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CATTLE.

A number of the Northern papers have noted the improved status of cattle paper. Although some, perhaps a considerable number of the cattlemen are still using credit in their operations they are in a much more independent condition than formerly, practically all of them having a comfortable amount of their own capital to go on while very many have money at interest or in bank. The result is that bankers want cattle paper and the demand for it has been strong enough to materially reduce the rate of interest on it.

There have never before been so many young cattle, two yearlings, and even calves, on feed in Texas as there are this season, and the same is true to some extent in other states where feeding is being done. From what can be learned of recent years and from other sources the feed lots are well filled, but it is not improbable that the weight of fed cattle that will go to the markets at the end of the season will be considerably less than that which feeders had to sell from their pens at the close of the last season's feeding.

The cattlemen within the quarantined district of Texas can make the best of their conditions by finishing their surplus stock on feed which Texas can abundantly produce and ship them to Europe or to the market centers ready for immediate slaughter. The quarantine thus would become to them a benefit by leading them to methods that would keep at home all the several profits in handling the live cattle. There is no question as to the ability of Texas farms to produce all the feed necessary to finish the range animals into beef for export or for the market, nor is there any doubt that the feeding can be done in Texas as cheaply as anywhere, and the way by sea from Galveston will give to the Texas feeder the world for a market.

Perhaps nothing could more effectively demonstrate the profit there is in a liberal expenditure for good blood in a herd than the transactions of the XII ranch during the present year. For some years the company owning this immense property has been expending large sums for pure bred Herefords, and not long ago bought the entire Hereford herd, 155 head, all pure bred, belonging to Mr. Cook of Iowa. In the high prices the company has been receiving for its young stock it has been making large profits upon its investment in pedigreed stock. Journal readers will remember the sale of 3000 calves to Mr. Sotham last winter, the price, \$24, creating quite a sensation at the time, though Mr. Sotham had good cause to be pleased in his purchase. Recently the manager of the ranch has sold 1640 polled yearling steers for distribution in Nebraska feed lots, at \$25 per head on board cars in Texas. He has also sold 1026 head of yearling Hereford steers at the same price to Mr. Cook of Iowa, and 6000 head of two-year-old grade Hereford steers at \$30 to Mr. C. P. Dewey of Manhattan, Kan. Journal readers will also call to mind the recent sale of the 400 Adair Hereford heifer calves at an average price of \$27. All engaged in any department of the cattle industry have learned that high grade young cattle of the best breeds pay better profits than inferior stock to the feeder as well as to the breeder.

BETTER WINTER CARE OF CATTLE.

In another department of the Journal last week attention was called to the fact that because of the poor condition of the range a number of Southwestern cattlemen could avoid considerable losses in their herds only by making preparations to supplement the deficient pasturage with a supply of feed.

Although the Texas winters are mild and brief, the more so in that portion of the state in the west condition, it rarely if ever occurs that winter losses by actual deaths of cattle or depreciated condition do not exceed the amount it would cost to carry the herds through, growing, strong, in good flesh and vigor. In states where the winters are longer and more severe and the native pasturage is more scanty and available for shorter periods men clear, probably, really more money per head on the cattle they handle than do a very large proportion of the cattlemen who depend solely on the resources of their ranges. The farmer feeders of Kansas and Illinois can make money feeding enough to keep their stock in good condition and with no check in growth during five months of the year. Why could not the Texas cattlemen who would need to feed only half the time on, perhaps, cheaper feed, make more?

An the Texas cattlemen must come to a recognition of the necessity of better preparations for meeting the shortage of the range and the severities of winter. The average of the winter losses among range cattle through a period of five or ten years would aggregate an enormous sum. It would, perhaps, be too much to expect yet a provision for other than natural shelter on the vast ranges of the West, more necessary since the establishment of pastures than before, but much less of such provision is made where it is even now practicable and would be cheap in proportion to its benefits, than there should be. Nearly everywhere much better arrangements could be effected for the winter supply of food by the cultivation of such feeding crops as will grow in the West, supplying both grain and forage, and by reserving pasturage especially for winter. A 10 per cent winter loss is not considered heavy under former and existing range conditions, but this 10 per cent is the estimate of only the deaths and does not include the perhaps heavier loss in the reduced condition of the animals that survive. The Texas cattlemen ought not to be subjected to these losses, because it would be only a wise economy to prevent them as they can be prevented.

HORSES.

Some wheat bran mixed with oats improves the latter as a feed. If it proves to be too laxative give some wheat fine middlings with the oats. These are astringent and should not be continued after the laxative condition has been corrected.

The winter pastures for the young stock should be as good as the soil and season will permit, and in order that it may be so it should be reserved from grazing until winter or late in the fall in order that the grass may have a chance to get its best growth.

While it will pay every farmer, and every ranchman raising horses on the range, provided the latter can do so, to provide hay and some grain feed for the winter care of the colts they must not be confined to the stable nor to a small lot. The pasturage should be such that it will supply most of the feed and whatever artificial shelter is prepared for the colts ought to be so located that the youngsters can go to it at will. They need the exercise which a pasture will give them as well as the feed.

Finely bred, intelligent horses are often very nervous. They are quick to notice, quick to take alarm, quick to do what to them seems necessary to escape danger. Such animals require watchfulness, and they require patient and kindly treatment just as much. If they are continually handled with good judgment and kindness they will become fearless enough, while not losing any of their vigilance or quick intelligence and spirit. With sensitive nervous animals it is important to begin training at a very early age.

It is none too soon to begin now the preparations for breeding the mares in the spring. The work now and through the winter is to give the mares such care as to carry them through in really good condition, not fat, but full of life and vigor. Begin looking about for the selection of a stallion, and don't let the selection be decided by the cost of service. If the mare is at all suitable for mating with a high class standard bred horse it will pay better to breed her to one whose services cost \$100 than to have the services of a non-descript horse for nothing. As soon as the selection is made engage the services of the horse. It is better to breed one or two of the best mares to a really excellent sire than to breed a dozen to a common one. In view of this fact, cut down the superfluous horse stock on the farm, turning them all, if possible, into a few really good brood mares, and work for high quality in each foal instead of for numbers. If you have watched the drift of the horse industry you will realize that the horse that does the best, looks the best, for which there is the strongest and most general demand, which brings the highest prices and which besides, is capable of giving the most complete satisfaction in all the varied utilities of the horse on the farm is the horse that has impressed upon him the high qualities of the really superior individuals of standard bred families.

THE HORSE TO RAISE.

At a recent New York horse sale held at Madison square garden 20 head of young trotting bred horses consigned by Marcus Daly of Montana, brought an average price of \$1395 a head. The highest price, \$4005, was paid for a two-year-old. At the Bratton sale two trotting bred teams were sold, one team, Sampson and Sigsbee, for \$2200, the other, Miles and Shafter, for \$1900. At another sale 13 head of trotting bred horses, two to four years old, were sold for \$26,015, a little over an average of \$2000 for each animal. No other live stock industry has developed such a remarkable advance in prices as has the production of high class harness horses out of standard bred families.

In this connection Col. Henry Exall recently said at the banquet given to Gov. Elect Sayers by the business men of Dallas: "To-day the demand for first class road horses, carriage horses and race horses that are good in their class is very active, and it is almost impossible to supply the home and foreign demand for really high class animals. First class carriage teams sell readily in the large cities at prices ranging from \$1000 to \$4000 and fast road horses have been sold as high as \$12,000 for a pair this season, six teams going to Europe in one week at prices ranging from \$3000 to \$8000. Probably no other export trade can show a greater rate of increase in the past four years than is shown in the horse business. In 1894, really the beginning of the trade, 3500 head were exported, in 1895 13,000 head, in 1896 27,000 head, in 1897 42,000 head and this year up to date something over \$7,000. This is a most remarkable increase in this one item of trade, but is simply a starter and an earnest of what we will do, as our driving horses are winning golden opinions in the parks on the driveways of European cities and our trotters are winning most of the money on the tracks in Russia, Austria and almost every European country."

Texas has a few breeding farms with standard bred sires and dams equal in lineage to those in the great breeding establishments of Kentucky, New York, California or any other state; but they are too few in number compared with the area of the state, its adaptability to the industry and the population and wealth of the Texas. But the demand for harness horses is one that does not appeal alone to the breeders who have in their establishments sires and dams that are richly bred. The standard bred sire that is deeply bred has the individuality requisite, mated with selected mares upon the farm or range will produce so great an improvement that the money spent for his services would prove the best investment the owner of the dams could make, and in two or three generations, by selection, breeding and judicious handling the yearly crop would bring a better profit than anything else upon the farm or ranch.

SWINE.

If the hogs have to be kept in a lot instead of pasturage the location selected for them should be high and well drained so that it may be as free from mud as possible. Regard, also, should be had for shelter during summer and protection from north winds in winter.

Now is the time, while hogs are on their fattening rations, to keep them supplied with charcoal, salt and ashes. The best charcoal for them is charred corn-cobs. They will need these as aids to the digestion and assimilation of the concentrated feed. They ought also to have pumpkins or some other succulent food once a day.

Dragging the hind leg, stiffness, etc., in hogs comes from a variety of causes—breeding for fine bone which cannot sustain the weight, in-and-in breeding, breeding from immature stock, especially from immature hogs, unvaried corn or corn meal feeding, exposure to cold and wet—all these are causes of such a condition, and there may be others.

