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MARKET REPORTS.
BY WIRE.
Chicago Livestock.

Special to the Journal.

UNION STOCK YARDS, CHICAGO, ILL., Aug. 3.—Receipts for July about 105,000 Texans, against 132,580 in July, '92. For the first seven months receipts have been 326,000 (including about 5,000 not in quarantine), against 252,442 the same time last year. Thus the seven months shows a gain of about 72,000, notwithstanding the fact that July receipts fell off 27,000 from last year. The following comparison of the monthly marketing of Texas cattle this year and last will be interesting:

Receipts.	1893	1892
January	6,500	2,212
February	19,800	5,016
March	25,841	11,705
April	32,783	9,386
May	50,112	17,245
June	86,451	74,290
July	105,000	132,580
	326,487	252,432

From the above it will be seen that up to July every month of the year so far showed a large gain over the corresponding period of 1892. Monday there were only about 1,200 cattle here and the market was 10@15c higher again.

The receipts this week of all classes of livestock have been as follows: Monday, 14,000 cattle, 23,000 hogs, 12,000 sheep. Tuesday, 4,000 cattle, 9,500 hogs, 8,000 sheep. Wednesday, 19,000 cattle, 28,000 hogs, 16,000 sheep. Thursday, 12,000 cattle, 18,000 hogs and 8,000 sheep.

There were only about 2,500 head of Texas cattle on Monday's market, against 3,910 a week ago, and 4,000 a year ago. The market Monday was active and the small supply was soon cleared at about 10@15c advance. Prices were about 25c higher than at the low point lately.

Tuesday's receipts were light and but little change, if any, was noticed in the market. Wednesday, however, made up for lost time. The native cattle receipts were estimated at 14,000 head and the market opened 15 to 40 cents lower than Tuesday. Texas cattle were estimated at 5,000 head and the market opened slow to 10 cents lower. The cattle market closed dull. Good natives and Texans 10 to 20 cents lower; common and medium natives and Texans 15 to 30 cents lower.

Wednesday was the worst day of the season. Towards the close it was difficult to sell at any price, and a great many were carried over unsold. The hog market went off \$1 per hundred. This was brought about by the failure of a great bull movement headed by John Cudahy, A. W. Wright and others. The opening price of pork was \$19.25 per barrel, and the close was at \$12, showing a loss of \$7.25 per barrel from closing prices of the day before. John Cudahy, Wright, the North American Provision company failed, and the decline was the greatest ever known. Tuesday the news was too late to have any influence on the market at the stock yards, but Wednesday morning the hog market opened about

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St. Louis Livestock.
Special to the Journal.
ST. LOUIS NATIONAL STOCK YARDS, }
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Receipts of live stock at the St. Louis National Stock Yards during the week ending July 29, 1893, amount to 16,147 cattle, 11,385 hogs, and 5,043 sheep, against 20,380 cattle, 10,685 hogs, and 6,810 sheep received during last week. The figures show an increase of 698 hogs, and a decrease of 4,233 cattle and 1,787 sheep.

The receipts so far this week have been as follows: Monday 2514 cattle, 1472 hogs, 1294 sheep; Tuesday, 4460 cattle, 2652 hogs, 4310 sheep; Wednesday, 3484 cattle, 3671 hogs, 1813 sheep; to-day (Thursday) 4000 cattle, 1500 hogs and 500 sheep.

Business opened Monday brisk and active. Buyers wanted the cattle and calves and were willing to pay stronger prices. The cows sold from 5@15 cents higher, the advance on cows averaging about 10 cents. The fair to medium steer cattle were 10 to 15 cents higher, and the better grades of steers sold 20@25 cents higher. It was the most active market here for the past ten days and values were stronger than any day last week. The good calves sold about 25c per head better than last week, but the bull trade was dull and easier. The latest arrivals did not all sell, and the close was not quite so strong as the morning sales.

W. K. Bell, Palo Pinto; T. J. Lewis, Coleman; J. M. Daugherty, Abilene; George Simmons, Catcoosa, I. T., had cattle on Monday's market.

On Tuesday there were 103 cars of Texas and southern cattle. Calves held up to Monday's prices but everything declined 10 to 15 cents. The run of Southern cattle Wednesday was 71 car loads, but the market was extremely dull and unsatisfactory. The calf market had some life to it, but calf prices were 25 to 50 cents per head lower than earlier in the week. So far as good steers and butcher cows could be sold to eastern shippers or local butchers, the prices were only 10 cents lower, but dressed beef grades and canners were slow sale. Some cattle went through to Chicago in first hands. Prices were 10 to 25 cents lower, and all the Monday advance was lost.

The fact of the business is that Wednesday was a very odd day, one that will not be soon forgotten, especially by

those who were unfortunate enough to have cattle on that day's market.

The hog market declined from 50 to 75 cents, and was completely demoralized.

The market to-day is steady and firm on everything. Calves are selling at from \$5 to \$7 50 per head. Bulls at from \$1 25 to \$1 50. Good Texas cows and heifers are bringing from \$1 50 to \$1 90. Canners from \$1 to \$1 25.

Texas and Indian steers are selling at from \$2 25 to \$3 05, price varying according to flesh and quality.

Top hogs are bringing 45; bulk of sales are at \$4 50 to \$4 75, some heavies as low as \$4.

The sheep market is dull and lower.

Kansas City Livestock.
Special to the Journal.
STOCK YARDS, KANSAS CITY, MO., August 3.—The receipts of live stock at these yards so far this year have been as follows: Cattle 759,765, calves 25,892, sheep 363,652. This is an increase over the same period last year of 142,702 cattle and 94,955 sheep. The receipts of hogs fall 286,349 head below the receipts for the corresponding period last year, while calves drop 4,318 head.

The receipts Monday were 7,011 cattle and 1,327 calves, of these 1,389 cattle and 310 calves were from the Territory and 930 cattle and 432 calves were direct from Texas. Notwithstanding the supply of Texas was rather large, yet the market did not show any noticeable decline, and most all were sold before night at steady prices. The calf market was good on Monday. Sales ranging from \$5 to \$7 per head.

On Tuesday the cattle receipts were only 3,951, while the calves run up to 1,442. The demand was fair and prices ranged steady, while in a few instances it was claimed that an increase of from 5 to 10 cents was obtained.

On Wednesday the receipts increased to 6,483 cattle while calves dropped to 732. The supply was large. There were 144 cars including 50 cars of cows in the Texas division besides a good many Panhandle and western cattle in the native division. Stringent money and plenty of cattle were too much for the sellers. A bulletin of 50c break and more Board of Trade failures at Chicago were against the sellers and scared the buyers. The decline was from 30 to 50 cents on natives and 25 to 30 cents on Texans. Common stuff could not be sold at any price. Wednesday was by far the worst day of the season. The de-

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NEW ORLEANS MARKET REPORT.
(Reported by Albert Montgomery, Live Stock Commission Merchant, Stock Landing.)
NEW ORLEANS, July 31.—The market closed steady and with a fair demand for good beefs, good, fat cows and heifers, good calves and fat yearlings. Poor to medium stock of all classes continue weak and slow sale.

Hogs firm. Sheep not wanted.

Beef Cattle	Calves and Yearlings	Hogs	Sheep
Receipts... 174	184	101	—
Sales... 1506	2079	277	150
On hand... 360	280	309	450

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Good fat calves each... 7.00 to 8.00
Common to fair calves, each... 5.00 to 6.50
Good fat yearlings, each... 8.00 to 10.00
Common to fair yearlings, each... 6.00 to 7.50
Good mule cows... 25.00 to 30.00
Common to fair... 15.00 to 20.00
Attractive springers... 15.00 to 20.00

HOGS.
Good fat corned, per lb. gross... 6 1/2 to 6 3/4
Common to fair per lb. gross... 4 1/2 to 5 1/2

SHEEP.
Good fat sheep each... \$2.50 to \$2.75
Common to fair each... 1.25 to 2.00

CATTLE.

Prospects are that the fall will develop a strong demand for feeding cattle, but at present good young cattle are worth more at home than on an overstocked and stagnant market.

Market your cattle young. It costs less to raise three 1000-pound steers than two 1500-pound ones, and you will get a greater profit in less time. The market would rather have good two-year-olds than four-year-olds.

Two yearling cross-bred steers of each of nine different breeds, from high-grade Short-horn dams, were fed ten months in different ways at the Iowa station. The eighteen gained an average of 2.4 pounds per day, and sold at Chicago for 6 cents a pound.

The problem of the cattle grower is the same as that of all other manufacturers—how to improve the quality of the product without increasing the cost, or to decrease the cost without impairing the quality. Good breeding and early maturity are the direct roads to this end.

It is curious that every advance in the price of cattle increases the demand for pure bred stock. As soon as farmers see good prices in sight they are willing to grow what the market wants. It would be wisest to produce them all the time, and so be ready to meet the demand any time.

If there ever was a time when good blooded breeding stock could be bought with the money that time is now. If there ever was a time when good blood was needed as evidenced by the character of stock being thrown on the market that time is now. A few years ago choice breeding stock was so high-priced as to be out of reach of many, but no such excuse can now be offered.

If one wants hornless cattle, and yet objects to dehorning, why not try the polled breeds? A good herd of Red Polled cattle ought to be good enough to satisfy any man. The cows yield good, rich milk in generous supply, and the steers and dry cows fatten easily and make good beef. When handled for beef alone they make unusually heavy weights.

Prof. Henry very truly remarks that the successful management of live stock is dependent upon good judgment in handling the cattle. If one lack this, all his other qualifications count for but little. He may understand the theory of cattle-breeding and how to compound rations from a scientific standpoint, he may know the chemistry of the foods he handles and of the bodies of the animals to which they are fed; he may have the literature of the stock business at easy command, but, if he lacks sympathy for his animals and judgment in handling them, all his knowledge is of no avail.

The Cattle Industry.

By H. R. Hilton, in Kansas World's Fair Report.

The general belief that the demands will exceed the supply of beef in sight for several years, we believe, is well founded. The recent reports of the Government Agricultural Bureau shows the reduction to have been 1,700,000 in one year in beef cattle. The next report will probably show a further decrease. It will require at least four years to increase the herds to equal the number of cattle for 1892, and seven years to equal the number of beef cattle per capita for that year based on an annual increase of 2 per cent, in our population during the present decade. A brief review of the past twenty years of the cattle in the West will help us to a clearer view of the question of a short supply.

