

THE FARM.

Before the dollar can be received, it must be in hand. The problem now is says the Farmer's Friend, how to rebuild our prosperity so that a dollar can be had.

Theory is a good thing in agriculture, but it isn't best to advocate it too far until a little practice has satisfied you that the principle is a correct one. The progressive farmer must be a theorist to some extent.

Agriculture is the foundation upon which all business prosperity, and indeed, civilization itself, is founded. Or it all civilized people are dependent for their daily food. It furnishes the textiles for clothing and the raw material for a great variety of manufacturers.

One of the most important duties of the farmer is to constitute himself a weed killer. Neither upon nor about his farm should a weed be allowed to mature its seeds. Not many will persist in living long if cut now. As they thus employed now will save many a day's work in the future.

Every region where improvements have been made in the roads farm land bring better prices and farm products bring larger profits, because more easily and cheaply get to market. The same pair of horses can draw double the load it could on soft roads, and regardless of the weather or rains.

In these days of sharp competition the seller is almost compelled to hunt the buyer. He must let the public know that he has something for sale, and that this something is of the best quality. In short, he must make the selling of his wares as much a matter of thought as the production of them.

Let the tiller of the soil visit some prosperous manufacturing establishment and learn that success comes because there is clock-like regularity—no tardiness, no idling, no waste of material and advantage taken of every new improvement and method. No leaks, no waste of powder, no waste of floor room.

The farmer's field is his mint where his dollars are made just in proportion to the way he runs it. Remember, if there is some little defect, the dollars will not come out. If you let the sun and wind monopolize your moisture which is your raw material or better, you may as well shut up shop and stop expense.

There is more room for system in doing the every-day work of the farm than most men ever dreamed of. It is safe to say on this one item of system or orderliness as observed by the farmer in the doing of his daily work depends largely his success in life. How can any farmer work to advantage with things of sixes and sevens at every turn on his farm?

After this business stagnation has disappeared and the smiling face of prosperity brightly beams upon us, how deeper says the Farmer's Call, how broader our content because the shining rays of the business sun were temporarily withdrawn from our sated eyes, affording us a contrast of sunlight and shadow in the picture of life, without which it would lack in fullness and depth, and strength and beauty.

Morally and physically the cheerful person is superior to the grave or sardonic man. His brain is fed by a cheerier current from the heart; his faculties interact with more facility and effect. Hence he sees more clearly what he should do in an emergency; and if he be swept away by an overwhelming tide of misfortune his buoyant spirit helps him to struggle on and to make the most of any proffered help.

We should not forget that we have partners who are equally interested in all our business transactions. The wife's efficiency, of course, will be increased by knowledge of an interest in the husband's business. As no other branch of business owes so much of its prosperity to wives as does the farmer's, do not be selfish in this matter. See that your wife has all the modern improvements for lessening her labors.

Low prices for our farm products are, says the Drovers Journal creating a demand for them in foreign countries. Prices must be low to successfully meet the competition in the countries where labor is worth but little and men are valued at a low rate but it is to be hoped that the excellence of the quality of our United States products may make an impression that will be long lasting. It certainly behooves our farmers and producers of all kinds to make their products as good as they can.

It is a wonder that a farmer, says the Southern Farmer, should leave the farm when he can drink cream in his coffee, eat the freshest of fruits, with cream if he desires it, and enjoys early garden vegetables, and laugh and grow fat at other people's follies and his own mistakes. If he is the man he should be, he has little to fear for cod liver oil. The machinery of his life makes but little friction, and he don't need the oil. Good humor, after all, is the best lubricator for running life's machinery.

The difference between success and failure in farming consists almost entirely in the different degrees of care bestowed upon the details of farm work. The man who gives "extra care" is the man who finds the readiest market and the top prices, while the careless neighbor either has his products wasted on his hands or sold at a price below the cost of production. The chief trouble usually, observes the Farm News, is not the farmer is ignorant of what to do, nor too lazy to do it; it is that he attempts to do more things than he can do well, and fails. It does not pay.

It is a common mistake to suppose that all weeds are killed by frost, and when a good freeze has come they

kill the weeds in gardens and among food crops no further attention. The rain is the enemy of the worst weeds, but not injured by light frosts, but are thereby incited to produce a few seeds to perpetuate their species the following season. Very small weeds, only two or three inches high will do this. The safest way is to plow or cultivate them under the soil. The seed in connection with the plant being then green will often rot, but is sure to give trouble in future years.

The conditions that will make all-ship farming fairly profitable will never return. The tillers of the soil must pursue the best and most economical methods in producing the crop of the farm. The best quality of everything should be produced. Quick-maturing cattle, sheep, swine and poultry, as well as the grain crops. The successful farmer of the future must confine his operations upon strict business principles. He must work with his mind as well as with his hands. He should read the experience of others, observe how his successful neighbor conducts his work, keep himself posted in all lines of agricultural work.

To make farming pay, says the Southern Farmer, give the subject the same thought, the same study, the same capital, the same diligence, the same perseverance and the same push that a required in other trades or employments, and you will have the same situation. To make farming pay it must have your undivided personal attention. It will not mix with any other occupation. "He that hath the plow would thrive, must either hold the plow or drive." You ought to be at your place of business every working day of the year, as near as possible, and if you succeed you will find something that ought to be attended to. You must study to make every acre—yes, every square rod—of land as productive as you can. It will not pay to have one-half of the farm in paying crops and the other neglected and allowed to grow noxious weeds, sprouts or briars, or even a half strand of grass. Every acre should be made to bring in its share of profit.

It is astonishing, says an exchange, how few farmers takes an agricultural journal, or have any books relating to their daily occupation. In talking with them on this subject, I have often been surprised at the ignorance and indifference manifested by them. Many farmers who are in the habit of reading and subscribe for a weekly, if not a daily paper, do not even patronize a monthly relating to their own business. It is not so in other walks of life. A young man who has lately started in the grocery business, was getting his mail the other day at the same time I was, and I noticed among his papers a large folio with a green cover, and in the title page its name, the Grocer, in very conspicuous letters. On turning some questions about the journal, which was new to me, I found it was a weekly, and the young man informed me that no one could be up with the times who did not take a paper devoted to the interests of his business. I said to myself, that is true of others besides grocers. All the leading trades have journals devoted to their interests, and even a corner grocery can not be run to advantage without the help afforded by such a paper as the Grocer.

There is no money in poor stock, even when prices are good, and there is still less in times of depression, when even the best scarcely returns a profit, says an exchange. On every farm there is usually some stock of the "star boarder" class that never miss a meal or pay a cent. They owe a debt to their owner for their keep, but, like the constitutionally dishonest man, they never attempt to pay it, because they are not sure they will. When the merchant finds himself stuck with a lot of unsalable shop-worn goods, that are getting worse instead of better every day, he holds a slaughter sale and disposes of them without regard to cost. It is commonly said now that the farmer must be a business man, and this is one of the points of which he may begin to imitate the business methods that prevail in other callings. Weed out the star boarders. They can not be sold profitably, of course, as compared with what they cost, but they can be sold, thereby stopping further loss on them. The old cow that has already eaten her head off should go, for she will only consume the balance of the carcass if she is kept. The worthless sheep should be culled the flock, for where is the use of retaining it? Cull closely and keep the good ones, and then resolve to grow no more of the scrubby kind. Those that should be weeded out are just like the weeds in the field—they give no returns, they live at the expense of the crop, and make it unprofitable as a whole, and they should be weeded out as unsparingly as the cocklebur or thistle.

THE OLD FARM. What a cherished spot in the memory of vast multitudes is the old farm! Men who have climbed to the topmost rung of the great ladder of fame; men who have achieved by industry, self-reliance and perseverance, success in life; many of these look backward over the long years to the happy days of childhood spent on the old farm.

As memory lingers over this cherished spot the loving face of a good mother, the cheerful countenance of a kind father, the bright and happy faces of brothers and sisters gathered around the old fire-side soften the heart and bring tears to the eyes of the strongest men.

The sweet influence of such a home is like a flower that never dies, but sheds its sweet perfume all through life, and reblossoms anew in eternity. It is said that in order to be successful in any pursuit one must first learn to overcome difficulties. It was on the old farm where many of our foremost statesmen first encountered and overcame difficulties. A boy on the old farm has an opportunity to learn this important lesson without meeting

many of the temptations incident to the life of a city boy. As we live in an age of progress the farm of today bears but little resemblance to the farm of fifty years ago. It now requires an educated man to make a prosperous farmer.

One who had spent his happy childhood days on the old farm received an education and went abroad, plunged into the cares and bustle of city life, in after years revisits the old farm. All the old familiar spots, as the meadow, orchard and old-fashioned well, with its moss-covered bucket, recall scenes which seemed long since forgotten.

Pictured on memory's wall are the faces of loved ones, those of father, mother, brother, sister and dearest friend, as they were in boyhood's days. They are all gone. Some are dead, others are toiling or roaming in different parts of the world; and as he sits and meditates upon the past he longs once more to be that free-from-care, light-hearted boy, roaming over the meadows and woodlands of the old farm that he once won. He now realizes, more fully than ever, how vain are the hopes of life.

The old farm home is filled with strangers, and he, feeling wiser and better by his visit to the old farm, returns to the toils and cares of city life. John G. Wiley, in National Stockman and Farmer.

MAKING A HOME. A farmer's home can not be made a model one by imposing twice the amount of labor on the wife and children that they should do. Children should be taught industry, but remember that there is a point at which industry becomes slavery and drudgery. Teach economy; but economy stops where niggardly stinginess begins. A pleasant home can not be made if the wife be criticized in every effort she may put forth to beautify the home and make it attractive. A woman's love for the beautiful is stronger than that of man, and the home will be a paradise just in proportion as the husband gives his wife a chance to make it such.

We should make the outside of our homes attractive. Have, if possible, a beautiful lawn, flowers in profusion and the lawn and garden in front of the farm let it be around the house. Make the water and fuel supply for home use convenient. Secure modern appliances for making housework lighter. Give the wife the amount of your year's tobacco bill to purchase little articles for the best room.

If amusements for the children are not provided at home they will go where they will be found.—Mrs. Emma Maritz.

CATTLE.

There is still some little demand for good feeders. The demand, however, is light and only for strictly good, well bred cattle.

There will be an increased demand in Texas for high grade and pure bred bulls. Texas ranchmen are being driven to the necessity of improving their cattle. Buyers are refusing to longer be satisfied with scrubs.

While the ranchmen of Arizona, Wyoming and other open range countries are sustaining heavy losses from "rustlers," Texas is enjoying a rest from thieves, a rest and security for their herds that is not enjoyed by the Cattle Raisers Association of this State.

Albert Dean, live stock agent of the bureau of animal industry in charge at Kansas City, says that the ear tick complaint of in the Panhandle of Texas is not peculiar to Mexican cattle, but is found on all cattle coming from a high altitude, particularly in the neighborhood of El Paso, Texas, and Deming, New Mexico.

The Journal wants to see Texas feeders have a fair show to make some money, and for this reason is not willing to allow the reports to go out over the country uncorrected that approximately 200,000 cattle will be fed in the State this winter. It is a fact that 50,000 will perhaps cover the number that will be put on full feed.

Black leg is starting among the calves and yearlings in many herds in this state, says Drovers, Field and Farm, and every one talking of vaccinating their young stock with the Pasteur anthrax virus. It costs twenty-five cents a head to do this work and everyone who owns blooded stock should be willing to invest this much as an antidote against loss.

The Drovers Journal of Chicago, is usually rather "bearishly" inclined, says: When the Western season is ended many cattlemen look for the market for native cattle to improve. The available supply does not seem very large, and the demand ought to be up to the average. Chicago draws supplies from such a large territory, however, that even though general reports are to the effect that cattle are scarce a good many seem to come in.