The butchers in Hamburg, Germany, as well as the farmers of that country who are engaged in swine breeding, have persisted in their attempts to convince the German government and people that the American meats are dangerous because of trichinosis. One of the most famous authorities on that disease, himself a German and in favor of duties high enough to prevent the importation of American meats, Dr. Hans Bruckebusch of Berlin, states most emphatically that there is no danger of trichinosis whatever from American products on account of their methods of treatment. Numerous experiments with feeding cats and dogs have entirely convinced the doctor that there is no danger of infection, and this he is honest enough to state most positively, notwithstanding his wish to make all tariff restrictions absolutely prohibitory.

MILK FOR FEEDING PIGS.

Prof. Henry of the Wisconsin Experiment station, conducted "nineteen trials with eighty-eight pigs of all ages, to determine the value of separator milk in combination with corn meal. The result of his experiment, he estimates, shows that where three pounds of skim milk are fed with each pound of meal, 327 pounds of milk equal 100 pounds of cornmeal. A Danish experiment shows six pounds of skim milk to be equal to one pound of grain. The difference in the two tests is, Prof. Henry thinks, due to the fact that in the Danish experiment a much larger proportion of milk was used than that employed in the Wisconsin trials.

A test to show the relative value of sweet and sour milk for the pigs was made at the Vermont Experiment station. In general, says Prof. Henry, the results were practically equal, while in the first the pigs getting sour milk gave better results. It was, says the one who conducted the experiment, evident within three weeks after the pigs were put on separator diets that those having sour milk were eating their feed with a better relish, growing sleeker and faster, although both lots ate their feed up clean.

At an experiment at the Massachusetts station with skim milk and milk, the former gave as good results as the latter. In general, says Prof. Henry, it may be estimated that when no water has been added to buttermilk it has an equal value with pigs to skim milk.

TREATMENT OF HOG CHOLERA AND PREVENTIVES.

Dr. Biting, in the course of his investigations, has tried 138 "sure cure" cholera remedies and has used 3700 pounds of these medicines. He has found none that surpasses what is commonly known as the government prescription which we have published frequently. Of the new anti-hog cholera serum treatment, commonly known as inoculation, he says that while it may be the best remedy we have, it does not promise all that is desired. It is costly and confers immunity only for a short time, and he inclines to the belief that under present conditions it will be of little use except for valuable breeding stock. As there is no specific treatment for the disease nor any course of medicinal treatment that is remarkably successful, he thinks that swine growers must rely upon prevention chiefly. This opinion of the preventive value of the inoculation will have more evidences of beneficial results than any other, even though it may be true that "it is costly and that it confers immunity for only a short time." During that time better environment may be provided, healthier feed supplied and the hogs removed from danger by contagion; and its cost is certainly a less expense than cholera in the herd.

But as to the general interests of the swine industry it seems probable that the best preventive is a system of rearing and developing the hog more in accord with the original natural acclimation of the animal. His characteristics, his vigor, his constitution, his power of resisting the assaults of disease, have all been materially changed by modern methods. He can be best protected by recognizing that he is a grazing animal, and building him up in frame principally on pasturage, with as little corn as possible, supplying him with abundance of pure water, cleanly, ventilated shelter when needed, and driven to needed exercise by the necessity of gathering feed over considerable area. Do away with all corn feeding, filthy pens and wallows, impure water, and exclude the hog from contagion, and there will be at least less of cholera.

SHEEP.

Sheep can endure very cold weather if they are kept dry, but when their coat of wool becomes soaked with rain they suffer more from cold than do other animals. They should have good sheds for shelter during wet weather.

The man who makes sheep raising profitable is he who makes them grow rapidly through the summer and keeps them in good condition during the winter. Management of this kind improves the wool as well as the frame of the sheep.

The character of the meat can to a large extent be controlled by the feed given to the lambs. If corn and corn fodder be the chief food there will be a large proportion of hard, firm fat. If the food is nitrogenous and wheat bran be used there will be more lean meat and a fat that is tender and yielding.

The extra cost and care of winter lambs are not so great as many suppose. At this season of the year farmers have plenty of leisure to look after them. With a comfortable place for the first week of the lamb's existence and a good shed afterwards, and with the extra attention that may be given, there will continue to exist through one and perhaps more seasons. Flock-masters are anxious to build up their flocks and in this are so delayed by the demand for lambs that it will take several years to bring their holding up to their ability to feed. At the same time, the number of mutton eaters is continually increasing, and among some well informed sheepmen it is believed that increase of consumption is outgrowing increase of production. Whether they are right or not, the markets of the next year or so must be very satisfactory to the manager who produces good lambs for the market. Texas farmers would do well to engage in this industry to the extent of their ability at once.

While the annual consumption of American mills engaged in woolen manufacture is estimated to be about 600 million pounds the wool product of American sheep is only about 350 million pounds. A very large importation of Australian wool was made while it was on the free list under the Wilson tariff and was found to be satisfactory. Much of that is still in bonded warehouses, but it is stated that a considerable quantity has been taken out of bond and sent to Europe by holders who wanted, or were compelled to realize and could sell to better advantage there, the prices here still being below the importing point. These shipment will, of course, hasten the inevitable advance, but when that will come it is as yet impossible to say. It is not improbable that soon or soon after January 1 there will be developments in the manufacturing industry that will throw some light on the situation. In the meantime the producers of wool are better able to hold on awaiting an improvement in quotations than they have been during many years.

TO THE BEGINNER.

While Texas Stock and Farm Journal has time and again advised Texas farmers to turn their attention to sheep raising, it has always counseled those who are green in the industry to begin on a small scale. This has not been because of any doubt of the profits in sheep raising when proper attention is given to the animals, but because in learning how to give that proper attention some mistakes will be made, each involving more or less disappointment and loss, but the injuries will be minimized if the owner has a number so small that he can study the individual needs of individuals of his flock and give prompt attention when it is needed. He can also more readily make a change in any condition or method with a small flock than with one so large as to be in the hands of a manager, unwieldy. Hence he will, with the smaller number, make fewer mistakes, for he will learn more readily from the concentrated study of the individuals. As his knowledge of the industry grows from experience he can increase the numbers to the full capacity of his farm to supply them with feed. But don't be discouraged by the earlier period of the business by unfortunate results of errors. Correct them and go ahead. Judicious management has so universally achieved success in this industry as to preclude any reasonable doubt of its value to the farmer, and any farmer of ordinary intelligence can learn such management.

For reasons somewhat the same, the Journal has suggested more than once that it is not advisable for beginners to start with pure bred ewes. The ram can not be too richly bred. Let him have behind him on each side a distinguished ancestry as it is possible to select from, and let the selection be as discriminating as to individual quality as it is in lineage. And select one that possesses strongly the distinguishing characteristics of his breed and that has strength and vigorous constitution, masculine appearance, and soundness of health. But such purity of breeding the average farmer should not require in the dams of his flock. Good, strong natives, or ewes improved by one registered cross of the selected breed, are safer for the man with little experience than those that are of pure breeding, partly because losses in such a flock, caused by inexperience, are less serious and partly because the pure bred require more care and are less vigorous in constitution. The ewes should be as nearly uniform in age, size and form as possible, and if grades should carry the blood of sires of the same breed.

POULTRY.

The hen turns grass into greenbacks, grain into gold and coins silver out of sand—Wittman.

The persons who make their poultry pay the highest dividends are the ones who put the most thought into their work.

One of the first things to attend to in order to increase winter egg production is to have the fowls in good shape for winter.

Where are the young chicks roosting? Get them up on the ground and out of danger of colds, skunks, minks and other vermin.

Keep posted in the poultry profession. Read all you can find to read about poultry, and especially along lines of your operations.

If you have a heavy breed don't change them for a lighter breed because you will get more eggs, for the difference is made up other ways.

The surplus roosters ought to be thinned out as rapidly as possible. They begin to make big drafts on the feed box as the weather gets chilly.

Be sure and keep a plentiful supply of good hard grit for the hens this winter—oyster shell is fine but grit is better and does not cost any more.

The average hen has her peculiarities and in order to receive the best service you must cater to her likes—such hens may be appropriately termed "crank hens."

If you have no love for poultry, no inclination except for the monetary returns to be derived, keep out of the business, as one of the component parts of a successful poultry breeder is the making of them and the salvation entrusted to his care.

The poultry industry is a great and growing one and is not confined to any specified class of men or women. There are many people of high station in life who engage in the business, both from motives of recreation and remuneration. Many a man that depends on his physical labor for his livelihood engages in the business to eke out a subsistence. Many an invalid owes the little enjoyment he gets, to his flock of thoroughbreds. Being small, easily attended, handsome and useful, no other form of animal life can succeed in producing so favorable an impression on the masses.—Inland Poultry.

HONOR BRIGHT.

If breeders would be strictly honest they must have an 1893 standard. Just out. Some people call the class of breeders who have never seen, or owned a standard, honest, but ignorant. Ignorance in law excuses no one and if a man has ever seen a poultry paper there is no excuse for him to plead lack of knowledge.

To be sure study honestly believe they have the best, and take great pride in their birds. They take all the prizes at the local fairs, where most judges provided by the fair board do not know a cockerel from a cock, or a pullet from a hen, and imagine they could win at a show.

If these people could only be induced to attend a good winter show, it would be the making of them and the salvation of the fraternity.