From 1870 to 1888 men had grown wealthy in the cattle ranch business; capital, private and corporate, rushed into the business, breeders were eagerly sought for new herds, and nothing but fully ripe steers reached the markets; everything seemed to combine to stiffen the prices of all kinds of cattle, and every jump of prices increased the demand for more breeders. But the day of reckoning was reached, and from 1884 to 1892 the Western States have been as crazy to unload.

The great range demand for stock induced many Kansas farmers to enter into competition with Missouri and other states to supply the demand for blooded stock. Here was an item showing enormous shrinkage, amounting to 200 and even 300 per cent. Not only were the large ranches stocked up with breeders, but nearly every farmer in Kansas had a small herd of cows from which he raised his steers. But when he could buy two and three year old steers, ready for the feed lot, at 2 to 3 cents, as was the case from 1887 to 1892, the Kansas farmer could no longer afford to keep his farm stocked with brood cows, to compete with big ranches.

The big corporations and ranchmen were quite anxious to quit the breeding business as were the farmers of Kansas and Nebraska. Dry cows were all shipped as fast as possible as many female calves were marketed as possible; spaying knives were used, until there are about one-fourth the number of cattle there was ten years ago, and the crop of 1893 will not exceed 15 per cent, of what it was in 1883 in the same territory. Breeding on the large scale of the ranches, is now confined to the south half of Texas and New Mexico, and their supply will be of a lower grade than the Kansas farmer has been feeding for the past ten years.

Thus it will be seen why the markets of Kansas City and Chicago were flooded for the past six or seven years, materially reducing the number of brood cows and cutting off the future output of steers. In the territory west of Kansas City the number of steers over one year old has never been so few during the past ten years as at this time. Cattle-men are just awakening to this fact, and this spring cows that could be bought for \$15 per head two years ago, now command \$25 and \$30 each. This demand quickly withdraws from the market all the brood cows and female calves. Only fat steers will now come forward if prices are maintained through this summer.

I do not predict a famine for beef. High feeding and early marketing will supply part of the shortage. Pork and mutton can be increased rapidly, and

poultry can be so increased in one year as to supply part of the beef deficiency. We do not anticipate as high prices as in 1882, but predict that good corn-fed beef will rarely sell below \$4.50 per hundred in Kansas City or half-fed cattle finished on grass below \$4, during the next five years, and that prime beef will often reach \$6 during the same period. The Kansas farmers are confronted just now with this problem: An average annual corn crop of 150,000,000 to 200,000,000 bushels, which can all be converted into beef at home; a very small supply of available feeding steers in the state; a very much reduced supply of good range feeding steers by reason of large shipments to Montana of yearling steers of the best grades.

Kansas farmers cannot longer depend on the resources of supply of the past years. The day of large range herds north of the 36th parallel are numbered. Small herds must take their place, giving more certain and uniform supply. Western Kansas is needed and is especially adapted for this purpose. Oklahoma will, after a few years, supplement this supply, for the eastern half of Kansas can fatten more cattle than can be raised in a territory three or four times its area. Home sakers with the necessary capital find two phases of the cattle business in Kansas from which to make choice. One is the breeding of cattle in western Kansas; the other is the fattening of steers in central Kansas. The former can be handled with less capital and expense than the latter.

Texas Cattle Fever.

In a paper recently prepared by Theobald Smith, chief of the Division of Animal Pathology, referring to Texas fever, he said:

The field investigations concerning the causation of this disease have been carried on from July to November of the past year. At the same time a special report or bulletin has been prepared, which includes the details of the experimental work from 1883 up to the present. This bulletin contains chapters on the nature of Texas fever, its symptoms and pathological changes, and on the microorganism which produces it. It also contains chapters on the life history of the cattle tick and its precise relation to the disease; on immunity and preventive exposures; on the infectiousness of sick natives, and on the probability that Texas fever is a cosmopolitan disease, limited in its distribution by latitude rather than by continents. The practical deductions are brought together in a final chapter which, owing to its importance, is incorporated in part into the present summary.

THE CATTLE TICK THE CARRIER OF TEXAS FEVER.

In the investigations carried on up to 1892 the precise relation of the cattle tick to the disease had not been positively demonstrated. It was known from our former experiments that young ticks placed on susceptible cattle produced Texas fever. It was known in 1880 that when the tick was prevented from falling to the ground, and a future generation was thereby destroyed in the egg, so to speak, the disease did not appear. Owing to circumstances the confirmation of this important experiment was delayed until this year. Prior experiments in 1890 and 1891 had failed because the ticks had not been entirely removed. During the past summer, however, the fact was again demonstrated that when ticks are removed (picked off by hand) from southern animals, the latter may freely mingle with susceptible Northern cattle without communicating with Texas fever. Two experimental fields were set aside for this purpose. In each two southern and two native animals were placed. From the southern animals the ticks were picked off as far possible, just before they were placed in the field. They were examined from day to day for several weeks to remove any that had escaped notice, owing to their small size. In general control field containing southern animals from the same farms from which the ticks were not picked off, all exposed natives were attacked with Texas fever. Two experimental fields were set aside for this purpose. In each two southern and two native animals were placed. From the southern animals the ticks were picked off as far possible, just before they were placed in the field. They were examined from day to day for several weeks to remove any that had escaped notice, owing to their small size. In general control field containing southern animals from the same farms from which the ticks were not picked off, all exposed natives were attacked with Texas fever.

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that Southern and native cattle may mingle on the same pasture and yet no disease appear when ticks are absent, although the micro-parasite of the disease is carried about, in exceedingly small numbers to be sure, by Southern cattle in their blood, and although it requires the transfusion of only a small amount of blood to start the disease among the natives.

PREVENTION.

Texas fever, in the territory outside of the enzootic region, is the result of the distribution of ripe egg-laying ticks by cattle from the enzootic region. Hence, such cattle should not be allowed on uninfected territory during the warmer half of the year. It is also evident that during the same period all cars carrying Southern cattle contain a larger or smaller number of ticks, which have dropped off during the journey and which are ready to lay their eggs. The sweeping of such cars, wherever deposited, may give rise to a crop of young ticks, and these, when they have access to cattle, will produce the disease. Wherever Southern tick-bearing cattle are kept within twenty-five to thirty days after their departure from their native fields, they are liable to infect such places, since it requires the period mentioned for the smaller ticks to ripen and drop off. But under special conditions even this period is too short, and the Southern cattle may remain dangerous a long time. This would occur when such cattle remain in any one inclosure long enough (four to five weeks) for the progeny of the first ticks, which drop off to appear on the same cattle.

will make heavier hogs, but they cannot be fattened too young.

At this season the hogs will thrive if given the run of the orchard with very little grain feed. Besides, the orchard will be benefited.

For the average farmer the best breed of hogs is the one that will keep themselves the best and make the most meat from the cheapest food.

Cheap corn makes many hogs, for it is then that their services are most needed as freight condensers. Quick growth, early maturity and compact form are essential in this combination.

With the present demand for lean meat, instead of a carcass larded with fat, it is comparatively easy to keep pigs in condition to market at any time. A little grain with the grass will do it.

When you go to feeding corn find out how much hogs will eat up clean, and feed no more than that. There is no economy in throwing out a single ear of corn to be trampled and soiled.

If you cannot breed full-blood swine, at least have the boar pure and the best of his breed. But why not have the herd like him? Such stock sells well for the breeders and if not sold makes equally good pork with grades.

With hogs, as with many other crops, there is much in knowing when to harvest. Don't let them get too ripe, that is, to a point where they no longer pay for their food. The scales will help determine when this point is reached.

Because hogs have given good profit during the past year one is not justified in going into raising them too largely. They are stock that can be raised so rapidly that any unusual profit in breeding generally results in overdoing the business.

There is no one cause more responsible for lack of success than falling into a rut. "Let well enough alone" is a proverb that should have no place in the vocabulary of an enterprising man. To let well enough alone is to stand still, to thresh over old straw year after year till finally one goes the way of all the world. Had the swine breeders of fifty years ago been satisfied to let well enough alone the magnificent development of the various breeds we have today would never have taken place and the \$100 hog, let alone his \$500 rival, would never have been heard from. Because you can live by present methods it is no reason why you should not try to do better.

"Nothing ventured, nothing won," is true in every walk of life. It is the man who takes every advantage of opportunities who succeeds best in the world. And to such men the world owes a great debt of gratitude. It is better to wear out than to rust out, and the live, wide awake man is of more value to himself and to the community ten times over than his neighbor who is conservative to the point of timidity. Swine breeders, in this Columbian year ought to make a great stride forward. The opportunity the great exposition will give for comparing stock and methods will prove an object lesson such as was never before seen. And those who will profit most by it are the ones who will put to practical test the new ideas there gained. By keeping eyes and ears open even the best of us may learn something that we can turn to practical value, and it is only by utilizing the new ideas we gain that greater success is possible.

If you are in a rut, get out, if you are out of it, keep out. The methods of ten and twenty years ago were good in their time, but they are "back numbers" to-day.

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SHEEP AND WOOL.

A little care should be taken to see that good pasture is given the sheep now.

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The Merino sheep is not naturally or necessarily a wrinkled animal and much less is he, as many of the highest priced and best prize winners of the past have been, nearly or quite all wrinkles. The choice specimens of the Merino breed to-day, are larger in frame and heavier in body than the erstwhile choice of the flock and much plainer. It is not necessary to call him a better all-purpose sheep, and yet it is a fact that his fleece is nearly as heavy without wrinkles as others with them, and his lambs will be larger and at maturity make better mutton.

The Chicago Wool and Hide Shipper, a reliable trade journal, says, in a late review of the wool market: "The price of wool to-day is lower than foreign wool could be purchased for on a free trade basis." This confirms the declaration of F. S. & H., elsewhere in this and in former issues, that the present prices of wool are not the result of a fear of free trade in wool, but a conspiracy of manufacturers. The wealth producers of this country may make up their minds that our privileged classes will not surrender a single one of their "vested rights" without a desperate struggle, and the present enormous protection to manufacturers of wool is one of the rights(?)

