

THE FARM.

The present winter has presented weather conditions more favorable to farmers than any which they have enjoyed for a long time, and they have been more diligent than usual in availing themselves of the fortunate conditions.

In reply to recent inquiries as to the relative feeding values of white and yellow corn Prof. W. A. Henry of the Wisconsin Agricultural Experiment Station says: "Chemists can find no difference between white and yellow corn. It is doubtless true that some varieties of white corn are better than other varieties of yellow corn, and vice versa."

WORN OUT LANDS.

The abandonment of farming lands in a large portion of the East because of the exhaustion of soil fertility has for some time presented grave problems to political economists.

The area of exhausted soils, however, is a continually increasing one. Indiana has been rightly considered one of the most important agricultural states of the entire country, and certainly has not been occupied so long as to lead one to suppose that the question of worn-out fields could have yet become one of importance.

It is perhaps unreasonable to hope that the necessary improvement in methods will be adopted without an improvement in general agricultural education. It is more important that the common schools of the country should teach agriculture than that they should teach grammar, rhetoric or algebra.

FARMERS' SONS AND THEIR READING.

Texas Stock and Farm Journal has urged the importance of making a study of the elementary principles of agriculture a part of the course of common school education in Texas, and so many thoughtful men are of the same opinion in this that only an organized expression is needed to secure this amendment to the school courses.

But the farmer can at home do something that will go a long way in promoting the agricultural education of his boys, only commenced in the school. What to plant and when to plant are the first questions for the field. Breeding, feeding and management of live stock are becoming of more interest to Texas farmers as attention is more directed to the live stock industry.

Works on agriculture and journals treating of agricultural work now subjects are becoming every year more important in the farmer's home. They should be supplied for the young people and they should be encouraged to carefully read them.

It is worth while to make the life attractive and the toil remunerative. Much can be done in this way by encouraging the boy to keep up with the latest agricultural thought.

Journal readers in writing to any of its advertisers would confer a favor by mentioning that the advertisement was seen in Texas Stock and Farm Journal.

ORCHARD AND GARDEN.

It is stated by an exchange that a soil good for potatoes and corn is also good for apples.

The organization of Dallas county truck farmers and fruit growers seems to indicate that a large and permanent market for their products will be secured which will justify a very large extension of their industries.

After an asparagus bed has once been started it will last an ordinary generation, or about thirty years, perhaps in definitely if properly managed. Hence it is important to give it a location that can be retained permanently.

The rhubarb or pie plant can be grown from the seed but the quickest way to start is to plant the roots, which can be secured, probably from any of the dealers in seeds and plants.

One of the advantages which has been claimed for California fruit on the market is said to grow out of the fact of organization among the fruit growers. When an order is received for a particular class or grade of fruit any time during the season it can be promptly and satisfactorily filled.

DAIRY.

Creameries are useful to farmers who are not prepared to properly handle their dairy products at home, but the farmer who keeps several milk cows, uses a separator, is willing to take the care necessary in making really good butter, and who will feed the skim milk to calves and pigs, has very little need for the patronage of a creamery.

THE YOUNG DAIRY ANIMAL.

It is pretty generally conceded that to obtain the best development of milking qualities the dairy animal should commence giving milk when about two years old. The one that will generally give the most satisfaction will be one that has been raised by the dairyman himself.

During the last nine months before the heifer begins to give milk it must be remembered that through her feed another life besides her own must receive support and development. This is a heavy drain upon the maternal resources. There must be first, good shelter accessible when conditions require it, and freedom from excitement, disturbance or any cause of violent exercise.

The food should be such as goes to the formation of bone and muscle, but not of fat, and in supply that has the heifer in good condition at calving time, which is to some extent an assurance of reasonably good beginning to a successful milker. There should be plenty of good hay and corn fodder, the latter shredded if there is a sheder to do the work.

The heifers should be trained to stand in stalls, and the stalls should be roomy and comfortable, with plenty of light and ventilation, always dry and bedded with good, clean straw. The last should be removed promptly when ever it becomes foul or damp.

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BEST CORN FOR THE COTTON STATES.

The best variety of corn for any given corn producing locality, is the corn which is the surest yielder for a series of years. And the surest yielding corn is assuredly the highest yielding.

At the present day we see that many European and North American highly-bred varieties of corn have been introduced into and almost exclusively occupy the grain producing lands of Argentina, Australia, New Zealand and many other countries.

There are many southern farmers who harbor the idea that northern grown corn must be acclimated in the south before the best yields can be secured from it. But the writer's experience and that of many southern experimenters is directly the reverse.

We are accustomed to saying that nothing is impossible with God. But little has man hitherto known of the gigantic possibilities that lie hidden under some of His most natural laws, and of the mighty forces that are ever waiting to manifest this quickening touch of human ingenuity.

To summarize, I will again say that northern corn to be successfully grown in the south, must be of the latest thoroughbred sorts that can be well grown in the northern states. And, as the stalks of our largest corn here grow so much smaller than the stalks of your native sorts, our northern corn can be planted two or three kernels per hill, and bear its full sized ears when the southern corn is only a few inches high.

The writer having noticed that there has been a lively discussion of southern agricultural journals during the past year, regarding the relative value of northern corn and southern native corn, for beating hot winds and early droughts with, and that some experiments had been conducted, and that some measure of success in growing northern corn, I will here state that "there is a right way, and a wrong way of doing everything."

Early corn is what you want, but it must not be too early. As too much of anything is not the final result, so the northern corn is too early, then too much of your growing season is wasted between the time of its maturity and the beginning of the hot winds and drought. According to reliable authorities in the north, the varieties of thoroughbred corn that can be matured in the middle north are the best yielding varieties for all localities in the southern states subject to hot winds and drought.

These are facts in the truest sense of the word, and not mere statements or reports of comparative tests of large numbers of northern and southern varieties of corn at several southern experiment stations and large numbers of intelligent farmers throughout the cotton states and in Kansas. Facts gathered from indisputable sources assure me that northern corn to best succeed in the south must not be too early, and it must by all means be well bred and "run out."

Thoroughbred, early northern corn, with its inherent flexible and plastic organization, and which often yields (at least in the vicinity of the home of the writer, which is a locality of almost exclusive corn production) 80 to 100 bushels per acre over large fields with ordinary good cultivation, when transported to Texas, Georgia, Louisiana, and other southern states and Kansas, carries its prolificacy and early maturity with it. It has the great advantage of maturing its pollen and ripening its ears 20 to 30 days sooner than the large-growing, late-maturing native corn planted on the same day.

Every farmer who keeps five or more cows can afford a hand separator. In fact, he cannot afford to do without one. Avoid all mistakes and useless expenditures by buying a Sharples' Hand Separator. They not only represent highest quality in such machines, but stand for highest quality in any kind of machinery, and are made in a clean, neat, easy, neat long and cost.

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proves to be the critical period of ear formation and maturity, and the whole crop is either ruined or made, just as you plant, native or northern corn. Northern corn to succeed best in the cotton states and Kansas must also be thoroughbred.

Short corn crops resulting from severe drought, occur in the south about every year, as a rule. With thoroughbred native corn you are assured of a fair to good yield, when the large stalk, late maturing southern native corn makes little or nothing. Even during the most favorable years as in the southern native corn, just as good yields can be secured from the northern corn grown alongside, from the fact that corn which yields from 80 to 100 bushels per acre over large fields here in Illinois, can, and should be grown just as thickly in the cotton states as it is grown here in Illinois (three stalks per hill). The soil of the cotton states maturing three stalks and three good ears of corn grown from Illinois hard stalk seed, just as easily as the usual one large stalk and one ear of the southern native corn per hill. Furthermore, it still carries varieties (say 90 day corn) of northern seed corn planted in the south as early as March 1st, they will mature by June 1st. Then if the same corn be planted about August 1st, of the same year, another crop of it can be matured with the usual fall rains.

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MARKETS.

HOUSTON MARKET.

The following market report is furnished by Saunders & Hotchkiss: Houston, Jan. 14.—Choice beefs, \$3.25@3.50; medium beefs, \$3; choice cows and heifers, \$2.75@3.00; common cows and heifers, \$2.50@2.75; butts, stags and work oxen, \$2.00@2.75; choice yearlings, \$3.50@3.75; medium yearlings, \$3.25; common yearlings, \$2.75@3.00; choice calves, \$4; medium calves, \$3.75; choice mutton, \$3.50@3.75; top corned hogs (solid), wholesale, \$3.30@3.40; top corned hogs (solid), retail, \$3.50@3.75; mast fed hogs, \$2.50@3.00. Trade dull on all classes of cattle. Fair demand for packer hogs.

KANSAS CITY MARKET.