Who ever heard of a poultry show where there was not some kicking about the management in one way or another?

Was there ever one that was properly conducted? In most cases the officers of the show are all exhibitors, and if they are winners the kickers claim cheat and unfairness is used in awarding the prizes, and especially the special premiums.

Another cry is that the officers choose the best places in the room for their coops, and only few know what kickers won't kick about.

The management of shows should try and avoid, as far as possible, all the above trouble by securing a secretary who has no birds to show or no personal interests. The secretary should have an assistant (a very careful and accurate person) to mark score cards and other work, leaving the secretary free from work during the show, so he will be at liberty to answer the many questions that only the secretary can answer.

The superintendent should arrange the coops in such a way that outside exhibitors will have the choice positions of the show. He should have assistants (preferably men who know nothing about poultry) who will do the work as instructed and in a careful way.

As soon as judge has passed on the birds, the cards, especially of the outside exhibitors, should be added up, ready for the judge's signature, so the award cards can be placed as early as possible and show them that their exhibits more than delay in putting up premium cards. There is no reason why they should not be up within two hours after the judge has finished scoring a class. (Rather a strong statement but it can be done.)

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THE FARM.

The farmer who does not in some way utilize his land is like a banker who keeps his capital idle. There is no good in the ownership of anything from which no actual benefit is received.

In a large part of Northern Texas drought has prevented the wheat from coming up, but recent rains have brought out a good stand from the seed that had not germinated, so that a very considerably larger area than that of last year has a growing wheat crop.

It has been said that because of the lower price of articles the farmer is compelled to buy, five-cent cotton is not as disastrous as ten-cent cotton would have been twelve or fifteen years ago.

FARM ACCOUNTS.

One thing that almost every farmer neglects is keeping an account of the year's business. Few can tell even approximately the cost of any one crop or of any one of the several classes of live stock on the farm.

The value to the farmer of the feeding crops consumed by his live stock instead of sold will be more difficult but the difficulty will be removed if the record of these crops is referred to the live stock account.

The Journal does not go more into detail, intending this as merely a suggestion. Each farmer who begins this system of keeping himself informed of the cost of the different departments of his industry will have his own ideas as to the method most convenient to him.

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ORCHARD AND GARDEN. A method of saving grape vines from the ravages of cut worms suggested in Watkins' Review is as follows: Cut up finely some nice, fresh cabbage leaves and scatter these under the vines at nightfall.

Barren yard manure applied to tomato plants will stimulate the growth of the plant and leaves, but retards greatly the production of fruit; delaying it, some think, as much as two months.

In Farmers' Bulletin 73, United States department of agriculture, the relative value of seeds is discussed at length, and conclusions are sought from consideration of experiment station work.

The pomological division of the agricultural department has received a lot of seed of the alligator pear. The seed was obtained from Texas, where it is said the trees have been known to fruit after a temperature considerably below the freezing point.

DAIRY.

It seems to be conceded by many who have made a scientific study of the subject that most of the milk is formed in the udder of the cow during the process of milking.

When cows have been bred to calve at this season or a little earlier they should have a little better care than is given to those that have weaned their calves some time earlier.

While ensilage is probably the best winter feed for dairy cows, there are too large fields in Texas to make the advice to feed ensilage practical here.

The dairy cow is often referred to as a machine for converting feed into milk. But she is much more than a machine and the mere act of putting plenty of good feed before her is much less than she requires in order to make her satisfactory as a milk producer.

The individual peculiarities of each cow must be understood by the really intelligent dairyman as these peculiarities are the cause of individual necessities. All the cows in the dairy do not relish most the same feed nor give the

best results from it, nor do all require the same quantity of feed. Each animal should be studied individually in order to so treat her as to get from her the milking most to be observed, treating each animal as an intelligent creature and not a mere mass of machinery.

In regard to the superior value of a feed which the dairy cow will relish, Bulletin 81 of the Kansas Agricultural Experiment Station says: A variety in the ration has always been yielded because it makes the food more appetizing, inducing the cow to eat more and to yield more for what she eats.

EMPLOY BETTER METHODS NEXT YEAR.

Editor Texas Stock and Farm Journal: The time is fast passing to set your pegs right for next year. There should be no screws left loose and nothing left to chance if a man expects to realize some profit in his farming operations next year.

While it is true that it requires a greater capacity to do an all-round successful agriculturist than to follow one branch of farming, yet we claim that every industrious, frugal farmer will succeed best under a system of diversification.

It is a peculiar favor which is usually not liked at first but the farmer who becomes almost a mania with many travelers. It is like a pear only in general shape.

It seems to be conceded by many who have made a scientific study of the subject that most of the milk is formed in the udder of the cow during the process of milking. If this is true it means that nothing be permitted to excite the cow just before or while the milking is being done.

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MARKETS.

ST. LOUIS MARKET. National Stock Yards, Ill., Dec. 5.—Cattle receipts were 3000 head, including 1600 Texans; shipments, 400. The market was steady to strong; fair to heavy native shipping and export stocks, \$4.00@5.25; bulk, \$4.25@5.10; dressed beef and butchers' steers, \$3.75@5.00; bulk, \$4.00@4.90; steers under 1000 pounds, \$3.00@4.50; bulk, \$3.50@4.50; stockers and feeders, \$2.50@3.50; bulk, \$3.00@4.25; cows and heifers, \$2.50@4.25; Texas and Indian steers, \$2.65@4.20; cows and heifers, \$2.15@3.20. Hog receipts were 7300 head, shipments 5300. The market was strong to very high; yorkers, \$3.20@3.30; packers, \$3.20@3.50; butchers' hogs, \$3.40@3.55. Sheep receipts were 400 head, shipments 100. The market was steady; native wools, \$2.50@4.00; stockers, \$1.25@2.50; lambs, \$4.00@5.25.

HOUSTON MARKET. The following market report is furnished by Saunders & Hitchcock: Houston, Tex., Dec. 3.—choice beefs, per hundred pounds, \$3.25; medium beefs, \$3.00; choice cows and heifers, \$3.00; medium cows and heifers, \$2.75; common cows and heifers, \$1.75@2.25; bulls, stags and work oxen, \$1.75@2.75; choice yearlings, \$3.50; medium yearlings, \$3.00@3.25; common yearlings, \$2.75; choice calves, \$3.50@3.75; medium calves, \$3.00@3.25; choice mutton, \$3.50@3.75; top corn-fed hogs (solid) wholesale, \$3.25@3.30; top corn-fed hogs, (solid) retail, \$3.75; matted hogs, \$3.00@3.25. Choice cattle in moderate supply, good demand; fair sale for cattle and calves in carload lots. Calves and yearlings scarce, with good demand. Retail market on hogs dull; good demand for packer hogs. Carload lots of hogs can always be sold on arrival at market price.

KANSAS CITY MARKET. Stock Yards, Kansas City, Dec. 5.—Cattle receipts, official, 5560 natives, 1580 Texans. Light supplies and active demand strengthened prices, the most desirable slaughtering cattle selling a shade higher. Common killers, stock and feeding cattle steady. Choice native steers, \$4.85@5.10. Medium, \$4.50@4.85. Light weights, \$4.25@5.10. Stockers and feeders, \$3.00@4.45. Butcher cows and heifers, \$2.65@4.25. Western steers, \$3.00@4.50. Texas steers, \$2.65@3.25. Butcher cows, \$2.65@3.30. Canning stock, \$2.00@2.60. Hog receipts, official, 6480; light supply and a strong packer demand advanced prices 5@10c. Feeder, \$3.40@3.50. Mixed, \$3.22@3.45. Lights, \$3.25@3.45. Sheep very light supply, the few offerings selling quickly at steady prices. Lambs, \$4.75@5.25. Muttons, \$3.85@4.25. Feeding lambs, \$3.50@4.25. Feeding sheep, \$3.25@3.75. Stockers and breeding ewes, \$2.50@3.50.

CHICAGO MARKET. Union Stock Yards, Chicago, Ill., Dec. 5.—There was a good demand for cattle, but buyers were exacting in making their selections and drove that were not well matured sold rather than ply. Good fat cattle sold readily at an advance. Fancy Christmas cattle sold up to \$5.95, while very common steers sold around \$4.00, the greater part going at \$4.75@5.50; stockers and feeders in moderate demand, about \$2.00@4.00. Cows, heifers and bulls sold at last week's prices, as also did the good Western and local cattle. Hogs were in liberal supply, market advanced 10@15c for hogs. Prices ranged from \$3.25@3.35 for common lots to \$3.50@3.55 for choice to prime, the bulk going at \$3.45@3.50; pigs chiefly \$3.10@3.25. Sheep and lambs weakened somewhat at the close. Common sheep, \$2.50@3.50; choice heavy and good, \$4.00@4.30; Western sheep, \$3.90; yearlings, \$4.10@4.80; common to choice lambs, \$4.00@5.00; feeders, \$4.50. 4.85; Western sheep, \$3.50@3.90. Receipts of cattle were 17,500 head; hogs, 39,000; sheep, 22,000.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET. Weekly report New Orleans live stock market, week ending Dec. 3, 1898. Receipts Sales On hand Cattle 137 1293 164 Calves & yearlings 1640 1707 72 Hogs 516 451 401 Sheep 81 81 81 The receipts of all classes of cattle for the past week have been amply sufficient for the demand. Prices have been hard to sustain, but on the whole the comparison with other markets is favorable, especially so in calves, yearlings, heifers and fat cows. Hogs have been well represented with the result that the market closes 1/4 cent under last week. There is no choice sheep on the market and the sheep butcher combine have been on point by their absence from the market during the week. Liberal receipts are being expected and lower prices may be looked for until after the holidays. Following is to-day's range of prices: Beves, choice, \$3.75@4.00, a few outside sales at \$4.25; common to good, \$3.25@3.50; cows and heifers, choice, \$3.00@3.75; calves, heavy, fat, \$4.00; others, \$7.00@11.00, according to size and quality. Hogs, \$3.50@3.75. Sheep, nominally, \$4.00.