The tone of the market, says Bradstreet, shows no improvement, the limited demand and the general pressure to sell keeping the situation in buyers' favor. Low prices do not appear to encourage buying on the part of manufacturers, as they will only take what they are forced to have at any price. Orders for goods are backward, and, with the uncertain future as regards expected tariff changes, manufacturers want no wool on hand, and only meet pressing needs. Delaine fleeces have sold lower at 25 to 26c for Ohio and 23 to 24c for Michigan, while combing fleeces are quoted about 1c lower, former quotations being nominal. Territory wools are in large supply, and values are in large supply. Australian wools cannot be sold in competition with domestic fleece except at a sharp loss to the importer, and sales are consequently slow.

There are many reasons why farmers should more fully utilize their facilities for sheep breeding. First, there is hardly a farm but would be benefited by having some sheep upon it. They will keep the farm free from weeds, for the sheep has a full bill of fare and its gouge-like teeth and hard pad in the upper part of the mouth enables it to browse on more fibrous herbage than other farm animals. The manure from sheep is worth from two to three times as much as that from cattle, horses or pigs. It does not lose its value, for it does not ferment. Second, the cheapest crop that can be used for feeding is good pasture, and it cannot be disputed but that the sheep, with its divided upper lip and peculiar teeth, will get more from pasture and make more profitable use of it than any other farm animal. Third, the care that sheep require when rightly managed is demanded at seasons when other work does not press, and at all times the labor of attending to them is easy. Fourth, the amount of investment and the risk is light. The chief risk is due to dogs. If a small wire corral is made and the sheep allowed to go into it each night this risk is removed. Sheep do not require expensive buildings to protect them. Dryness is their chief need. The cold they can resist, as their normal temperature is 102 degrees, Fahr., and their fleeces assist them in retaining their body heat. Fifth, the main reason why our conditions should be more fully utilized is the direct profit there is in breeding mutton sheep. A shepherd can make from 25 to 50 per cent. on his investment in mutton sheep, according to his skill.

The Mutton Sheep.

In the matter of buying sheep for the future of the industry in this state we have to make sure of the one thing needful and not buy for wool and then harvest the flock for mutton. Wool mutton may be good for those who like it but the vast majority of those who buy it for eating would rather have mutton meat than wool meat. The wool taste so commonly ascribed to mutton is not so much attributable to the handling at or after slaughtering, as to the work that

is done prior thereto. Milk cows kept for the purposes of dairy are just as apt to be wanting in the meat, juice, flavor and fat, and all other desirable meat qualities as sheep kept for wool; still it will not be denied that dairy cows may be dried off and fed and fattened for the market and the flesh make fairly good, and to many, acceptable beef; but it will never make steer beef of prime quality. Neither will wool sheep bred, fed and kept for the highest quality and quantity of wool make good mutton. We must have one definite aim in mind and follow it if we would reach the best market.

It must be borne in mind that every product of the animal, wool, bone, flesh, etc., is made from its blood; and that the blood is made from the food. If then the animal has a propensity for storing up wool the greater portion of the food is diverted to the making of blood from which wool is to be made; and whilst this is being done it is evidently impossible to store as much flesh and fat (desirable mutton qualities) as another animal would make whose propensity was mainly in that direction. In other words one cannot have the finest and heaviest fleece and at the same time the finest and best of mutton from the same animal.

The cry against the taste of the mutton marketed is a just cry, and reaches to high heaven if the cry of the wronged reach the throne; for the wool growers of the plains, with no idea of breeding or feeding for anything but wool, have no sooner denuded their flocks then they pour them into the stock yards in almost countless droves by the scores of thousands weekly, poor, old and fleshless; void of the first element of tasteful, appetizing and nutritious food and as unfit for culinary use as any one thing sent to market. If then we are going to buy sheep let us have a definite idea in mind and buy feed and breed for the market we are catering to; for it is a well determined fact that there is no more delicious meat food than first-class mutton; that the best mutton is in unsupplied demand at the highest meat prices and must continue so for very many years to come if not for all time.

—Colman's Rural World.

Prices of Wool.

Stock, Farm and Home.
The situation of the wool market looks to an observer very much as if it were being manipulated by a huge conspiracy for a definite object. It is, of course, well known that woolen manufacturers are believers in and devotedly attached to a high protective tariff system. Free wool that they would not object to if it did not imply much lower duties on manufactured goods, therefore they must stand by the wool growers, as they put it, to make sure of their own and more remunerative protection. To prevent lowering the duties that they have so enormously profited by what is easier or more natural than an understanding between manufacturers to depress the price of wool, make the fear of proposed tariff reductions responsible for it, and thus create a public sentiment that would prevent the reductions? The attitude of every manufacturer confirms this theory, every review of the wool market testifies to its truth. Every manufacturer is buying just as little wool as he possibly can, is running his mill to its minimum capacity, doing, in short, everything in his power to lower wool's price. But manufacturers have now depressed prices to a point that reveals their intentions. Prices are so low that the grades of wool produced in this country could not be bought elsewhere and brought here even in the entire absence of tariff duties. Hence to their other sin they add that of lying when they say that fear of free wool is the cause of their present attitude.

This action in regard to wool, by the way, the people may expect to see duplicated in regard to every other step they take in the way of reforming existing abuses. Whatever law may be proposed or enacted designed to right a wrong will be met by the efforts of the beneficiaries of the wrong to make the law so odious and unpopular as to accomplish its defeat if proposed or its repeal if enacted.

Remember the concerted effort of the railroads to make the interstate commerce law unpopular and odious, and their temporary success. They succeeded, by enormously advancing rates, and in other ways, in raising a clamor for an immediate repeal of the law; the cry went up from press and people for an extra session of congress to accomplish that purpose. A few week's time, however, revealed the intentions and the perfidy of the roads, and the law still stands. The intentions and the perfidy of the wool manufacturers will ultimately be revealed in the same way, but in the meantime they will play the old game with the desperation of despair, and in absolute indifference to the suffering and loss they may occasion wool growers or the country generally.

HORSE DEPARTMENT

The horse needs exercise every day to keep in a healthy condition. With horses it is quite an item to supply a variety in rough as well as in grain feed. So long as horses are at work almost entirely on the farm, shoes are unnecessary. Blood, food, care and training are the four requisites for producing a first-class horse. The Chicago Drivers' Journal says: Really choice, well bred and good conditioned horses are a drug on the market. There is room at the top. Gentle handling is a great factor in securing a horse's good will, and nothing enables a man to get the best work from his animals more than having their good will. The practice of bathing horses after their

workouts is one that is now practiced quite extensively. After the heat of a workout, as soon as the harness is taken off, the horse is bathed from his ears to his tail with water heated as close to the blood heat as possible. The horse is then scraped and rubbed dry. The animals seem to enjoy the bath and it is evidently good for them.

Big horses with style and quality are still commanding remunerative prices, as are also fine drivers, trained saddlers and choice coach and carriage stock. It is the great mass of weedy unsound, blemished, poorly built and undersized horses, devoid of finish and quality, such as result from patronizing cheap mongrel or grade sires, that are a drug on the market.

Breeders of horses cannot help but recognize the fact that each year buyers are looking for better blood and better breeding even in stock used for the most ordinary purposes. The difference in price between common and first-class horses has been constantly growing greater. When fairly good horses bring prices that do not pay for the raising it is not surprising that common and low grade stock is produced at a loss. With the decline in prices for horses has come also a decline in the service fees of the best class of stallions. The services of some horses which a few years ago cost from \$20 to \$35 can now be secured at a discount of 20 to 50 per cent. from these prices. These lower prices ought to attract breeders and the next few years ought to bring about a great change in the class of horses produced by the farmers. Certainly breeders cannot complain of the service fees or the price at which pure-bred stallions can now be procured. The depression in the horse market has been felt more by importers and breeders of registered stock than any other class of horsemen. If ordinary breeders would take advantage of the situation as it presents itself they could lay the foundation for a superior class of horses at a very low cost. Now is the time to breed to the best food than first-class mutton; that the best mutton is in unsupplied demand at the highest meat prices and must continue so for very many years to come if not for all time.

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The new packery deal, the JOURNAL regrets to say, is materializing slowly.

SHEEPMEN should hold their wool. It will bring more later on regardless of the tariff.

THERE are sixty dairies in and immediately tributary to Fort Worth. The dairy business is certainly growing in Texas.

THE Cattle Raisers' association seems to be doing a good business notwithstanding the dull panicky times.

GOOD veal calves are the only class of live stock that will bring anything like their value on the present market.

CATTLE shipments from Texas for the remainder of the year will be light as compared with the past six months.

THERE will be local buyers on the market for 200,000 feeding steers this fall, provided they can get the money with which to buy.

IF the San Antonio Stockman expects to prosper and gain the confidence of the people it should learn to tell the truth and be just.

IF you want to know just how the government and especially the finances ought to be run, go and listen to one of the "Soap tail" cranks that are now haranguing the farmers throughout the state. They can tell you about it.

THE best way to stop the blatherskites who are now speech-making over the country trying to mislead and deceive the people, is to refuse to hear them, at all events you should refuse to "chip in" when the hat is passed. Cut off their pay and the speech making will soon stop.

IT is overmarketing, caused by the scarcity of money, together with the inability of packers and Eastern shippers to obtain money to operate on, and not overproduction that is causing the present low prices. Give us plenty of money coupled with a good supply of confidence and the market will be all right.

THE JOURNAL does not dabble in politics. It does, however, feel inclined to join in a move that would result in muzzling the political cranks who are going about the country pretending to be able to prescribe a remedy for all the ills the commercial world is heir to. Men who have never been able to make a living for themselves much less display any ability as financiers are egotistical enough to set themselves up as financial reformers. They are frauds of the first water and ought not to be countenanced by honest people.

THE next war, if ever there be one, is to be carried on by wholesale. To the hundreds of other implements of destruction which have recently been invented, a French genius has added a piece of light artillery which has a capacity for firing four charges in 15 minutes, each of which throws 25,000 bullets over a surface of 20,000 square yards at a distance of two miles. With such death-bearing machines as this, there seems little need for the 22,000,000 soldiers composing the European armies, unless it be as food for the enormous quantities of powder and shot which otherwise might be wasted.

IT is well to remember that while it is true that our imports have been increasing, the additional value is due largely to the fact that we have been buying abroad in unusual quantities articles which are properly considered as luxuries, and which no people would think of buying of another unless it felt itself in a prosperous condition. This is demonstrated by the official report of the treasury department for May, which shows that during that month our imports of the following articles were considerably in excess of those imported during the same time in 1892: Art works, paintings etc., books, engravings, etc., fine watches and clocks, laces, edging, etc., fine china and porcelain, jewelry and precious stones, manufactures of broze, perfumes and cosmetics, pipes and smoker's articles, fancy soaps, distilled spirits and champagne and other wines. A country that can afford to purchase from abroad in increasing quantities such articles as these, notwithstanding the heavy duties upon them, cannot be in a very bad condition.

