerly a prominent cattle dealer of El Paso, Texas, but now of Galveston, is the editor of the JOURNAL as a hobby. "I am real glad that you have taken the JOURNAL, and sincerely hope you will make some money out of it; am sure you will at least deserve a liberal patronage. Put me down at once as a paying member, and if I can do anything to further your interests inform me."

C. C. French, the wide awake representative of James H. Campbell Co., returned a few days since from Southern Texas. He reports the country between Eagle Pass and Corpus Christi as being unusually dry, and says unless it rains soon there will be no early shipments of fat beef from that section. Mr. French reports a better feeling among cattlemen generally, and says they are holding steers stiff at a good advance over last year's prices.

Col. R. G. Head, of Denver, is registered at the Grand Central. Col. H. is one of the prosperous cattlemen of the great west and is a prominent landmark of the good old times when our Texas "millionaires" were enjoying the good things of the world so far as money could buy pleasure. Head "steered" his craft among the shoals of misfortune that were waylaid with hidden rocks of destruction to the "bovine" mariner and landed in the harbor of success.—El Paso Tribune.

Col. H. M. Vaile, a wealthy citizen of Independence, Mo., who is also largely interested in cattle, is in Fort Worth.

D. B. Cusenbary returned Tuesday from a trip to Menard county, and reports stock and range in fine shape. So says the Devil's River News.

Ross Millsap, one of Fisher county's prosperous cattlemen, was in Fort Worth this week. He says the range is good, cattle fat and the people happy in his part of the country.

T. C. Hunt, of Eastland county, a prominent cattle dealer, has switched onto hogs. He sold a car load yesterday to the Fort Worth Packing Co., weighing 250 lbs. average at \$3.32 per hundred. Mr. Hunt is an all round stock man and can successfully handle any and all kinds.

Chicago alone has consumed this year, from Jan. 1 to Dec. 15, 172,464 calves. This is, in round numbers, 50 per cent. more than was used last year and nearly four times as many as were consumed in that city in 1886. Comment is unnecessary. The figures alone are a sermon within themselves.

L. P. Williamson, of Independence, Mo., senior member of the cattle firm of Williamson, Blair & Co., is spending a few days in the city. Mr. Williamson's firm, like many others, have recently been driven out of the Cherokee Strip, and are now looking for new or rather other pastures.

Jesse J. Hettson, who has grown up with the Texas cattlemen, and who now makes his home in Fisher county, was among the recent arrivals in Fort Worth. Jesse was slightly disfigured in the decline in cattle a few years ago, but is a hard worker and good manager, and will no doubt again come to the front soon. He certainly has the best wishes of his many friends throughout the state.

John G. Taylor, the well-known and popular stock agent of the Frisco, was in Fort Worth Wednesday. Mr. Taylor has for many years been connected with the live stock traffic of Texas, and is not only well posted and familiar with the business in all its details, but is also one of the most obliging and deservedly popular men connected with the trade. Mr. Taylor was accompanied by a party of railroad men and capitalists, all of whom left by special train for Wichita, Kan., Wednesday night.

R. L. Wright on Monday afternoon shipped to the Los Angeles Slaughtering company sixty-seven head of beef cattle purchased from Gilman Bros. & Stewart, Meek and Hayes. The average weight of the forty-three head from Gilman Bros. & Stewart's range was 998 pounds. They were a select lot and brought \$1.90, the highest figure paid in our neighborhood this season. Mr. Wright will ship ten cars of the Cress cattle as soon as cars can be obtained.—Southwestern Stockman, Wilcox, Ariz.

The Western Live Stock company held its annual meeting in this city Thursday and elected the following-named officers for the ensuing year: President, Alford Adams, Cleveland, Ohio; vice-president, S. H. Standart, Denver, Colo.; secretary and treasurer, Pierre Miquillet, Denver; general manager, J. W. McCrumb, Denver, with George March, of Chagrin Falls, Ohio, as the remaining director. The cattle of this company have been moved to a new range in New Mexico.—Cheyenne (Wyo.) Stock Journal.