DALLAS MARKET. At the Armstrong Packery receipts of cattle have been satisfactory. No actual decline in prices, which are relatively high. Hog receipts are fairly up to average, but twice as many could be handled. Some sheep are coming in but more are required. Prices 10 cents lower. Monday's quotations are as follows: Extra fat cows, \$3.00@3.25; good to choice cows, \$2.50@3.00; feeders, \$2.25@2.50; canners and culls, \$1.25@2.25; veal calves, light to heavy, \$3.00@4.00; fat bulls, \$2.50@2.75; common bulls, \$1.75@2.25; sheep—good fat wethers weighing 90 pounds and over, \$3.25@3.50; straight rams weighing from 200 to 300 pounds, carload lots, \$3.20; light, rough and heavy hogs, wagon lots, \$2.95@3.10; wagon hogs 15 cents less than carloads. At Thomas & Russell's stock yards business has been fairly good and sales prompt. The demand is strong for good quality in all classes of live stock. Among sales during the week were the following: 112 cows at \$16 a head; 88 cows at \$21 a head; 32 cows, 750 pounds, \$2.25; 30 cows, 850 pounds, \$2.35; 4 cows, 1100 pounds, \$3.15; 1 cow, 1290 pounds, \$3.75; 2 yearlings, 615 pounds, \$3.25. Monday's quotations are as follows:

Choice feeding steers, \$3.00@3.50; fair to good feeding steers, \$2.75@2.90; choice fat cows and heifers, \$3.00@3.25; fair to good cows and heifers, \$2.35@2.75; canners and culls, \$1.50@2.00; bulls, fat, \$2.50; feeders, \$2.00@2.40; common, \$1.50@2.00; veal calves, light to heavy, \$3.00@4.00; choice corn-fed hogs, 150 to 300 pounds, car lots, wagon lots, \$3.10; stock hogs, \$3.00@3.25; choice prime quality, 90 to 110 pounds, \$3.50@4.00; fair to good sheep 70 to 80 pounds, \$3.00@3.35; stock sheep per head, \$1.50@3.50. DALLAS LOCAL HIDE MARKET. Crowdus Bros. & Co. Price current. Market strong. Green salts, round, 6 1/2; No. 1 green salt, 7; No. 2 green salt, 6; bulls, 5; butchers' dead green; 5; glue and damaged, half price, dry flints, good 13 cents; culls, 6 1/2c.

DENVER MARKET. Denver, Col., Dec. 3.—The following market report is furnished by the Standard-Courier Live Stock Commission company: There has been a fair run of beef cattle during the week but the quality has not averaged very good, the best offerings only bringing \$4.15, but will be in good demand at prices as high as they have been at any time this season. Good, well fattened cows, steers and heifers, that are choice enough for the killers to use for their Christmas trade, will be in good demand for the next two weeks, but they must be good. We expect the market on stockers and feeders to be quiet until the first of the year; while we believe that the bottom has been reached, yet it is very hard to predict; we think that from the first of the year until grass comes, on good well bred choice stuff the demand will be steady to active with firm to stronger prices, with a steady to strong price on the common and medium grades.

During the week we sold 166 head of calves at \$19.00 per head, also 40 head of Colorado. New Mexico calves at \$15 per head. We sold 32 head of Western Colorado heifers, feeders, averaging 706 pounds at \$3.45, also 32 head of Western Colorado yearling steers averaging 510 pounds at \$4.05; 25 head of Colorado steers, feeders, averaging 947 pounds, at \$3.80; 60 head of Colorado steers, feeders, averaging 884 pounds at \$3.75. We quote the market on the best native Western feeders weighing 550 to 700 pounds, at \$3.90@4.25; same, weighing 950 to 1100 pounds, at \$3.00@4.00; common and medium grades, weighing 900 to 1050, at \$3.00@3.60; choice beef steers at \$4.00@4.20; common to good beef steers, at \$3.50@3.80; good to extra cows and heifers, \$3.00@3.65; common to good cows, \$2.75@3.25; canners and shels, \$1.75@2.50; bulls, \$1.75@2.50; veal calves, 175 to 200 pounds, \$5.50@6.50; veal calves, 250 to 400 pounds, \$4.00@5.25.

COTTON AND GRAIN. COTTON MARKET. Dallas, Dec. 5.—Ordinary 3% Good ordinary 3% Low middling 4% Middling 4% Good middling 4% Middling fair 4% Galveston, Tex., Dec. 5.—Spot cotton market steady and unchanged. Sales 422 bales. Ordinary 3% Good ordinary 4% Low middling 4% Middling 5% Good middling 5% Middling fair 6% New Orleans, La., Dec. 5.—Spot cotton steady and unchanged. Sales 2600 bales spot and 650 to arrive. Ordinary 3% Good ordinary 3-16 Low middling 4 9-16 Middling 5 Good middling 5% Middling fair 6%

GRAIN MARKET. Chicago, Ill., Dec. 5.—Cash quotations were as follows: Flour steady; No. 3 spring wheat 61@64c, No. 2 red f. o. b. 69@69 1/2c. No. 2 corn 34@34 1/2c, No. 2 yellow corn 34 1/2c. Middling oats f. o. b. 26 1/2@27c, No. 2 white 28 1/2@28 1/2c, No. 3 white f. o. b. 28 1/2@29c. No. 2 rye 52 1/2c. No. 2 barley f. o. b. 37@37 1/2c. No. 1 fax seed \$1.00@1.03. Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 5.—Wheat steady to 1/4c lower. No. hard 63c, No. 2 hard 61 1/2@63c, No. 2 red 67c, No. 2 spring 60@62 1/2c. Corn steady; No. 2 mixed 31 1/4@31 1/2c. Oats steady; No. 2 white 28 1/2@29c. Rye steady; No. 2 47@48c. Middling, 183,000 bushels, corn 20,100 bushels, oats 11,000 bushels. Shipments—Wheat 76,200 bushels, corn 1900 bushels, oats 4000 bushels.

ATTENTION WOOL GROWERS! There is no use of having scab or ticks in your flock. The old adage, "A stitch in time saves nine," is especially applicable to the sheep business. See Skabura Dip Co's ad on last page, this issue. Mention the Journal when you write. KANSAS CITY MARKET LETTER. Live Stock Exchange. Kansas City, Dec. 3, 1898. Cattle receipts for the week, 41,000; same week last year, 43,000. There was a fairly good demand this week, but buyers were very exacting and strength was confined to cattle that graded well. Active inquiry for finished dressed beef steers, good butcher steers and cows and Texas and Indian butcher stock was especially active, the advance on all these grades amounting to from 10@15c, while common half-fed cattle were in over supply and were slow sale at about steady prices. Trading in stockers and feeders the past two days has been active, and while the best grades have advanced in price the large accumulation of the early part of the week was well absorbed. No fancy dressed-beef steers offered. Fair to medium steers, \$4.35@5.00. Light weight steers, \$4.00@5.00. Stockers and feeders, \$3.00@4.50. Butcher cows, \$2.65@3.50. Butcher heifers, \$3.10@4.85. Butcher bulls, \$2.65@3.75. Western steers, \$3.00@4.85. Western stock cows, \$3.25@3.75. Texas steers, \$2.90@4.35. Texas butcher cows, \$2.65@3.60. Canning stock, \$1.75@2.60.

Hog receipts for the week, 95,000; same week last year, 81,000. The demand was good all the week but the supply was too large to fully sustain prices. Heavy hogs, \$3.30@3.45. Mixed packers, \$3.25@3.40. Light weights, \$3.20@3.35. Sheep receipts for the week, 15,000; same week last year, 14,000. Supply very light and of inferior quality. Desirable flocks in good demand at strong prices, while common bunches are slow sale at shade lower prices. Lambs, \$4.75@5.25. Muttons, \$3.65@4.25. Feeders paid \$3.50@4.25 for lambs and \$3.25@3.75 for sheep. Stockers and breeding ewes, \$2.50@3.50. F. H. B.

NEWS AND NOTES. A big flour mill will soon be built at Bonhar, Texas. "Be Thankful for the Devil's River News" is printed large at the head of the Thanksgiving issue of that excellent paper. Mr. John Scherbauer has shipped 150 head of his Hereford bulls to Barstow, Tex., to be wintered on alfalfa farms in Pecos valley. Dull Bros. of Pecos, have received 5 registered Hereford bulls recently bought from W. K. Armour of Kansas City, fine individuals of that breed.