NO government in the world, however anxious or willing it may be, can legislate or frame laws that will prevent an occasional money panic, neither can they prescribe a remedy or cure. Periodical panics have occurred from time immemorial and will continue to recur as long as people insist on engaging in wildcat speculations and over-jumping their financial ability. These things can not be legislated against, we can, however, show to capital that it will be protected. We can show to moneyed men that

we take no stock or part in the communistic spirit that is occasionally cropping out. In this way the people can help to bring about confidence and thus restore good times. Congress can't do it, neither will free silver do it. The money that is now hiding, that has been scared out of circulation, must be made to feel safe. It must be made to feel that the people are friendly to capital, it will then again be put in circulation and be found to be quite sufficient for ordinary, legitimate business purposes.

THE SOUTHWESTERN STOCKMAN very sensibly says: "The report that statistics from the beef producing regions show an actual shortage of cattle continues to be made, day after day, and is claimed to be real and not fancied. We hope such is truly the case, and yet we must admit with facilities at hand on which to base anything of the kind are so unreliable that it is simply a matter of impossibility to form any conclusion like the above except locally. These conditions can and should be remedied and the business of cattle raising will to a considerable degree be an uncertainty until the government comes to our relief with something similar to the Vest bill, through the workings of which the future can be seen with reasonable accuracy."

IT will do nobody any harm to thoroughly clean up all the rubbish and decaying matter in and about the houses and the outbuildings, and every place where malaria and all other disease breeding microbes make a nesting place and a reproducing home. Every room in every house should be thoroughly ventilated, and every article in them frequently aired and exposed. The dread Asiatic cholera may not reach us this summer, and we fully believe will not, but it will do no harm to take all necessary precautions against affording it a lodgment should it pass our way. To cleanliness of the person and the condition of the excretory organs too much attention cannot be paid by any one, and especially by those who are disposed to weakness and indisposition. A clean skin, good digestion, quiet mind and ample rest are the great desiderata.

THE DECLINE IN WOOL.
The decline in wool is not as many would make it appear attributable alone to the probable change in the tariff.

No one can say how the tariff is to be changed if at all, but it certainly is not reasonable to assume that changes are to be effected which are likely to seriously disturb existing conditions, or to cause any very considerable shrinkage in the price of wool. The tariff is a minor factor in today's wool market—the monetary situation is the paramount factor. Assure the woolen manufacturer that money will not range above 6 per cent. at any time within the next twelve months, and who would not assert that wool values would not represent far better figures than now.

Granting that free wool is probable next April, the date which Secretary Carlisle is credited with naming, the wool market if discounting it would do so by gradual approaches, and not by a sharp and tumultuous descent. We are disposed to believe that it is the condition of the money market coupled with a united effort on the part of the manufacturer to prevent a reduction in the tariff rather than the proposed reduction that is causing the present advance of any demand for wool.

THE OUTLOOK FOR LIVE STOCK.

THE market on all kinds and classes of live stock has this week been unusually and in fact distressingly low. As long as the present condition of affairs continues to exist in monetary circles it will be suicidal in the extreme to market anything. Notwithstanding all this, there is nothing discouraging in the outlook for the live stock industry. The financial troubles, if allowed to do so, will soon adjust themselves. The country is now undergoing a general reckoning or settling up process. As soon as this is finished, confidence will again be restored and there will be plenty of money for legitimate safe business purposes. The price on marketable live stock will then advance fully \$1 per 100 pounds over the prices now ruling, trade will again become active and everything will move along smoothly and more satisfactory than it has for several years.

AS soon as this stringency in money matters is over, beef, in fact all kinds and classes of cattle will gradually but surely advance in value, and yet while the market may at times fluctuate this advance will continue and prices become better each year for at least five years to come. The same will also be true as to mutton. Hogs grow and multiply very rapidly, consequently an over-production of these may be produced in a very short time, and while there will be money in hogs, yet it can hardly be hoped that they will soon again reach the fabulous price at which they sold six months ago. It will require at least four and more likely from seven to ten years to increase the number of cattle enough to again cause an over supply. For this reason cattle are to-day the best and surest investment offered for those who understand the business and have the facilities in the way of grass and water at hand necessary to make it a success. Don't sacrifice your cattle. Hold them until times are better and they will pay you handsomely.

THE WHEAT MARKET.

THE wheat market is of much more interest to farmers just now perhaps than anything else. It matters little how large the

yield of the crop is if it is worth so little when ready for the elevator. Reports of prices and the conditions of the trade have brought but little encouragement to the producer. Within the past week prices for September wheat have touched the lowest point in many years. It is conceded that the present crop will not be as large by a hundred million bushels, or more, as that of last year. Against this deficit the bears are putting the visible supply of over sixty million bushels, which is about three times as much as was in sight at this time last year. The export demand has increased recently, but the improvement possible from this was fully offset by the stringency in the money market. It is seldom that farmers are confronted with a problem that is as hard to solve as the one which now presents itself in the shape of present and future prices for wheat. It is certain that values are low enough now. Whether they will be better in the future is the question. With many it will be impossible to hold the present crop. Others may be in shape to wait for future developments. It is a question whether it will pay to do this or not. I look as if prices could not get much worse; yet prospects for much better prices in the near future are not brilliant. It seems almost like a calamity that such a good crop of wheat as is now being put in marketable shape throughout the country does not command more satisfactory prices.

CAUSE OF FINANCIAL PANICS.

THE JOURNAL approvingly reproduces the following from its esteemed contemporary, the Western Live Stock and Agricultural Journal. The causes of financial panics as herein given are not in keeping with the views of the political cranks who are industriously trying to mislead the people, but are nevertheless facts, well worthy the careful perusal of our readers.

The Journal referred to very truthfully says: After a panic or financial stringency has set in it is very common to hear men discuss the cause or causes that have produced it. It is very rarely in these discussions we find any agreement as to what these causes have been, no matter how far the discussion has been prolonged. When the partisan political press begins to discuss the question, the difference of opinion becomes much wider; the universal rule of the press whose main source of income is connected with politics being to blame the panic on the opposite party. After the panic is over and prosperity has been restored, it then becomes possible to form some correct idea as to what caused it.

Financial panics are not peculiar to any country, to any form of government, to any financial system or to any particular revenue laws, but are as wide in their range as the commercial world, and occur in every part of it at intervals of different periods. The coming of a panic cannot be calculated like the coming of an eclipse. Nevertheless, it is certain that they have appeared periodically in the past, and it may be regarded as certain that under all conceivable circumstances they will appear in the future.

There are two or three features that characterize all panics. They occur when most people do not expect them. They occur only when a very large amount of business is being transacted, and in what the average man regards as a period of unexampled prosperity. Immediately after a panic sets in, a violent contraction of the currency follows, a restriction of credit, a smaller amount of business of all kinds, factories close down or run on part time, and a general liquidation of indebtedness follows. These seem to be characteristic features of all panics.

The fundamental cause of panics lies nearer the surface than we perhaps suppose. Men may be divided into two great classes, the conservative and the adventurous or we might say, the timid and the courageous; or, to express it still differently, the pessimists or those who are always looking on the dark side of things, and the optimists, or those who are always looking on the bright side. Each of these classes is forever struggling to obtain the mastery, sometimes swinging over to one side, and sometimes to the other, and sometimes nearly equally divided between the both, there is a middle class which are sometimes timid at others courageous. A panic is simply a sudden and violent swinging over of this middle class from the side of the adventurous, courageous and hopeful to the side of the conservative, the timid and hopeless.

Laying aside, at least for the moment, all preconceived notions as to the cause of the present stringency, and all others, let us study the phenomena upon a small scale and then gradually extend it to world-wide proportions. A new railroad is constructed through a western county, and, somewhere near the center, a county seat is laid out. Everybody talks about the prospects of the new town. The railroad starts in to boom it so do the men, who are fortunate enough to own farms adjoining a courthouse is built, banks, hotels, stores rise as if by magic. Emigration pours in and with it carpenters, plasterers and other mechanics, the resources of the county are extolled far and wide and the hopeful, adventurous, courageous fellows are in the majority. The town grows apace until finally there are two or three more stores than store keepers, and two or three more dwelling houses than occupants. Tenants at once demand lower rents on penalty of moving to the empty stores or houses, and the conviction dawns upon the people that the town has grown beyond the resources of the country. At once property begins to fall, building associations refuse to grant loans except on larger margins, no new buildings are put up, mechanics move away to where there is work, and there is a rapid depreciation of property. This is a town panic, a tempest in a teapot, and yet having all the characteristics of every panic.

Take an illustration still more familiar. A succession of good prices and crops makes prices profitable in a state or section of country. Farmers have more or less surplus money which they put in new buildings or offer to the banks on

time deposits. The rate of interest being low and farming profitable they begin to buy land. A man with an eighty and a few hundred dollars in the bank wants the eighty adjoining. The quarter-section man wants the quarter section adjoining or near by. There is a sudden rapid advance in the price of land. Everybody has confidence in farms and farming. Debts secured by mortgages increase rapidly, and the more surplus money there is the more rapidly they increase. Farmers forget that they were once land poor, and hasten at break neck rates to become land rich. The conservatives hold on to their money, the adventurous are more so than ever, and the middle classes which are sometimes on one side and then on the other, are on the adventurous side and believe there is no end to money to be made in land. A failure of crops comes and this middle class lose faith in land, offer their holdings for sale, at whatever prices they can get while those who have ventured too far are absolutely swamped and lose their holdings. A panic therefore comes in land, having all the elements of a world-wide panic. The same class of phenomena may be observed in the history of every kind of live stock. The history of the cattle business, of the sheep business, and the hog business in the last ten years will furnish to our middle aged readers as many illustrations of the peculiar phenomena of panics.

As civilization advances, and methods of communication in the different parts of the country and the different parts of the civilized world increase and multiply, so that the whole world becomes one cause operating in one part of it affect all others, and hence these ever recurring periods of hopefulness, of doubt, of courage and timidity, of progress and extreme conservatism, take a wider sweep and become more damaging in their effects. The man, therefore, who would comprehend the source of panics that reach over the nation must be familiar with the conditions that prevail in other nations and other continents, hence the folly of claiming that the present shrinkage of currency and credit is due to local causes or due altogether to national causes.