Clay, Robinson & Co., the Chicago Live Stock Commission Merchants in their Market Report, say: It is a fact worthy of note that while no class of cattle will sell higher on the market when in prime condition than the Aberdeen-Angus, or "Doddies," no class is poorer sale when not finished. Just now when we are getting so many half fat native heaves this is very strongly shown. The Angus is a favorite with the killers so long as he is fat and well finished, but when his condition is in the "betwixt-and-between" order he is noticeably neglected.

ment should put their money in cattle now and thus get the benefit of the advance in prices that is sure to soon follow. Now is certainly the time to invest.

The Southwestern Stockman, Farmer and Feeder, published at Phoenix, Arizona, which, from its location ought to be authority on the subject, says: We look forward for heavier importations of Mexican cattle this fall than for some time. The date will soon be here when the quarantine regulation will allow cattle from the more southern states of Mexico to come in as will be understood that the cattle which have been admitted during the later spring and summer months were all from Sonora and Chihuahua, where no disease is found. Lower down the Texas or sparsely have been admitted at all seasons of the year, and precludes shipping only during the months of the winter season.

The Journal does not hesitate to venture the opinion that the Texas feeder who uses good judgment in the management of his business will make a very satisfactory profit on any cattle that they may now have on feed or that may be fed and fattened any time during the next six or eight months. The conclusion is not arrived at from guesswork but from the fact that all actual shortage of marketable cattle exists all over the country and especially throughout the range districts. There is a shortage now and it will be much in the large number of cattle on feed in the corn growing states are worked off. For this reason the market will no doubt be better in May and June, a period between corn and grass, than before or immediately following. There will not, however, be a time after the holidays when good, well fed Texas cattle will not bring remunerative prices.

The farmers in some parts of eastern Kansas have hit upon a plan to dispose of their corn, which promises, says Drovers, Field and Farm, to net them very much more than the present price of their corn. In past years many of them were in the habit of borrowing from the bank and buying cattle. This year the banks will not lend, and the farmers are thrown upon their own devices. As a result neighborhood pools have been formed. Each member of the pool shares according to the number of cattle contributed, and is required to provide his proportion of the labor necessary to take care of the stock. An agent is sent into Texas, provided with necessary credentials, and buys from the pool the highest priced cattle from the bank and buying cattle on six and eight months' time, giving a mortgage on the cattle as security. The cattle are driven from Texas and distributed on the farms belonging to the members of the pool, in the proportion of cattle from Mexico. The cattle will be fed during the winter and sold in the spring to the eastern dealers. This new scheme is highly approved by the Kansas City dealers, as it improves the well-fattened cattle at the farms, with little risk of loss of weight in transportation, and it is anticipated that improved prices for beef will result. Several large herds of cattle have been driven into the state and more are on the way, and the plan promises to be very generally adopted. Some Colorado range breeders are shipping young steers to Kansas and Nebraska and are putting them out among farmers on six months' chattel mortgages bearing ten per cent interest.

MEXICAN IMPORTATIONS. Discussing the importation of Mexican cattle, the Phoenix (Arizona) Stockman says there being some who will have an idea that the free importation of cattle from Mexico does no harm to the home industry, it is well to keep before the public the exact figures in order that they may see to just what extent they do come in competition with the product of American ranges. These figures are accurately compiled by the officials of the bureau of animal industry and are absolutely correct, and they are suggested here because of the late report submitted to the public for the quarter ending with September 30th, ultimo.

To go back to the beginning, it will be understood that the Wilson-Gorman bill went into effect on August 28, 1894, and it was but one month later when the influx began, with the nearly like practical no duty, demanded by the act referred to. The exact figures from that date up to the present time are as follows:

Sept. 29 to Dec. 31, 1894.....	44,690
Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1895.....	242,224
Jan. 1 to Sept. 30, 1896.....	91,620
Total.....	378,534

Thus it is seen that over a third of a million cattle have been imported to come in direct competition with the product of our own country, and at a time when more foreign ports are closed against the admission of our cattle and their products than any time before in the memory of most of our present occupants of the range, making it particularly more aggravating when we consider the somewhat odd policy of our government in opening our markets to the products of foreign countries and at the same time allowing the European nations to re-export our products under former reciprocal agreements, making a curtailed demand for an increased supply, which will surely not be the means of bettering the conditions of the present, but rather the opposite. If our government representatives were more interested in clearing the European ports against us, thereby inviting the competition which is coming from the South American countries and Australia than the country would be in better shape to-day and much political blunder would be avoided.

We have an abiding faith, however, that such contrary conditions will not always exist, but that those who stay with the ship will be rewarded.

HORSES AND MULES.

Ten thousand dollars has been offered for the 2-year-old trotter June 1:17.

A consular report states that 22,000 pure-bred English horses were used for food in Belgium last year.

Let farmers take notice that the fast walker is the valuable animal, whether for the farm, the road or the street. Breed and train accordingly.

A 28-year-old mare of Stanford, Ky., which died recently, had produced 25 foals. There is no record of a mare producing a greater number of foals than this.

When a horse is off his feed or slightly ailing, a few cooling and laxative feeds of bran mash, carrots or other roots will generally bring him around all right.

The old notion that the draft horse was too large a class for the farm is proved a mistake. Over the sea the pure bred horses of this kind have long been used, usually mares, and little fortunes are made out of their colts.

Two horses would certainly require less food than three, would want less grooming, and would be less expense in every way. Then it is folly to plow with three ordinary plows when two of suitable size could easily do the same work. There is no advantage in using three.

In the highest civilization horses are essential, whether for work or for pleasure. City street hauling and farm work must yet be done in the same old way with horses. More machinery means more horses and wagons in spite of the bicycles, more carriages and buggies are made than ever.

OUTLOOK FOR HORSES.

In reply to a letter sent out by the National Stockman as to the outlook for horse breeding, Messrs. McLaughlin Brothers, of Columbus, O., wrote as follows: We consider the present outlook for breeding draft horses brighter than it has been at any time during the past ten years. With the revival of business, which we all expect will follow depression, there will be a demand for thousands of draft horses. On account of the fact that after one makes up his mind to raise horses it takes almost five years to have his first horse ready for market, it is necessary for horse breeders to look into the future and anticipate the revival of business and the increased demand for horses. The present stock of marketable draft horses is nearly exhausted; in fact now the supply of really choice ones is not equal to the demand, and it requires no sage to predict that there will be a phenomenal advance in prices in the not distant future.

The "horseless vehicle" and the advent of a "horseless age" are no nearer at hand than fifty years ago, when the prediction was current that the locomotive engine would usurp the horse and the horse would become a thing of the past. The first locomotive was built as a horseless vehicle to run on ordinary roads, and when they found it impracticable rails were used; first wooden rails, then wooden rails faced with iron strips, then iron rails, and now steel rails wear out only too quickly. When we have steel tracks on all our streets and roads, and have all our hills cut down and the grades made easy as railroads are built now, then and only then can horseless vehicles be used in the place of horses. Even then an ordinary man can drive a horse, while it will require a skilled engineer to operate a horseless vehicle. There is no danger that any mechanical contrivance will take the place of draft horses in our cities and on our farms in the near future.

Of all the draft breeds the Percheron seems to be liked the best in this country. They command the highest price in the market, for the reason that they last longer and give more service to the man that wears them out. They can stand our hot weather better than the British draft breeds, which we account for from the fact that the climate of France is more nearly like our own than that of England and Scotland. Their legs do not give out as quickly as do the hairy-legged ones from the colder countries.

We advise our farmers to breed every good draft mare to the best Percheron stallion within their reach. It does not pay to breed scrub mares to any kind of a stallion and it is as bad policy to breed good mares to a common scrub stallion. There is more economy in paying \$20 for the service of a good stallion now than there ever was before, for the reason that good horses will sell for fair prices, while you cannot give a cheap plug horse away.

It is generally understood among breeders and dealers that the highest prices are paid for the largest draft horses, provided they are quality along with size. Draft horses are produced for the special purpose of hauling loads, and in that special work the heavy horse can perform more work and is more useful than any other breed of horse; and on the other hand the man who expects the heavy draft horse to take the place of the coach horse in the carriage or the roadster in light harness hitched to a light buggy will be sadly disappointed.

In raising good horses for market it is important to breed the best mares to the very best stallions, but that is not all; it is fully as important that the colt should be well cared for and that he should be well fed from the day of his birth till he is a mature horse and ready for market. A fence is not very good protection from cold and snow, neither is a straw stack very successful food. "A thing that is worth doing at all is worth doing well" is an adage that applies with special vehemence to the business of breeding and raising horses.

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The Journal still insists and in short time expects to be able to prove that there will not be over 50,000 cattle fed (full feed) in Texas this fall and winter.

Every cattleman owning cattle on the range in Texas, Indian Territory, Oklahoma, or New Mexico, who has not already done so should become members of the Cattle Raisers Association at once.

While this is being written the whole country is in the throes of the most important and perhaps the most exciting election ever held in the United States.

The Southern Farm, published at Atlanta, Georgia, which is, by the way, one of the brightest and best agricultural papers in the United States, discussing the necessity of good roads.

The Journal has always given its hearty support to all measures, organizations or associations calculated to benefit the live stock and agricultural interests of the State.

NEWS AND NOTES.

The following Live Stock, Range and Agricultural news items, selected from our "Ex-Poses" will be found of interest to our readers.

The Blanco News reports a good rain. Heavy snows have fallen already this fall in northern New Mexico.

The Roswell Register says they have recently had five inches of rain.

Hog receipts so far at St. Louis are 455,000 more than for the corresponding period last year.

Stockade has recently had a good soaking rain and has to date gained about 2000 bales of cotton.

Devil's River News: B. B. McKenzie, of Burnett county, sold to G. W. Whitehead & Sons 1000 stock sheep at \$1 a head.

Western range cattle arrivals at Chicago this season are about 10,000 head less than arrived during the corresponding period a year ago.

The Amarillo Champion says that 20,000 head of fat cattle will go to market from the Panhandle in the next three weeks.

Scoury County News: West Texas got a good soaking last week and the rain has set in again to-day and the indications are we will have another week of it.

Arizona stockmen are jubilant over the successful and continuous operation for twenty years. It will hold its next annual meeting at the city of San Antonio, beginning on the second Tuesday in March.

The Texas Live Stock Association was organized about five years ago. It has no protective or defective feature, its objects being of an entirely different nature.

The number of sheep sent to market this year has been remarkable. In St. Louis alone the receipts to date have been 75,000 more than were ever before received in one year.

Velasco Times: Mr. Mattox of Oyster Creek has picked two bales of cotton from one acre of ground, and thinks there is a thousand pounds of seed cotton now on the stalks.

Crosby County News: Mr. E. Luce, from the southeastern part of Crosby county, was in Emma this week. He reports cattle in good condition and grass fine in his vicinity.

The Western Eye Opener, published at Midland, says: The Five Wells Cattle Company last Tuesday shipped two cars of heaves to Kansas City, and nine cars of feeders to Dawn, Mo.

The Drovers' Journal says: John Franklin, the brand inspector, has just returned from the Indian Territory and says he never saw that country looking any finer at this season of the year.

October cattle receipts at the four great Western markets will show a decrease from 1895. Chicago will run out about 225,000 head, the smallest October supply at that market since 1855.

A Brooklyn Baptist preacher has just died, leaving a fortune of \$200,000, which he made in selling eggs and poultry. Newspaper accounts omit to mention whether his eggs or his religion were of the hardshell variety.

Taylor County News: Farmers are advised to sow wheat. The season is very favorable for it, the prices are advancing and will hold the gain.

The Texan Press-Leader reports an oversupply of rain in Lubbock and adjoining counties. Among other things in connection therewith it says: "Rain for two weeks has been damaging the grass and ruined much feed in the fields."

Nebraska comes forward with a "girl horse thief." But horses nowadays are so cheap that the thief of one is only a petty larceny. If that enterprising young woman wants to achieve notoriety she should aspire higher and steal a bicycle.

Big Springs Pantagraph: On Monday last Wilson & Curtis of the M K ranch shipped from here to Kansas City four cars of calves, one of cows and one of steers; and on Tuesday to the same point three cars of calves and two of one and two-year-old steers.

The Kansas City Drovers' Telegram: There is a very small number of dry lot cattle coming now, and the per cent of prime animals is very small. However, there ought to be a considerable number in a few days.