Midlothian Argus: The Holland brothers and P. E. Rape received from Illinois one day this week 26 head of registered Durham cattle for breeding purposes. West Texas Stockman: J. W. Smith sold 150 fine calves to Major W. W. Watts at \$17.50 around. Yesterday A. W. Boucher sold to J. C. Prude 50 head of calves at \$15. Cameron Herald: Capt. A. P. McCord received last Tuesday 4000 sheep, which he will fatten on his farm north of Cameron. He is now feeding, in all, 8000 head, using huls and cotton seed meal from the mills here. San Angelo Press: Charlie Broome came in Tuesday with 200 head of bulls and steers, sold to R. S. Campbell for shipment to and feeding at Wolfe City. The steers were two and up, and sold for \$29.

The success attained in the Pecos valley about Barstow in growing and marketing table grapes of the finest quality has created such an interest in their production that it promises to become an important industry in that section. Thomas Scruggins, a farmer near Morrison, Ok., has raised an immense quantity of peanuts on 20 acres of land this year and is feeding them to hogs, finding that they produce fat quicker and cheaper than corn or any other grain feed. More fruit trees are being planted this season in Navarro county, especially on the sandy lands, than ever before in one season. Peach, pear, plum and Japanese persimmons are the fruits generally e'e-ted. There is also a large acreage in strawberries and blackberries being planted. Henrietta News: Dick Carrow delivered here this week the last of a thousand steers recently sold to P. S. Witherspoon at \$32.50 per head. Major J. B. Dale marketed at a nice profit this week 500 of the steers bought from W. B. Worsham & Co. early in the fall, after having them on feed at Greenville for a couple of months. Coleman Voice: Capt. Dibble sold last week to R. F. Halbert of Sonora, one registered Hereford male calf for \$290; also to A. P. Barton two registered Hereford male calves for \$450, and a number of grades p. s. Col. Over-all recently sold to Wm. Bryant of Dallas County 250 yearling steers at \$22.50. They were high grade Herefords.

Beville Bee: Local cattlemen who are short on grass have been forced to prepare themselves for feeding during the winter as they hope to season their feed hils, if there is no severe weather for the next few weeks. In the low places and where grass is protected by undergrowth it will grow rapidly during the warm days we are now having. Scott & Marsh, owners of the Mount Pleasant (Barton, Cass county, Mo.) registered Herefords, held their third annual sale at the Kansas City stock yards sales barn November 30. The offerings consisted of 28 bulls and 35 cows and heifers, mostly young stock. The prices obtained were satisfactory, averaging \$147.77. Four bulls and one heifer went to Texas buyers at an average price of \$174. On Nov. 30 Swenson Bros. received at Abilene, Tex., 10 registered Hereford bulls for service on their ranch in Jones county, Texas. These were bought at the recent Armour sale of Herefords in Kansas City and cost their present owners \$325 a head. They are from six to thirteen months old and their owners think them the best lot of Herefords ever brought to Texas. Swenson Bros now have about 300 pure bred Herefords on their Jones county ranch.

Dun's Review of Trade, Dec. 3, says that "sales of wool were large in November 29,875 8/0 pounds in five weeks against 31,124,400 pounds last year, but they have been offset by important concessions in price. Manufacturers have somewhat larger orders and are more hopeful, but a considerable share of the machinery must inevitably remain idle until the material is cheaper in comparison with the cost of wool and goods in other countries." The Chicago Drovers' Journal of Dec. 3 says: President A. P. Bush, Jr., and Mr. S. H. Cowan, attorney of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, reached Chicago yesterday. They came to confer with Commissioner Prouty, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, and the railway committee of the Chicago Live Stock exchange regarding the enforcement of the decision of the Interstate Commerce Commission on the terminal charge. It was decided that the interests represented at this conference should join in a suit to enforce the order on the terminal charge.



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San Angelo Standard: Joe Knowles of Midland, sold to McKenzie Bros. of Big Lake, 50 Hereford bull calves at \$10 per head. Capt. Wm. Turner evening delivered to M. Z. Smitsen at the stock pens, two carloads bulls and steers, sold at \$25 and \$28. Hector McKenzie bought 40 head of one and two-year-old steers and cows from Wm. Ulrich for \$15.50. Walter Smith sold to his partner, H. Mitchell, his one-half interest in 4000 stock sheep, shorn, at \$2.05. J. B. Murray of San Angelo, sold 900 tons, 1000 three and 200 four, steers, which he has been pasturing near Colorado City for several months. The purchaser is J. H. Wichita Falls, and the price \$23 around.

The Kansas City Drovers' Telegram of Dec. 1 says: Nebraska was the only state that bought more feeders at Kansas City last month than in November, of 1897. Kansas got 121 cars less than a year ago, Missouri 315 cars less, Iowa 11 less, Illinois 8 less, other states (chiefly Indiana) 63 less; Nebraska got 30 in excess of a year ago. Total shipments for the month were 2458 cars, 348 under November of 1897. In eleven months of the year shipments were 17,252 cars, or 363 fewer than in eleven months of 1897, but otherwise by far the largest ever made in the period. Kansas has bought 601 cars less this year than last; Missouri fell off 784 cars, Nebraska 167, Iowa 303; Illinois got 27 more and other states 465 more.

The Oklahoma live stock sanitary board held a meeting at Guthrie Dec. 1 and 2, the governor being present. After considering reports of losses of cattle resulting from dipping as well as petitions for permission to bring in a head of cattle from outside the territory keep in force its former order which denies admission of cattle from below the line unless they are certified to be free of ticks or have been dipped. The board also quarantined the Territory against all cattle from Kansas unless it could be shown that such cattle had been north of the federal quarantine line six months or longer. This action was had because Kansas had decided to admit Southern cattle during the month of December, which would enable owners of Southern cattle to first ship into that state and then re-run their cattle down into Oklahoma.

Jackboro Gazette: On Monday the Loving Cattle company shipped to E. B. Harold, Fort Worth, 609 three-year-old steers. W. L. Hawkins shipped to Midlothian 309 three and four-year-old steers Tuesday. H. Kapp sold to J. W. Knox 182 year-old post steers this week. J. D. M. Martin of Farmer, shipped one carload of horses and mules to Texarkana Tuesday. Oliver Loving shipped seven cars of cattle to Waxahachie this week. S. W. Knox and L. C. McClelland each sold a lot of this year's calves to J. W. Knox. J. W. Knox 182 year-old post steers to H. Kapp and Chase & Atkinson sold to Featherstone & Worsham a lot of two-year-old past steers. Maggard Bros. bought a lot of calves this week. John Luttrall and N. J. Jones sold 30 calves to H. Kapp. To-day the Loving Cattle company will deliver a lot of two-year-old steers to Mr. Briggs of Waxahachie. J. F. Lillard brought over from Decatur this week Donnie Wilkes, of thorough bred stock, one of the finest mares ever brought to Jack county.

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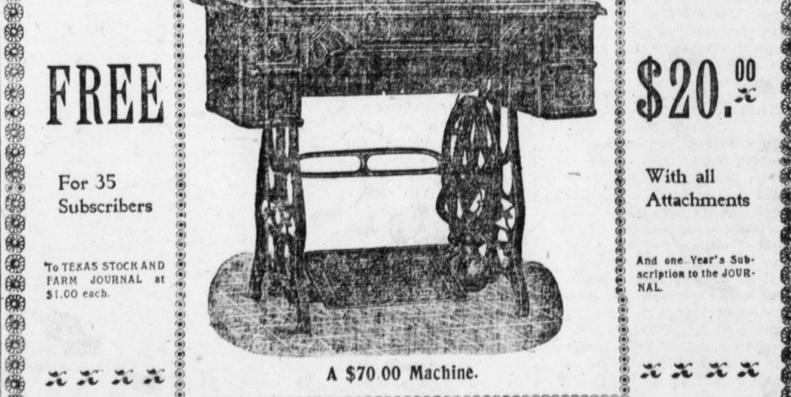
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THE THREE WISHES.

Dear Mrs. Buchanan: I enclose the following little poem for the corner, as I think it quaint and pretty. It was printed in the Saturday Evening Post many years ago when I was a little girl. I re-wrote it from memory, as I have never seen it published since: Three little maidens out on the grass Had gambled the hours away; The summer was sweet, the hours were fleet—

Gwendoline, Maud and May. They had worked at their play the livelong day. As hard as maidens can, So the six little feet were tired with the heat.

And the three little tongues began, "What shall we do next?" cried the three, perplexed.

"For we really must have more fun!" They all thought deep, till a plan did leap.

Full blown, from the brain of one.

"Let us talk of the fays!" 'twas Maud that exclaimed—

The tallest and fairest was she;

"Let us ask them to grant whatever we want,

And listen to wishes three."

And what did they ask? The youngest, May, asked

For a dress of invisible white,

While Maud thought a doll—the dear little soul—

Would give her no end of delight.

Then Gwendoline said, "Let me cut off the head

Of the giant who saps upon me;

Let me grow strong and bold, like the heroes of old,

For now I am only ten."

So the quick years flew and the maidens grew.

And how did their wishes fare?

Did the fays forget the childish debt,

Or reward the childish prayer?

Oh, kind is the queen of the fays un- seen!

To Maud, a wedded bride,

She sent such a doll as mothers extol,

That toddled and prattled and cried.

Nor did Gwendoline miss her long- wished for bliss

Of giants to conquer and slay;

There are human needs and heroic deeds

—And heroic hearts to-day.

But sweet little May, she vanished away

Beyond the fairies' sight.

And the fairies gave what the maid did most crave,

A robe of invisible white.