Lark Hearn, the well-known Callahan county cattleman, spent a few days in Fort Worth the first of the week. Mr. Hearn has been a life long cattleman, has stayed with the business through all its ups and downs, and although his losses during the decline were heavy, yet he has been able to survive them and is again on the high road to prosperity. He now has a big string of two, three and four-year-old steers for sale, either for immediate or spring delivery. Parties wanting to buy such stock will do well to see or write Mr. Hearn or his agents, the Fort Worth Investment Co., of this city.

Daily Gazette of 18th: "Local commission men are actively engaged in buying up every chop steer that is offered for sale. Yesterday one firm had three deals on hand, one for 4000, another for 6000 and still another for 8000 head." These deals, that are always "on hand" but never closed, don't bring much money into the country. If we count "wind," "talk" and "trades on hand," the past week has been a lively one; otherwise, nothing has been done. That the feeling is better, and trading will in the near future be lively at advanced figures, there is no doubt, but as yet there has not even been sales enough to establish a market price on steers for future delivery.

A Kansas City exchange furnishes the following: Articles of incorporation were filed, yesterday, by the Goodnight High Grade Cattle Company. The capital stock is placed at \$750,000 and the stockholders are L. R. Moore, 3799 shares; Charles Goodnight, 1875 shares; W. W. Dyer, 1875 shares; William R. Reed, 250, and W. J. Anderson, one share. The purpose of the company is to engage in the cattle business, making the Texas Panhandle region the seat of operations. Mr. Goodnight and Mr. Dyer are both widely known cattlemen, the former being at present in this city with his family. Mr. Goodnight is one of the largest, if not the largest individual cattle owner in Northwest Texas.

A. B. (Sugg) Robertson, the well-known and successful cattleman of Colorado City, writes the editor of the JOURNAL as follows: "Am glad to see that you have again taken charge of the JOURNAL. I believe you can and will make it the best paper of the kind in the United States. I send herewith my check for \$4; credit same to my subscription and send the paper regularly." Kind words like these, coming from men of such high repute as the writer of the above, do much in the way of smoothing down the rough and tiresome places so frequently found in newspaper work. But when the words of encouragement are, as in this case, accompanied with a nice little wad of dimes, they become doubly welcome.

E. B. Carver, one of Clay county's most enterprising cattlemen, was in Fort Worth Tuesday. Mr. Carver did splendid work during the past season for the well-known St. Louis live stock commission firm of Cassidy Bros. & Co. Good sales and close attention to business on the part of this firm, together with hard work and lots of it on the part of their representative, enabled them to handle 74,464 head of Texas and Indian Territory cattle, not including over 8,000 head forwarded to the Chicago market. This is an immense trade and is no doubt very satisfactory to both Mr. Carver and his popular firm. Mr. Carver will continue as state agent for the above firm. His headquarters during the first four months will be San Antonio, and after that time at Henrietta.

Charles Goodnight, the wealthy and well known Panhandle cattleman, was in Fort Worth, Tuesday. The Quita Que ranch in Floyd county, formerly owned by Mr. Goodnight and L. R. Moore of Kansas City, has recently been transferred to the Goodnight High Grade Cattle Co. This company has recently been incorporated under the laws of Missouri, with a paid up capital of \$50,000. One half the stock is owned by Mr. Moore, the remaining half by Mr. Goodnight and his brother-in-law, Walter W. Dyer. This company owns about 35,000 head of highly improved cattle and own and control several hundred thousand acres of land, and is said to be one of the best improved and best managed herds in Texas. Mr. Goodnight will retain the general supervision of the business, while the range work will be under the personal management of Mr. W. W. Dyer. This transfer to the Goodnight High Grade Cattle Co. does not include the graded herd and pasture owned by Mr. Goodnight in Donley and Armstrong counties.

Sheep and Wool.

Query: When is the best time to sell sheep? Answer: When others want to buy.

Query: When is the best time to buy sheep? Answer: When others want to sell.

Sheep are called double barreled stock, because they furnish both wool and meat.

Several large sheep buyers are now in New Mexico, figuring on the prospects of the coming year.

The highest price ever realized for a black-faced ram was recently taken by a Scotch farmer, the amount being about \$250.