Drovers' Journal: W. A. Sansom is back from Texas, where he has been attending the National Live Stock Convention. He visited while there quite a number of heavy feeders.

Plains Argus: Several carloads of corn have been brought in from Kansas, when if it had been properly worked almost every farmer could have raised enough for home use, as was demonstrated upon a five-acre field in the edge of town, raised by M. Cockrill. What made it was ploughing.

Tombstone (Arizona) Epitaph: The cattle man at Benson had quite a hard time of it Monday night during the storm. Herding restless stock when the ground is covered with water and the rain coming down in torrents is a work not to be envied, but the vaqueros were equal to it.

Cleburne Chronicle: Young man, get a farm—a little one, 40 acres or more, but get a farm. Where are the next generation of boys going to get farms? Get a farm now while you can. Land will never be any cheaper than it is, and you will never have a better opportunity. Save your money and buy a farm.

Pearson News: George W. Sanders has been over the greater part of the county of late and says some of the farmers are already plowing up their corn land and thus taking advantage of the season already in the ground. He says that it is the first time in many years that plowing has commenced so early.

The Refugio Register says: A heavy rain fell yesterday morning, commencing about 4 o'clock, and lasting several hours. Some of our citizens had large quantities of hay on the ground. It is believed that it will not be ruined, as the weather cleared up early in the day and the sunshine and wind would keep it from molding.

The Texas Panhandle, published at Miami, says that S. G. Carter sold his 1-year-old, 2-year-old and 3-year-old steers last week for \$15, \$22 and \$25 respectively. It also tells a sweet potato story that takes the cake. Listen: "Henry Thut has a sweet potato of this year's raising that weighs 17 1/2 pounds. And yet there are those who say we can't raise anything in the Panhandle."

Mason Herald: J. W. White has purchased of Mr. Littlefield 2500 steers, 4 and 5, and these he will feed at Austin for the Northern market. These steers are from the Mill Creek ranch, this county, and are now well grown and in good shape, and Mr. White will realize a handsome profit off their sale this winter. It is a sad day when a Mason cowman gets left on a deal of this kind.

Corpus Christi Caller: The Caller believes the number of acres that will be planted in cabbage in this county this year will be more than double that of last year. The number of new cabbage farms being opened up in this section is very large which, with the old ones enlarged, is going to ensure train loads of cabbage next spring—weather clerk permitting, and it takes awful cold weather to kill cabbage.

The Wilcox News has the following about wild oogs: A cowman living a few miles from town recently killed five large dogs that have been addicted to the habit of killing calves on the range. A pack of six or eight dogs will easily kill a cow and ranchmen will be doing themselves and their neighbors good service by taking the trouble to shoot every dog detected in the pursuit of cattle on the range.

The Tombstone Epitaph: There has not fallen so much rain in any one season since 1851 as has this and the precipitation has been general and unusually heavy. The ranges in this section are unusually fine and the rains are now having will have the effect of strengthening the grass roots, causing

them to take deeper and stronger hold in the earth thereby promising a good crop next year.

Pecos Valley Argus: The Pecos Valley not only produces beets rich in sugar, but when so desired can raise them of enormous weight. The large beets are not desired by the factory, the size most pleasing being from one to three pounds, but every farmer has little patches here and there that get beyond control and grow in a most riotous manner. These are made profitable by feeding to stock.

It seems that the Pecos valley has developed into a good cotton growing country. A cotton gin has been built at Barstow, which had ginned over 100 bales when the overflow came and washed the dam away that furnished the power. The dam is being rebuilt and the gin will be in operation again soon. Who would have thought a few years ago that cotton could be successfully raised as far west as Pecos?

G. C. Bolton and R. A. Shepherd, well known cattlemen, butchers and merchants of Pawnee, were convicted October 30th in the Pawnee county court for stealing from one Crook, Osage and Pawnee Indian reservations. The trial lasted four days and created great interest, owing to the prominence of the defendants. Both men are wealthy, but the sentence can not be less than the penitentiary. Sentence will be passed next week.

W. D. Clayton, of College Station, has just returned from Columbia, Mo., where he spent the past summer in the interest of a Texas cattle fever experiment conducted jointly by the Texas and Missouri experiment stations. Eight native cattle dipped and shipped from College Station were pastured at the Missouri station for seventy-four days and no traces of fever appeared. The experiment was eminently successful.

Victoria Advocate: About forty-five horse and mule buyers from the black lands of Central Texas visited Victoria this week, and ten or a dozen of them took a look at Lavaca and the bay. While no transactions were actually closed, it is said several thousand acres of farming lands will change hands from this visit, and twenty or more families will settle in the vicinity during the winter. These are practical farmers, just the people we want. Come on, there are yet many thousands of good broad acres awaiting the man with the hoe.

Los Angeles Times: Over in the Colorado desert they have rainstorms during which not a single drop of water touches the earth. The rain can be seen falling from the clouds high above the desert, but when the water reaches the strata of hot, dry air beneath the clouds it is evaporated before it has a chance to fall. It is a singular sight to witness a heavy downpour of rain, not a drop of which touches the ground. These strange rainstorms occur in regions where the shade temperature often ranges as high as 125 degrees Fahrenheit.

Topoka State Journal: On an average the live stock shipments over the southern division of the Santa Fe this week amounted to forty trains per day. These shipments consist entirely of stock from Oklahoma Territory, Texas and Texas. So great has been the livestock business on the Panhandle branch of the southern division this week that the water supply has given out at several points, and a number of trains delayed daily on this account.

Farmer Shaw, of the Texas Farmer is so completely wrapped up in free silver and other political matters that he seldom finds time to impart information on live stock or agriculture. He writes in a recent issue let up on politics long and hard to say: "A good garden, a good poultry yard and a few pigs make a very fine living at a small cost. Some farmers have one, some another, and some none of these things, and at the end of the year are bound to carry their cotton to the man who has furnished them canned goods, bacon, etc., to live on. These are the farmers who never get ahead in the world or look up."

Refugio Register: With proper shipping facilities for exportation Refugio county would soon become one of the famous hay fields of the world. The hay put up here is superior to any and greatly exceeds in nutrition and fattening qualities the far famed Forney hay put up in Kaufman county. The Forney hay is shipped in great quantities to Europe and sold at \$20 per ton to English, German and Russian governments and consumed by the cavalry horses. With deep water and railroad facilities Refugio county would put a superior hay upon this same market and grow immensely rich at even \$10 per ton.

While buyers of stock cattle are disposed to take it easy till after election, thinking perhaps, says the Drovers' Journal, that banks will be more liberal, buyers of stock sheep have no checked their purchases on it. They are buying all they can get, and seem to have no trouble in getting enough of the "necessary" to pay for their purchases. The competition in this line has been unusually strong lately and buyers are unwilling to wait any longer for their purchases. Judging by the general demand sheepmen think that the number of sheep that will be prepared for the market sixty and ninety days hence will be much larger than a year ago.

Most every locality in Texas has of late been favored with an abundance of rain. There are, however, a few localities that are still suffering from drought. An old settler of Jack county says the creeks and water holes are "lower" than they have been in forty years. Notwithstanding the scarcity of water

there has, even in these drouthy districts, been light rains and showers enough to keep the grass green and of good growth. Archer county is also suffering from a water famine, as shown by the following clipped from the Archer Dispatch: Stock water is reported very scarce throughout the county. Sam Cowen, Clark Garvey, T. J. Coulson and a number of others say they will be compelled to move their stock if rain does not make an appearance very shortly.

Drovers' Telegram: A big string of Chihuahua cattle was due to-day, the property of Taylor & Brown, of Colonia Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico. Mr. Taylor says Colonia Juarez is 170 miles from Deming, N. M., where they drive their cattle for shipment. He thinks there will not be half as many cattle exported from Mexico into the United States this year as last year. "Our firm exported 10,000 head last year, and this year we will not export more than 3000. The reason for this is that the steers are not there, and the cows are held at such high prices that it would not pay to buy them for export to this country," he says.

Bracket News: The rain that has fallen in a steady downpour this week has done more for this county than anything else. It has been many years since we had a rain like this, and the consequence is that the stockmen and farmers have regained confidence, and the Kansas county and era of prosperity will, we have no doubt, soon begin that will make everybody forget the hard times of the past few years. Stock of all kinds are looking better than at any time during the last six years, and the pastures are covered with fine grass and an abundance of water. Cattle are selling at top figures, and though wool is away down and being held for a better market, yet wools are demanding high prices. Hogs will bring good prices this winter, as those who are engaged in the business, seeing their mistake, have done away with the razor backs and now will market hogs of the best breed. With the good rains and a little push this county ought to be the most prosperous and flourishing in the Southwest.

Ballinger Banner-Leader: But few countries can boast of fine roasting ears at this season of the year, and yet we have them in abundance, and have had for several months. They are of the Mexican June corn variety, a specimen of corn that can be successfully grown here, provided it is not planted too early in the season. As its name implies, June is the month to plant it. It can be planted, however, a little earlier or a little later, in fact it can be planted at any time between the first of May and the latter part of July; but if planted too early, it is said, it will go to stalk, and sometimes not so much as show signs of forming an ear, and in such cases the stalk will sometimes grow full ten feet high. This is the corn for this country, as that from twenty to forty bushels of it per acre can be grown under the most trying conditions, at any rate, this is the verdict of those who have given four months' test. It will remain green and vigorous when the old Indian corn and died—yielded up the ghost, so to speak. Our people are quitting the old Indian corn like rats quitting a sinking ship.

Beville Bee: A branch from a stalk of cotton was displayed at the courthouse this week by County Clerk Frank Howard, which eclipses anything produced in the county. The branch or "limb" measures over eight feet in length, and is only four inches in diameter, six inches in diameter at the ground and covers a space of fifteen feet in diameter with all its "limbs." The seed from which this remarkable plant was grown is of the Egyptian variety, imported by the local State experiment station. The fiber produced is extraordinarily long and in such demand that something over \$500,000 worth of it is annually imported to this country from Egypt for the manufacture of the finer grade of cotton goods, and for mixing with the short stapled American product.

The Amarillo Democrat of the 22d says there will be about sixteen trains of cattle shipped from that place next Saturday and Sunday. Among the shipments reported by the Democrat as having been recently made were the following:

Charles Coppenger shipped to Kansas City a train of fat steers.

W. D. Johnson shipped to Kansas City 204 head of mixed cattle.

H. C. Knorr shipped to Kansas City 40 cows and 100 steers.

Tom Carson sold to A. P. Murchison 169 cows which he shipped to Kansas City.

L. A. Knight and Henry Slatton shipped 500 head of cows and steers to Kansas City.

J. F. White shipped 2200 head to Kansas City, which were sold for feeders and stockers.

C. A. Davis bought from L. A. Knight 215 head of steers which he shipped to Kansas City.

D. N. Arnett shipped to Chicago 2169 head of cattle, some stockers and some feeders.

Turner & Farnsworth sold to B. T. Ware 52 head of mixed fat cattle which he shipped to Kansas City.

Tom Carson sold to Clifton Davis, to be driven to Woodward, Ok., 194 head of 2-year-old steers.

The Cass Land and Cattle Company sold to Nelson & Rogers 229 head of fat cattle which were shipped to Kansas City.

Ed Hern passed through to-day with a herd from Roswell, N. M., which is delivering to Charles Goodnight.

The Peens Valley Argus: The beauty and profit of farming, gardening and fruit-growing by irrigation is the fact that there is no such thing as crop failures, and the growing season is for ten months in the year.

This is not a one-crop country. Every department of agriculture, stock raising, horticulture and gardening, is admissible with large profits, it is the great diversity of employment and the number of crops that can be produced from the same land each year that will make this country the richest in the southwest in agricultural resources.

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answer that the fields have been greatly benefited. It has caused an increase in tonnage, and no perceptible decrease in the sugar content. The bright weather now being enjoyed will cause the beets to store up sugar very rapidly, and when they are delivered to the factory exceptional reports may be expected. The rains have had a wonderful effect upon the late beets. They can almost be seen to grow. Taken as a whole, the rains have been of great benefit.