Fortunately, panics, in time, work their own cure. In so far as the lack of confidence is caused by the exports of gold, that has been corrected, at least for a time, by the shrinkage of imports, the result of people refusing to buy and the increase in exports by the sale of products which must find their markets in other countries. We are just now at the period when no new enterprises are projected, when a much less amount of business is being done, when everybody is liquidating and getting ready for a new start. Confidence has been disturbed suddenly, and will be restored slowly, and then business will go on as before, cautiously for a while, then more venturesome and then will come another sudden shock and so on to the end.

HORTICULTURE.

Stir the soil to conserve moisture and promote plant growth, as well as to kill weeds. Be sure to commence early to thin fruit upon trees and vines, that have set the same too freely.

Where fruit is thinned the parent plant is exhausted far less than when the entire crop is permitted to remain. Sort all fruit very carefully, and send same to market neatly packed in attractive packages. This point must not be slighted.

Live off the best your land produces. Do not stint yourself for sake of having more produce to sell. Get all you can out of life. Set out young fruit plants and trees every year. Do your share toward making the earth to blossom and be filled with fruitfulness.

A good mulch keeps down weeds, and renders the soil loose, moist and porous at all times, and that, too, with little labor of cultivation.

In making sales, get as near the consumer as possible. Many commission and middlemen's profits leave little for the producer to receive for his products. Remember that oftentimes by the removal of fully half the fruit, the remainder produces as much bulk and sells for more money than the whole would if all had been left on.

The peach tree is not as short-lived as many people suppose, provided it has good treatment "all along the line." Mure well, cultivate well, and keep out the borer, and it will live a good while.

There is far too little mulching done. Small fruits, trees and garden crops are given a most favorable opportunity for attaining the highest perfection and development when their roots are covered with a thick mat of leaves, hay or other suitable material.

Thin out the peaches early to get the best results. The peach is a "stone fruit," and the strength of the tree is drawn upon most heavily while the stone is forming. For this reason thin out while the fruit is small, if at all.

Instruction in the details of fruit growing is largely the threshing of old straw, but it must be done in order to accomplish anything. For most persons it is line upon line and precept upon precept, and even then they often fail.

Sprawling fruit trees are always objectionable. By careful pruning from the start a head can be formed that will be within easy reach, and the fruit will not be whipped off so readily. Manure and cultivate so as to get a good annual growth, but cut back severely so as to have a stocky tree and strong limbs.

It is not to be wondered at that strawberries often sell at low prices. They ought to bring nothing at all when such worthless sorts are sometimes offered as good berries, besides many that soften as soon as picked. The old Wilson's Albany has no superior in flavor and carrying qualities, and, well treated, it is of good size.

That a single grape vine will often climb to the top of high trees and completely cover them with foliage is true. It will usually produce the finest fruit at the top, while the part of the vine nearest the ground will have little and that poor and late. But the vine injures the tree and after a few years of the embrace the vine will destroy the life of the tree. With a trellis four, five or six feet high as good grapes can be grown as in any tree top and much easier to get. The finest grapes will be at the top of the trellis, showing it is their position with regard to the vine and not their absolute height above the ground, that influence their quality.

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An Interesting Interview With Mr. Charles Goodnight.

An attaché of the JOURNAL had the pleasure of meeting and having an interesting conversation yesterday with the veteran and well known Panhandle cattle ranchman Mr. Charles Goodnight, of Goodnight, Texas. Mr. Goodnight, though yet a comparatively young man, has been engaged in the cattle ranching business on the frontier of Texas for forty years. In 1855 in company with his step brother, Wesley Sheek, who was at that time also his partner, Mr. Goodnight located a ranch near Black Springs, in the famous Keechi Valley in Palo Pinto county. This was then the extreme frontier and was a veritable stockman's paradise. Mr. Goodnight was then quite a young, and without any discredit to him it may also be truthfully said, a very poor man. The small herd numbering only a few hundred head then controlled by the firm of Sheek & Goodnight was owned by Mr. Clabe Varner, a brother in law of Mr. Sheek, who then lived in central Texas. Even at that early date Mr. Goodnight had great faith in the future of the cattle industry of Texas, so much so that he and his partner contracted to look after and care for the Varner herd for a certain number of years accepting as their compensation one-fourth of the increase. For their first years work they placed their own brand on eight calves, the entire calf crop only numbering thirty-two. The herd, however, under the prudent and careful management of Messrs. Sheek & Goodnight increased rapidly. These young men not only gave the closest and best attention to the cattle that had been placed in their charge, but they were also enabled to make considerable money in a small way in outside work and speculations, every dollar of which was invested in cattle.

After ten years hard work they were enabled, by the use of well earned credit, to purchase the Varner herd which was at that time one of the largest in western Texas.

In 1866 Mr. Goodnight finding his cattle unsalable in Texas at any cash price formed a copartnership with a neighboring ranchman, in the person of Oliver Loving, for the purpose of removing their own cattle and buying and driving others to the territories of Colorado and New Mexico. This business, while attended with many drawbacks and difficulties from Indian depredations, was reasonably successful, until the end of the second year when his partner was murdered by the Indians and the business discontinued.

Mr. Goodnight located near Pueblo, Colorado, in 1868. His business, however, in his new field was not, on account of some unforeseen reasons, successful. Consequently after a few years he got together the little remnant of stock left after making his losses good and "drifted" south and established what is now known as the "Goodnight Ranch" in the Panhandle. Here Mr. Goodnight in a wild wilderness, his only neighbors being the coyotes, the buffalo and the wild Indians, again began life anew and set out to build up another fortune. As to how he has succeeded the 40,000 fine improved cattle and the hundreds of thousands of acres of first-class pasture land owned by him can best testify. Mr. Goodnight, notwithstanding the decline in cattle and the many reverses in the business of late years is a rich man, and well does he deserve every dollar of it. He has made the cattle business a life time study and is regarded as excellent authority on cattle matters.

Mr. Goodnight was asked if he would back the JOURNAL up in all it claimed for his new discovery, which in the absence of a better name, we had denominated "Goodnighting."

"I most certainly will," he replied. "I can take any old, run down, played out bull and make him as good as a young one. Every man who has a good bull should rejuvenate him in this way. The whys and the wherefores will at once become apparent to any man who will give it a second thought. Yes, sir, it will work, and will work on other animals besides brutes. Don't mention it, but I will tell you confidentially it works like a charm on old men—at least I have been so informed by scientific doctors. I have already received a large number of inquiries since you published my discovery and will try to find time to give everyone any additional information he may want." "You may also say to the JOURNAL readers that I have discovered if used in time, a sure cure for "lumpy" or "big jaw" in cattle. This disease never

makes its first appearance on an animal over four years old—cattle over this age may be found suffering with "big jaw," but the incipency of the disease will invariably date back to when the animal was under four years old. It is caused by a failure to shed a tooth at the proper time. If the tooth causing the trouble is removed before it has run on too long, the animal will in every circumstance get well. I have cured hundreds of them and know what I am talking about. You can generally locate the tooth that is causing the trouble, but failing to do so remove two or even three if necessary to insure getting the right one. It is something similar to what is known as blind tooth in horses, and should be treated pretty much the same way." Continuing Mr. Goodnight said, "Notwithstanding the opinions of veterinary surgeons to the contrary, I am prepared to show by actual demonstrations that the much talked of lumpy jaw is nothing more nor less than a tooth that by failing to drop out at the proper time is causing its growth to be abnormal, and thus setting up an inflammation that continues to grow from bad to worse until it finally kills the animal. If the blind tooth is removed in the early stage of inflammation the animal will get entirely well every time."

This is an important matter, and while the JOURNAL is prepared to endorse all that Mr. Goodnight said, it would be pleased to hear from others.

Black Winter Oats.

The question of getting something that will stand the cold and furnish a luxuriant winter pasture, a good straw for hay and good paying yield of grain, has doubtless forced itself upon the minds of men who combine stock raising with farming. It occurred to me several years ago that if I could get the black winter oats it would be the thing. I remembered that when I began farming on the black, rich belt just north of Dallas in 1870 that wheat was considered a profitable crop. Nearly the whole country was being broken for the first time and on this sod-land wheat paid well and did while the land was fresh. By some means the black winter oats had been introduced and gotten mixed with the wheat by sowing on oat stubble and at the thrasher. The complaint was that it would not freeze out and every effort was made to get rid of it, and upon trying to get seed I could find the genuine winter oats nowhere. I wrote to D. M. Ferry and other seed men without success. Three years ago I found one car-load in Kansas City, had it brought down here and sowed seed in September and October. I had the finest winter pasture I ever saw. Feed being scarce that winter I kept my stock on it till the 20th of March. It looked like it was ruined by grazing, but it rained and it made forty bushels per acre by measure, and as these oats weigh forty pounds to the bushel, was equivalent to fifty; got long ricks of good bright, rich straw and sold the crop to a grain dealer for seed at forty cents per bushel at the thrasher. Many predicted they would not be better than the other oats. I sowed the second crop in the fall. Made sixty bushels per acre (equal to seventy-five). I sowed last fall the third crop, being very dry in the spring, made only about forty bushels per acre with good pasture all winter and good, bright straw stacks for my stock next winter. I am thoroughly pleased with them, and now nearly every one around wants to sow black oats. My place is prairie, one mile and a half west of Cleburne. I have been farming in Texas forty years and have decided there is no money in wheat one year with another. It will not make a fourth as much pasture, the straw will not compare at all with oat straw and it does not suit our climate like oats. Any man now can figure out the comparison from the above results. I got the genuine winter oats from Kansas City. They weighed forty pounds to the bushel. I weighed samples of those I raised here and they weighed the same. I have not tested them this year, but I am satisfied they will be about the same. My stock kept in fine condition all winter grazing on the green crop in dry, warm weather and letting them to the straw stacks in very cold or wet weather.

L. R. STROUD,
Cleburne, Texas, July 31.

As the JOURNAL goes to press a good rain is falling at Fort Worth. Similar rains are reported to have fallen within the last few days at Dallas, Weatherford, Comanche, Graham, Palo Pinto and other points throughout the state. In fact the drought is virtually broken, and with the exception of a few localities, plenty of rain has fallen.