Russian wool growers have petitioned their government to protect their industry by imposing import duty on foreign wools and woolens.

It is stated that Algeria supplies France with from 3,000,000 to 4,000,000 sheep every year, and in some years these numbers are doubled.

It is said that E. A. Mason, of England, offers a reward of one hundred pounds sterling for the best Shropshire sheep exhibited at the World's Fair.

The Chicago Drovers' Journal of Thursday said: "There was no bottom to the sheep market, and sellers had to take whatever price they could get."

A Canadian paper makes note of a six months old lamb that weighs 180 pounds. At five cents a pound he is worth just \$9—a pretty fair profit for six month's care.

The number of sheep on the range, according to the statement of J. C. McCoy, the government census agent, is 28,000,000, an increase of 11,000,000 since the last census.

Henry Stewart says that for a general purpose sheep the selected natives or grade mediums make the best ewes, and a pure bred Shropshire the best ram to run with them.

"It might have been!" That is what the flockmaster is going to say next spring who is off skylarking now, trusting to a cheap herder to run a flock of sheep worth several thousand dollars.

Some Schleswig-Holstein exporters of sheep and lambs to the English markets, finding the British ports closed to their live stock, for sanitary reasons, have decided to slaughter at the port of export and send the dead meat to England.

The man who provides food and shelter for his sheep right now, and postpones discussion of politics, the McKinley bill and similar matters to the middle of next summer, is the man who will have money in his pocket and sand in his craw.

Frank Garst of the firm of Garst Bros., of Lincoln county, New Mexico, brought 10,000 pounds of Angora goats wool to El Paso this week and placed it on the market. The Garst Bros. are extensively engaged in growing this wool, and have 4000 head of goats on their ranch.

A few sheep can be kept to run with other stock at very little expense, says an exchange's correspondent. No stock pays a larger per cent. on the amount of money invested than sheep. He claims that a ewe that raises two lambs, with the wool that is clipped from her, pays 200 per cent. on the money invested in her.

The Kansas City Live Stock Indicator says: "R. L. Harper, one of the old-time range cattle owners, died suddenly at the Midland hotel Saturday morning. Mr. Harper had been suffering from consumption for years. His remains were taken to Washington C. H., Ohio, for interment. At the time of his death he was in business with H. W. Cresswell, and they were just about closing up their partnership affairs. The Live Stock exchange adopted resolutions of respect Saturday afternoon."

Notwithstanding the predictions of the weather wise that this will be an unusually mild winter, sheep owners should prepare food and shelter for their flocks. If not needed they will keep; but when the nasty weather comes, which is much more than probable, the sheepman who is without protection will want to kick himself. This is all there is about it.

The next thing to plenty of good grass for sheep is that they should have free access to salt. If it is not where they can get at it at any time, it should be given regularly every day. They are inveterate lickens of salt, and it is conducive to their general health to have it freely. It is the best of remedies for scours and other sheep diseases. Do not stint them while salt is so cheap and plentiful.

Periodically every two years parties interested in legislation swarm at Austin to interview members of the legislature. Have flockmasters nothing to suggest this winter to our law-makers? If not, the business is to be congratulated indeed. If they have, is not it about time for them to be consulting with each other and formulating their plans? Who asks for legislation in his special interest may get it; who doesn't ask for it is very certain not to get it.

What is worth doing at all is worth doing now. Will you subscribe practically to this sentiment, and start in at once to do what you ought to have done before the winter set in? Have you any way of sheltering even your breeding ewes when a wet norther comes? If not, why not go now and prepare one? A simple frame of poles, covered with old straw or leaves, will be better than nothing. Have you laid up any feed for your sheep in the event we have several days curing which they can't rustle up enough grass on the range to fill themselves? If not, why not attend to this matter without further delay?