Stock Yards, Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 16.—Cattle receipts (official): Native, 707, Texas 2110. All grades slaughtering cattle in active demand at strong to 10c higher prices. No choice native steers offered. Medium native steers \$4.50@5.30; light weights, \$4.25@5.00; stockers and feeders, \$3.10@3.90; butcher cows and heifers, \$2.80@3.50; western steers, \$3.50@4.10; Texas, \$3.50@4.75. Hog receipts (official): 9650. Market very active. The light supply quickly absorbed at strong to 10c higher prices. Heavy, \$3.60@3.70; mixed, \$3.45@3.70; lights, \$3.30@3.50; pigs, \$3.15@3.25. Sheep receipts (official): 3400. Well matured muttons 10c higher other grades active at firm prices. Lamb, \$4.40@5.10; muttons, \$3.40@4.20; feeding lambs, \$3.25@3.50; feeding sheep, \$2.00@3.00; stockers, \$2.00@3.25.

FORT WORTH MARKET.

The following report is furnished by the Fort Worth Live Stock Commission Co.: The cattle run on our market has been quite liberal the past week. We have a strong demand here for fat hogs weighing 150 to 250 pounds, as we have now located on the yards a buyer for the Cudahy Packing company and can sell all that come for \$3.50@4.00. Fat steers, \$3.00@3.50; feeders, \$3.00@3.25; fat cows, \$2.75@3.00; medium cows, \$2.50@2.75; canners, \$1.50@2.00; fat corn hogs, \$3.30@3.40; bulls \$2.00@2.30; stock hogs, \$2.50@3.00. The following are representative sales on all classes of stock: 22 hogs, 133 lbs, \$3.22 1/2; 48 hogs, 160 lbs, \$3.27 1/2; 52 hogs, 231 lbs, \$3.27 1/2; 97 hogs, 196 lbs, \$3.27 1/2; 76 hogs, 196 lbs, \$3.27 1/2; 1 cow, 669 lbs, \$9; 1 cow, 922 lbs, \$3; 30 sheep, 133 lbs, \$4; 25 calves, \$2.75; 9 cows, 860 lbs, \$3; 9 cows, 1041 lbs, \$2.75; 60 cows, 785 lbs, \$2.75; 30 cows, 801 lbs, \$2.75; 15 cows, 948 lbs, \$2.90; 18 cows, 782 lbs, \$2.40; 6 bulls 1108 lbs, \$2.25; 32 hogs, 215 lbs, \$3.35.

HIDE MARKET.

Crowdis Bros. & Co. Price Current. Market strong. Green salt round, 6 1/2. No. 1 green salt, 7; No. 2 green salt, 6; butts, 5; butchers' dead green, 5; glue and damaged, half price, dry flints, good, 13 cents; culls, 6 1/2 cents.

\$4.25; J. F. Elder, Cuero, 1001-pound steers, at \$4.20; J. R. Bryson, Comanche, train of 967-pound steers, at \$4.45; J. T. Holt, Honey Grove, 938-pound steers, at \$4.10; Holt & Smith, Craig, Georgetown, 950-pound steers, at \$4.10; and 1320-pound oxen at \$3.65; J. K. Robinson, Georgetown, 994-pound steers, at \$4.10; Mrs. S. D. Weldon, Cuero, 878-pound steers at \$3.75, and 1436-pound oxen, at \$3.85, and 1181-pound stags, at \$3.75; A. Nance, Seguin, 88 oxen, 1300 pounds, at \$3.75; Robert & Gehrig, Cuero, 1135 and 1323-pound bulls at \$3.15; H. C. Lende, Navasota, 977-pound oxen, \$3.10.

DALLAS MARKET.

No change in prices have been reported in the local market for the past week. Armstrong Packing Co.—Quotations: Extra fat cows, \$3.00@3.25; good to choice cows, \$2.50@3.00; culls, \$2.25@2.50; canners and feeders, \$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; top hogs weighing 100 to 175 to 300 pounds, carload lots, \$3.40; same in wagon loads, \$3.30; light, rough and heavy hogs from 10 to 25 cents less per 100 pounds than top.

COTTON AND GRAIN MARKETS.

Dallas Tex., Jan. 16.—Ordinary 3 1/2
Good ordinary 4 1/2
Low middling 4 3/4
Middle 5
Good middling 5 1/2
Middling fair 5 3/4
Galveston, Tex., Jan. 16.—Spot cotton quiet and unchanged. No sales. Ordinary 4 1/2
Good ordinary 4 3/4
Low middling 5 1/2
Middle 5
Good middling 5 1/2
Middling fair 5 3/4

ST. LOUIS MARKET.

National Stock Yards, Ill., Jan. 16.—The market as compared with a week ago to-day has been stronger. Texas and Indian steers ranging from \$3.75@4.70, as against \$3.00@4.40; with the bulk at \$3.70@4.40. Cows and heifers, \$2.25@3.75, as against \$2.30@3.50. Hog receipts, 7300 as against 11,500; market strong. Pigs and lights, \$3.45@3.60, against \$3.15@3.35; \$3.40@3.65, as against \$3.20@3.50; butchers, \$3.60@3.75, as against \$3.45@3.65. Sheep receipts, 800 as against 900; market strong; native muttons, \$4.00@4.15, against \$3.50@4.00; lambs, \$4.00@4.25, as against \$4.00@4.00. Representative sales to-day: T. B. Miller, Seguin, 216 steers, 1163 pounds, at \$4.35, and 40 steers, 1152 pounds, at \$4.65; Summers & Shepherd, Cuero, 66 steers, 113 pounds, at \$4.60; Blank & Robertson, Taylor, 22 steers, 1097 pounds, at \$4.30; 62 oxen, 1317 pounds, at \$4.10; E. L. Bronson, Cuero, 1019-pound steers, at \$4.35, and 1162-pound bulls at \$3.00; J. J. Summers, Cuero, 1035-pound steers, at

\$3.50@5.00. Hog receipts for the week, 69,000; same week last year, 84,000. Trading in the hog yards continues very active; good quality packing grades are in especially good demand and while prices are not quotably higher this week, the recent advance in prices was fully sustained. Heavy hogs, \$3.60@3.72 1/2; mixed packers, \$3.40@3.70; light weights, \$3.35@3.53 1/2; pigs, \$3.20@3.35. Sheep receipts for the week, 16,000; same as year ago this week. The supply this week consisted largely of southwestern fed sheep and lambs that were not sufficiently well finished to satisfy requirements of the trade. Good flocks sold readily at steady prices, while common bunches sold slow at 5c to 10c lower. Lambs, \$4.80@5.10; muttons, \$3.50@4.10; feeding lambs, \$3.25@3.60; feeding sheep, \$3.00@3.50; stockers, \$2.00@3.25.

NEWS AND NOTES.

The San Angelo scouring mill resumed work on the 16th. A considerable acreage in Brazoria county will be planted this year in broom corn. Llano News: R. H. Moseley shipped this week 18 cars of fat cattle to Havana. Concho Herald: Kenedy & Scott bought 300 yearlings from different parties at \$12 a head. An effort is being made in Gonzales to organize a truck growers association and establish a cannery. Much of the unplecked cotton in Navarero county has been destroyed by the recent continuous rainfall. It is reported that a few horses west of Greenview in Hunt county have recently died of blind staggers. J. F. McSpaddin has bought about 300 yearlings in Denton county at an average price, it is said, of \$12.50. Devils River News: Woodward Bros. sold to Green Bros. of Edward count, 5 Hereford bulls at \$75 each. A number of land owners controlling 100,000 acres of land near San Angelo have organized to rid their lands of prairie dogs. D. E. Sims of Concho county has sold to Fayette Tankersley 15 Hereford and 7 Shorthorn bulls, two years old, at \$40. The rain that fell through North Texas and the Territory last week has been of great advantage to the wheat crop. Wolves are becoming very bold about Granbury, coming almost within the corporate limits after calves, pigs and chickens. The Baylor County Banner says that prospects for wheat at this season of the year have not been so good for a number of years. The third annual show of the Austin Pet Stock and Poultry association opened on the 16th with exhibits from all over the state. The M. Sansom cattle sold in Chicago on the 11th for \$4.65, \$4.90 and \$5.25, weights averaging 1268, 1194 and 1468 pounds respectively. A tobacco growers' association has been formed in Fayette county and each of the members will plant a designated area in tobacco. Western Rangeland (Ableme, Texas): Frank Sterrett received several head of registered Hereford bulls and heifers bought from Gentry Comstock, Mo. Haskell Free Press: Most farmers report wheat in good condition and say that the fine season in the ground now makes it all right for oat growing a little later on. H. C. Coleman of Hunt county, will have four acres planted in onions this year and expects to make more from them than could be made out of forty acres of cotton. The Granbury News says Hood county farmers will greatly rejoice their cotton acreage this year. Many have large crops of wheat and a big area will be planted in corn and oats. The West Texas Stockman thinks that large as was the expenditure of the cattlemen in the Colorado country for fine bulls in 1898 a great deal more will be paid out for the same purpose this year. Pecos Valley Argus: C. B. Willingham, the well known Roswell stockman, has leased the Hot ranch, near McMillan, for a term of two years, and will make it his home ranch and stock it with cattle. He will take immediate possession. At a meeting of the Grayson County Swine Breeders' association held in Sherman Jan. 10, arrangements were made for the comfort and entertainment of those who attend the meeting of the state association to be held in that city Feb. 14 and 15. Mr. Ellsworth Ingalls, a United States attorney, has been in San Angelo some days taking evidence in the claims against the government by those who lost stock through the depredations of Indians. Six parties put in claims amounting to \$50,000. Pecos Valley News: Mr. B. M. Hager killed four hogs this week three months old which dressed from 275 to 290 pounds each. Mr. W. C. Anderson killed three hogs this week dressing 555, 465 and 415 pounds. Who says Brown county can't raise hogs? These seven hogs equal in value five calves of cotton. E. J. Taylor, manager of the Weaver-grace Hereford breeding farm of T. F. B. Sotham, has bought for the Weaver-grace establishment from John Arkwright, bright of Hampton Court, Hereford, England, the young Hereford bull improver, one of the most promising young animals yet brought to this country, and said to be very similar to the Corrector type.