It is raining in spots all over the state. The indications are that but few, if any, dry districts will be left after another week.

The Panhandle proper, that is all the country above Childress, has recently had good rains and is now said to be in fine condition.

Crops of all kinds throughout the Panhandle country are comparative failures.

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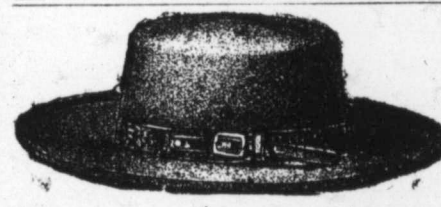
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PERSONAL MENTION.

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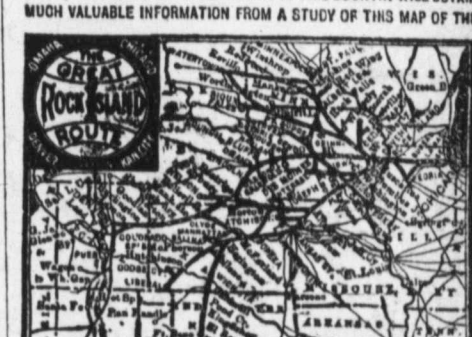
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There are some of the great grain fields of the world which as yet are almost untouched. The Peninsula of lower California has a million acres of good wheat land waiting for the plow.

There is no implement like the harrow to both fine and firm the soil at the same time. And there is no condition of the soil, preparatory to the planting, so much of importance as this.

The study of agriculture should have some attention in our country schools. At least the names, habits and characteristics of weeds should be taught, and an effort made to interest the children in the study of plant life.

Farmers should make a business of carefully studying the market reports. They teach both the time to buy and the time to sell, and the farmer who keeps habitually posted is not often caught napping by a shrewd dealer.

The more the subject is investigated the stronger does the evidence grow that small farms give a better profit and afford easier and pleasanter conditions of life than do large farms. It is a bad thing to become land hungry.

From the beginning, know the rental value of each field and the cost of cultivating the crop grown therein. Make each crop pay its own way, instead of relying upon an average of profit for all. Then the average will be apt to come out better.

By giving the farm boy an occasional holiday, he will be taught to love the farm. When never allowed a day to fish or to spend as he pleases, he is too apt to imagine that farming is harder and more confining than any other kind of business.

To avoid depleting the fertility of the farm, grow and sell such crops as will carry away the least plant food. Growing live stock, with proper regard to the manurial product, is directly in this line. The major portion of all the plant food absorbed by the crops is thus returned to the land.

Few crops are capable of being so largely increased by better methods of cultivation as our corn crop. One hundred bushels per acre is the mark that every good farmer having good land should set himself, and he should not feel satisfied if the crop falls far short of that.

The increase in the use of the banana shows what we may expect in the way of future consumption of our domestic fruits. A few years ago they were comparatively unknown except in our great cities. Now they are in common use even in the remote towns and villages. We are not in present danger of over-production of fruits—or any other agricultural product.

Weeds are a nuisance at any time and in any place. Whether it be in the fields, along the roadside, in the fence corners, around stone piles or in the woods, exterminate them. A good time to get rid of them is when the ground is soft after a good rain; many a profitable hour may be spent pulling them up. Attend to this before the seed ripens.

The idea that a man can succeed as a farmer whether he knows anything about the business or not is a false one. The best farmer and the one who makes the most money from farming is the one who studies and understands his business best. Haphazard farming does not pay. A man should be a thorough and practical farmer in order to make it pay; and although very few farmers become millionaires all may be economy and thrift secure a good living and get something ahead.

Every pound of tool weighs more than is absolutely necessary means enough labor wasted in a month to take one extra day's work for the weight alone. Add to this as much more wasted in starting and stopping the motion of the unnecessary weight and it is easy to see that a few "trifles" amount to a large waste in the course of a year. The idea that cradles, scythes, forks, axes, saws, etc., are better and more economical if one-fourth heavier than needed is mistaken. Far

better risk breakage and purchase new tools often than handle useless weight.

There is economy in giving our children a good education. We know too little of the why's and wherefore's of our calling on the farm. We work too much in the dark to get the best possible results from our and our fertilizers; from what we do day by day upon the farm. How important that we should thoroughly understand their constituent parts and their adaptability to certain crops, etc. As soon as by improved intellectual power will begin to discover and apply the laws of nature, vast accession is made to the power of production of our lands. For this reason it is certainly important and necessary that we give all questions concerning the education of our children thoughtful consideration, as the boys and girls of to-day make the men and women of to-morrow.

Last year Kansas raised nearly seventy-five million bushels of wheat. This year her crop will be less than twenty-three million bushels. The crop in all the other wheat states will be less than it was last year, but none of them have suffered as much as Kansas. Some of the states indeed have good crops of small grain, but the total yield over the country is less than it has been for quite a number of years. Our arithmetic refuses to figure it any other way than that wheat will take more or less of a jump before Christmas. The only things to prevent this are the excessive surplus of last year's crop and the excellent prospects for a large yield of corn. Just how much these two factors will affect the price of the new crop it is yet impossible to say. But it does look as though the best plan were to try and keep cool and not to make any frantic efforts to pass the wheat on to some other fellow.

Commenting on the current prices of farm crops the Rural World says: "The farmer who has anything to sell had better think twice, and then think the matter over very deliberately, before he parts with his crop for the money that will be offered just now. So far as we have heard or can learn there isn't a surplus of any crop in America; but there are many countries where the crops are short and the supplies likely to be shorter ere another crop can be raised. There is some talk already of an expected falling off in receipts in the near future. The rush of wheat from the South is subsiding and the West has not yet started its movement to market. It is stated that this Western movement is to be one of the numerous disappointments the bears will meet with this season. That not alone is the crop shortage so great that large receipts from the West would be impossible, but that farmers will refuse to sell freely at present low prices and thus further restrict the movement. This is actually the case now with a good many farmers in sections where the crops have been secured and ready for market, and who are well enough fixed to hold on for awhile at least. Receipts so far have not increased as it was believed they would and are now running behind those of a year ago, though at this time last year there was a rush of wheat to this market to take advantage of what was believed to be a July corner."

Care of Farm Tools.

One of the greatest leaks on the average farm is the unnecessary damage done to the farming implements through exposure to all kinds of weather. In many cases the damage thus produced exceeds the necessary wear while in actual use. I believe one winter's exposure of a self-binder will do the machine more injury than three years of actual use in good hands. I recall one man who purchased a new binder on credit, cut his harvest, drew the machine into a fence-corner, told the agents he could not pay for it because it did not give satisfaction, and the next year succeeded, with some repairs, in cutting another harvest, when another winter's exposure ended its usefulness. With good care it ought to have done good service for at least ten years. It is the same with other machinery used on the farm, but not to so great an extent. Even the iron and steel implements now becoming common protection from sun, snow and rain will give better results in the manner of work done.

I believe it is a safe rule never to buy any tool for which one can not provide shelter, and a coat of paint added every three or four years will not only add to their appearance, but will lengthen out their years of usefulness. I have a Champion mowing machine which has cut an average of forty-three acres for the past sixteen years, during which time the repairs have not cost to exceed two dollars, and the machine does first-class work yet.

One point in the successful working of both mowers and binders is to keep the guards well closed, that the sections may cut rather than pull the grass or grain. I was once assisting a neighbor with some hay, and heard his complaint about his machine not cutting properly and being a perfect drag on his horses. I took a block of wood and a hammer and closed the guards slightly and he was pleased to see that the draught on the team was decreased about one-third while the work done was as clean as could be desired.

Another point is to keep the nuts well tightened, and the bearing parts well oiled. A loose bolt may cause a break and much consequent delay. A want of oil will cause more wear, perhaps heating and a short-lived machine. A brother was once called upon to repair a mowing machine and actually had to drill out many of the oil holes where they had been gummed shut. Of course the journals were much worn and the boxes required to be banded. In this connection it might be said that those who desire to be economical may secure their own lubricating oil by making a small depression in the top of the vessels in which they pack their hog's lard and during the summer carefully dipping off into a jug or bottle the oil which will there accumulate in a few month's time. Some housewives call it wat r and throw it out; but it is lard oil, pure and unadulterated, and one of the best lubricants for farm machinery to be obtained, and secured in this manner does not necessitate the outlay of cash, and at the same time the farmer knows that he is using oil and not some miserable combination which dealers palm off on him at sevenfold its actual cost. Do not dip it off on too warm a day, and do not disturb it much in the process or more or less of the lard will be mixed with the oil. A six-gallon jar of lard will produce by this natural process about two quarts of oil which will go a long way toward assisting the machinery to run smoothly.

Plows and other tools having scouring parts may have these parts oiled when stored away for any length of time, and will thus be prevented from rusting. It is real annoying to attempt to work with a tool that does not scour properly.—Correspondent in Ohio Farmer.

DAIRY.

If a farmer can grow cheap feed and turn it into high-priced butter he should not have to struggle very hard to make a comfortable living. This can be done by devoting most of his energies through the summer to the production of food, and manufacture the butter in the winter, when prices are at the best and there is not much other work at which he can profitably employ himself. To be sure, we do not want every one to go to winter dairying, but there is yet lots of room for wide awake men in that business.

The longer we live the less we think of this middle or general-purpose business, in a cow for profit. Life is too short to deal with the world in general, and we must confine ourselves to some well defined line of action. This is an age of special ideas. The world is not asking for general purpose men, but men who can do some one thing better than any other thing. A man is no longer asked to be a "jack at all trades and master of none." The successful farmer no longer raises a little of everything and a poor quality of each, but confines himself to some special line of produce. Man finds himself to-day surrounded by animals peculiarly adapted to his many wants, each fitting into some particular place, but it is somewhat difficult to make them fit some other places. The little Bantam rooster can not fill the place of a market or table fowl. The fox hound is of no earthly use to the shepherd. A draft horse can not fill the place of a trotting or running horse, nor can a genuine milk or butter cow fill the place of a beef cow.

Sweet cream is not the best for making butter, as it yields less than cream that is slightly sour. The best and most butter is made from cream that is slightly sour and which is taken from milk set in shallow pans in a room not over 60 or 62 degrees of temperature for thirty-six hours, then skimmed and kept twenty-four hours at the same temperature before churning, and churned at this same temperature. When cream is too sour or is too warm, it will foam in the churn and give out a large quantity of carbonic acid gas. This interferes with the making of the butter. It will not do this otherwise. To bring the cream, when thus disturbed, into proper condition, add cold water to thin it, by which the gas evolved in the churning escapes and the foaming is reduced. Then the butter separates. This foaming is a common thing in the summer, while in the winter, owing to the cold, the cream granulates and appears to be sandy, and the butter does not come. The remedy then is to add warm water to the cream, as it is too cold, and the fine grains of butter will not adhere together.