Interesting items from the Devil's River News: More than 400,000 sheep in the Sonora country. San Antonio was, San Angelo is, Sonora will be, the largest wool market in Texas. About 200,000 mutton will be shipped from the Sonora country in the spring. G. C. Mauzy, one of the largest and most successful mutton buyers in the state, is in Sonora. Nearly two million pounds of wool will be shipped from the Sonora country next spring. D. B. Cusenbary will commence feeding this week 9,000 mutton on soto. W. H. Devore has 350 lambs that are keeping the rocks warm on his ranch. He is well pleased with them. O. L. Hundley, of Burnett, arrived in Sonora on the 4th and is building a home for his family. Mr. Hundley is interested in 3,000 sheep with J. B. Marrs and G. T. Love.

As a wool grower the Field and Farm of Denver is decidedly in favor of the Merino. It says: Undoubtedly for a wool-bearing flock the Merino stands first of all the varieties of sheep. Its wool enters into the most numerous classes of fabrics, as ladies' cloths and dress goods, fine flannels, the finest blankets and shawls, felt goods of the finest kinds, knitted goods and fine underclothing, cashmeres and meltons, and finer cloth for men's wear; for mixing with shoddy for a large class of inferior cloths, as diagonals, tricots, etc., and for the finest hosiery; in short, for all goods where fineness of texture, softness, warmth and durability are desired we have to depend upon the Merino for our raw material. And hence the high value which this sheep should hold in the estimation of western shepherds.

The rapid increase in the consumption of mutton in the United States is considered worthy of especial note in the annual report of the department of agriculture for the current year. The secretary for agriculture observes that a canvass of the principal cities of the country would show that the consumption of mutton has doubled in thirteen years, that is between 1875 and 1888, being a rate of increase twice as rapid as the advance of population. He adds

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that "the healthfulness of mutton, its suitability for summer use in warm climates and its growing popularity as highly fed animals of the best mutton breeds become more common in our markets, contribute to the rapidly enlarging demand." He considers that "this branch of sheep raising should receive greater attention."

A west Texas man had \$5,000 in cash which he proposed to invest in merchandise. As he had had no experience in this line his business wife suggested that he let merchandise alone or employ a No. 1 manager. So he invested and employed a No. 1 merchant to manage for him, and of course paid the man a good salary and made money by it. He has now another \$5,000 in cash, which he proposes to put in sheep. As he can't give his personal attention to this business, his business wife is urging him to let it alone. But he "can't see it," and is about to put a man (to whom he will pay about \$25 a month and grub) in entire charge of his \$5,000 worth of sheep. Some men seem to think a sheep business will run itself; that all one has to do is to buy the sheep, hire a cheap herder and "let things rock." That was the sort of delusion that ruined hundreds of young men in Texas from 1880 to 1885. And the would-be flockmaster under discussion will be in big luck if he doesn't lose a large part of his \$5,000 worth of sheep in 1891. There is no better business than that of breeding sheep and growing wool, if it is properly managed; but if not so managed there isn't much difference between putting money in sheep and in a rat-hole.

Next Spring's Mutton Prices.

Those preparing for feeding sheep the coming winter are naturally quite solicitous about this time concerning the opinions of those in a position to observe as to how prices will range a few months hence. Experienced operators seem quite confident that all kinds of choice fat stock will range pretty high next spring. Especially is this the case with cattle, and many look for equally as high prices for hogs. We do not see any reason for expecting anything extraordinary in the way of values for sheep, although there is certainly good ground for hoping that very satisfactory prices will be realized. There is nothing to indicate heavy supplies of sheep for next spring's markets, and in the nature of the case the number of sheep made thoroughly good cannot be made very large. Those who are prepared to cater to the best mutton trade may feel perfectly safe in preparing for it at once.—National Stockman and Farmer.

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Indian Depredation Claims.

It will be of interest to many of the JOURNAL readers to know that the bill providing for a commission to adjudicate the Indian depredation claims passed the house of representatives on Monday. Those interested should feel especially indebted to Congressmen Lanham and Sayers for their untiring efforts in behalf of the measure.