FIRE FLY.

Garden City, Tex. TO HOUSEHOLD. Fire Fly sends us a pretty little poem for Household corner this week. I wonder how many of us have lived to realize the wishes of childhood? If we could each have one wish granted, I wonder what that wish of each would be? What would yours be, my friend?

That aunt of Saucebox has my sympathy. Her hair must be bleached by anxiety and fright. Just remember an abundance of animal spirits must find an outlet in this well as boys.

Such girls usually make the most faithful and steadfast of wives. I am going to take the part of Saucebox. I do not believe that so much more rest should be given to boys than girls. I

say, do not put such check upon girls, but guide them with a gentle but firm rein. Allow them all the freedom and out door life possible and wise. In- doors grows as narrow and hateful to a girl as a boy.

Lalla Rookh writes us an excellent letter this week, except the tinge of blue. I am sorry to have to except anything in so sensible a letter. I sym- pathize fully with the difficulty of ex- pression. One of the difficulties of life has been the want of power to ex- press beautiful thoughts. Yes, I can give a remedy for blues. Lose all thought of self in doing something for another. Thank Lalla so much for recipe. I shall try it and know others will have Lalla Rookh will write again soon.

I was glad to read Comma had to join us simply because she could not stay away. As I have said before, it is always a pleasure to hear of anyone enjoying the Household.

Tenderfoot always writes an inter- esting letter. I do not always agree with him, but I have lived long enough to learn to disagree agreeably. Have the rest of you learned that art? If not, go to cultivating it at once. It is a most necessary art to learn.

I have had to reject several good let- ters this week because they were not accompanied by real names. I regret this when the letters are good, as many of them are.

THE FORBIDDEN TOPIC.

Dear Mrs. Buchanan, Boys and Girls: What's the subject now? Kissing? Poor girl! Circle Dot wants to know what we think of Miss Arnold's kissing Hobson. I think she's a great deal fonder of kissing a bundle of mistake wax, dye (however, do they get the dye on without blacking their faces?), cy- gars, and goodness knows what else, than I am. Now boys, you all pretend to respect women, don't you? And you admit that when a girl allows you to kiss her it lowers her in your respect. Then why don't you try to ennoble in- stead of lower them? That's man-like, though, to judge girls by yourselves. Poor Old Maid and poor Man. I am sorry for you both. You have certainly seen the dark part of life. But "the gem cannot be polished without fric- tion, nor man perfected without ad- versity." Patience is the only remedy for the ill of life, and nothing is impossible to a strong will. Nobody's Pet. I didn't mean what I said about wanting to be a man. I was angry when I wrote that. I had just been told it was unadvisable to whistle, ride golf horses and carry guns or pistols when I am when I am riding or walking. You know some people think girls ought to do nothing but play the or- gan in church, teach a bunch of tots at Sunday school, lead the choir, etc. Now, those are my duties and I love them. Though I am neither a good singer or player, I do my best, and— bless the little ones—I love them. But I always thought a lady could do any- thing so that she does it in a lady-like manner. Now that I think of the scrapes that I am continually getting into, I don't wonder at auntie's sayings. I am more like a boy than a girl. When I think of how myself and other girls tried to go boating on the tank in a tub (it capsized and nearly drowned one girl), of how we hitched a wild donkey to a cart and went driving (he smashed the cart and nearly smothered me), of how we tried to ride a yearling (he threw me and then ran over me), and many other such things, I don't wonder at anything. But oh, the fun of it all! That fully compensates me for all the scoldings I've gotten. Many, many thanks, Bastus. When I decide to become a model girl I'll hunt you up, sure. What has become of Careless Bill, Purple Pansy, Billie and all my favorites? I wish they would write. Mrs. Buchanan, you know my failings. When I begin I never know when to stop. I thought I'd sure say something interesting this time, but I've failed signally. Adios, for a rest. SAUCEBOX. Odessa, Texas.

JUST PRAISE.

Dear Mrs. Buchanan: Will you give me room in the Household? I have become very much interested in the letters, so much so I can not be content without asking for a place with them. I can not refrain from praising Miss Aurora's letter, and will add that conscious stoop always makes us happy. There is nothing that gives us so much real abiding happiness as to be able to look back over our past lives and have our conscience to ap- prove them, which we cannot hope for without we have been actuated by the one only purpose and desire to glorify God and multiply happiness to those with whom we have been associated in life, and though we may be conscious of having made many mistakes, if we know we were actuated by the grand motives and desires before stated it will afford us abiding consolation, not- withstanding all. There are other let- ters I would like to speak of in praise, and your good advice in regard to kiss- ing, but as this is my first and may find room only in the waste basket, I will close by wishing all the members of the Household a successful life and, as just reward, a happy one. COMMA. Neyland, Texas.

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Pe-ru-na works harmoniously with nature to eject the tubercles from the lungs, and works so successfully that if there is a cure for consumption Pe-ru-na is the remedy.

Read this letter from Mrs. H. A. Tyner, of Four Oaks, N. C., about her daughter, Mrs. L. Keene. She says: Pe-ru-na Medicine Co., Columbus, O.

DEAR SIR:—"My daughter had every symptom of consumption—suppression of menses, night sweats and great emaciation. She was so low that none of our neighbors thought she could live. In May Mr. C. R. Adams, of this place, who had taken Pe-ru-na, told me if anything would help her Pe-ru-na would. I got a bottle of it and some rock candy and began giving it to her. During the first few days she was so weak she could only take a half tea- spoonful at a time, but I gave it to her as often as she could bear it. In less than a week she could walk two hundred yards and back without rest- ing; she kept getting stronger, and in three months she seemed to be as well as she ever was in her life. I feel, and so does every one that knew about her sickness, that Pe-ru-na saved her life. My daughter's name is Mrs. L. Keene."

Ask any druggist for a free Pe-ru-na Almanac for the year 1899.

praise, but am afraid I don't practice it much; also Mrs. Buchanan's advice to Western Cowboy strikes home with me.

Ought we not give three cheers for Mrs. Buchanan on that well worn and much abused subject "kissing"? Am sure most, if not all, the Household will endorse every word she said.

"Slug 7" yours is a good letter, but how can you speak so carelessly of marriage as "something new" which all young people "mean to try"? How can anyone think of "trying" marriage as though it were something to be thrown aside after a trial if we are open to be disappointed, or when the romance has worn off. Still we often see it treated thus lightly by those who have taken the sacred vow. There are even some when freed (?) from that vow, ready to break one of God's most sacred commands by "trying it again."

Why should any one venture onto such sacred ground thoughtlessly or plunge headlong into the holy bonds? I read somewhere that no one should marry unless they find it impossible to live happily without the object of their af- fection by their side. But then we lament our single state? Is it any longer a reproach to be called an old maid? Or is it even to be called an old bachelor? Though of course it is a blessed thing to "love and be loved in return." Like Western Cowboy, ex- perience on our side, but then we agree. I am still looking for that cow- boy sweet heart.

Happy Blue Eyes, are we not close neighbors? At least our towns are. I would like to meet you. I enjoy four letters so much.

Come and see me Dizon, next time you are passing through our town. You write a splendid letter; won't you give us another?

Mrs. Buchanan, I am not much of a cook but will give you a recipe for caramel pie, which I think is real good. One and one-half cups of sugar, one and one-half of sugar, 5 eggs, whites of two for top, flavo- rize. I will guess "Slug 7" is a ranch cook, at least a cowboy. With best wishes I am, LALLA ROOKH. Antelope, Texas.

LECTURES ISABELLE.

Dear Mrs. Buchanan and Household: Since seeing Isabella's letter, I judge the members of the Household have a right to express their opinions. Mrs. Buchanan, I do not mean to quarrel with Isabella, and I hope you will pardon me if I do not agree with either of you in regard to preachers. Isabella, I judge you are a very sensitive girl; too much so for your own good. Your preacher did not know your company had left, so he did not feel free to have been compared with other preachers. If preachers are not as courteous to women as other men, women them- selves are to blame. I have never seen a young preacher yet, who was not un- usually well balanced, that was not spoiled to speak of in praise, and your good advice in regard to kiss- ing, but as this is my first and may find room only in the waste basket, I will close by wishing all the members of the Household a successful life and, as just reward, a happy one. COMMA. Neyland, Texas.

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anything but poetical. There are thou- sands of women to-day who have mar- ried miserable drunken brutes, and nine-tenths of these women knew their husband before they married them. I doubt not that just such an illusion of poetical dreams led them to their life of misery. When Christ came, he came to save the world with love, and of this power He gave to woman most, that she might help to save the sinful host.

But woman, overestimate not thy strength— Man is bad enough at best; Thou canst only guide him who yields, And him only canst thou bless.

The following lines I take from Ten- nyson's "Locksley Hall": "Yet it shall be, thou shalt lower to his level day by day. What is fine within thee growing coarse to sympathize with clay."

"As the husband is, the wife is, thou art mated with a clown, And the grossness of his nature will have weight to drag thee down."

It has been further stated, and reason- ings given, that a bad man is able to love a woman more than a good man. I am a man, but I fall to understand how such conditions can exist. Does not a good and faithful child love its par- ents most? Does not a good and faith- ful husband love his wife and children most? Can a knowledge of God, can a knowledge of anything that will help man to be true and honorable, can the possession of a pure, rounded, Chris- tian character lessen man's love for woman? No. It is not possible that the cultivation and knowledge of all that is best in man will ever rob wo- man of his love.

