



CATTLE.

The Journal knows one cattleman who is quite prominent and does an immense business, who says he is going to buy all the cattle he can get hold of so long as his money and credit lasts, and he can buy them worth the money.

Listen what a Miami Springs correspondent of the Northwestern Miller says: "I have the following report of an experiment in feeding wheat to hogs."

For several years past Texas cattlemen have been complaining of overstocked ranges, no water, no grass and these with the hard markets they had, made a very discouraging outlook.

In the course of a systematic effort on the part of the bureau of statistics of the state department to secure from our consuls at foreign ports information which would lead to the extension of our export trade it was learned that Switzerland at present offers excellent opportunities for the introduction of American beef cattle and dressed beef.

Feeding Possibilities of the Lone Star State.

Written for the Journal by A. P. Bush, President of the Texas Cattle Raisers' Association.

The long continued and destructive drought throughout the Northwest this summer and the consequent shortage in the corn crop, which to that section of the country is the chief product, considered as feed for their cattle and hogs, brings to our consideration our own state in that particular relation.

As a live stock state, the first of numbers, Texas as a feeding state is in its infancy.

The cattleman on the range has depended on the grass only year by year to see his stock fall to get in condition for market and the farmer has looked off his cattle or his feed, at low values or allowed his feed to go to waste.

An understanding of the real conditions, it appears, should create a new order of things in the live stock interests of Texas.

The value of these farm products, when figured at prices now ruling, appear distressingly low and demoralizing.

Every thrifty farmer has his few cattle or hogs, and it is into these meat products that his feeds must be converted to realize full values.

The value of corn as feed to both cattle and hogs is well known to all. Wheat, like cotton seed and cotton seed meal, is comparatively new articles of feed in fattening cattle and hogs.

SHEEP AND WOOL.

Corn and clover hay will produce some first-class sheep in the fattening pen and at a handsome profit.

For mutton the Suffolk sheep is unsurpassed. They will dress more lean meat to the carcass than any known breed.

Of all stock on the farm young lambs require the most careful attention and are the most difficult to push without a set-back.

It is now in order for the farmer who has disposed of their sheep to buy a small flock for the protection of their potato fields.

When the shepherd, in going over his pastures, finds an occasional grass tuft pulled up, he may know that he is overstocking his land.

The coming sheep will be the sheep which can produce the market lamb of the best size and quality for Christmas, time on not later than Easter.

By using care in feeding a rapid gain may be secured at a comparatively low cost, and if the lambs are kept gaining steadily they can be ready for market early.

The shearing record is again broken by P. H. Moreland at Bagby, Wyo. this lightning shearer clipped 456 sheep in ten hours.

The Canadian lamb crop of '94 is fully up to the average. The wet weather played havoc with their lambs last year, but this season finds young stock in strong, healthy condition.

The Chicago Record says: "It is probably not justifiable under existing parliamentary usage, but it may be suggested that one way of improving the senate tariff bill would be to burn it and substitute another."

A witty son of Erin sold his wool to a Michigan buyer recently. He remarked to the bystanders: "With an eye to the Cleveland and free wool, an' begorra ol' ve got within tin cints of it." Pat will vote the Republican ticket next fall.

South American and Australian wool growers are watching and waiting anxiously for the passage of the Wilson bill. Free wool in America will prove little less than a bonanza to the owners of the great flocks of the semi-tropical savannas.

Recent statistics show the United States stands third on the list of wool-producing countries. Australia being first with a yield of 560,000,000 pounds.

An exchange makes the remark that the flock master should not expect the sheep to have more sense than he has. Of course, it is understood the flock master always has more sense than a sheep, but the trouble is he sometimes neglects to use it.

A plant for scouring wool has recently been started at Aurora, near Chicago, Ill., with a capacity of 2500 bales a year.

The wool exported from the British possessions from 1873 up to the present year is estimated at 1,218,540,000 pounds.

Sheep in the long run of average times are good property. Now the question with the flockmaster should be, "shall I sell off at free trade prices and buy back at protection prices?"

Encouraging letters come from Eastern and Western ram raisers. Few rams were purchased last fall, many of the ram growers falling back on old stock and others using grades of range men and Eastern breeders did not breed a ewe.

With potatoes at 50 cents a peck at this writing, says the American Sheep Breeder during the recent strike, when things were badly mixed up in the Windy City, the breeders' home.

The American Sheep Breeder gives a few suggestions which might prove valuable in the management of flocks where they are apparently in health.

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A correspondent to the Ohio Farmer says: "The bottom of the wool industry seems at last to have been reached and the rebound begun. During the latter part of July there was a perceptible activity in wool markets and in manufactured goods."

"No great advance can be expected under the condition of so large a supply of the world over, and the present curtailed demand for woolen goods resulting from the inability of many laboring classes to buy."

To make sheep profitable it is necessary first to keep good ones and then to give them good care. Good sheep, if neglected, is worse than poor, for the simple reason that the loss is greater, but good sheep if given proper treatment will always be found profitable.

Both cattle and hogs sold higher for the past week or two, owing to the shortage in supplies caused by the railroad strike and the interruption of the markets at Chicago.

At that point have been 75 cents to glutted for some time past, and sales \$1.25 per 100 weight lower than they National Stockman.

This can readily be accounted for. At this time of year Southern lambs cut into a figure in the Northern markets. Even Buffalo, the extreme Northern market of the United States, receives a liberal share of its supplies from Kentucky, Tennessee and even from Virginia.

At New York the markets have been a few weeks ago. At intermediate markets, such as Pittsburg, Buffalo, Baltimore, etc., prices for both lambs and sheep have been higher than they were at New York, causing losses to buyers for shipment.

Just how long this state of affairs will remain cannot be indicated at this time, but it does seem that a change should be brought about before long. The heavy shipments being made at present cannot last always, nor can the supply last very long at the present rate.

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