It rained in the Pecos Valley, but here were other seasons where the clouds opened and the floods descended. From all over the country comes reports of severe rains and storms, in most instances doing much damage. Here the wreckage of property was slight, the railway company being the principal sufferer. Crops were not injured. Occasionally the Pecos Valley receives a frown from Mother Nature, but not often, and when it does come, the knowledge that a snowfall is presented to other portions of the great republic, tempers in a great degree the affliction.

El Paso Daily Times of 23d: The rain for the past few days has smashed El Paso's record for pleasant October weather. Quite a heavy rain fell in the city yesterday afternoon. Capt. Charles Davis has returned from Midland, near which place he succeeded in recovering 210 of the 740 head of steers lost from his herd in stampedes.

Marfa News Era: Sheriff Tom Love, of Gale, Texas, is here looking around to see if he can find any fat cattle. W. G. Moore shipped five carloads of fine steers this week which he purchased from R. E. McMinn.

Eddy (N. M.) Democrat: Mr. J. W. Rush, of Gevser Springs, was in town Thursday and reports that sheep and cattle are doing well and the range in fine condition. Victor Queen was arrested Monday on another charge of cattle theft. He furnished bail in the sum of \$1000 for his appearance for a preliminary trial on the 27th.

National Live Stock Reporter of 22d: A. J. & F. M. Long, of Sweetwater, Texas, marketed cattle to-day, including 1100-pound steers at \$3.25.

Mr. J. H. Hunter, who had cattle on the market from Colorado City to-day, said that Western Texas has received abundant rains and that if cold weather does not set in immediately the grass will be in extra condition to winter the

Alvin Sun: There has been shipped from this station this week two thousand five hundred crates of golden wax beans, and there are many packages just coming into bearing. The shipment of cotton from Alvin this year will be more than double any former year. And where there are ten acres this year there will be 100 next. Cotton growing is no longer an experiment here.

Bonham News: The cotton crop is all pretty well gathered. Many farmers have turned their horses and cattle in the cotton fields to graze. There will be no top crop.

Good rains have fallen all over the county this week. Some of the branches and water holes have been filled sufficiently to furnish stock water, and the wheat and grass have been greatly helped.

Lubbock Press Leader: John Scarborough was in from the Mallet ranch Tuesday. After raining all day Thursday a blue norther greeted us Friday morning. F. E. Wheelock passed through town Tuesday evening with several head of cattle which he had purchased of G. C. Wolfarth.

Crowley, Bishop & Co. passed through our town Wednesday with a herd of 1300 cattle. Destination, Amarillo and other points north.

San Angelo Enterprise: Joe Funk sold to Wiley Sawlbury, of Temple, 550 3s and up for \$52.50. Campbell & Richardson bought from J. M. Shannon 400 steers 3s and up at \$20.

Cochran Bros. sold to Campbell & Richardson 74 steers 3s and up at \$20. W. B. Sillman bought from Geo. E. Webb last Thursday 54 head of the Barrett stock horses at \$20. W. S. Kelley bought from Geo. E. Webb last Thursday 26 head of the Barrett stock horses, including the celebrated stallion, Parmanus, at \$20.

Quannah Tribune: W. B. Tullis informs us that the state quarantine line will absolutely not be raised before the fifteenth of next month. J. J. McAdams bought ten car loads of 3D cattle which he shipped to St. Louis on Monday. It was the best lot of beef cattle shipped out of Quannah this year.

Jim Macon's case for cattle theft was tried on Monday, the jury being in a hurry to get out only a few minutes when it returned its verdict and sentenced him to the penitentiary for two years.

Merkel Mail: A heavy rain visited this part of the moral vineyard Thursday. The bulk of the cotton crop is already out and a few more days of fall weather will finish it.

W. R. Bigham left last week with several cars of cattle for the New Orleans market. Our farmers should not neglect to sow wheat and oats. In the absence of feed they will help much as a winter pasture.

The Mail is also authority for the statement that money alone will keep life and wind in the sails of a newspaper, and for this reason we ask our friends to remember us in the hour of distress.

Ballerger Banner-Leader: Reports come in from all over the country that wheat is up and looking fine. Rye, in some parts of the county is already large enough for pasture.

Webb Christian, stockman of Mullen, Texas, was in town Saturday. He was driving a herd of 1800 ones and twos to the Snyder ranch in Tom Green county, where he will winter.

The Banner-Leader grows a little enthusiastic over the agricultural resources of Runnels county, and steps discussing politics long enough to say: "Runnels, the banner county of Central West Texas, offers superior inducements and advantages to homeseekers

and investors. We can very readily demonstrate this fact." It also reproduces from this paper a personal mention of our old friend, Bob Wylie, and gives credit to a South Texas contemporary. Please be more careful in the future, Bro. Billups.

Crosby County News: Mr. Thomas Montgomery of the TM ranch returned from a business trip to Fort Worth last week.

The recent rains will insure plenty of stock water during the winter, but is sure to injure the grass if we have frost soon. A great number of people in the northern part of the county have plowed fire guards and will burn them out as soon as the grass will burn.

A great many small stockmen are coming west this fall. A few have moved into this county and we have heard of a number coming into neighboring counties.

Broom corn has been tested in this county and found to grow splendidly. The quality is excellent and it grows quickly in an ordinary season. If some arrangements could be made to tie it into brooms a large crop of broom corn would be raised every year.

The American Wool and Cotton Reporter, of Boston, says: While the movement of wool in Boston the past week has been smaller than in the previous one, sales both in New York and Philadelphia have shown a substantial gain, bringing the aggregate sales for the three markets over 1,300,000 lbs in excess of the previous week, the principal increase being in foreign wool.

The story of the Boston market is one of firmness on the part of the holders and uneasiness on the part of buyers, who find the outlook for orders is not as clear as could be wished for, and they naturally hesitate to buy heavily of the raw material. Manufacturers while deferring their purchases until after the election, are watching the market very closely.

In New York and Philadelphia an active market is reported. Territory wools continue to sell well. The scarcity of certain lines of stocks continues.

Sales in Boston, New York and Philadelphia for the week aggregated 3,562,000 lbs, 5,063 lbs domestic and 2,491,400 foreign. Sales in Boston, 4,562,000 domestic and 890,000 foreign, making a total of 5,452,000 lbs.

Cattle shipments seem to be unusually active in and around Colorado City just now. The West Texas Stockman reports the following: Tuesdays & Gardiner shipped six cars of cattle from Odessa Friday.

P. E. McKenzie shipped two cars of cows to the Dallas Packing Company Thursday. Merchant & Parramore shipped seventeen cars of fat cattle from Iatan to St. Louis on the 23d.

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Kansas City Packer: The apple crop is heavy and of fine quality in the northern tier of states, and prices are extremely low. This is particularly the case in Michigan, where the market is glutted. Fine packed fruit is selling in the states as low as 35c per barrel, and evaporating stock at 10c per 100 pounds. In New York state 1 1/2 per 100 pounds is paid by evaporators.

Estimates of Florida's orange crop for the present year vary from 150,000 to 200,000 boxes. Last year the yield was only 50,000 boxes, many trees having been damaged by the frosts of the previous winter. Next year's crop is likely to be much larger than that of the present year, as damaged trees will begin to bear again. At the present time prices are high, and orange growers are making a better profit than for some years past.

Packers hides are higher, but country hides do not advance further, and some are lower in prices, sales being large. The record of cattle receipts at the four principle Western markets shows 442,200 head in three weeks of October, against 447,400 in the same weeks last year, and 500,300 in the same weeks of 1894, so that the shortage does not at present appear anywhere near as great as the reported decrease in production of leather.

The recent slump in wheat does not augur well for the dollar mark which has been predicted by some of the more optimistic in the trade. There is a shortage in India which necessitates supplies to this country, but thus far since April, the exports to that country have been less than five million bushels. The Russian crop is short, also, but the farmers of that nation have been storing wheat for higher prices and they are also credited with surplus stocks from previous harvests. There is no doubt that we shall export a great deal more wheat this year than for some years past, and that prices will rule much higher; but those who expect dollar wheat are very likely to be disappointed.

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HOUSEHOLD.

Address all letters for this department to Mrs. B. Buchanan, 814 Macou street, Fort Worth, Texas. Correspondents are kindly requested to write only on one side of each page. Please do not forget this.

TO HOUSEHOLD. When I opened the Journal of the 23d and turned to Household I caught by breath and asked myself if Christmas had come. The Bachelor's letter produced such sensations in me as only come with Christmas. I felt like I had received a delightful Christmas surprise—a great big Christmas gift. The Bachelor is a very retiring man. For this reason he is frequently mistaken for a married man. Married men are usually reticent—because their wives are not. The Bachelor is so reticent he seldom speaks approval. I think he has an idea it spoils women to give them much praise. But as he has broken his reticence and spoken so appreciatively of me I would thank him unreservedly and with my whole heart had he not said what he did of my husband. My friends, you can't believe half he said of me, and don't believe half he said of the master of the House of Buchanan.

The first letter received this week is from a new member, a Bachelor Maid. She must be an up-to-date girl, else she would have signed herself Old Maid. I see she addresses herself particularly to Circle Dot and Pinery Girl. This proves to me she is not a very old bachelor maid. Why hold confabs with children, tra, cats—avoid man as the source of all evil. What does Bachelor think of Bachelor Maid's opinion of the way women should vote? I think many of you agree with her? Young bachelors, here is another "up to do limit" cook in Household. You can't, I believe, I never bet—even on elections, but I would bet something Bachelor Maid is not much of an old maid.

Pinery Girl writes one of her usual good letters. She is honest in regard to her politics. Most girls' politics are but a reflection of the father's. Circle Dot is catching in the every side for giving the impression that he thinks cooking all it is necessary for a girl to know. Don't believe that of him, Pinery Girl. I am sure it is a wrong impression. I am very fond of Circle Dot, and am a great admirer of her. I think you are very much of a gentleman. Of course, if he is he admires very lady-like girls—not simply cooks—no other accomplishment required. A man should marry simply to get a cook and expect happiness to have it. That is not cook. Though you will remember I advocate all women knowing how to cook, and doing it cheerfully when it is necessary.

Since I have written the above the postman has left a letter from Circle Dot. He speaks for himself and proves he is too much of a gentleman to admire only the "cooking" qualities of women. Circle Dot gives his opinion of the ideal woman, and asks the girls to give their's of the ideal man. Now Bachelor Maid and Pinery Girl, send us pen pictures of your ideal of manliness.

Dad's Boy writes from Wildcat Hollow of a wildcat and not a lady to whom he proposed, or else he did it in a wildcat manner. Rather Fly is "rather" severe on Billy and Bachelor, but defends Texas Tom against the "cooking" charges. Rather Fly asks, what has become of Sweetie. Don't you remember he was frightened out of the Household by a woman? Billy became a member of the Household in my absence. I am not acquainted with him yet, so cannot defend him against Rather Fly. I have the pleasure of knowing Bachelor and would defend him if he were not so large. I wish it was homely. If it was the truth I could not object, but it grieves me to find the Bachelor untruthful—and a Bryan man, too. I did not think, from what I had heard and read, there was an untruthful or dishonest Bryan man.

The last letter is from Pap's Boy. He has been missed. We asked for another letter and were chilled by his indifference. Write us again when you have your pen in hand. I know many of the readers, especially Isabelle and A Reader, are sorry to read of the death of the author of Trilby. George Du Maurier will be sadly missed from the artistic and literary circles, where his death will leave a void. We are reminded that death is no respecter of persons. The famous and the unknown must go alike.

I have been reading a great man's books lately and one thing took a particular hold on my mind. It was one of the faults of Democracy is the tendency to place the power of state into the hands of eloquent orators—the masses carried away by their oratory—but that eloquent orators never have been wise statesmen, and that is not now. What do you think of this?