Critic, unfortunately I am not a cowboy; I am what they would call a tenderfoot. So far I have never been able to catch a cow or a girl.

Woodland Mary, I welcome you back. You have been missed. Where is Dutchie?

Purple Pansy, I enjoyed your "Walk in the Woods." It carried me back to the days of my childhood. The scenes you described were familiar to me. Oh, have I wandered through the sturdy pine forest, far away to the vales of the vine-tangled glen, gather- ing sweet flowers for a sweeter maid, from tree top and valley near the forest shade.

Sweet Pea, I thank you for your kind inquiry. I assure you I am not enjoy- ing the misfortunes of either a married or a soldier's life. I am still sole possessor of my bachelor respectably.

Mrs. Buchanan and members, take no offense at anything I have written. I meant no harm. It is simply the opinion of TENDERFOOT.

LIKES GOOD WOMEN, GOOD MUSIC, GOOD BOOKS.

Dear Mrs. Buchanan and Household: As this is the holy Sabbath, I come as an intruder, without permission, to visit the merry band, provided I am admitted through the kindness of Mrs. Buchanan, and will chat only a few moments. The letters are wished for, and gladly welcomed, especially when Little Wichita is up and we have to do without our mail for a week or two at a time.

Now, Grandma, write again, as your advice should and will strike deep. It will make Bronco Buster, Son Billy, and many others of those big-hearted cowboys think of the once cherished home and memory of mother. It will also cheer the sad hearts of those lone- ly women who have such dull husbands as mine. "Is marriage a failure?" It seems so with some, but I can speak from several years of pleasant experience. It is the only direct step-stone that is laid by any sound-minded boy or girl. Civil- ization is founded on families enter- ing new worlds. Nonsense! I am sorry to know that any one feels depend- ent over his or her marriage. Trouble after marriage is, as a rule, caused from one side or the other. One is il- literate, unthoughtful or false to his duties in family circles. As there is more frowning from the Eve side, I'll drop you a hint. Examine your- selves carefully. Are you neat, tidy, neat, slow to speak. Be sure, when B. or W. is cross, you are cheerful, and soon all will be in the butterfly land, where Honey has gone. Miserable Man has either died through sympathetic hysterics from Eves, or has gone to Cuba to distribute a ship load of his sym- pathy, instead of sending \$2 for four Snow Drop. I would like to see you, as you are my neighbor. I like good women, tonic, reading, such as histo- ry, Uncle Tom's Cabin, the Bible and literature of the Household. Mrs. Buchanan, your photo should go in the left-hand corner of the Household in place of the Iron Tonic ad, and instead of one-half page for the cousin family, it should be two pages. As all the let- ters are few, some of the good and cheerful ones must be pigeon-holed on account of so many ads which appear on the Household page.

Now, Mrs. Buchanan, pardon me, as my watch stopped. I kept talking through the intermediary to the jolly band, and when dinner was announced I looked at my time. Pshaw! It stopped, and I have written page after page, just like all greenhorns do, and when I got to Fort Worth the office was closed and Mrs. Buchanan gone home; so I sleep to the waste basket I went. So if an ex-cowboy (but now a happy farmer and hog raiser) is allowed admittance, I will close with best wishes to Mrs. Buchanan and House- hold circle. After reading this you can easily guess my name. GREENHORN. Henrietta, Texas.

A SEYMOUR GIRL.

Dear Mrs. Buchanan and Household: Will you allow a Seymour girl to enter your jolly Household? I have been a constant admirer of the Journal a long time. I live in town. It is a real nice place, too. I think the cousins write such nice letters. Purple Pansy what are you doing now? You never write any more. Mrs. Buchanan you are the kindest and sweetest woman that ever lived. School begins next Monday morning. I am taking music on the piano. I have a beautiful piano. I know nothing about the subject "Is

Advertisement for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. Includes the title 'A Guardsman's Trouble', a testimonial from a former sergeant, and the main heading 'AN AFFAIR OF THE NATION'. The text describes how the pills cured a chronic dyspepsia and other ailments. It also features an illustration of a man in military uniform and a bottle of the pills.

Advertisement for 'SEND US ONE DOLLAR' featuring a picture of a pig and text describing a prize catalog and contest.

Advertisement for 'SUMMER RESORTS' in the Blue Ridge and Alleghanies, Virginia, via Chesapeake & Ohio R'y. It lists various travel options and scenic views.

Advertisement for 'INTERNATIONAL ROUTE' and 'MEXICO VIA LAREDO TO ST. LOUIS'. It details travel schedules, fares, and services for the Cotton Belt and International routes.

Advertisement for '4-IMPORTANT GATEWAYS 4' and '2-Fast Trains-2 DAILY'. It promotes travel services between St. Louis, Chicago, and the East, highlighting the Texas and Pacific Railway.

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DALLAS.

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J. W. Rose of Ballinger, was in Dallas Wednesday with cattle.

Dave Mitchell, the popular hotel man of Colorado, Texas, was in Dallas Sunday.

Sam Lazarus, a well known cattleman of Sherman, was in Dallas Monday.

Dallas county farmers are bringing large quantities of corn into the city for sale.

J. T. McElroy, a prominent cattleman of Pecos, was registered at the Windsor Thursday.

Col. J. A. Wilson, general live stock agent of the Chicago and Alton, was in Dallas Wednesday.

P. W. Hunt, of Fort Worth, state agent for the Pasteur Vaccine company, was in Dallas Thursday.

W. D. Lawson of Houston, traveling passenger agent of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas, was in the city Thursday.

Dr. J. R. Sledge of Comanche, Texas, offers for sale in this issue of the Journal a few fine pedigreed Jersey cows fresh in milk.

W. W. Edwards of Fort Worth, had a bunch of cows on the market Monday, which were sold at the Central stock yards.

C. M. Caudle of Albany, a cattleman, was in the city Wednesday with a car of cattle which were sold at Thomas & Runnels' yards.

Col. J. P. Moore, of Fort Worth, live stock agent for the Fort Worth and Denver City Railway company, was in the city Sunday.

A letter from Southern Poultry Journal, heretofore published at Neches, Texas, announces that for the sake of having better facilities for publication it is moving to this city.

E. W. Kirkpatrick of McKinney, a well known horticulturist, was in Dallas Saturday on his way home from Auburn, in Ellis county, where he had attended a meeting of the farmers' institute of that neighborhood.

Texas Stock and Farm Journal acknowledges receipt of an invitation from the press committee of the National Live Stock association to attend the second annual convention of the association to be held in Denver, Colorado, January 24 to 27, 1899.

An error was made last week in calling attention to the advertisement of Mr. S. T. Crittenden of Detroit, Texas. He wants to buy a choice registered yearling Hereford bull and five Hereford heifers. See his advertisement. He wants the bull for \$75 and the five heifers for \$300.

Mr. T. C. Slaughter, a well known farmer living in Prosper, in Collin county, was in Dallas Monday evening on his way to the meeting of the Farmers' National Congress being held this week at Fort Worth and to which he is a delegate. Mr. Slaughter is a member of the executive committee of the Texas Farmers' Congress and informed the Journal that it had been decided to have the next meeting of that body at College Station July 25, 26 and 27.

An effort is being made by the Commercial club of Dallas to secure the establishment of a cotton factory here, the stock to be taken by farmers in the county and business men here. It seems now that the promoters of this enterprise will succeed in securing subscriptions for the capital necessary. The plan is to have the stock distributed in small amounts, and the stockholders secured against loss by manipulation, freezing-out processes, etc. There is also some talk of establishing a cannery here.

More than double the quantity of cotton has been received in Dallas this season up to the present time than was received last year up to the same date. There are more buyers, competition among them has been stronger and consequently the farmers have received comparatively better prices. This is due to the fact that the Commercial club of Dallas made provision for the farmers to weigh, store and insure their cotton without charge and draw money on it, thus becoming absolutely independent and able to hold if prices did not suit them.

TEXAS RAILROAD COMMISSION ENJOINED.

Judge A. P. McCormick of the circuit court of the United States for the western district of Texas, sitting in Dallas, on December 1 enjoined the Texas railroad commission from promulgating or issuing any tariff schedule or order putting in force any rate or tariff or any commodity carried by the railroads of this state. The injunction also prohibits the commission from enforcing or attempting to enforce any penalties by reason of the refusal of the railroads to put those tariffs into effect. Nine of the Texas railroads were parties in the case.

This order not only nullifies all tariffs heretofore made by the commission, but also absolutely paralyzes the commission, so far as its power in the making of rates is involved, until a decision shall be had on the merits of the case. The decision is based upon the principle that the commission can have no right to enforce rates that would depreciate the value of the securities of the creditors of the several roads or prevent the stockholders from receiving interest upon their investments, such rates being in effect a confiscation of the property of the bond and stockholders.

The injunction granted is temporary. It is probable that the case will come up on its merits before Judges Masey and McCormick in July.

A MAMMOTH ESTABLISHMENT. The Journal has received catalogue of the Chicago House Wrecking company, whose advertisement will be

found in the Journal to-day. The object of this company is to sell cheaper than any other establishment in the entire country any article that it handles, and it handles almost everything any buyer would want in building and furnishing, in improvements on farm or ranch, for in its catalogue there is almost endless variety.