The value of cleanliness is manifest in every turn of life. In thought, speech and act cleanliness is an advantage. In none of these is cleanliness more important to the dairyman than in action. Clean milk makes clean, pure butter, provided a clean butter maker is responsible for the manufacture. Such a product commands a ready sale everywhere and at all times, because everything about bears the impress of cleanliness. Uncleanliness is wasteful in the dairy; against it stand the dirty utensil that taints milk and spoils butter that sells at a price that leaves but the smallest possible margin for profit. Cleanliness is among the best paying attributes of a dairy. Good care and good feeding supervised by good judgment, unless supplemented by absolute cleanliness, does not permit the dairyman the full en-

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joyment of his opportunities. Over every dairy there should be written, "They that enter here must be clean in all things." It pays to remember that cleanliness is next to godliness and scrupulously practice it.

Salt has no direct effect on the butter or any other kind of fats, further than on the water in the fat, and the antiseptic effect of it is only due to the solution of the salt in the water of the fat, thus surrounding the particles of the fat with a pellicle of brine. This is destructive to any germs in the fat and prevents the infection of the fat by contact with the air in which these organisms abound. But there is another use for the salt in the butter, which is to give it a desirable flavor, and also to supply the system with an indispensable addition to the food. Unsalted butter is tasteless, or so nearly so as to be insipid and flat to a taste uneducated to flavorless food. The salt for butter should be pure and free from all taint of lime or magnesia. The one changes it partly to a soap and destroys the desired yellow color, and the other gives a bitter flavor. The proportion used is one ounce to the pound of butter or 6 per cent. This added to the butter as soon as it is taken from the churn, and being left for 12 or 24 hours, is dissolved in the water in the butter, and the brine thus formed is partly discharged from the butter by the final working, leaving half an ounce to the pound, or 3 per cent, which is precisely the proportion used in cheese.

POULTRY.

If you are building a new hen house, make all the external arrangements movable. Then when you want to clean it you can take out the nests and roosts and get the dirt out of all the corners. And don't have anything more in the house than you are obliged to have.

Five dollars is a small capital with which to start in any business. But if you have the land, it is quite enough to enable you to make a start at poultry keeping. And the chances are, that if start on such a scale you will make a better success than if you had a hundred dollars to experiment with.

A sluggard cannot make a good poultry keeper. It is not in the nature of things. Fowls are always early risers, and the man who stays in bed after they are up, cannot properly look after their wants. If you are not willing to make some sacrifice of your comfort, don't go into the business.

Regard your poultry as part of the farm stock, and give as good care and as good feed as you do to the cows and pigs. Unless you do regard them as of sufficient value to do this, the chances are that they will prove of little value to you. Better not keep them, if you can't keep them properly.

Ducks and geese will make a good gain from grass, if they have the opportunity of using it as the larger portion of their diet. They should be in good shady yards, and not more than one hundred birds together. Provide plenty of pure water, and if rapid growth is desired, feed corn meal and a little bran in addition.

From now until October the males will be only a disturbing element in the poultry yard. We hope you have removed them before this, but if not, it is better late than never. One reason why some people don't make chickens pay is because they feed a lot of worse than useless roosters the whole summer.

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STOCK FARMING.

Attempting to feed animals whose growth is not apparent, is largely a waste of feed. There is no economy whatever in raising an animal that will not sell readily at good prices. It is poor economy to keep an animal for breeding that has not got individual merit to recommend it. Many insect pests can be kept away from animals by bathing them in reasonably strong walnut water. Keep only a sufficient number of teams to do the farm work well, and keep them in good condition. In purchasing animals to feed, it is very important to secure good growing animals that are not difficult to keep in good, thrifty condition.

The quality of wool depends largely on the condition of the sheep between the clippings. Improper handling of wool entails a gaeter or less loss to wool growers. To get the first class price the best care must be given to the sheep before they are clipped, to keep them out of dirt, etc., as well as the wool afterwards. To obtain first class prices the sheep should always be housed during storms and regularly fed and watered. The entire flock should be kept from plowed ground, burs, wild oats and chaff and be well tagged before shearing. After shearing each fleece should be tied by itself inside out with two strings each way, using regular wool twine. As a rule, it never improves in looks and weight and my experience leads me to conclude that it is the best plan to put it on the market immediately after it is clipped.

Hogs fed on corn right through hot weather will be very apt to develop hog cholera. The diet is too heating and fattening for the systems in summer. Poultry fed on grains, corn and chopped meat daily and given little else will lay on such quantities of fat that they will quickly succumb to the effects of the heat. There is little danger of sheep and cows suffering in this way, for they are turned generally in the grass fields and are compelled to pick up their living in this way. And when you come to think of it, how very few summer diseases either the sheep or cows have. They are rarely sick, and it is seldom one loses either in hot weather. Their diseases come chiefly in winter, when they are exposed to the inclement and severe weather. Now, is not this largely due to their cooling diet of green grass, leaves and vegetables? This keeps their blood cool and healthful, and their systems are not clogged up with undigested food.

The philosophy of feeding is the greatest problem of the day. By feeding is meant the giving to the plant or animal that which is essential to its growth and to the production of desirable qualities and commodities. To the flowering plant the food necessary to the production of flowers, to the cereal grains the production of seed, to the fruit trees fruit, the dairy cow milk, the growing animal a thrifty and vigorous body, to the horse muscle, and to the maturing hog or beef flesh and fat; and the list might be continued indefinitely until it embraced every animal and plant grown upon the farm and intended for profit. But the philosophy of feeding is not comprehended or understood; indeed it is hardly

given a thought by one in a hundred, whose duty it is to feed something to promote growth and furnish him profit. Who of the many highly scientific men employed at the leading experiment stations in the United States can, with all their knowledge, so inform an audience in an hour's talk as that they individually may return to their homes and practice what has been told to them? That under certain circumstances the employment of animal excrements, as manure, is productive of an increased crop on a given acreage all understand, but why and how they do not; nor why one fertilizer is commended for one crop and another found to be more profitable for other. Why then is there not here a problem worthy of study and of careful painstaking elucidation on the part of those whose duty it is to teach the world the fundamental principle underlying all successful agriculture?

The Laws of Breeding.

Breeding is reproduction. It is a maxim among breeders that "like produces like." But this is to be taken, as with many other rules, with considerable allowance. Animals bred together certainly reproduce themselves, and the progeny is like the parents, but this likewise does not exist only in outward appearance, form, or figure, or even character and ability of performance, but in the general disposition and natural tendency to any weakness that may have existed in either parent. The likeness, therefore, is to be considered as including every feature that may be visible and every disposition that may not be. And in this disposition is to be considered that natural tendency to revert to the characteristics of former parents, whose marks will inevitably appear at some time in the progeny.

Thus, it is indeed true that "like will produce like," but who knows precisely what this likeness is except through a long pedigree of which the complete history is known? And this is the reason why a pedigree is of the greatest importance in the selection of breeding animals. It is the complete history of the animal. And when judged by the maxim above mentioned, it becomes a sort of equation, as it is the complete history of the animal. And when judged by the maxim above mentioned, it becomes a sort of equation, as it is termed in mathematics, in which certain known values involve together will always produce the same result. If this is true, as experience seems to show, then the breeder, by the exercise of due knowledge and good judgment, may get the results he desires by mingling together the blood of two selected animals, and may produce something that will be like the parents.

We see the result of this law in the so-called pure breeds of all our domestic animals. The progeny of such animals are so like the parents and each other that they may be distinguished at a glance, and we may be sure when breeding them together to get the same kind every time, and there will be no more difference between the progeny and the parents than may be expected to occur between individuals under any circumstances. And this long continued breeding and inheritance of characteristics have given these pure breeds such a strong influence on other animals upon which they are crossed as to make a marked difference for the better in the progeny.

This is so apparent that one may distinguish the breed of the sire in the progeny of any common animal, and this strength of blood is such that by repetition of this line of breeding we may get all the valuable qualities of the pure breeds in the crosses. Thus, among horses six crosses of a

thoroughbred makes an animal eligible to entry as a thoroughbred, and to any observation, or as to quality, except for the best line of breeding, the cross is indistinguishable from the sires. But for this purpose of breeding a due selection is to be made, taking into account the special line and the character of the progenitors. And this is precisely where the value of a pedigree comes in, for it is quite reasonable to believe, and experience teaches it, that the longer the line of breeding the stronger is the influence of the sire.

HOUSEHOLD.

There is nothing that adds more to the enjoyment of a family than music. It matters not how small the instrument, or if only a song, how each one will be entertained. What a soothing effect it has on unstrung nerves which are apt to follow busy days. Just see what a part it played in our wars. Many weak hearts were kept from fainting by the sweet refrain of some familiar air. Song sweetens toil. This is one reason why parents should encourage their children to sing. It will strengthen their minds and hearts for labor to be borne in mature years. If possible have some musical instrument about the house. The investment will bring good interest in the amount of "dull care" it drives away.

The Prophet Micah presents a beautiful picture of rural homelife in the fourth chapter of his prophecy, illustrating the idea of "thrift industry, peace and contentment. 'But they shall sit every man under his vine and fig tree and none shall make them afraid.' This suggests the idea of home; such a home as every prudent, industrious laborer in this free country may possess; one where there is intelligence, comfort, taste and happiness. One, however humble, that makes it the center of attraction to every member of the home circle. No discontent, no envy of what another possesses. "Every man shall sit under his vine and fig tree." Not on a goods box on a loafers' corner; not these of the scornful, the idle, complaining herd that say the world owes them a living, and will not work; not the rendezvous of the tramp. It means none of these. It means the quiet inner-world home, where peace, contentment and competency reign, acquired by intelligent, honest, frugal industry, where independence defies the executions of sheriffs, and none dare molest and make afraid.