GIVES HIS IDEAL WOMAN. Dear Household Friends: Having been so kindly assured of my re-established welcome in the Household, I will write again tonight. Mrs. Buchanan, I am truly grateful for the "fatted calf" that my friends are supposed to have killed at my return. If the girl would only accept the ring with the same fervor, things would be all right. But girls seem to me to be very slippery creatures, something like a badger. You never can tell which side they are on until they are dead. I speak of the kind that has energy enough to leave you. There is another kind that always did remind me of a cat. They love to lie among the soft rugs of a rocking chair drawn up before a window where the soft autumn sunshine floods through so warm and comfortable, and cat like, they are not satisfied without you will pet them a little. But they are girls, God bless them, and we all love them. They ought not to blame us for it. For we can no more help it than we can for breathing. Let me tell you, it is the kind of girl that I most admire. She is not necessarily beautiful, with that faultless form and figure that some depend upon to take them through the world. But she has honest eyes, with an earnest expression, gentle in acting, earnest of speech, with enough formality to please the ignorant, and enough "common sense" to entertain the intelligent, and sit in a crowd, pleasant and agreeable to the company, serene and self-possessed, and always ready to be very exacting in my demands of the girls, but I am single yet, and not altogether platonic in my regard for women. I would rather hear some of you sensible girls lay down your model of a perfect man than to discuss bike and bloomers. Do not forget to give the boys "plain language" about cigar-

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A MISSING ONE RETURNED. Amalillo, Texas. Dear Mrs. Buchanan: As I have been a silent member for some time I beg leave to enter into joys of the Household once more, although it seems as though I am not missed much. Of course, I don't amount to much. You may think I am jealous. Well, why shouldn't I be? You seem to think so much of the way women should vote, and, if I am a wandering lad, I hope to be at home soon. My lonely living on the plains and in a dugout will soon be a thing of the past, although I enjoy it very much, but I think I have a better way than that of which I possess. My grandma and grandpa wants a boy to raise, and as I have lived with them for fourteen years besides the two I have spent on the plains, I believe I will resume my old abiding place.

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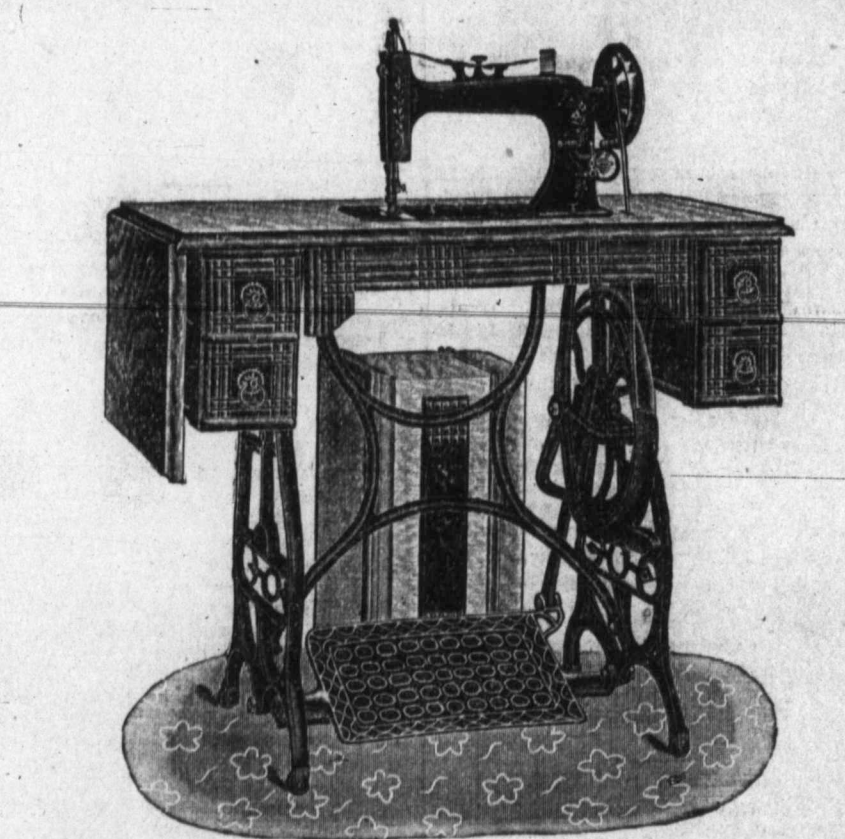
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CHICAGO MARKET. Chicago, Ill., Nov. 2.—At Chicago there were not enough cattle to make a market, and native steers were pretty much nominal at from \$3.50 to \$3.75 for common up to \$4.75 to \$5.15 for choice to fancy grade.

THE COMING SALE OF SHORT-HORNS. The dawn of new things in pure bred cattle seems to have come at last and the Journal takes pleasure in calling the attention of its readers to the public sale announcement elsewhere in this issue made by W. T. Clay, of Plattburg, Mo., and his co-worker, Mr. H. C. Duncan, of Osborn, Mo.

WANTED HORSES.—Will trade good inside Ft. Worth property for Horses. Address L. L. Look Box 767, Ft. Worth, Texas.

William Jennings has returned from the Indian Territory, and is now making his arrangements to run quite a string of cattle to the market as soon as the election is over with. Says his cattle have done well and are in fine condition.

O. J. Woodhull from Spofford, who is extensively engaged in raising both cattle and sheep in that section, paid us a visit during the week. He reports stock in that section in the best possible condition and the situation encouraging.

J. M. Doble, a prominent stockman from Lagarto, was in the city for a day during the past week and reports his section looking much better than for former years. He also reports a shipment of cattle to market, but prices were not satisfactory.

H. B. Shiner, who resides in the city, returned this week from an extended visit to his ranch in McMullen county, and reports everything as fine as silk. Says it rained most of the time he was at the ranch, and the night he left had a very hard one as a farewell.

S. J. Whitsett, who owns a ranch near Campbellton, in Atascosa county, was in the city this week, and reports the sale of a good lot of three and four year old steers to J. M. Barnett at Kansas City, who will feed them on cotton seed in a pasture near that place.

T. M. Peeler, one among the many prominent stockmen from Atascosa county, was on a visit to the city the past week. Mr. Peeler has a beautiful ranch and a good herd of cattle, and his success in the business is a good guarantee of his management of the same.

Ed Corkill paid the city a flying visit from his ranch at El Sordo, and left the first train for his home at Kerrville. He reports a wonderful good season in the ground in his section and with anything like a favorable winter, cattle and other stock will come out fat in the spring.

William Hall, one of Atascosa's representative stockmen, was in the city this week and reports the rains throughout his county as being in abundance. Says the prospects were never better in his county for both stockmen and farmers at the season of the year.

J. A. Wilson, the wide awake live stock agent of the Chicago and Alton railroad, spent the greater part of the week in the city in the interest of his road. It is unnecessary to state that where "Col. Wilson" goes he makes a host of friends, and lots of business for his road.

John K. Rosson, the live stock agent of the M., K. & T. Ry. stopped off in San Antonio long enough the past week to shake hands with his friends and then caught the first train out of the city, whither he looks to go to make up any time talking politics and such like.

Maj. W. C. Lewis, live stock agent of the Santa Fe R'y., was in the city and called at our office. The great influx of live stock agents in the city this week indicates that before long cattle shipments for the market will begin soon, and each road wishes to be represented in these shipments.

Albert McCoy, who owns a good ranch and stock of cattle near Pleasanton, was among the cattlemen in the city this week, and was registered at the Southern Hotel. He reports his county in better condition both as regards the stockman and farmer, than for several years past.

made to Coleman & Lutz, who received them on the day of sale, and shipped them to Meridian, Mississippi, where they will be fed on meal and hulls. The price paid for these cattle was \$22.00 per head, and it is said by competent judges that this lot of cattle would average a 1000 pounds in the market now.

Capt. C. H. Glasbrook, from Gregory, and who is manager of the Cooman Fulton Pasture Co. at that place, was in the city this week, and reports the sale and delivery of a thousand four and five year old steers to J. M. Chittum. Capt. Glasbrook reports his ranch in fine condition. Says he has quite a lot of good horses and mares for sale, but finds the demand for this class of stock very limited.

The weather conditions in Southern Texas has not changed materially since our last issue. It is getting to be almost as common now to report very weather in this section as it was heretofore to report it dry. It may be just a little inconvenient for some of the farmers, but so far as the stockmen are concerned, they do not seem to be disturbed at the least by existing conditions. It would, no doubt, be better if the rains would hold up now and let the sun harden up the grass some, preparatory to a killing frost that must come before a great while.

J. M. Nance of Kyle, who is both a stockman and feeder, was a visitor to the city the past week on his return from the West, where he had been to look at some cattle. Mr. Nance reports after a long dry spell, his section of country is again wet, and plenty of stock water everywhere. Says he usually feeds some cattle each year, but finds the price among the ranchmen just a little too high for him to invest at present, but hopes to pick up some later on.

The heaviest sheep owners of Colorado and Wyoming are not the men who came into the country from twenty to twenty-five years ago with capital that they invested in herds, but the owners of thousands of sheep at the present day are their former employees, says the Field and Farm. The men with the capital obtained the experience, not always profitable, while the hired herdsmen, many of them very intelligent Americans from the East, obtained their wages and profited by their experience. They secured little flocks that have now grown to thousands in number of sheep, studied conditions carefully, adapted themselves to the conditions, until to-day they are enabled to profitably compete with the native American herders.

The dipping of sheep twice a year is a law in New Mexico. Good mutton sheep are growing in popularity and placing our meat interests upon a higher plane.

A Merino ram sold a short time ago at Sydney, New South Wales, for \$8400. Concho (Tex.) Herald: Hold to your sheep. Many people want to sell and get out of the business now, but next spring they will tumble over each other in the rush to get a sheep claim.

Probably the largest flock of Angora goats in the United States is owned by a California man who claims to have ten thousand head. This same man has in his possession a fleece of mohair weighing twelve pounds.

There are to-day in the United States over 35,000,000 head of sheep. If every person would consume one-half of a sheep during the next thirty days there would not be enough sheep in the States to supply the demand.

A ram may be thin in flesh, yet if of good blood and strong, healthy and vigorous he will get as good progeny and often much better than one which has been kept fat. It is the quality and vigor which is most necessary in order to get good lambs.

Nebraska feeders are taking a lively interest in sheep this fall. Thousands are being shipped into the State for feeding purposes, many of which are coming from Colorado. The abundance of cheap feed is quite an inducement to feeders.

There is no reason, says the Drovers' Journal, why a good sheep cannot be raised in this country as in England. Just now buyers are complaining that no good sheep are coming, though supplies are enormous. While the general average is better than in previous years, it can still be vastly improved to the interests of both producer and consumer.

There is every indication, says the Drovers' Journal, that there will be an unusual supply of sheep fed during the next six months. Not only professional feeders, but farmers and small stockmen are taking all they can get, which is pretty strong evidence that they have plenty of confidence in the future. Certainly prices are low at the present time, and stockmen have so much cheap feed that they naturally feel encouraged. There is only apparent limitation on feeding operations to be the ability to get money with which to buy sheep.

ly dependent upon their owners for food, care and shelter, and we should not forget this. Many may think it but fussiness, but cleanliness in feeding will increase the use of our pork and pork products in both our home and foreign markets, where quality counts against mere quantity of fat and mud-favored meat. Neither does it take an epicure to detect the difference.

At the present rate of calling upon the range country for sheep the entire western industry will be cleaned out and if not entirely destroyed it will be run down at the head so badly as to require many years and much capital to place it back again where it was a few years ago. As an instance of the depletion that is going on we have only to note the fact that up to the first of this month the increase in the receipts of January over the corresponding period of last year has been 201,978 head, probably largely made up of westerns, and as there has been no let up to the run since, the excess undoubtedly keeps on swelling and if it continues indefinitely there will be no sheep left.

It ought to be remembered that the sheep industry is not alone in a depressed condition. Wheat growers are as badly off as sheep growers, and there are other lines of agriculture that are all right and other of these. It is at all remarkable that in the general downfall of prices, wool and mutton should be involved. When better times come, as they will ere long, these interests in common with others will revive; and the men who keep their flocks, who are careful and skillful in feeding and breeding, will be bred only from the best and make constant efforts to improve; and who do the best they can under the circumstances in which they are placed, are the ones who will secure the greatest profit when the sheep industry is again at the height of prosperity.