Denison Herald: All the farmers from the Territory who have visited the city in the last day or so, bring very encouraging reports of the wheat showing in this country. They say it is growing up finely, and that some wheat sown last fall in the dry weather which did not sprout for two months, has come up and is looking well. The Cherokee County Tobacco Growers' association had a meeting in Rusk Saturday, January 14, and heard an instructive address delivered by W. W. Welch, an expert in growing and handling tobacco. Last year the county produced about 12,000 pounds, and the quantity will be increased to about 20,000 pounds this year. The merchants will advance money on tobacco as on cotton. On the 12th the following was reported from Washington: Judgements in the Indian depredations cases aggregating about \$900,000 that had been held up on appeal to the supreme court were paid to the treasury by the treasury department yesterday. They have been pending ten years. The beneficiaries are people living in Cooke, Montague, and Wise and down to the line of the border in 1865. Galveston, Jan. 17.—The annual convention of the Texas Cattlemen's association was called to order this morning at 11 o'clock. Over 1200 persons were present. After the formalities of welcome and the reading of the annual reports of officers were read. After a short business session this afternoon the local committee on entertainment will conduct the visitors on a tour of inspection of the shipping facilities. The annual meeting of the Oklahoma Live Stock association, which will be held at Woodward Feb. 13 and 14, is expected to be a big event. It has been announced that James Wilson, secretary of agriculture will be present and deliver an address. From Albert Dean there is promised a paper on Texas fever. F. D. Colburn, secretary of the Kansas board of agriculture, and other distinguished authorities on live stock subjects are on the programme for papers on subjects of present interest. The annual meeting of the Oklahoma Live Stock association, which will be held at Woodward Feb. 13 and 14, is expected to be a big event. It has been announced that James Wilson, secretary of agriculture will be present and deliver an address. From Albert Dean there is promised a paper on Texas fever. F. D. Colburn, secretary of the Kansas board of agriculture, and other distinguished authorities on live stock subjects are on the programme for papers on subjects of present interest.

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TO HOUSEHOLD.

As well as I can remember, there is one virtue we have never discussed in the Household—promptness punctuality. The lack of this virtue in others has caused to those who possess it enough bad temper to condemn souls, enough inconvenience and trouble to upset the world. He who is lacking in promptness, in punctuality, in lacking in other virtues as well—in thoughtfulness, in consideration, in the power of putting himself in another's place. Promptness in keeping an engagement is a virtue no man or woman can afford to neglect. It indicates it is not the only virtue lacking, but in its flight took with it many others. As an example, will give from my own experience. I invited a friend to lunch with me not long ago; was to come promptly at a certain hour. It was a busy day with me (all my days are busy). I rose an hour earlier than I had intended, through my work, prepared some extra nice things for lunch and then waited the coming of my friend. The hour came and passed and was followed by two more, and yet she came not. I sat and reflected over what I had done in consideration of my friend. I thought, consideration costs people in the world. It is the small annoyances in life that are so hard to endure. We can meet the great things bravely, but we succumb to the pin pricks. In the afternoon, as I was starting out on an urgent duty, my inconsiderate friend came and remained until dark; said she was so busy at home all morning she thought it would make no difference about lunch. Long ago I came to the conclusion that the best way to improve my life was to avoid faults in others. I urge every member of Household to try this. Avoid the faults of others, especially those small, annoying things that drive to desperation. We will still be full of faults, no matter how we strive to avoid the faults of others.

I am glad Kathleen has asked that question regarding "ma'am." No, it is not correct to say "ma'am," "yes, sir," "no, ma'am," "no, sir." Parents who teach their children this teach them something which will have to be undone in after years. It is incorrect and they will find it out of place in polite society. A child should be taught to say "Yes, mother," "Yes, father." When asked a question, instead of saying, "Ma'am?" or "Sir?" "What is it?" or "I beg pardon." The most learned man, the most brilliant conversationalist, place him in a company of cultured people and let him say, "Yes, ma'am," "No, sir," or "Ma'am?" and he is condemned at once as not posted in polite usages. He might talk learnedly of the classics, speak fluently the court language of the Old World, but if he said "Yes, ma'am," "Sir?" "Ma'am?" he would offend the cultured ear, disappoint good taste and prove himself lacking in that small painstaking which makes the truly cultured person. It is very necessary to be accurate in small things, else limit the influence of your greatness. I never hear parents teaching children to say "Ma'am?" and "Sir?" that I do not wish them to teach correctly while small. I never hear a man or woman say this without wishing to ask them to correct a small thing so offensive to ears polite. Leave "sir" and "ma'am" to servants. Yes, to call after having been invited to be impertinent. Social duties must not be neglected; they are as obligatory as the other duties of life. The social side of life is not to be neglected or regarded lightly. We were created social creatures, you know, so must keep our social laws.

Poco-A-Poco's letter is gladly received. I have missed him and hoped for another letter. I suggested a new subject last week; hope he will write us his views.

I wish Winona would tell us more of ranch life. I have seen pictures of the chuck wagons starting out; they looked most interesting and picturesque.

Nix Nit has kindly resumed the tale which has left us in suspense so long. I hope he will not forsake us so long again. The waste basket will never embrace one of his letters.

Hayseed is more than welcome. He is sure to attract attention, and may be pounced upon; but I promise to stand by him. However, I am sure he is brave enough to stand alone.

Am glad to hear from G. E. D. D. again. Many have inquired for her. I wish to thank Village Blacksmith for the most useful of all my Christmas presents. My friends say it is too neatly and beautifully done to be homemade. I appreciate the thought and shall keep the gift always.

IS THIS TRUE?

Mrs. Buchanan and Happy Household: While it was with case that I summed up courage enough to enter the volunteer army when hostilities opened between Spain and our beloved country, I have never until now possessed enough to start my beggarly quill in conquest for territory in the midst of your brilliant-minded and happy band of Householders. I have read the Journal for several years, and to say I enjoy the Household page more than all others is putting it mildly indeed.

I regret that you write so little, for every word you write is "a gem of purest ray serene," not that the members are poor correspondents, but because you write so much better. Your advice is ever of the best and should have the attention of all. Though some may not need it at present, it will be of great benefit in the future. Bleeding heart, I have nothing to say to you, but that poor Miserable M. and all others—miserable or not—I say, keep your love affairs a secret and avoid the reputation of being fickle. I will wager a hole out of a doughnut against twice that many auger holes that Man is now lying on the burning sands of Cuba, horribly mutilated by a shower of Maudslayi sympathy, for of course if he went over with our band of patriots he had his tale of woe translated and published in a Spanish weekly with the above result. I have often wondered why he didn't think what the word, "Man," meant, and carefully define the second thought before he signed himself as he did. The prefix was all o. k., and very appropriate for a man that would polish to the world such a letter as he did, is not in my estimation capable of being otherwise than miserable. Some blue-eyed damsel must have spoken to him amid captivating smiles and caused him to think her deeply in love with him. Poor Man! Excuse me, I meant poor thing—he imagined the Household page would be wet with tears of sympathy when he pealed forth his pitiful (?) tale of woe so eloquently, and to my surprise it came near being so, but "Old Sol" still gets up just after daylight and the earth revolves on her axis. Hear what Irving says of a broken heart: "Man is the creature of ambition and interest. His nature leads him forth into the struggle and bustle of the world. Love is but the embellishment of an early life or a momentary diversion in the interval of years. He seeks for fame, for fortune, for space in the world's thought and dominion over his fellowmen. But woman's whole life is a history of affections. The heart is her world. It is there her ambitions and wishes for adventure. She embarks her whole soul in the traffic of affection and if shipwrecked her case is hopeless—for it is a bankruptcy of the heart. To a man the disappointments in love may occasion some bitter pangs, it wounds some feelings of tenderness, it blasts some prospects of felicity, but he is an active being—he may dissipate his thoughts in the whirl of varied occupation or may plunge in the tide of pleasure or if the scene of disappointment be too full of painful associations, he can shift his abode at will, and taking as it were the wings of the morning fly to the uttermost parts of the earth and be at rest." But woman's life comparatively a fixed, a secluded and meditative life. She is more the companion of her own thoughts and feelings, and if they are turned to ministers of sorrow, where shall she