Knowing that many of its readers are largely interested in the speedy settlement of these claims and as a matter of justice to Col. Lanham, the JOURNAL cheerfully reproduces the salient points of his speech before the house, which were reported by the press as follows:

"The beneficiaries of this measure have been the benefactors of our republic and the authors of the magnificent civilization which is now enjoyed all over that region of our country formerly known as our Western frontier. They laid the foundation for the wonderful progress and development which now so conspicuously mark that region. They gained it through perils and blood, but they did it boldly and well. Many of them have long since passed the frontier of life and entered that undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveler returns, and the justice so long denied them can only be reaped by their descendants and representatives. The bill provides the machinery for the investigation and adjudication of confessedly just claims against the government. It proposes to furnish a court and a day in court for the hearing of the claims of our pioneer people for the damage they have sustained in consequence of the government's failure to protect and repel the invasions against them by its savage wards. The government interdicted any voluntary redress, prevented our border people from seeking reparation in their own way for the injuries sustained by them in consequence of Indian depredations, and still for years and years it has failed to respond to the just claims of our own citizens for that indemnification to which it is legally bound and positively committed by solemn covenant and express statute."

This bill is not essentially different in its substantial features from that which passed the house in the last congress. It has now, as the same measure then had, the approval of the departmental officials specially conversant with its subject matter, and is so manifestly just in its objects and provisions as to commend itself to the support of all gentlemen who believe that the government ought to discharge its proper obligations. It is hoped and believed that when this shall be substantially enacted into law, suitable and final action may be looked for in the settlement of the claims, and that the good faith and honor of the government will be vindicated.

The Packing Company.

The Fort Worth Packing Co., who have recently expended a large amount of money in the erection of mammoth packing and slaughtering houses at the Union stock yards in this city, are now killing several hundred hogs daily. They have recently commenced slaughtering cattle, and while they are beginning in a small, conservative way, they can now use from 100 to 200 fat cattle daily.

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The Fort Worth Packing Co. are buying all the good hogs offered, at prices ranging from \$3.40 to \$3.70 per 100 lbs.

J. W. Young of Clay county, Mo., reports a pig five months and seven days old, that weighs 157 pounds. He is a pure-bred Poland-China.

Texas farmers will find it largely to their interest to give more attention to hogs in the future. The demand for such stock has largely increased since the erection of the Fort Worth packing houses.

A barbed wire fence as usually constructed is no obstacle in the way of a hungry hog in the search of food. The hogs press between the wires without a care for the scratches or wounds the barbs may produce.

Swine fever is raging violently in several districts in Holland. So severe is the outbreak in St. Annaland that twenty-five per cent. of the swine have either died or been killed while suffering from the disease.

A large number of pigs die at birth, many more before they reach a profitable age. The cause no doubt is the low vitality of the parents. It is well worth the farmer's time and study to learn how to remedy this great defect and cause for loss.

Sometimes a boar will produce better pigs bred to sows of a certain line of breeding than he will from other sows of equal quality, but of different pedigrees. Breeders who learn this point in the breeding of a boar, and follow it, often have wonderful success.

If in feeding hogs the feed is only given at stated intervals, and they are given only what they will eat up clean at each meal, the hogs will lie down and sleep between times, and they will fatten faster and thrive better than if food is kept before them all the time.

Mr. Baldwin was at the Fort Worth stock yards Tuesday with seventy hogs from Erath county, which averaged 280 pounds. Mr. Baldwin said the hogs were from nine to twelve months old, and that Erath county will keep the Rio Grande road busy next season hauling stock to the Fort Worth market.

The following, from the Fort Worth Gazette, is calculated to mislead ranchmen: There were several parties in Fort Worth yesterday anxious to buy all the steers they could get hold of. A live stock firm also received a dispatch last night to buy 4,000 head and to do so as soon as possible. Not for months has there been such a demand for steers as there was yesterday. The facts are that quite a number of cattlemen want steers, and will buy them as soon as money is more plentiful, but until then the trading will be light.

The run of a pasture field in connection with a piece of woodland has many advantages for the young and growing brood sow. The grass, along with the roots, nuts and insects she finds, develops a better proportioned form than it is possible for the breeder to produce by a compounded ration with limited exercise. Also the kind of soil has much to do with the quality of grass grown, and this in turn with the development of the animals. Selections of animals by different breeders do not always account for the difference in development.