Winter will come along directly, says the Wool Markets and Sheep, for time passes very rapidly, and the snow will be flying almost before you have had time to think about it. Do not, we implore you, start the flock in winter quarters carrying a summer's growth of ticks upon their backs. We know that it is some trouble to dip sheep, and that you will be quite busy this fall, and that the sheep are covered with a pretty heavy coating of wool, but you must start in winter quarters clean and free from ticks. The weather is yet warm enough to admit of thorough drying of the fleeces without an attendant chance of the sheep taking cold. You see it is so much more economical to grow sheep without ticks than otherwise. In fact, we are enough during the summer. Says it should not be neglected, but at the proper time go in and give the ground a thorough turning over. That the plan adopted by him was to plough it thoroughly in the fall, and plant the land in the spring, after cutting them to keep the land well stirred with the plough during all the summer, and he had succeeded in destroying it. In speaking of Texas fever among cattle, Mr. Nance says he purchased some steers in cattle in Tennessee, and after bringing them to Kyle, in the course of time they had the fever, and his only remedy used was to give them quinine in thin food. Says he gave it to them without stint, and that as much as a half hand full at a time, and after the time one of the cows had a calf, and that he saved them all, and has not discovered since that time any more symptoms of this fever.

Knights of old—crusaders who went to conquer the world, could not hope to succeed unless they were in virile, hearty health. A man cannot face difficulties if his stomach is in good order. Disordered digestion will make a sluggish coward out of any man. It makes his mind stagnant, and he cannot think quickly enough to accomplish anything. It makes his movements slow, and takes all the snap out of him. Every man in business in America has a fight on his hands just as much as ever had belted knight. It is a matter of life and death, just the same with him as it was with the crusader. Indigestion and all the ills that attend it make people sick. Once it gets a firm hold on a man, it is most difficult to overcome it. Temporary relief can be obtained in a thousand ways. There are medicines on the market that will help as long as you take them. There is only one remedy that is a permanent remedy—that you don't have to keep on taking forever. That is Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. The "Pellets" are light, sugar-coated granules, mild and efficient in their action. They effect a permanent cure. You don't become a slave to their use, as with other pills.

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Many families are too poor to eat meat who feed their dogs enough to grow a 300-pound pig. The dog nuisance would be abated if females were taxed pretty heavily and the males untaxed. Better hogs would be bred. Those who depend on keep them could afford to keep them. While a dog is a useful animal now and then, the most of them are howling nuisances.

Mr. B. F. Wendel, proprietor of the Fairview Stock Farm and breeder of fine cattle, hogs and chickens, has recently changed his location to Heldenheimer to Georgetown, Texas. Mr. Wendel in a private letter to the Journal, says: "I have a fine flock of large Bronze turkeys that I am offering at \$7 per pair, \$3 per pair and \$1.50 for either tom or hen. Why not raise fine large turkeys?"

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Hogs that have always been kept thrifty, not fat and for such a length of time as to build up a good, strong frame, will when put on full feed in the fall, lay on flesh very rapidly. This piling on will feed, when not properly done, is often attended with serious results. Too many pigs are kept on strictly squealing rations all summer, but when corn or grain is ready to feed they are suddenly changed to all they can eat. They try to satisfy their unnatural appetite by gorging themselves to the utmost. The result is that the digestion is impaired that they are about worthless for profitable feeding.

In one respect, farmers commonly show the worst of their management in fattening hogs. These animals appreciate and enjoy cleanliness, yet their owners make them live in dirt and then charge them with a natural fondness for filth. This is oppression and slander combined. Every person familiar with their habits knows that when clean straw beds and other comforts are given them they are scrupulous to keep them clean. When shut up in a narrow pen, where they must eat, sleep and live in one apartment, they cannot but be uncomfortable; and such a condition greatly retards their thriving. A "hog pen" has become proverbial for a repulsive place. This is the owner's fault, and should never be suffered. There is no reason why it should not be clean and even attractive. We hear farmers who raise grain say that they have more straw than they can sometimes use, while at the same moment their hogs have not enough of it to make a clean and dry bed.

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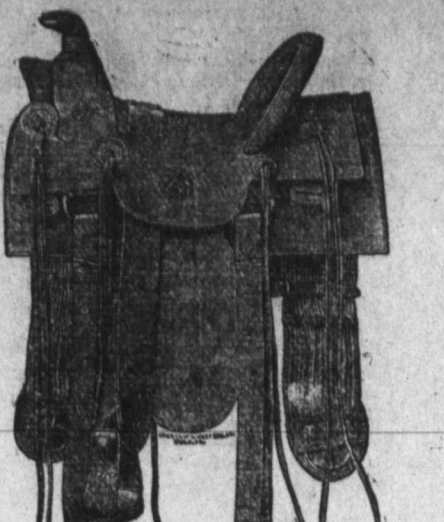
DALLAS.

Office of Texas Stock and Farm Journal, 143 South Ervay Street, Dunsmuir Cummins Manager. J. C. Clark of Dallas, said a fine bunch of hogs on the streets here last week. R. E. Jones of Dallas county, visited the metropolis yesterday and sold a lot of hogs to Dallas parties. Bud Bryant of Cedar Hill, was in town this week with a load of cattle that sold on the Dallas markets. C. T. Goodman of Dallas county, was in town Saturday with a load of hogs. He reports lots of rain in his community. B. F. Stockes of Dallas, marketed a bunch of hogs at the Dallas markets this week. His stuff brought the top of the market. S. S. Darnell of Mesquite, was a Journal office visitor last week. He is a prosperous hog raiser and brought a load of his stock to the packing house. E. G. Thurgerson of Mineral Wells, was in Dallas yesterday. He brought some cattle with him and sold them to Dallas parties at top-notch figures. B. F. Jackson, a Dallas stock raiser, sold a herd of fat swine to parties here last week. He hit the market at its height and realized clear money on his hogs. A. P. Lerner, a successful farmer of the Frenchtown neighborhood, was in town this week. He brought a load of pumpkins to the local commission merchants. J. G. Peters of Mineral Wells, was a Dallas visitor last week. He brought with him a good assortment of cows and calves, and found sale for them on the Dallas markets. Bob Pem of Cedar Hill, disposed of another lot of his choice cattle at the yards this week. He reports all the rain needed in that section for a time as having fallen recently. A. Rose, a Dallas county stock raiser, was in town last week. He brought a bunch of top hogs from his farm, and this was one of the occasions. A. P. Apperson of Hutchins, Dallas county, was in the city last week. Good rains have lately visited that section and the ground is in fine fix for wheat, and the farmers will flex for the winter. C. T. Springer of Heath, was in town Thursday with a car of cattle. That neighborhood has been visited by plentiful showers of late and Mr. Springer knows of no one in danger of starving, no matter who is the next president. G. N. C. Saunders of Housley, was a visitor this week and speaking of present conditions, said that farmers will all go through the winter, by good management. The hard times of late years have forced them to be good managers. J. C. Marvin, a small stock raiser of Collin county, sold a lot of mutton here Tuesday. He reports a hard rain storm in the vicinity of Garland last week that did much damage in the way of uprooting trees and blowing down fences. J. F. Davis of Corsicana, marketed a fine bunch of mutton in town this week. To question Mr. Davis said, there is very little doing among farmers at present; they are waiting for the election to pass. Some few are yet in the cotton fields. P. G. Dupont, of the Mexia neighborhood, spent a day in Dallas this week. He reported plenty of rain in his section of the country, and many of the farmers engaged in putting in their wheat crop. Some land is being broken in order to hold the season and to destroy the rank vegetation. In our write-up of the fair last week we unintentionally omitted the exhibit of C. B. Morris, of Paris, Tex., of Poland China sows and pigs. Mr. Morris is a well known and successful breeder, who makes a specialty of quality and finish. His hogs at the fair showed those points to a marked degree. W. R. McIntyre, a prominent stockman located in this county and owner of a large ranch in Tom Green county, has just returned from his ranch. He reports an abundance of rain over that section, and grass in fine condition. The cattle of that section will go through an ordinary Texas winter with small loss. F. McKinsie, a prominent stockman of Colorado City, Texas, was in town last week. He reports a heavy rain over the Dallas packing house. He took in the fair of course, and pronounced it immense. He reported fine rains in Mitchell and adjoining counties, and the prospect for cattle going through the winter as encouraging. D. Chisholm, the well known stockman of Midland, Texas, was in town the past. He reported the plains country to be in fine shape from the recent rains, and cattle are doing well. Midland is the shipping point for quite a number of cattlemen this season, and immense numbers of cattle went from this point to Chicago, St. Louis and Kansas City. A. G. Moody of San Vido, Cal., was a visitor at the fair and pronounced it grand. Mr. Moody is the owner of a herd of African ostriches and is an entertaining talker on that subject. He said on my trip to the Dallas fair, I saw that of your western country that would make the finest ostrich farms in the world, and I am sure they would prove as profitable to a man as cattle at the present depressed prices. D. R. Bell, a successful farmer of Ellis county, was in town this week; to a Journal reporter he said the recent rains which appear to be pretty general throughout the State has put the ground in fine shape for wheat, and has proved a blessing to our neighborhood in filling up tanks and giving the grass a good start. I see that a great many people are predicting a severe winter, but I am making no extra preparations for an unusual one. The only reason I see advanced for such a theory is that this is the year for a freezer. The farmers as a rule are well fixed for the winter and will be ready

to reap the good times the politicians promise us when spring comes again. W. B. Cook, a former resident of Dallas, but now located at Ardmore, I. T., was a Dallas visitor last week and took in the fair. Mr. Cook is engaged in farming and the past year has raised more corn, hay and cotton than he can find market for. While in Dallas he tried to find a market for his crop, but was unsuccessful, as the price offered would not pay for trouble and shipping expense. He said he did not know anything of the stockmen who were shipping cattle four hundred miles from the territory on account of the scarcity of feeding material. This year he raised a crop of volunteer watermelons on a piece of ground that has only been cultivated three years, the largest of which weighed ninety pounds. A RESUME. The season of state fairs is now over, and it must be confessed that these agricultural exhibitions have been less successful this fall than usual. The first fair opened quite promisingly, with exhibits and attendance about up to the average; as the season advanced, however, the interest seemed to wane, and patronage to fall off. Some of the fairs were more successful than others, of course, but on the whole they have been quite disappointing to those most interested in them, the managers and exhibitors, who more than any one else should thoughtfully consider the cause. The hard times and the extreme interest in politics—the latter increasing as the season advanced—furnish good reasons for the diminished attendance. Farmers felt that it took too many bushels of grain or too many pounds of pork, and other people, with reduced income or with none, were not disposed or able to indulge in such amusements as when times were better. Besides, this fall the political excitement, gatherings and excursions have absorbed everybody's attention and drawn them away from the fairs. For the same reasons the exhibits have been less than usual. When business is depressed expenses are cut down and the trimming usually begins in the advertising department. It was felt that the benefits of exhibition would not be sufficient to compensate for the expenses to be incurred, especially when it was known that attendance would be less than usual; and the uncertainty of trade, with the financial policy of the nation subject to election, has disposed manufacturers to await the result before taking any steps to enlarge their business. These adverse conditions should be considered when discussing the apparent decadence of state affairs and their future, and also the fact that general business depression would naturally reduce the patronage of fairs. Many, not taking these conditions into consideration, are disposed to assume that state fairs have had their day, and that it is useless to give them any further support; others think that they will revivify an interest in them which increases when better times come, while some contend that fairs are altogether too numerous to be supported by legitimate exhibitors, forcing the managers to depend upon fakes and questionable exhibitors to help out, and that only by lessening the number and locating them at convenient centers can they be made sufficiently full and attractive to hold exhibitors and to maintain public interest. Questionably many exhibitors are dissatisfied with the result of their investments in fairs; already some lines are no longer represented and there is a tendency in other lines to follow this example, hence the future of these exhibitions is a matter for grave consideration. Now that the Texas State Fair and Dallas Exposition has closed its gates and the twelfth annual entertainment is a thing of the past a retrospective glance is well in order. The object for which the fair was inaugurated was to advance the welfare of Texas in the eyes of the world, at no time has it been sought to convert it into a money making scheme. How well it has accomplished its mission may be known by the length of its existence. Twelve years is a long time for an association of this kind to live. The great World's Fair has faded into obscurity, the White City is no more. The St. Louis Exposition, the peer of all other exhibitions, has deteriorated into a mere local affair. And if it is to be judged by its fruits, I point you to the metropolitan Dallas, in all its greatness. In its development no factor has been so great as the Texas State Fair, in the better development of Texas live stock the fair stands pre-eminently first. The influence which it has wielded in this respect cannot be even conjectured. From a mere local exhibitor of Texas products has grown with it a grand and magnificent international exposition. Its value to Dallas and the State at large cannot be told. The crowded hotels, the necessity of employing additional employees in the various mercantile departments speak very eloquently of its influence. It is in this regard, and if it were discontinued for a season the people whom it so largely benefits would think hard times indeed had visited them. The weather was no ineluctable and vexatious factor in a financial way the fair made no money, and if the patriotic citizens of Dallas, who love their city better than lucre, had not made the last day the grandest in the history of the fair there would have been a large deficit. Just at this time the management are not in a position to give to the public a look at the books, but in due time will do so. The educational feature of the fair is of universal benefit; it is the medium by which people learn of nature by observation. One might well call it a huge school where the young and old may learn of their state's resources, the latest scientific productions, and the user in humanity. Too many people would turn it into a theatre or circus, or while the amusements provided in the music hall were of a high grade, they did not equal those of late years, and for this reason some people refer to it as retrograding from the standard of many years. The books of the Association show the entries in the various departments of agriculture to be greater than ever before in the history of the fair. Taking everything into consideration, the writer has no hesitancy in pronouncing it to be the greatest fair ever held in this section. The Association returns thanks to the people who came to the railroads that brought them and to the papers of the State who, as a labor of love, notified the people.