An idea of this variety may be formed when the business of the company is explained. Briefly stated, it is the purchase and sale of entire stocks of general merchandise and material from sheriffs, receivers, assignees, manufacturers and trustees' sales. It acquires large stocks in the dismantling of buildings purchased, such, for instance, as the World's Fair buildings, the Four Seasons' hotel at Cumberland Gap, Tenn., and many others which it has purchased, and in the purchase of entire factory plants, machinery, buildings, etc. Its agents are in every important city ready to buy whatever financial distress or other pressure compels its owner to sell at heavy sacrifice. And it buys practically anything that is offered and is of non-perishable nature, and buys so as to be able to offer for sale at one-half its value.

It claims having the largest mail order establishment in the world, sells only for cash, and ships all orders on the day they are received, guaranteeing all goods to be as represented. Send to the Chicago House Wrecking company, West 35th and Iron streets, Chicago. Doubtless you will find in it a number of articles you need quoted at prices that will enable you to buy cheaper than you could hope for.

FROM EASTERN TEXAS.

Editor Texas Stock and Farm Journal: In my trip through the Eastern and Northeastern part of the state, I saw a great number of large fields of wheat, and the farmers say they are tired of working themselves to death, making 4 cent cotton and are going to try raising small grain. The farmers all seem to be in very good circumstances and almost all will pay out of debt.

In Mt. Pleasant I found the merchants doing a good business, and a prosperity of them is raising fine hogs, cattle, or chickens, and they all seem to take a great deal of interest in their stock, which speaks well for them.

Mr. Vaughan seems to take the lead in raising chickens, and he has some of the finest fowls in the state. He says his advice is to raise chickens, and pay him better than any other advertising medium.

Mr. T. C. Morris is raising fine Berkshire, and his two pigs that cost him over \$100. Mr. Lillenstein is also raising fine swine. Mr. W. K. Wilson deals in fine hogs, and is raising fine cattle. Mr. Y. T. Cleveland is a cattle dealer and says the cattle business is a little dull in that part of the state.

I found the towns on the line of the Cotton Belt to be prosperous and growing. The farmers all seem to be doing very well.

Commerce is a beautiful little city of about 2000 people situated at the junction of the Cotton Belt and Midland railroad. The town now has a new union station and eating house that would be a credit to a city twice its size. The eating house is in the station and is under the management of Mr. Bird of Pine Bluff, Ark. In a short time he will have charge of all the eating stations on the system.

After leaving Commerce, I went to Paris, Honey Grove, Bonham, Sherman, Whitefield and Greenville. I find that Whitefield is ahead of the world this year on buying cotton from the wagon. One day the buyers bought 934 bales. The cotton crop in that part of the state was very fine and the farmers and merchants are jubilant over this year's business, and all are putting their shoulders to the wheel and will endeavor to do better next year than they have done this.

M. E. HINDMAN, Greenville, Tex., Dec. 3, 1898.

COLLIN AND ROCKWALL COUNTIES.

Editor Texas Stock and Farm Journal: Before leaving Plano, I interviewed my friend, J. L. Stark, I think to-day the most popular man in Plano. In my interview with him he gave out this information: First, that Collin county was one of the best counties in the state; that it raises corn and cotton and markets more stuff than any other county in the state. Mr. Stark is in the grain business. He says Plano will move one and a quarter million bushels of grain this season, bearing reasonable good prices. Cotton is low, but it is selling higher than the average place. Corn in the ear is selling for 25 to 27 cents per bushel; shelled corn in ear lots, 29 to 31 cents. Mr. Stark also states that he will sell and ship from 2000 to 2500 cars, and at that rate cannot fill orders. He runs his plant twenty-four hours every day, commencing Sept. 15, and will run night and day until April or May. Plano has a population of some 2500 or 3000. The town is situated on a high plane, sixteen miles north of Dallas, just across the Dallas county line. It is a healthy, thriving place, and several brick buildings, and a more courteous business people you never find anywhere. Mr. C. T. Saigling, who runs the Plano Flour Mill, with a capacity of fifty or sixty barrels per day, is quite popular among the farmers and has proven to be the farmers' friend, and, seemingly, they have the proper appreciation of it; and under such influence there will be less cotton planted and more wheat sown. Those that have sown wheat are quite blue over the dry weather, some sowing over. Some say they will follow with oats and corn rather than plant cotton at present prices. Wheat is suffering very much all over the country. The farmers to-day are discussing the advisability of diversifying their crops more than ever in the history of Texas.

In Wylie I found the most hospitable people I ever met. I was informed that the merchants gave out, in round numbers, \$155,000 for bacon and flour alone in Wylie this season. Now the farmer sits and studies where, oh, where did that bacon come from? The answer is very easy, Chicago, Kansas City, St. Louis, Mo., where hogs are very cheap. Can't we raise our bacon, as we should raise our own wheat?

I had the pleasure of meeting Mr. J. C. Stone, two miles east of town. Mr. Stone is the possessor of about 1000 acres of fine land as I ever saw, and to look at his farm or farms, then to go out among his stock, tells of his spirit of progressiveness. His horses are of the very best quality; his sheep

of the very best. He is growing the Shropshire and Southdown. He is also a breeder of Poland-China hogs, and when I approached him with the Journal he said every farmer should read it. He has something over 500 fine fruit trees—apples, peaches, apricots—and, to my surprise, tells me his best crop has been apples. I took dinner with Mr. Branch, a reader of the Journal. Mr. Branch, being one of the old-timers of twenty-three or twenty-four years' residence here, relates his experience, and to-day is proud of his surrounding. Land that he paid \$2 per acre for is now in demand for \$10 and \$50.

Now for a rolling time over breaks, hills and valleys, till I cross Elm from Lavon. I turned for Rockwall county, stayed all night with Mr. A. A. Corry, a Mississippian, and proves his birthright by his conversation and his pleasant home. Saturday morning of Rockwall with Mr. Corry, I started for the city of Rockwall. He carried me up on a noted mountain peak, where I could view the country for miles around. I had a view of Nevada, Rockwall, Milltown, Wylie, and as fine a country as you ever looked at. On arriving at Rockwall, and after partaking of some of the good edibles, I fell in line with the rush, for their streets were filled and stores full, it being a beautiful day, with good roads; so I lined up quite a number. Among the many I met was the morning of Rockwall Success, a paper of sixteen years' standing. Mr. H. W. Manson. He says the success is a success among the many successes of Rockwall county. Col. Manson is a lover of good horses. To prove the matter, he must show me his horse, and a noble fellow he is. I drove to the home of Mr. W. C. Lanham, west of town; was invited in, saying, "I heard the Journal man was in town." He is a prosperous swine breeder. Bro. Lanham is breeding the black Poland-China, and, I think, to-day he owns the best one in the county in Texas. He is the great Leo Wilks No. 16873. On both sides he is of the very best strains.

On Bro. Lanham's place Mr. Weaver of Fort Worth, is feeding 1000 head of three and four-year-old steers for the market, fed from the cotton seed oil mill owned by the Weaver Bros. of Rockwall. They are fine feeders and do well, but very few, if any, in the hospital, being the best arranged feed pens I ever saw. Pure water and close attention with mountain, and to feed good meal and hulls, sure puts the fat on them. They know just how it is done.

I was invited to visit the oil mills owned by my friends and neighbor Oswalds, J. E. and J. A. Weaver Bros. of Fort Worth. Their plant consists of a thirty-ton machine, but their facilities are greater than their capacity. While it is only a thirty-ton, their machinery is heavy enough to double its capacity, two 120 horse power boilers; electric light system; their machinery of the very best, making it one of the finest little plants in the county. They say they have seed to run them until June, while they have not seed run enough. They have them banked up in two great mountains, something less than one-fourth of a mile long. Off at a distance they look like snow-capped mountains, and to see the seed as they start from the seed house and follow it through till it comes out in pressed oil cake. I asked, "What is this cake for?" "Oh, that is the meal after the oil is pressed out, now ready for shipping to Germany."

After expressing my thanks for courtesies shown me, I drove across a country as fine as one ever saw to Fate, Tex. I spent my Thanksgiving with the good people of Fate. Fate, Tex., is sixty-two miles from Fort Worth on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad. I must state that Rockwall county is one of the best counties in the state. The farmers are up to date, progressive people. Short prices in cotton have caused them to turn to wheat, corn and oats, and now you can find most every farm raising hogs, and the very best of stock.

A. J. PARKS, Fate, Tex., Nov. 27.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

By local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by the use of Hall's Family Pills for the internal remedy. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube, which connects the ear with the throat. If you have a running sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is interrupted by ringing or noise in the ear, and if you have a feeling of fullness or heaviness about the ear, and if you have a feeling of soreness or itching in the ear, and if you have a feeling of heat or burning in the ear, and if you have a feeling of cold or numbness in the ear, and if you have a feeling of dizziness or vertigo, and if you have a feeling of headache or neuralgia, and if you have a feeling of general debility or weakness, and if you have a feeling of nervousness or irritability, and if you have a feeling of restlessness or impatience, and if you have a feeling of anxiety or worry, and if you have a feeling of depression or melancholy, and if you have a feeling of despair or hopelessness, and if you have a feeling of death or doom, and if you have a feeling of hell or damnation, and if you have a feeling of God or heaven, and if you have a feeling of love or charity, and if you have a feeling of peace 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