The hog market as reported by the Drovers' Journal opened in Chicago this week as follows: Receipts for the day were 15,000 larger than a week ago. The quality was poor, and average weights were largely lighter than wanted. The fact that light weights during the latter part of the week sold pretty well made dealers fearful of increased receipts of trashy light stock with which it is so easy to flood the market. The good to choice hogs today sold about as well as the average of Saturday, being better than the close and lower than Saturday's opening.

Mixed hogs, poor to prime, sold at \$3.35@3.60, good grades mainly at \$3.45 @3.55. The light mixed hogs were in large supply and sold very poorly, many being left.

A stunted pig is not fit for breeding. A dry sleeping place prevents disease.

Filthy quarters is often the primary cause of disease.

The best breed with poor care will soon degenerate.

Keep the boar on the farm and do not allow him to be moved about.

For a sleeping place dry soil is preferable to boards.

It is an easy matter with hogs to feed longer than is necessary if the best profit is realized.

When a hog gets too lazy to eat, generally the best thing to do with it is to market.

The fewer days it requires a hog to accumulate flesh to be of a marketable size the more profitable.

Oil meal with bran, made into slop, makes a splendid ration for sows that are suckling pigs.

It is not good economy to attempt to winter or fatten hogs on corn alone, they need a good variety.

Milk is a good feed for all kinds of pigs whenever it can be secured on the farm. It is especially valuable to make into slops.

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The following is a complete list of the transfers of Jersey cattle to Texans, as reported by the American Jersey Cattle club, No. 1 Broadway, New York, for the week ending December 9, 1890:

BULLS.

Easter Pogis, 26,237, Mrs. G. Deckert to M. Lothrop, Marshall, Texas.
 Hattie's Lad, 23,368, H. J. Arledge to T. Thompson, Daniel, Texas.
 Joe Jim, 25,577, J. H. Carter to L. Melcher, Swissalp, Texas.
 Kathletta's Pogis, 21,691, W. W. Lipscomb to A. R. Harwood, Prairie Lea, Texas.
 Little Tol, 24,399, Polk Bros. to H. C. Holloway, Fort Worth, Texas.
 Major Sawyer, 25,668, Mrs. M. T. Henderson to J. Pogue, Austin, Texas.

COWS AND HELPERS.

Belle Africana, 40,351, W. W. Lipscomb to A. R. Harwood, Prairie Lea, Texas.
 Belle of Walnut Creek, 67,645, Henderson & Bro. to Harp & Bro., Atlanta, Texas.
 Butter Princess, 40,344, W. W. Lipscomb to A. R. Harwood, Prairie Lea, Texas.
 Daisy Willo, 48,208, W. W. Lipscomb to A. R. Harwood, Prairie Lea, Texas.
 Diley D., 56,425, J. A. Penn to E. C. Mitchell, Wimsborough, Texas.
 Frisky Princess, 40,341, W. W. Lipscomb to A. R. Harwood, Prairie Lea, Texas.
 Hettie Duke, 67,647, Henderson & Bro. to Harper & Bro., Atlanta, Texas.
 Idolette Hunter, 35,752, W. W. Lipscomb to A. R. Harwood, Prairie Lea, Texas.
 Idolette Hunter, 2nd, 62,004, W. W. Lipscomb to A. R. Harwood, Prairie Lea, Texas.
 Jessie of Luling, 62,002, W. W. Lipscomb to A. R. Harwood, Prairie Lea, Texas.
 Judy H., 63,059, J. H. Carter to F. C. Carter, La Grange, Texas.
 Lady Viola, 48,211, W. W. Lipscomb to A. R. Harwood, Prairie Lea, Texas.
 Muggie Wynne, 67,646, Henderson & Bro. to Harp & Bro., Atlanta, Texas.
 Pauline Signal, 35,745, W. W. Lipscomb to A. R. Harwood, Prairie Lea, Texas.
 Pet of Luling, 62,001, W. W. Lipscomb to A. R. Harwood, Prairie Lea, Texas.
 Phoebe Ann, 46,911, W. W. Lipscomb to A. R. Harwood, Prairie Lea, Texas.
 Pride of Luling, 46,912, W. W. Lipscomb to A. R. Harwood, Prairie Lea, Texas.
 Texas Christine, 35,174, W. W. Lipscomb to A. R. Harwood, Prairie Lea, Texas.