Of all things, which wreck home happiness aside from intemperance debt is the worst. Deny yourselves all luxuries and be able to say, I owe no man. When people once contract a debt it is so easy to do so again. Farmers sometimes make greater plans than they can accomplish. They go in debt. They borrow from this man to pay that. They neglect to pay interest and finally become so involved that they lose all. Then when the farmer and his wife come to old age, instead of resting and living on the fruits of past labors, as they should do, they have to work harder than they are able. To sensitive people debt hangs like an ax above their head. They cannot get a gown to cover them without thinking they owe it to their creditors. Young man, who have selected farming as your life work, who have recently taken a partner in the fair girl who has given you her love and trust, if you would have your life end as sunnily as it has begun, never go in debt.

Young people must have fun; if they do not find it at home they will seek it elsewhere, and perhaps in less profitable places. When once home is regarded as only a place to eat, drink and sleep in the work is begun that ends in a downward career and everlasting degradation. Let the children romp, let the fire burn brightly in winter when they come home from school, and make the old homestead resound with joyous laughter. Never try to subdue the buoyant spirits of your children, a half hour of gladsome frolic before retiring to bed will blot out the cares and troubles of the day, and furnish them with matter for sweet dreams; and the best protection they can take with them wherever they may go is the knowledge of such a happy fireside at the

old homestead, "Home, sweet home, there is no place like home."

Hints to Housekeepers.

To pickle tomatoes select those of even size and not overripe, and throw into spiced vinegar from time to time. When you have enough take out and lay in a jar and cover with boiling spiced vinegar. It takes three months to pickle thoroughly, but they will be found to retain much of their natural flavor. In spicing the vinegar let the flavors of capsicum, ginger and allspice predominate.

A few drops of carbonate of ammonia put into a small quantity of rain water will prove a safe and easy remedy for cleaning spots from carpets.

Instead of putting food into the oven to keep hot for late comers try covering it closely with a tin and setting it over a basin of hot water. This plan will keep the food hot and at the same time prevent it from drying.

To wash silk stockings, use tepid water and white soap, ivory or white castile, and wash only one at a time, as on no account must they be allowed to lie in the water. Rinse carefully in cold water and squeeze, lay them flat on a towel, and roll the towel up tightly, and leave to dry. Afterwards, to renew the gloss, rub them briskly with a piece of dry flannel. They will look like new.

The most judicious foods to serve with pork are fried apples, apple sauce, tomatoes and sweet or white potatoes. If pork is offered in the form of sausage meat, apple sauce or fried apples should never be omitted.

To clean gilt frames rub them with a little sal volatile mixed with cold water, or, after dusting the frames well, paint the gilding with a camel's hair brush dipped in the following mixture: One gill of water in which one ounce of common salt, one ounce of alum and two ounces of purified nitre have been dissolved.

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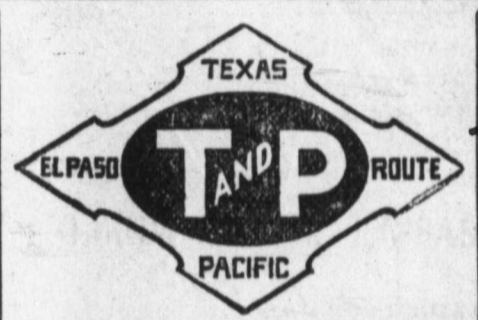
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Slaughtered in Kansas City	727,981	1,806,114	218,909	21,909	
Sold to Feeders	213,223	4,294	29,075		
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I guess my first trip over the Santa Fe impressed me favorably as I was anxious to take another, which I did last Thursday, leaving here Wednesday night and going to Houston over the Southern Pacific, where I took the Santa Fe branch at Alvin and made connection with the north-bound train on the Main line. After riding all day I landed at Meridian, Bosque county, at 6 o'clock in the evening. I was agreeably surprised at the evening I found, as it has about 1200 or 1500 inhabitants and does business accordingly. It is beautifully located and has the nicest streets of any little town it has ever been my good fortune to visit, and they are kept free from dust, too, by the sprinkler, which goes constantly all day, paid by the enterprising business men and residents of the town. It is well supplied with water, also, which is a great item. The Bosque river runs on one side, besides which heavy flowing artesian wells are common articles. All this is well calculated to surprise a stranger, as from the railroad one can only see a very few houses around the depot, which is one and a quarter miles from the court house, and this fact would lead one to suppose that Meridian is simply a little old country station, which is not the case.

O. L. Lockett, one of the most prominent legal lights of Meridian, as well as a large stockman, was seen and interviewed. He is one of the JOURNAL's many good friends and enthusiastic supporters, and says no man who is in any way interested in any kind of live stock can really afford not to take it, if he cares anything at all about being posted concerning the stock news of the state, as through its columns can be learned things that are worth knowing and that can not be learned from any other source.

Mr. Lockett's ranch and cattle are in El Paso county, and when last heard from were in good shape and doing well. He says it has been about a month since, and thinks branding is going on and those in power are waiting for it to be over before writing him again, so they can tell him all about it.

John Dyer is another of Meridian's citizens who is interested in live stock. He feeds from 200 to 300 every year and according to my idea is bound to make a success of it. He says things generally look so gloomy that he will not buy many, if any, feeders, as he already has all he wants to feed this year, unless there is a very decided change for the better in the condition of the money market and the general outlook. Mr. Dyer says further that he never before this year was so thankful that he did not carry his operations beyond the limit of his own private means. In these last few words there is considerable food for thought.

H. A. Fitzhugh, one of Meridian's hustling young men, small-y interested in live stock, but largely interested in farms, returned home from Austin Friday evening, where he went last Sunday in company with a few friends. Mr. Fitzhugh combined business with pleasure and took in the enjoyment.

R. A. Avirett, Meridian's hog man, who was mentioned week before last, as traveling through the country for his health, returned home on the 23d, in a very serious condition, having had several severe hemorrhages en route home. Mr. Avirett says he was caught out in a very heavy hail and rain storm in Bell county, and got soaking wet. To this he attributes his illness. It is with much pleasure that I say when I left Meridian he was very much better and was able to leave his bed for a short while at a time. It is to be hoped that he will continue to improve until he regains perfect health.

J. D. Thomas, a well-to-do sheepman of Cranfills Gap, Bosque county, was in Meridian Saturday circulating among his numerous friends. Mr. Thomas said he had been threatening himself to send for the JOURNAL for some time but had neglected to do so, and now he was saved the trouble.

Frank Ide of Morgan, same county, recognized your correspondent as soon as he heard the name and gave me a hand clasp such as it does one good to receive. Somehow or other all the old patrons of the JOURNAL recognize the name of your representative and are glad to meet him. Mr. Ide extended me a cordial invitation to visit him and left the invitation standing. He says he has a nice bunch of fine ewes on his place and wants me to go out and write them up.

Kos Barry is a jolly good fellow, engaged principally in raising fine horses, near Walnut Springs. He was in Meridian also Saturday, and like every one else from every direction, is complaining of the continued dry weather.

After leaving Meridian I visited Clifton, a splendid little town in the same county, not as large nor as well taken care of, but quite as nicely located as Meridian, and inhabited by just as pleasant and accommodating people.

Kell & Gibbs buy the grain, and I am here to tell you they have a whole lot of it. Farmers were going in all day with wagon loads of oats and selling them at 20 to 21 cents. This firm was very much like Mr. Thomas in regard to the JOURNAL. They had promised themselves to send for it and did not do it, and now I have to send it to them.

J. L. Linsay, a well-known beef feeder of Belton, arrived in the city Tuesday from home and I am guessing he is after cattle. Tobe Wood, whom everybody knows as one of the wealthy cattle owners of

Victoria, returned home Thursday from the World's Fair, where he says there is lots to see. Says there is not much prospect of the Chicago cattle market improving, as the cattlemen are tied up with the commission men, and they in turn are tied up with the bankers, who are badly scared. The consequence is they are punching up the commission men, who again in turn are punching up the cow men, who are punching up the cows and shipping their stuff on the market, almost all in an unripe condition and some of it actually poor, and accept ruinous prices for it.

When asked what were his views on the future of the cattle market, he said cattle would have gone up more this year had it not been for the stringency in money matters. As to the future he says he has thought prices would advance on cattle and been fooled so often that he is afraid to guess at it any more, "but of one thing you may rest assured, there is a terrible shortage; there are just about one half the Texas cattle in the Territory this year that there was last and I guess the same is about the case here. Why there are lots of pastures in the Territory without a single cow in them."

Mr. Wood also says that in Kansas and the Territory crops are only tolerably fair, nothing like what you would call good.

W. H. Jennings arrived in the city Sunday night, spent Monday here, went to Manchaca Tuesday morning and back here again Tuesday night. He went up to the Territory about ten days ago with the avowed purpose of shipping out some of his cattle, which he says are in finer condition than he ever saw cattle in the Territory before. He visited Kansas City and St. Louis and at both places found that they could scarcely be given away, so resolved not to ship any and did not, but came home instead. He says that the market is in a worse fix than it ever has been before in his recollection. Also says there has been a great plenty of rain as far down this way as Palestine.

There was a good rain fell yesterday here and north along the International road to Kyle. There may have been good rains in other places or there may not have been, in all probability there was, but I speak of what I know. There were very good rains from here to Kyle and a heavy one fell at that place lasting about two hours, and there was a great deal of water left in that time. It was heavier at Kyle than any other point along the road. I want to say that when a rain is reported in my letters it has rained.

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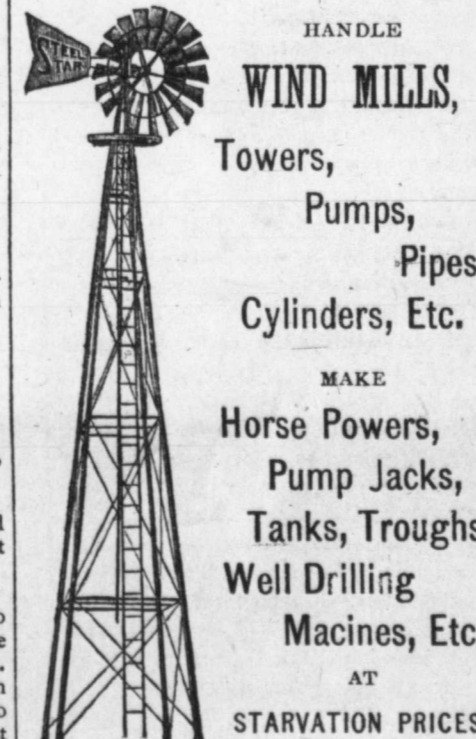
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