to any one sending as three subscriptions accompanied with the cash at regular rates, we will send the Journal free one year. DAIRY. Keep a record of each cow's performance. Watering is as important as feeding. A good dairy cow is a hearty eater and drinker. Perhaps no farm product carries so much in quality as butter. The cheapest butter comes from young cows. Fat young cows, so say good authorities. Shift the cows from green feed to dry, very gradually. Better still, have ensilage or roots to last all winter. It is wasteful to feed ground feed to cows without mixing it with cut hay, straw or fodder, previously moistened. Butter can be shipped at less cost in proportion to its value than any other farm product. In the final audit the dairy will be found the most profitable farm industry, in spite of the low price of its products. Head your dairy herd by a bull from a tested family, and then raise the heifer calves from your best cows, and your herd will steadily improve. The milk necessary to make one pound of butter will make more than two pounds of cheese. Yet, farmers sell butter at 10c per lb., and buy cheese at 15, or go without. Prof. A. S. Heath, of the New York experiment station, has made a special study of the tuberculosis in cattle, and has become convinced that the disease can be lived out of cattle. He has begun a series of experiments to test the matter. If there is a surplus of milk on the farm, let there be a thought for the calf; it will not only drink it, but gain a decided start on an allowance of cow's milk during its first year. The pigs would likewise appreciate more than they get, sometimes, and do better work with their snouts than if fed more solid food. The experience of Canada proves that dairy education pays. The government put instructors into the field to teach Canadian dairymen how to make butter and cheese that would take possession of the English market. The result has been that American products have been crowded out, and there is such a demand for the Canadian products that the dairymen there find it necessary to buy the best to be had in the United States, to fill all their orders. Of course they put their brand on it and make a profit on it. There seems to be no limit to the industry of foreign dairymen. The cream separating machine, the butter extractor, milk testers, etc., testify to their prowess. And now the Australian dairymen have found a cheap way to ship butter to England without having it melt in its trip across the torrid zone. The butter is packed in glass, and this is encased in plaster of paris, which is a non-conductor of heat, and is the material walls of fire-proof safes are filled with. This is much cheaper than packing in ice. RULES FOR MILKING. Turf, Farm and Home gives the following rules for milking: 1. Work rapidly; slowness causes loss of cream. 2. Milk thoroughly to the last drop, because the last milk is the best. 3. Milk at the same time every day. 4. Milk crosswise, that is to say, one fore teat on the right and a hind teat on the left, and vice versa; the milk flows more copiously than by parallel milking. 5. Milk with four fingers and not with index and thumb, a fault too common with milkers. 6. Do not employ any kind of milking machines. 7. O milk young, restive cows, raise one of the fore feet. 8. Always keep the hands clean and also the cow's udder and all dairy utensils. 9. During milking, avoid distracting or disturbing the cow. FARM DAIRYING. It can not be denied that dairy products have the present year been very low in price, especially cheese. Now, that the filled cheese law is in operation, cheese ought to do better in price, and doubtless will. But butter, low as it has averaged the present year, has paid better than most farm products, provided the yield per cow has been up to the standard, or near it, viz.: at the rate that will produce 300 pounds per cow per annum. Now is a good time to make resolves for better methods for the coming year. Sort out your poor cows and either sell or fatten them. Look around for a thoroughbred male, of a butter breed, if engaged in butter making, and arrange to get one in time for next year's service. Phil Crosby, son of the late A. J. Crosby, says: "Sixteen to one is what is wanted—sixteen good grade cows to one thoroughbred bull." If you will start in with determination to improve your herd and make more and better butter you will find it will pay in the end. Dairying can be made an important factor on any farm where mixed farming is practiced, and to keep land fertile it should be practiced on all or nearly all farms. There is an individuality in butter and cheese making that does not attach to most farm products. The maker's reputation goes with, and is in a certain sense a part of, the product. This makes dairying an interesting branch of agriculture. Dairy products are in concentrated form. Many bushels of grain can be marketed at little expense for transportation if first converted into butter or cheese. The by-products of the dairy are of considerable importance, especially in butter making on the farm—for instance, skim milk and buttermilk. The skim milk can be used to raise heifer calves for the dairy, and both can be sold to pigs. The manure is an important item on a dairy farm. All such farms increase in fertility. On the whole dairying is a good business when intelligently and faithfully conducted. Clinton, Iowa. F. W. MOSELEY.

ORCHARD AND GARDEN. All fruits are very low in Eastern markets. Keep the garden tools and implements where they will be snug and dry. Now gather decayed leaves and forest mold for the bulb beds. How much did the garden contribute to the support of the family this summer? Potato beetles have been so plentiful in the East, this season, that they have over-run the streets of the towns. Make a note now of what you should have had in the garden this year and did not, so the same mistake will not be repeated. An Ohio fruit grower gives the Mountain Seedling Peach high praise. He says it is a rich red outside, yellow within, nine inches in circumference, and has a very small stone. Have you selected the bulbs for fall planting? If you are not an expert, get 100 mixed crocus, 100 mixed double, extra early tulips, and two dozen each of mixed lilies, mixed double hyacinths and double narcissus. These are best for amateurs. More beauty and a greater abundance of fruit about the farm will produce contentment and pleasure there. Cultivate flowers and shrubs, they produce and raise more fruits and better gardens for the increased vigor and health such things impart. The fruit garden should be a source of pleasure, profit, inspiration, devotion. It is a rich place, and the ground which binds us to home ever after. When such a garden is located on the farm, a general improvement in all agricultural surroundings quickly follows. As blackberry plants get old it is best to pull them out and plant young stock on the private place, and the ground well to plant out a few new ones every year or so. By this method they will be always plenty of berries in full season, and the gradual renewal is much better than making a big slaughter in one year. It is late in summer and early fall that the weeds are most troublesome in farmers' gardens. One reason for this is that about midsummer farmers are very busy harvesting and securing their crops, and the garden stuff being mostly beyond injury, and it is supposed the weeds receive less attention than they should. But when the farmer next looks at his garden he is treated to a genuine surprise. Weeds that seem too small to be noticed often grow in a week or ten days so as to nearly cover the vegetables, and which which they were probably not to have seen potatoes that were fully ripened in July, and should have been dug then, completely overgrown by weeds during the month of August, so that the hills could scarcely be discovered. Weeds force and ripen their seeds rapidly later in the season, nature pushing this job all the harder when lengthening nights and shortened days give warning of the approach of winter. The same old complaint of tomato rot is coming in this year. I have found that wood ash applied to the land and thoroughly mixed before transplanting the tomatoes is a sure preventive of rot. When the ground is ready to set the plants put a heavy coat of ashes on it. Three or four bushels will not be any too much for a hundred plants. Make it thoroughly into the soil, and there will be very little rot developed. Except the Dwarf Champion tomatoes should never be put on soil that has been manured within the past two years, as the manure is a cause of rot. Ashes are an excellent stimulant for tomatoes, and gives them a fine ripening, as well as aids them to develop fully. I have tomatoes in my garden now that were heavily manured with fresh maple ashes, and no rot can be found on them while some others that had no ashes are two-thirds rotted. This is on light sandy soil. Other soil may act differently. But a trial will cost nothing and may prove valuable to those who wish to raise tomatoes.—W. C. Brower Minn. FALL CARE OF ORCHARDS. With a young and growing orchard good care is needed. The trees should be kept coming into bearing. If a good thrifty growth can be maintained up to this stage, and at the same time a proper form and shape be secured by proper pruning, the work from that time on will be greatly lessened. While when it comes to nearly all cases, it will be best to cultivate thoroughly during the early part of the season; then much well before hot, dry weather sets in. The growth of the tree must be watched at this time, and if it continues in the much, in order to check the growth, and give the new wood plenty of time to mature before severe cold weather sets in. If allowed to grow too long the new growth is seriously injured by hard freezing weather. For the same reason it is not advisable to continue the cultivation too late. Usually it is not best to cultivate a young growing orchard any time after dry, hot weather sets in, until the next spring. Do not cultivate to obtain growth in the fall, and if necessary to check growth remove the mulch from around the trees. With an old orchard, and especially one that has been seeded down to clover or grass for sometime. It is an exceptional case when it can be considered advisable to plow in the fall, for the reason that it greatly increases the risk of injury to the trees by the freezing of the roots. If necessary to plow an old orchard, do the work in the spring, but so far as good management will permit, leave the soil in the orchard undisturbed in the fall and winter. It is a good plan to draw away weeds, grass or straw that may be lying close up around the stem or trunk of the tree; this will prevent mice from harboring near the trees and aid in preventing them from gnawing the bark. Trash that will harbor vermin of any kind should be gathered up and burned. Young trees will need to be protected in good season against rabbits, and young slender trees will need a stake set beside them and tied to them to prevent injury by hard winds. All of this should be looked after in good season if the best results are secured. N. J. SHEPHERD. Eldon, Mo.



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FORT WORTH.

Office and editorial rooms of Texas Stock and Farm Journal, Scott Harrold Building, Fort Worth, Texas.

Sam White of Weatherford, was here Friday.

Col. Dan Waggoner was down from Decatur Saturday.

J. H. Belcher, the Henrietta cattleman, was here Friday.

G. W. McCormick, a well known stockman of Midland, was here a few days ago.

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Wm. Harrell, the well known cattle commission dealer of Amarillo, was here Friday.

Jim Jackson, one of the old time stockmen of Coleman county, was in Fort Worth Friday.

W. R. Green, Duncanville, H. T. Roebeker, Temple, W. L. Knight, Grandview, Wm. Kearney, Ardmore, I. T., all had hogs on this market Friday.

M. B. Pulliam of San Antonio, who has recently been making large shipments of beef from his Lynn county pasture, passed through here Friday returning home from Kansas City.

Gulies & Long sold 50 head of driven-in steers Thursday on the Fort Worth yards, average \$63 for \$2.25. They went for feeds to M. M. Barnes & Co., of Waxahatchee.

P. O. Loughlin, a prosperous ranchman of Stephens county, was in Fort Worth Friday, returning from St. Louis, where he a few days ago sold a shipment of cattle at satisfactory prices.