look for consolation? Her lot is to be wooed and won and if unhappy in her love, her heart is like some fortress that has been captured and sacked and has been abandoned and left desolate. How many bright eyes grow dim; how many soft cheeks grow pale; how many lovely forms fade away into the tomb and none can tell the cause that blighted their loveliness? As the dove will clasp its wings to its side and cover and conceal the arrow that is preying on its vitals, so is it the nature of woman to hide from the world the pangs of wounded affection. The love of a delicate female is always shy and silent, even when she scarcely breathes it to herself, but when otherwise, she buries in the recess of her bosom and there lets it cover and brood among the ruins of her peace. With her the desire of her heart has failed. The great charm of existence is at an end. She neglects all cheerful exercises which gladden the heart, quicken the pulses and send the tide of life through the veins. The sweet refreshment of sleep is poisoned with melancholy dreams; "dry sorrow drinks her blood," until her enfeebled frame sinks under the slightest external injury. Look for her after a while and you find friendship wending over an untimely grave and wondering that one who but lately glowed with all the radiance of health and beauty should so speedily be brought down to "darkness and the worm." You will be told of some wintry day, but you know that the cold that laid her low was not a cold, but a mental malady that previously sapped her strength and made her so easy a prey to the spoiler. She is like some tender tree—the pride and beauty of the grove—graceful in its form, bright in its foliage, but with the worm preying on its heart. We find it suddenly withering when it should be most fresh and luxuriant. We see it drooping its branches to the earth and shedding leaf by leaf until wasted and perished the forest, and as we move over the beautiful ruin we strive in vain to recollect the blast or thunderbolt that could have smitten it with decay."

I make a motion that we drop the worn and fickle subjects, "Is marriage a failure," and "Is it better to have had a horn, and feel the earth quiver as though it was but a toy in the hand of some rude urchin. I may not know what kind of a fellow "Pet" calls brave. I hold that any man that will allow himself to be manipulated by some angelic inhabitant of this earth, to believe that he is the only pebble on the beach, and then finds out that she is only amusing herself at his expense, or "having some fun" as they say, is leading. From the Miss Pet calls it in whisky, seeks to drown his sorrows in drink, is no brave man. Any man that will take to drink for a friend, when he has but to open his eyes and see a stretched, emaciated creature, see his heart sinking in fire, the worm that never dies, knocking at his heart. Who is it? God help him—that is his future. Miss Pet, I mean no offense—just trying my hand with the other writers that flirring is a sin. 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SAN ANTONIO.

San Antonio office of Texas Stock and Farm Journal, Garza Building, 210 Main Plaza, where our friends are invited to call when in the city.

John Wolf of Dilley, was here Tuesday.

C. W. Baker of Bexar county, spent a few days in town this week.

Henry Ends, a well known Wilson county cattleman, spent a portion of the week here.

R. E. Nutt, Sr., of Beville, was here Monday returning home from a trip to North Texas.

William Adams, a prominent stockman of Alice, was a visitor in San Antonio Thursday.

W. S. Mussett of Karnes county, was among the visiting stockmen in San Antonio Thursday.

A. Nance of Kyle, was here Tuesday on a business trip. Mr. Nance is a well known cattle dealer and feeder.

Maj. W. Hilliard of Kyle, was here Wednesday. Said he was not trying to buy anything and did not want prices on anything.

J. O. West, a Refugio county cattleman, was among the visitors here this week. Says the winter's loss in his section will be normal.

M. J. Baker of Cuero, has sold to A. G. Kennedy of Beville, 1200 head of two and three-year-old steers, spring delivewy, at \$19 and \$22.50.

N. R. Powell of Pettus, who is known as the bull man of his city, was here Monday returning from a trip to North Texas points.

S. J. Blocker, a prominent Maverick county cattleman, spent several days here this week, and gives glowing accounts of how much grass there is in his section of the country.

Morris Bros. of Kerr county, were here Saturday en route to Pettus where they were going on a bull trade. No doubt that Nat Powell had something to do with their excursion.

John M. Rooney of Alpine, who has been in jail here charged with killing Charles Praeger, has been released on \$10,000 bond, result of habeas corpus proceedings here Saturday.

W. H. Jennings has finally found that he cannot live anywhere except in San Antonio, and has therefore moved his family here and is a full-fledged citizen of this place.

J. D. Nichols of Kenedy, was in San Antonio Monday. He reports cattle doing fairly well in his section, although many more range cattle are now being wintered than ever before.

Sol Mayer of Sonora, a very prominent stockman of that section, has been spending several days here. Says that his section of the country is in the shape and that the stock owners there have no room for complaint.

D. A. Nance of Kyle, was here Wednesday. Has just returned from a trip to Little Rock where he is feeding a string of steers. Says the steers are taking on flesh in good shape and will soon begin running them to market.

E. G. Liebhold of Bandera, came down the other day. Says the range is in good shape and that cattle are doing fine. Mr. Liebhold is making his arrangements to go to the Territory again next spring, and has a top bunch of steers to go with.

O. G. Hugo, a well known Frio county cattleman and breeder of big grade Polled Durham and Shorthorn bulls, was here Saturday. Said his range was in good shape and cattle doing well. From here Mr. Hugo goes to the Galveston convention.

D. G. Franks of Del Rio, inspector for the Cattle Raisers' association of Texas, spent Friday here. He says the country where he is in fine shape and that cattle will winter well. Says owners of cattle are usually feeling pretty good and anticipate good prices in the spring for all cattle which will be sold.

Gus Wittling, the well known Wilson county stockman, has been here the past week. Gus is quite anxious to find something in the way of a few thousand good three and four-year-old steers for spring delivery. Says he believes that this is the right year to go to the Territory, and he is going it can get the cattle.

The Union Meat company of this city, has bought of George Sanders 250 head of heifers which are now on full feed at the stock yards, to be delivered as fast as fat and ready for market. Private terms. Same company also bought of A. Nance of Kyle, 400 head of steers out of his feed lots at Seguin, for similar delivery.

J. W. Kincaid, a well known Uvalde county cattleman, was here Wednesday. Says the ranges of his section are in good shape and that cattle are doing well for this season of the year. He thinks all stock will go through the winter in good shape. He is not at all discouraged and says that he thinks the cow business is all right.

Maj. John B. Armstrong of the Chicago ranch, Cameron county, was here most of the week, from a trip to Austin. Says the lower country is in good shape and that no losses will be reported from that section this winter. The major thinks the cattle business is all right, and is figuring somewhat on spreading and increasing the size of his holdings provided the proper thing can be found at a proper figure.

John I. Clare of Beville, was here for a couple of days this week. Was just down to visit home for a few days from Elgin, where he is wintering a big string of cattle. Says the cattle are doing well up there and he expects to stay with them most all winter. He thinks the outlook for a good market in the spring and summer is favorable.

John J. Elliff of Banquette, was here Thursday. Mr. Elliff, it will be remembered, is the man who sold his three and four-year-old steers to A. G. Kennedy for \$40.00 per head. Mr. Elliff says Nueces county, or at least his part of it is in bad condition, but gives promise of being in fine shape this spring.

H. L. Lackey of Alpine, arrived here Monday and spent several days in this city. Says the Alpine country is in fairly good shape and that cattle should go through the winter well. He predicts an early spring, and says that early grass is also assured. This being the case, stockmen generally in that section are in good spirits.

J. M. Chittim of this city, returned from a trip to his ranches in Goliad, Bee and Live Oak counties; says that his cattle will come out all right, thanks to the feed he has been able to secure. Mr. Chittim is much encouraged and does not think that the southwestern portion of the state will have any heavy cattle losses to report.

M. J. Baker of Cuero, was here Monday en route to the Territory, where he is wintering a big string of cattle. Says DeWitt county stockmen are in good shape and have no occasion to doubt that the cattle business still gives promise of good prosperity. He says that the difference now existing between buyers and sellers will soon be overcome by reason of the buyers accepting the inevitable and coming to the sellers' figures.

John H. Belcher of Twohig and Henrietta, came up from his LaSalle county ranch Monday and spent the day here. He was en route to Henrietta. Says the recent rains in his section have caused a good crop of green woods to spring up and that the cattle are eating them relishingly and doing well on them. He does not expect to lose any cattle this winter, although he is very short on grass. Mr. Belcher takes a very hopeful view of the situation and says that cattle have not yet reached the top notch, and that the end is not yet.