Transfers of Berkshires.

Phil M. Springer, secretary American Berkshire association, Springfield, Ill., sends the following transfers of recorded Berkshires:
 Daisy H., 25,174, Thos. Jones, Belcherville, Tex., to Plather and Foster, Denison, Tex.
 Joe Johnson, 25,269 and Sallie Deane, 25,270, H. C. Moore, Muldoon, Tex., to W. T. Routh, Muldoon, Tex.
 Burch, 25,209, P. I. Burch, Valley Mills, Tex., to W. A. Clark, Temple, Tex.
 Sally, 25,282, Virgil Clark, Bowie, Tex., to E. A. Morris, Bowie, Tex.
 Susan, 25,284, and Bob, 25,285, E. A. Morris, Bowie, Tex., to C. H. Cooper, Bowie, Tex.
 Duke, 25,199, and Hoard, 25,200, J. B. Key, Pilot Point, Tex., to O. W. Ellington, Hillsboro, Tex.

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Don't think because I go free under the whip I don't get tired. You would move up if under the whip.

Don't think because I am a horse that iron weeds and briars won't hurt my hay.

Don't whip me when I get frightened along the road, or I will expect it next time and maybe make trouble.

Don't trot me up hill, for I have to carry you and the buggy and myself too. Try it yourself some time. Run uphill with a big load.

Don't keep my stable very dark, for when I go out into the light my eyes are injured, especially if snow be on the ground.

Don't say whoa unless you mean it. Teach me to stop at that word. It may check me if the lines break and save a runaway and smashup.

Don't make me drink ice cold water nor put a frosty bit in my mouth. Warm the bit by holding it half a minute against my body.

Don't forget to file my teeth when they get jagged and I cannot chew my food. When I get lean it is a sign my teeth want filing.

Don't ask me to "back" with blinds on. I am afraid to.

Don't run me down a steep hill, for if anything should give way I might break your neck.

Don't put on my blind-bridle so that it irritates my eye, or so leave my forelock that it will be in my eyes.

Don't be so careless of my harness as to find a great sore on me before you attend to it.