E. B. Willis, Denton, J. A. McCauley, Moody, H. D. Banker, Malaga, N. M., J. H. Graves, Whitewright, Wallace & Book, Mansfield, and W. N. Wylie, Marietta, I. T., all had hogs on the Fort Worth Market last Thursday.

D. B. Gardner, manager of the Pith Fork Cattle Co. of King county, came down from the ranch a few days ago. He reports plenty of rain, grass good and says the indications are that his cattle will go through the winter in good shape.

Jno. T. Beal, manager of the St. Louis Cattle Co. of Crosby county, came down from Clarendon Thursday and went west on the T. & P. Friday. While at Clarendon Mr. Beal delivered to Kansas parties 1000 heifer yearlings sold sometime ago at \$10.

Chas. W. Jones, the routine live stock commission agent of Amarillo, was in Fort Worth Friday night en route home from a business trip to Roswell, N. M. Mr. Jones says the Upper Pecos Valley has lots of grass and water but is short on cattle.

A. B. Hearn, a former stockman of Baird but now a citizen of Roswell, N. M., was here Friday. Mr. Hearn has just completed the delivery of the "V Bar" herd sold last year to Mr. Chas. Goodnight, and was returning home from the Goodnight ranch.

J. S. Pratt, Iowa Park, W. T. Wallace, Mansfield, M. L. Lightfoot, Eastland, Levi Robinson & Son, Waco, Meeks & Parson, Grand Saline, R. E. Whosenam, Allen, Howe & Ferguson, Claburne, Sadler & Brown, Wharton, Bennett & Miller, Seymour, J. E. Davis, Milford, all had hogs on the Fort Worth market Wednesday.

Col. Dillard R. Faut whose home is now at Georgetown, but who has cattle ranches all over the State, was here a few days ago en route to Kansas City. The hard times seem to have dealt kindly with the genial Colonel, at all events he is still able to substitute the front side of his "bay window" for a writing desk.

J. S. Scott of Monroe City, Mo., and a member of the Monroe Cattle Co., of Shackelford county, Texas, was a caller at the Journal office Tuesday. Mr. Scott had been out to the ranch and was on his way home to Missouri. He says the late rains have helped the grass wonderfully in Shackelford and that the prospect is now fair for good winter range.

Capt. J. P. Moore, of Fort Worth, who was for many years live stock agent of the Texas & Pacific, has recently been appointed live stock agent for the St. Louis & San Francisco, with headquarters in Fort Worth. Capt. Moore's long connection with the live stock traffic of the State, his personal acquaintance and popularity with the stockmen of Texas, together with his special fitness for the kind of work in hand, makes him one of the best equipped live stock agents in the State. Capt. Moore will always take an especial pleasure in serving his friends and customers, and will no doubt soon become very popular both with the Frisco and her patrons.

The following Fort Worth persons were unavoidably delayed last week in transit and appear this week, looking a little out of date for that reason:

H. T. Keenan, live stock agent of the Burlington, went west Monday.

J. W. Knox, banker and stockman, of Jacksboro, spent Sunday in the city.

J. E. McGuire, a fine stock breeder of Gatesville, spent Sunday in the Fort.

E. B. Norman, president of the Beckham National bank, of Graham, was here Sunday.

Sam Cuthbert, the well known Callahan county cattleman, passed through the city Monday.

Jot J. Smythe, of Grandview, was discussing the financial situation with the boys Saturday.

J. L. Pennington, general live stock agent of the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe, left Monday night for the Territory.

W. W. Miller, live stock agent of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railway, came in Sunday from a trip up the Katy.

Capt. J. C. Lea, formerly of Roswell, N. M., but now of Dallas, was a passenger on the west-bound Texas and Pacific Monday.

J. F. Smith, of Crockett, came in

Sunday and left Monday morning over the Fort Worth and Denver for his ranch in Archer county.

Brooks Davis made a run down to San Angelo last week. Mr. Davis reports good rains in the San Angelo country and cattle looking well.

W. H. Doss, cattleman, of Cleman, was here Monday. Mr. Doss has 5000 acres of fine grazing land in Coleman county that he wants to lease.

W. de S. Maude of Enfield came in the latter part of the week from El Paso and left Monday morning over the Denver for his ranch in the Panhandle.

T. A. Canfield, of Waco, was here Monday night, en route home from his ranch in Sonora, Mexico. He reports an abundance of rain all along the route.

M. B. Pulliam, of San Angelo, left here Friday evening for a business trip to Kansas City. Mr. Pulliam is now shipping to market from Amarillo 1500 steers, and will ship 1500 more from the same point about the 1st of November.

The "Queen Sabe" herd, located near Midland, and owned by Jooper, Hewitt & Co., of New York, was sold a few days ago to M. Hall & Bro., of San Antonio. The herd contains about 11,000 very finely bred cattle. Price and terms have not yet been made public.

The Journal readers will not fail to notice the special offer of the Cross Stock Farm at the head of Breeders' Directory this week. They are offering a grand lot of Berkshires at buyer's own prices.

E. A. Poffrath, from Vernon, Tex., returned to the city Sunday night from an extended trip through Southwest Texas. Mr. Poffrath says they have had glorious rains all over that section and that the country is in good shape. Says he finds a good many with cattle to sell.

George D. Oakes, the well known cattleman of Mineral Wells, was here last Monday night, en route to his nature in the Indian Territory. Mr. Oakes has recently closed out at very satisfactory prices the best of the 3000 cattle grazed by him in the Territory this season.

R. N. Graham, the well known cattle and land broker, has just returned from a trip west on the Texas and Pacific. Mr. Graham spent a day or two at Midland, and says it has rained out there until you can mire a saddle blanket anywhere; says he never saw finer grass or cattle looking better.

R. C. Burns, a well-to-do stockman of Lubbock county, passed through Fort Worth Monday, returning from a visit to his old home at Denison. Mr. Burns says crops of all kinds are lighter in Grayson county than he ever saw them before. He also says grass is better in Lubbock and cattle fatter than for several years.

John T. Beal, of Colorado, manager of the St. Louis Cattle Company of Crosby county, was here Monday night, en route to Amarillo, where he went Tuesday to deliver 1000 heifer yearlings recently sold to Kansas feeders at \$10 per head. Mr. Beal says he never saw finer grass than can now be seen all over the plains country, but thinks the country is having too much rain and that the grass may be greatly damaged thereby.

C. C. French, traveling representative for the Fort Worth Stock Yards, is just in from a trip down the Fort Worth and Rio Grande. Mr. French reports good rains in that section and says if "Jack Frost" will hold off for a while they will get considerable cotton from the top crop. In speaking of the feeding outlook, Mr. French remarked that, in his opinion, the cattle fed in Texas this season would not exceed 25 per cent of the number fed last season.

Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 30 and Dec. 1.

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POULTRY.

Give the poultry plenty of range; they need exercise, give the man opportunity to take it.

Let the nests be in a dark place. Hens like it better, and are less liable to acquire the egg-eating habit.

The crowding together of poultry is productive of more evil than almost any other form of mismanagement.

When crowded, the strong ones grow stronger and the weaker ones get weaker. To thrive well they must have plenty of room.

The chickens need a run on green pasture just as much as do the cows, hogs and horses. If you haven't the run, provide green food.

Keep the poultry out of the barn. It's no place for hens, anyway. You can't give them the care they need; you can't want them littering up the barn.

Moulting usually lasts about one hundred days, during which time few eggs are laid. Here is where you early pullets should get in their work.

Introduce new blood into your flocks this winter by carefully selecting new cocks of the variety you most prefer. Mate early and commence setting your hens by the first of February. You early hatched chicks are the ones that pay.

The majority of those who hatched chickens last month are sorry for it now. You should become an expert before trying to raise chickens after the first of June. It don't pay unless you are prepared and have the necessary skill.

Large numbers of the rural population live more or less isolated, and find it inconvenient, if not impossible, to supply fresh meat daily for the table aside from that slaughtered on the farm; and of all live stock poultry furnishes the most convenient means of supplying an excellent quality of food in suitable quantities. This is particularly true during the hot summer months, when fresh meat will keep only a short time with the conveniences usually at the farmer's command.

Read your poultry papers and study the merits of the improved breeds for table poultry and for eggs. Keep up with the improvements. Attend the poultry show to compare the breeds and get posted, but do not get the chicken fever for fancy varieties, leave them for the professional breeders. There are many good, useful and profitable breeds for the farm that it is a pleasure to raise, and profitable in proportion to the feed and care given to them.

Although fowls require as wholesome food as any class of live stock, they can be fed perhaps more than any other kind of animals on unmerchanted seeds and grains that would otherwise be wholly or partially lost. These seeds often contain various weed seeds, broken and undeveloped kernels, and thus furnish a variety of food which is always advantageous in profitable stock feeding. There is less danger of injury to poultry from these refuse seeds than in the case with any other kind of animals. As a rule, noxious weed seeds can be fed to fowls without fear of disseminating the seeds through the manure, which is not generally true when the weed seeds are fed to other classes of live stock, particularly in any considerable quantity.

Overfeeding and underfeeding are the bane of the poultry business. What is meant by underfeeding is not an insufficiency of food, but too much of one kind, such as grain, the fowls receiving an abundance of food that is practically useless to them. Overfeeding is the giving of the fowls an excess of any kind; it is the keeping of feed before them at all times, or the

constant feeding of them under the mistaken supposition that the more food the more eggs. When fowls are jampered by poultrymen it is not always intentional, for the breeder or poultryman who takes an interest in his flock demands a certain pleasure in supplying all their wants and in treating them kindly; but he gets them out of condition by pampering, and does not find out until too late that one of the best methods of keeping a flock is to compel the hens to make an effort to help themselves. The best egg-producing material will be a huge pile of hay or litter, in which the hens can scratch.

GEESSE ON THE FARM.

Speaking upon the question of raising geese on the farm some one has said that the profits from a single goose for one year may be made greater than those arising from the average cow. Now whether this is to be regarded as a big thing for the goose or as a small thing for the cow is a question. At any rate it would appear that there is room for geese upon the ordinary farm and that there would be good money for the farmer in keeping them. To do this it is only necessary that proper provision be made for them as for any other kind of stock to be kept, and that the farmer understand them thoroughly and care for them aright. There is a strong disposition among a large class of farmers, a class known distinctly as stockmen, to have nothing to do with any enterprise unless it is of sufficient magnitude to make some show in the world. They would prefer to pay an extortionate price for a very ordinary steer to feed through the winter and run the risk of getting cut whole on him in the spring rather than to take hold of some side enterprise that promises sure money the whole year round. If you don't doubt about the profits to be had from raising geese on the farm ask some one who has had experience in the business to give you some or all the facts as they bear upon the matter. It will prove an interesting and instructive lesson for you.—Nebraska Farmer.

FORT WORTH UNIVERSITY.

One of the institutions that Fort Worth has all-Texas speak of with pride, is Fort Worth University. It is highly commendable to the city and country that so good and thorough a school should be so rapidly established. Five years since Dr. O. L. Fisher, of Denver, was elected to the presidency of the University, and a period of remarkable growth began. Since then there have been added the Law Department, with Judge A. J. Booty as dean, the Commercial Department in charge of Prof. P. Preuit, the Medical Department, with fifteen able physicians as instructors, who have Dr. Silius J. Beal as their honored chief. We would not do the University justice if we did not mention its fine schools of Music, Art and Oratory, in charge of teachers whose accomplishments are no small part in drawing to the school patrons from all sections of the Union.

Besides the four excellent buildings on the University campus, which is beautiful for location in the residence portion of the city, the school uses their four buildings located in business centers.

The facilities of the University number more than forty able teachers, and these, with fine libraries, laboratories and other superior equipment at their command, gathered about them in the last session eight hundred and forty-four students. It is confidently predicted that the next session, which begins September 15th, will enroll more than one thousand. We are only able, in this limited space, to name a few features of this fine school, and refer those who are interested to President O. L. Fisher at the University, who is the center of a busy and successful lot of educators as are often found together.

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