D. R. Gabriel of Massena, Tex., has been here for the past week. Mr. Gabriel is identified with the cattle business in his section and is now prospecting in this portion of the state, with the intention of purchasing, if conditions are favorable, a ranch and herd of cattle. He says that the feed in his section does not come up in numbers to the number usually fed there and is short of last year's business by a good deal. He believes the same will apply to Nebraska, Kansas and other states in the North. Thinks the feeders will all do fairly well this year.

Alex D. McGee of San Marcos, came to town Thursday morning and after spending the day here, went on to Floresville and out to the pasture, where he and Horace Storey have a lot of cows and calves. Mr. McGee says that he expects to make some money on all of his cattle which are now in the feed pens and thinks that all fed cattle will bring good prices when marketed, provided they are good fat before being shipped. He thinks the outlook for the cattle business is good and believes that trading in the spring will be at good prices, but he thinks that the demand will be principally from Texas pasture men who will want something to eat their grass.

J. B. Allen of this city, of the firm of Moore & Allen, ranching in Kinney and Uvalde counties, is back from a trip to the ranches, and says that his cattle have an abundance of grass and are in good shape. He expects all of them to go through the winter in good shape and come out in the spring ready to shed off and be stock and fat. Says his Uvalde county ranch is not so well supplied with grass as is the Kinney county ranch, but that both ranches are stocked with a careful consideration of the grass, and that all the cattle have a sufficient amount of range. Messrs. Moore & Allen have a big herd of cattle and are doing just what all other progressive cattlemen are doing, viz., putting good blood and good color into them through the medium of fine bulls.

Horace C. Storey of San Marcos, came down Thursday morning and went to the country from this place in a buggy to look over the cattle he has in pasture near here. He reports all his cattle in different parts are doing very well, but lays particular stress upon the cattle which he is feeding at Austin; says that they are just doing fine and when ready for market will be of only fine, but also fancy. Mr. Storey is one of the best cowmen in this part of the state, and at the same time is a thorough, practical and successful feeder. He is interested in a big string of cows which are now located in Wilson county and which he reports as doing well; says that these cows will give him a big crop of fine calves next year, and that he expects to realize a handsome price for them.

Capt. John T. Lytle of Lytle, John R. Blocker of this city, and T. J. Moore of Llano, have returned from a trip to Mexico, where they went to inspect the ranch recently purchased by themselves and W. H. Jennings. They are well pleased with the property and expect to shortly begin stocking it with several thousand head of good, improved steers and fine bulls. These gentlemen expect to raise fine steers on this ranch, and when they cross them into Texas will take them direct above the quarantine line, as the cattle of that ranch will not be ticky, consequently will pass all inspections. It is claimed that they can raise a good quality of steers in Texas much cheaper than they can in Texas so much so that they can afford to pay duties and still sell even cheaper than Texas raisers and yet make good money.

Albert P. Rachel of Beville, was among the visiting stockmen here the first of the week. Says that cattle are being fed all over his section and that it is the only way to keep them alive this winter. Says the outlook of last summer and fall spotted all chances for a winter supply of grass, and that it was absolutely necessary that all range cattle in that section be fed. He says that his condition of affairs does not prevail all over the country, however. For instance, he is interested in

a big string of steers in the Victoria county, and says that they have plenty of grass to keep them in good condition in the spring, at which time he is going to the Territory. Says that his cattle are not so bad for the reason that he wants to go there, and the only way his cattle can be bought is for somebody to pay him a good deal more than they are worth.

H. M. Stonebreaker of Kansas City, representing the Harse Commission company, is here on his regular winter business trip to this section and expects to stay till spring opens up, and the Territory cattle move. He tells the Journal representative that the number of cattle on feed in Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska, Missouri and other Northern feeding states, is below the number being fed there last winter, and says it is his opinion that the same condition exists in Texas. He does not believe in overestimating these things, as it may have had results. Says the visible supply of beef is not nearly so large as has been reported, and for this reason he believes that grass cattle will be in good demand and bring good prices in the spring. Says that there will be no trouble about money matters, and he expects to see a good Territory business again this spring. Speaking of the cattle and horse business in the Territory, he said that when they were matured and ready for market, in his opinion, the market would be good and prices would be satisfactory to the cattle owners.

W. T. Way, of this city, has returned from a two weeks' absence, during which time he visited St. Louis, Little Rock, Ark., Natchitoches, La., and numerous other points. Mr. Way was warmly welcomed home, and a delegation of friends who met him at the depot found that the bundle he carried with them was superfluous, as he had not come up to sell his stock; he simply retired from the active management of the office because he needed the rest and did not desire to do the work for a time at any rate, and that Col. Simpson's taking the management of this office simply meant that the colonel knew a good thing when he saw it, had bought a good lot of stock in the company and wanted to devote his time to the business. The change suits all parties interested and the public and the customers of the company, while sorry that Mr. Huton retires, are all glad to greet Col. Simpson in his new venture.

STATE VETERINARIAN NEEDED. Paper of Capt. John Tod read to the Texas Live Stock Association. -Vories P. Brown, Esq., Secretary Texas Live Stock Association, San Antonio, Texas: Dear Sir—Owing to the fact that I am just receiving from Columbia, Mo., thirty head of Hereford bulls recently inoculated there as a preventive measure against fever, I regret exceedingly my inability to be at the convention of the 17th inst. Will you please convey to the members and members of the executive committee and association my sincere apologies for my unavoidable absence. However, as I am booked for a discussion on the question, "Is the tick the sole carrier of splenic fever?" I can not write more than I did at the meeting of the association a year ago, and I say now, Mr. President and gentlemen, members of this association, it is of no avail our discussing this question. "The tick and nothing but the tick theory" has been adopted, and unless we Southern cattlemen who are raising cattle in a tick infested country can show there are other causes we may as well yield.

Many of us believe we have acclimatization fever to contend against in importing cattle from the North, but that has nothing to do with the question of our getting our cattle north of the quarantine line.

It is interesting from the question on the paper, but I pointed out a year ago, and do so again, that we in the South, to whom the matter is of great importance, have done nothing towards the eradication of it. We rumble and dip and try to put nice attentions at their home—but he can't play dominoes worth a cent. I desire to say to some of my good friends in Baird, Texas, that I was real sorry to hear that you had not and could not pay for that express package they so kindly sent to me at Aledo, Texas. Two dollars and fifty cents is more money than the average newspaper reader ever has about his person. I ordered the package returned to the sender at Baird, I suppose it will keep until August, at which time I will call in person and get it. Now, who is the laugh at? C. C. POOLE, Alvin, Texas, Jan. 14, 1899.

ARKANSAS EXPERIMENTS. Encouraging Cotton Farmers to Raise Cattle and Hogs, Also Pork and Beef. The experiment station of the agricultural department of the Fayetteville university, Little Rock, Ark., has just issued a bulletin detailing experiments on pork and beef as money crops for

trifet that about a year ago was ravaged with a fatal horse disease. Has the cause of that disease, or even the disease itself, ever been ascertained? Gentlemen, the poor farmer with his plow and wagon, needs protection as much as the cattleman, and I earnestly trust this meeting will not separate without giving strong voice on the subject of a state veterinarian. I am, respectfully,

JOHN TOD.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, Lucas county. FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & CO., doing business in the city of Toledo, Ohio, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for and in favor of CATARRH CURE, cannot be cured by HART'S CATARRH CURE. Sworn to before me this 6th day of December, A. D. 1898. A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

POOLER ON THE WING. Editor Texas Stock and Farm Journal: On the 7th of January I boarded the Santa Fe cars at Fort Worth, owing to a wreck between Cleburne and Fort Worth, we ran over the Katy track as far as Alvarado. Cleburne, Alvarado I could see from the car window a large lot of steers on feed in the pens. They looked contented and were plump and fat. Also at Cleburne near the track another lot fell on feed. We stopped there twenty minutes for breakfast and I had the pleasure of shaking hands with several old friends. From Fort Worth to Temple the growing wheat crop is nice indeed; thousands of acres on either side of the railroad track could be seen. There has been plenty of rain. I saw a great many plows going out. My first stop was at Caldwell. Here I stopped to see new hams to the Journal readers—stockmen and farmers. This is a nice town and the people seemed to be thrifty and happy. I desire to thank C. T. Henley for many nice attentions paid myself and the Journal. He is an old reader of the paper and said to me, "Keep it coming, for I could not keep house without the Journal." He had others reported stock in good condition in that part of the country.