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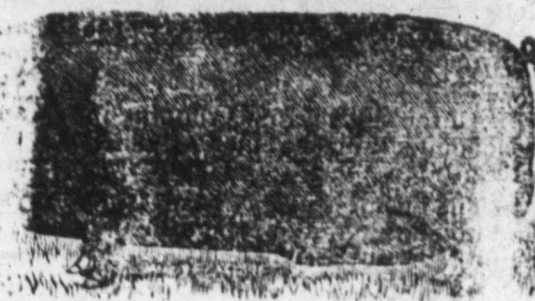
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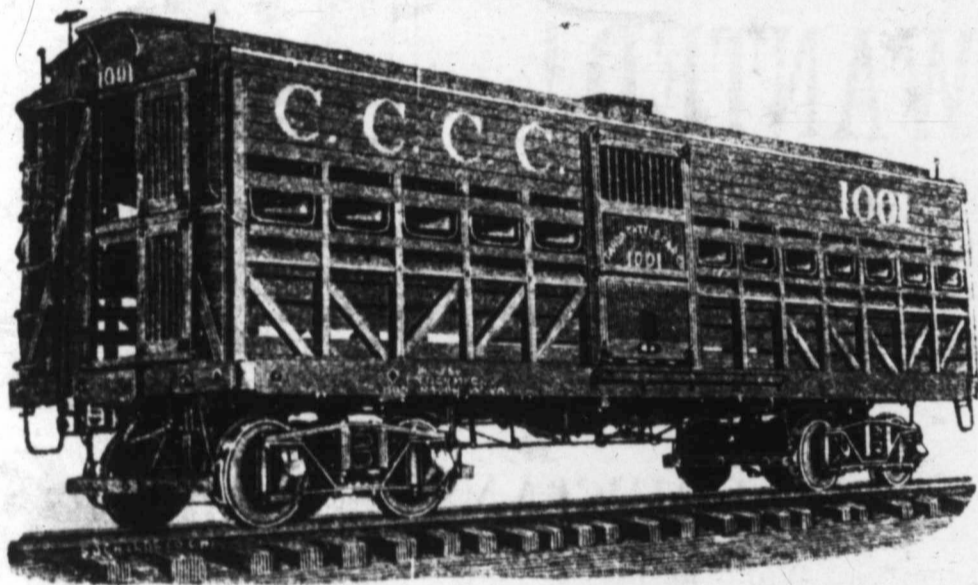
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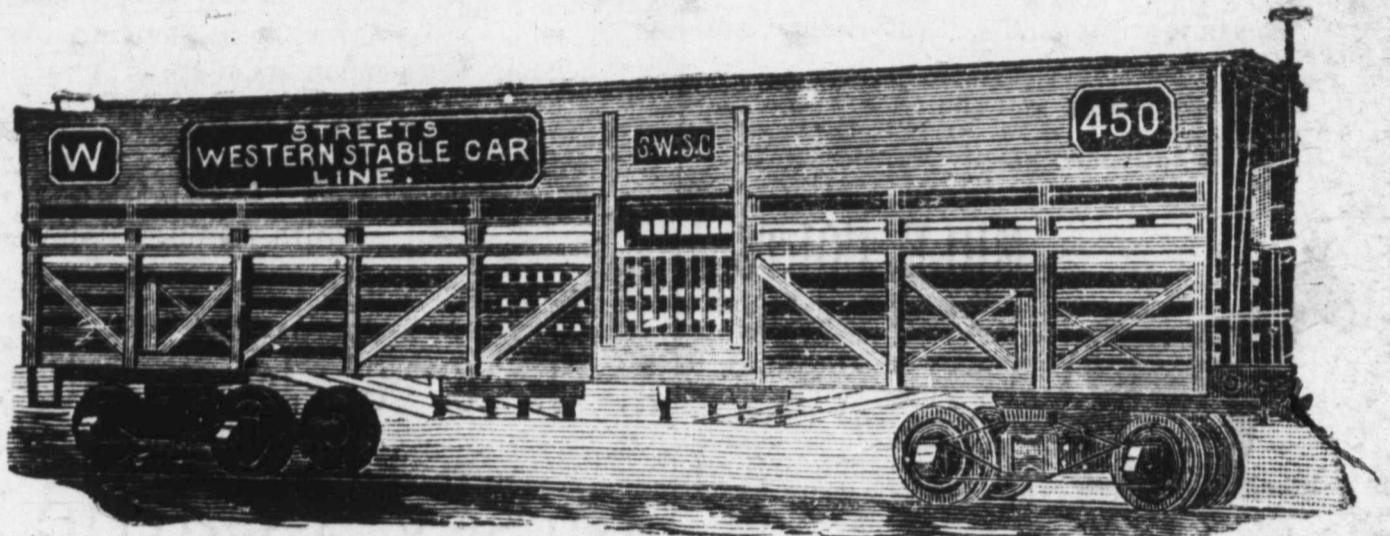
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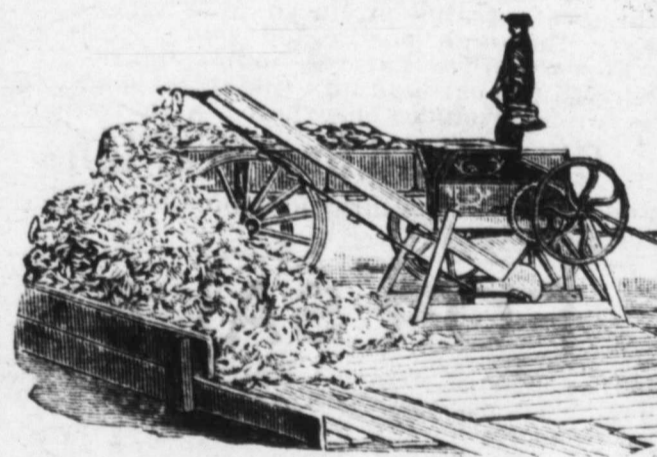
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