My next halt was at Bellville. This, too, is a nice, quiet town of about 1500 souls. Here it rained all day, yet I enjoyed the meeting English here. This immediate surrounding country is strictly a cotton and corn country. Again I pulled out for Sealy. Here luck was against me again. It rained all day, but I managed to pass off the time pleasantly, playing dominoes with some ladies that were stopping at the hotel, and the way they beat me was a sin unto Moses. I am ashamed to acknowledge letting a woman beat me at any game, but in fact, I was knocked clean out. They wanted to know my name; I told them I was John Smith, so you see the laugh is on Smith, not Farmer Poole. I had the pleasure of meeting English here. He and T. F. Walker are feeding 350 steers and bulls and 40 cows at the Southern oil mills at Houston. Mr. English reports the cattle taking on flesh rapidly, also, shock and corn. Stone, an old reader of the Journal, He is a well to do stockman and reports all stock cattle in this country thin and in bad condition. In fact, I can see to what I could pick up, all stock from Bellville to this point, Alvin, are in bad shape, owing to so much rain recently.

From Bellville to Alvin the country looks to be just a—pancake. The greatest drawback that I can see to this country is lack of drainage. Once there is a thorough drainage system put into operation this country will be the garden spot of Texas. It has been four years since I visited Alvin and I want to say I never have seen such rapid growth of fruit trees in any other country. This is strictly a fruit and vegetable country. Berries of all kinds, peaches, pears, plums, apricots, plums, etc., etc., grow to perfection here. There are hundreds of acres of strawberries growing here and they are in fine condition, though everything of the kind is very late here this winter, owing to the cold weather. The strawberries are in bloom, yet ordinarily at this season of the year there are plenty of ripe berries. The potato crop here is also a fine one. I visited a fine Irish potatoe coming through the ground. I am informed that as a rule there is an abundance of them ready for market in March.

I am domiciled at the residence of S. N. Aeton, one mile southeast of town. He is an up-to-date fruit and vegetable producer, has a nice home and orchard with all kinds of berries. I desire to thank him and his good wife and amiable daughters for their nice attentions at their home—but he can't play dominoes worth a cent. I desire to say to some of my good friends in Baird, Texas, that I was real sorry to hear that you had not and could not pay for that express package they so kindly sent to me at Aledo, Texas. Two dollars and fifty cents is more money than the average newspaper reader ever has about his person. I ordered the package returned to the sender at Baird, I suppose it will keep until August, at which time I will call in person and get it. Now, who is the laugh at? C. C. POOLE, Alvin, Texas, Jan. 14, 1899.

ARKANSAS EXPERIMENTS. Encouraging Cotton Farmers to Raise Cattle and Hogs, Also Pork and Beef. The experiment station of the agricultural department of the Fayetteville university, Little Rock, Ark., has just issued a bulletin detailing experiments on pork and beef as money crops for

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cotton farmers; also as crops for improving soil for succeeding crops of cotton. Among other things the bulletin says:

The majority of cotton growers are aware that to realize much profit from their business another money crop should be grown in connection with cotton, that is, one to occupy a part of the present cotton acreage. Pork and beef, especially pork, appear to be the crops that meet the requirements as they can be produced at a good profit by a majority of cotton growers. Experiments show that corn is not essential for making pork and beef, and therefore competition from sections having cheap corn can be easily met. The cost per pound of producing pork to weigh 250 to 275 pounds at ten months of age on land estimated at a rental of \$2.75 per acre, is 1 1/2 cents. The quantity of corn required in producing pork at that cost does not exceed five bushels per head and that quantity is needed mainly for hardening for market. All the foods except the corn, used by the pigs to produce 275 pounds of pork in ten months from birth, are gathered by the pigs themselves.



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DALLAS.

Dallas office of Texas Stock and Farm Journal, 312 Main St., where our friends are invited to call when in the city.

Wm. Reeves of Caldwell wants to sell 500 head of mixed cattle. See his "ad" on page 5.

Ed Woodward of Navasota, advertises young steers for March or April delivery elsewhere in this issue.

A. P. Bush of Colorado, Tex., president of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, was in Dallas Saturday.

S. H. Tillman, 326 Main street, this city, will insure your barn or livestock fire on your dwelling, barn or livestock.

The attention of corn growers is called to the advertisement of H. Howard of Marshall, Mo., Texans who in years past have purchased "Howard's Mammoth Yellow Dent" pronounce it very fine.

J. H. Jennings of Martindale informs the Journal that he has just received from a noted Wisconsin breeder a consignment of Red Polks, males and females, which he now offers for sale.

Scott & March, the well known Hereford breeders of Belton, Mo., are on the market with a fine lot of young bulls and heifers of the own breeding. Attention is called to their advertisement in "Breeders Directory."

V. O. Hildreth of Alledo, Texas, whose advertisement may be found in the Journal's "Breeders Directory," offers for sale a few young registered and high grade Shorthorn bulls. These animals are by a Scotch topped bull.

Tamblyn & Tamblyn, the well known live stock commission merchants of Kansas City, St. Louis and Chicago, are sending out a very artistic calendar for 1899. The Journal acknowledges with thanks the receipt of one.

Robert K. Wylie, who has long been one of the foremost cattlemen of Texas, in company with his wife, was in Dallas Friday. Mr. Wylie has one of the best cattle ranches of the state, located in Rannels county on the Colorado river, and as he has been raising pure bred bulls for nearly twenty years he has one of the finest herds of cattle in the country.

Jno. R. Garbes of Billings, Mo., writes the Journal that he now has on hand a fine lot of young White Highland gobbles and a number of Golden and Silver Wyandottes and White Plymouth Rock roosters that he offers for sale at very reasonable prices, breeding considered. Prompt attention given all mail orders.

Texas Stock and Farm Journal has received the first number of "Dairy and Creamery," an excellent periodical published at Chicago and specially devoted to dairy interests. This will be a constant source of information of those interests may be expected from the fact that its editor is Mr. N. W. McClain, formerly director of the Minnesota Agricultural Experiment Station.

A meeting of Dallas county dairymen was held at the hall of the Commercial club, resulting in a permanent organization and the name of the Dallas county Dairymen's association. Mr. T. D. Elliott being selected as president and Mr. Jacob Metzger as secretary. It was decided to have two regular meetings each month, to be held Wednesday.

S. H. Nance of Wheatland, one of Dallas county's most prominent and energetic farmers was in the city Friday last and during a short visit to the Texas Stock and Farm Journal office said that the rains have done much good for the wheat crop and that the wet weather in December did not result in any loss of cotton as the crop was picked when it came. Mr. Nance has for several years been walking a goodly portion of his corn crop off to market by fattening hogs, and says he proposes to keep it up as long as the profits are in keeping with those of former years.

WHAT THEY SAY. Jas. Flenchman of Guertle, I. T., in a private letter to the Texas Stock and Farm Journal, says: "Cattle are doing very well here, taking into consideration the bad shape in which they entered the winter. The ticks were very troublesome in this part of the country last fall. I have only been reading your paper for a month past, and I do not see how a man in the stock business can do without it."

Weldon Winn of Santa Anna, Texas, adds a postscript to a business letter to the Texas Stock and Farm Journal, and says: "I can't get along without the Journal. No one engaged in the stock business can afford to do without it."

J. N. Porter of Geronimo, Arizona, in a letter of 12th inst. enclosing cash for his renewal, says: "We are having lots of rain and prospects are splendid in this. The land of sunshine and silver, for who are trying to make a living from the profits of the old brindle cow."

Mat Jones of Trall, O. T., writes on the 12th inst. to run his name up a year, and adds: "I can not do without it. Stock on feed is looking well, but that on the range is beginning to get thin and will have to be fed or there will be considerable loss this winter."

HOW IS YOUR BLOOD? Gentlemen who have blood disorders or private diseases will do well to read Dr. B. L. Brown's advertisement in this issue.

ABOUT THE PANHANDLE. Editor Texas Stock and Farm Journal: If I should attempt to write a detailed description of the Texas Panhandle I would either do a great injustice to the country or fall signally at my task, so I will only speak of things I saw along the Fort Worth and Denver road, which by the way, traverses one of the best sections of the state and one, too, which gives much promise of being the "garden spot" not only of Texas, but the entire Southwest, in time to come. Rich in resources, a magnificent climate, with natural advantages that would require more time and space than is now available, to

mention, the great Panhandle of Texas offers, to say the least, a very inviting field for most any kind of business. Sunday morning, Jan. 8th, in company with Chas. Lanter and Sheriff McClure of Wise, Williams of Wilbarger, Deery of Donley, we boarded the Denver train at Fort Worth, and soon the familiar voice of the well known and popular conductor, George Clark, rang out, "all aboard." In a very short time we were speeding across the "billywag" stretch of the sun-kissed hills. After leaving Fort Worth we traveled six hours through the wheat belt of North Texas and some pretty wheat fields we saw. On account of the favorable season the grain is up and growing nicely. An increased acreage is discernible all along the line and the people in this section of the country are very jubilant over the bright prospects. Upon the invitation of Mr. Lanter, Vernon's chief of police, and who, by the way, is a man favorably known in the West as a very fine detective and officer, I stopped to spend a day in the capital city of Wilbarger county. Vernon is a good town and draws the trade from a very large territory surrounding it. Its buildings, in business blocks, are noticeably spacious and finely constructed, and the resident portion is very pretty and well improved. The people take a live interest in hog raising and every where apparent is the result of mutual co-operation, especially in educational and church organizations. At this town I met many Journal readers and listed a few new ones. In fact, I never met any one who was not a people in one town in one day before. I did not hear anything of hard times, and judging from the confident air of the merchants and seemingly indifferent expressions of the farmers, I am sure that this section of the country is all right, indeed, in fine condition. Good rains have fallen and prospects for crops are very encouraging.

After leaving Vernon Monday afternoon, my next stop was Childress. Arriving there on time, in good shape, I was soon domiciled at the splendid Good hotel, where Capt. Jay Willis makes everybody feel at home, and he knows what goes for the inner man, as well as other things. Next morning, after a very gloomy day, the sun rose bright and clear. A prettier day never dawned in the Panhandle, nor anywhere else. Inasmuch as this was not my first visit, I was not long in locating my victims. I met quite a number of stockmen who were outwoken in favor of the Journal increasing its circulation. This being the case, my day's work was an easy task and soon completed. In the afternoon I dined with Mr. U. S. Weddington at his ranch, the Hereford Grove Stock farm, a few miles from town. I have seen lots of fine cattle in Texas and other states, though I am free to admit that I never saw anything prettier in color, shape and size than those of Mr. Weddington. He will offer some very fine values at the Fort Worth convention this spring, and prospective buyers would do well to make note of this sale.

My time being limited, Wednesday evening I bade adieu to all in Childress and after making one or two stops, I arrived here Friday evening. I understand that the stock of all kinds is doing nicely, though very few transactions are reported. Next week I hope to be able to report something of interest further up the Denver road.

E. L. PITTMAN, Clarendon, Jan. 14, 1898.

THE JOHNSON GRASS EVIL. Editor Texas Stock and Farm Journal: In your late number of the Journal, Jan. 11, Mr. H. B. Hillyer writes a very interesting article on the greatest pest ever planted on Texas soil, the Johnson grass. It is steadily encroaching upon our rich black lands in North Texas, and it is only a matter of a few years at the farthest when it will practically ruin the agricultural interests of this section. The legislature should pass stringent laws against the hauling of the hay over our highways. It should be condemned by our farmers, both land owners and tenants.

Somewhat or other, perhaps through birds dropping the seed and through carelessness of seedsmen in selling mill seed, the hay is being raised on fields infested with Johnson grass, six small catches in the past ten years sprung up on the farm I manage, and has been promptly killed by an application of salt. My tenants are intelligent white families, and I treat them so fairly and generally as to make it to their interest to watch closely against its propagation. I take "pot luck" with them by only asking one-third of the grain and one-fourth of the cotton raised on the farm, and do not fear that any of them would be so mean and degenerate as to wilfully sow it with malicious intent. Such a tenant is an enemy to not only his own interest, but to the whole people of Texas.

When it once gets a firm hold on a farm, the cost of eradication is so great as to become impracticable. I know of several small farms in Collin, which had been either abandoned or used merely for the pasturage of beef cattle. Five years ago, before these farms were well set, they were valued at \$25 to \$50 per acre, but now are practically unsalable. As Mr. Hillyer has truthfully asserted it is a tough, coarse-fibered hay and not considered profitable as a pasture.

It behooves every Texan to use his influence to stamp it out as one of the greatest pests or curses ever brought to the state. There is no time to be lost in using every means in our power to exterminate it. Salt it, cut it, dig it, burn it and legislate against its propagation, is imperative, if we would save our farming interests from rapid deterioration.

OLD COTTON PLANTER. McKinney, Tex., Jan. 12, 1899.

CATTLE AND CROPS IN JACK COUNTY. Editor Texas Stock and Farm Journal: The year 1899 is here, bright and cheerful. Cattle are in good shape and no losses to date, though there has been some Eastern stuff shipped in. The wheat crop is late, but stand good, with an increased acreage. The oat crop will be large, if the seed can be had at a reasonable price. As there is no seed in the country, the supply will have to be shipped in. Corn is ready for sale at 20 cents. Calves, \$12 to \$15. Though the price is not so good as formerly, still trading goes on. Range very good. JOE H. DAVIS, Jackboro, Texas.

NATIONAL LIVE STOCK ASSOCIATION REGISTER.

One of the most important features in connection with the National Live Stock convention which meets in Denver on the 24th will be a stock register for the use of the delegates and visitors. Nearly every stockman attending the meeting will have stock to sell or wish to purchase. The register which has been made under the direction of Mr. F. A. Keener and B. Frank Hunter, especially for this purpose, will be kept in the lobby of the Grand opera house and in charge of a competent man with a wide acquaintance among stockmen. Every one interested in this, as well as all delegates, will have the privilege of registering their names, postoffice address and whether they will desire to buy or sell, as well as the amount. This will serve as the means of making stockmen acquainted with each other and facilitate business. Any person in any portion of the Union, who is prevented from attending the convention, can have his wants registered by sending them to the recording secretary of the association.

RANGE CATTLE EXHIBITION. Among the large crowd of stockmen expected to visit Denver during the coming convention of the National Live Stock association, there will be many who are not there to attend the convention so much as to transact business. The week of the convention in Denver will mark the opening of the cattle business for the season of 1899. This exhibition will serve more than one purpose. In the first place it will show the range stock of all kinds of cattle that the Western range is producing in these modern days. This of itself is an important matter, as outside of the few men directly engaged in the range business in the West, few people know what great progress has been made in the past five years.

Many cattle will be entered just to show what kind can be produced, but there will be many carloads entered which will be merely samples of great herds of similar cattle which are still on the range and to be sold during the coming year. For the first time in history, an effort will be made to sell cattle by sample. This is a new departure in cattle trading and the result will be watched with considerable interest. Entries for the range cattle exhibition will be received up to January 15, and it is expected that there will be a large number of entries, when the books are closed, as there is no entrance fee charged.

DIPPING TO BE DISCONTINUED. The Kansas City Drovers Telegram of the 13th says: Col. Albert Dean, in pursuance to orders from D. E. Salomon, chief of the live stock industry at Washington, has ordered dipping cattle to be discontinued at all of the vats and has placed inspectors at the different dipping stations to carry out the orders. This ruling was made by the bureau on account of the complaints of losses at the several dipping vats. The results at the Mammoth Springs station have been fairly successful, but at Fort Worth and East St. Louis the losses from death have been severe in the afternoon. Experiments are being conducted by Dr. Norgaard at Kieburg, Texas, near Corpus Christi, with different dips. The present formula is regarded as too severe, particularly in the winter months. The bureau has not given up the idea of dipping to prevent Texas fever, but has simply concluded to carry the experiments further and demonstrate its feasibility beyond a doubt. However, it is generally admitted that no further dipping will be done with the present government formula during the cold weather. The officials of the bureau believe the dynamo oil and sulphur dip is all right in warm weather, but think it is too hard on the cattle in colder climates. In the experiments now being conducted in seed and lard oil are being tried with prospects of success.

TRADE CONDITIONS. The following is taken from R. G. Dun & Co's Weekly Review of Trade, January 13:

In products also the position of the country grows stronger. Last year's exports of wheat and corn were far beyond all precedent. In the week ending Jan. 10, 1898, the United States had seen exports of 4,237,688 bushels of wheat, flour included, against 3,216,470 last year from Atlantic ports, and in two weeks 4,452,109, against 6,086,788 last year. Exports in grain were also from Pacific ports of 1,324,052 bushels against 2,340,009 last year. Meanwhile corn exports have been in two weeks 7,193,313 bushels, against 6,991,575 last year. It is quite impossible to account for such movements on the theory that at current prices this country is underselling the world and has great quantities yet to move at similar prices. There was an advance of 1 1/2% in wheat during the week and 1c in corn, but without any indication that supplies are running short, and the western receipts of wheat, have been in two weeks 8,649,859 bushels, against 5,553,250 last year.

Wool is slightly held at the west. This industry has been depressed by bank all expectations by the prices demanded for wool with the extraordinary stocks yet unsold. The market for cotton goods has been fairly large and at rather better prices, in accord with the price of cotton, which has risen to 6.06 cents. Receipts south are for the moment much smaller than heretofore, while there is accumulating evidence that the crop gathered late and under unfavorable conditions of weather does not grade as well as was expected.

PRICES OF WHEAT AND CORN IN 1898. The price of the leading grains fluctuated through a wide range during 1898. According to a comprehensive supplement issued by the St. Louis Market Reporter, No. 2 red wheat opened the year at 92 1/2 cents. By February 1 it had reached 97 1/2 cents. During February the dollar mark was touched and passed. March opened at 93 1/2. The dollar mark was touched once, March 18. April opened at 99 to 100, but \$1 was reached on April 4, and prices ranged above a dollar during the remainder of the month. May opened at \$1.09. The highest price of the season was reached May 9, for which date the quotation was \$1.40. June opened at 98. June 4 \$1.09 1/2 was bid, and this is the last time during the year when the dollar mark was in sight. July opened at 75. August, at 64 to 65 1/2; September, at 68 1/2; October, at 67; November, at 69 1/2; December, at 70; and the year closed at 72 1/2 or 11 cents lower than the figure at its

beginning. No. 2 corn opened in January, 1898, at 26 cents. There was less than 1 cent variation during January, and February opened at 25. March opened at 27 1/2; April, at 27. May, at 32 to 32 1/2; June at 31 1/2; July, at 30 1/2; August, at 32; September, at 29 1/2; October, at 29; November, at 31 1/2; December, at 32 1/2, and the year closed at 36 1/2, or 10 1/2 cents above its opening.

If gloomy and nervous, and looking on the dark side of things, take a few doses of Dr. M. A. Simmons' Laxative Medicine, and the gloom will disappear.

The statement is made by Mr. George W. Simpson, who has the contract for supplying American troops in Cuba with beef, that in 1898 Cuba received \$2,838 cattle. Mexico furnished nearly half of the supply, 11,417 head, going from that country while the United States sent 37,129 head, Porto Rico 1,941, Colombia 1,722 and Venezuela 1,659.

ECONOMY AND PROFIT. In times of medium prices for farm products that man who produces an article with the greatest amount of economy—at the least cost—is the man who makes the greatest amount of money. To employ measures of economy does not necessarily mean the stinting or stinting of anything, but it does mean in a majority of all cases the employment of better and improved methods. For instance, the present price of corn is very satisfactory and will admit of its being sold so as to realize a profit on the product. On the other hand the price of pork is low, in fact, that it will not pay to feed hogs at present corn values. Just here is where improved methods interpose to the advantage of the farmer and bring about conditions that will enable him to sell both corn and hogs at a profit.

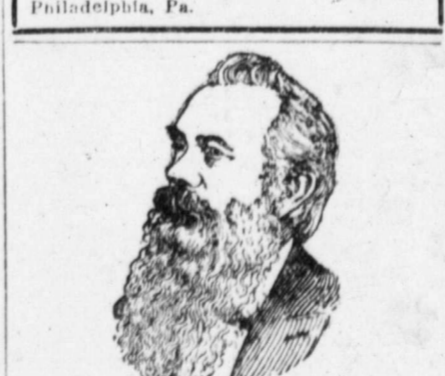
If the hogs were fattened—as they can be—with about half as much corn as is now used, it would bring the cost of producing the pork so low as to leave a handsome profit on the transaction even at the present advanced price of pork. If it requires but half your corn to fatten your hogs or other stock you will have the remaining half to sell at the present advanced price, which means another profit. As to the improved method that will bring about these happy results we refer our readers to the modern stock food cooker, which is now being used with such great success by so many of our best farmers. If you are not already using one, you will find it well worth your while to purchase it and its advantages will be the Reliable Incubator and Brooder Co. of Quincy, Ill., who manufactures the Reliable Stock Food Cooker, a small cut of which we show herewith. They will be pleased to mail you circulars, prices, etc.

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Sid Webb of Bellevue, was here Thursday.

J. P. and W. T. Trammell of Sweetwater, were here Saturday.

L. A. Wilson of Jackboro, took in the Red Polled sale on Friday.

Geo. E. Brown, a fine stock breeder of Wise county, was here Saturday.

C. B. Stevens, a cattleman of Denver, was here Wednesday and Thursday.

Henry Henstey, a well-to-do stockman of Jackboro, was here Thursday.

Wm. Harrell of Amarillo, spent Wednesday and Thursday in Fort Worth.

Robert Brown of Calvert, who is feeding a big lot of cattle, was here Wednesday.

J. T. Spears, a well known Quannah cattleman, was in Fort Worth Monday and Tuesday.

B. T. Ware, the well known ranchman and cattle dealer of Amarillo, was here Thursday.

J. W. Lynch, formerly of Fort Worth, but now of Ponca, Okla., was in Fort Worth Saturday.

T. Hogan, a well-to-do stockman of Morgan, Texas, was up here Friday attending the sale of Red Polled cattle.

J. L. Harris of the Union Stock Yards, Chicago, arrived from the North Monday en route to Galveston.

W. L. Aldwell, a well known stockman of Denton, was among the visiting stockmen in Fort Worth on Monday.

Geo. R. Barse, the well known live stock commission merchant of Kansas City, was in Fort Worth Thursday.

Col. R. L. Ellison of this city, manager of the Childress Land and Cattle company, came in Saturday from the ranch.

M. Z. Smizzen, the well known cattleman of this city, has recently put eleven cars of cattle on feed at Terrell.

B. W. Langley, a prominent live stock breeder of Denton, attended the sale of Red Polled cattle in this city on Saturday.

Sam Davidson of Fort Worth, manager for Rosebaum Bros. & Co. of Chicago, has gone on a business trip to Childrens.

W. T. Waggoner, the well known cattleman of Decatur, spent the first of the week in this city, accompanied by Mrs. Waggoner.

Wm. Hiltner, a well known cattleman of Mineral Wells, was among the visiting stockmen in the live stock center on Thursday.

David L. Knox, a prominent cattleman of Jackboro, also manager of the First National bank of that city, was here Friday night.

G. H. Connell, manager of the cotton seed oil mill at Dublin, and also a prominent cattle feeder, was among the visitors Saturday.

Wm. Robertson, a stockman of Colorado City, and brother of A. B. Robertson, spent several days the latter part of last week in this city.

Charles Coppinger, a well known cattleman of this city, is able to be out again after a confinement of several days by an attack of sickness.

G. S. White, a well-to-do cattleman of Weatherford, who is largely interested in a cattle ranch in Hardeman and Cottle counties, was here Friday.

F. B. McClelland, of Kansas City, who has been spending several days in Fort Worth, was among those who left for the Galveston convention Monday night.

A. J. Long and Thos. Trammell, both prominent stockmen of Sweetwater, passed through Fort Worth Sunday evening en route to the Galveston convention.

D. G. Galbraith, proprietor of the Hexagon hotel at Mineral Wells, and also a large shareholder in the Llano Live Stock company of Garza county, was here Thursday.

F. G. Pay, general agent of the Consolidated Stock Car company with headquarters at Kansas City, arrived Monday en route to the stockmen's present Mecca, Galveston.

T. B. Birthing of Sonora, Sutton county, was here Wednesday. Mr. Birthing has just put on feed at an oil mill at Ennis, 8000 head of muttons from the Devil's river country.

D. D. Swearingen, a well known cattleman of Quannah, was here Thursday. Mr. Swearingen states that he has reasons to be well satisfied with the conditions of cattle in his immediate section.

J. D. Shuford, general live stock agent of the Denver and Gulf railroad, with headquarters at Denver, was in Fort Worth Sunday, en route to the Galveston convention.

A. T. Atwater manager of the Evans-Snyder-Buel company at the National Stock Yards, Illinois, was in Fort Worth Sunday, en route to the Galveston convention.

W. P. Anderson, traveling representative and advertising agent for the Union Stock Yards, Chicago, stopped off Sunday in Fort Worth, en route to the Galveston convention.

Paul Davidson, a cattle dealer of Hollywood, Arkansas, in a letter renewing his subscription to Texas Stock and Farm Journal, says, "I like it and can't do without it."

O. H. Nelson of Kansas City, well known to the Texas cattlemen as one of the leading dealers in high grade registered bulls, was here Monday. Mr. Nelson left Monday night for Galveston.

Max Mayer, the prominent cattleman of Sonora, came in Monday and will remain in Fort Worth during the absence of his business partner, Mr. Alexander, who has gone on a trip to New York.

J. D. Sugg, of the well known cattle firm of E. C. Sugg & Bro. of Suggden, Indian Territory, was in Fort Worth Friday en route to his firm's ranches in Tom Green and adjoining counties.

J. L. Bagwell, a prominent ranchman formerly of the Colorado country, but now making headquarters at Fort Worth, returned a few days ago from a trip to Kansas City.

H. G. Williams, a prominent cattleman of Austin, who is wintering some 10,000 or 12,000 young steers in the Indian Territory, was here Saturday, en route to his Territory pastures.

W. E. Washington of Marietta, Indian Territory, came in from his New Mexico ranch Friday evening, leaving the same night for his Indian Territory ranch. Mr. Washington expects to stock up his ranch in New Mexico in the near future.

E. A. Paffrath, Jno. P. Jacobs, L. W. Krake, L. M. Baileys, J. L. Pennington, W. W. Miller, C. J. Latimer and Jas. A. Wilson were among those who went from this city to the Galveston meeting Monday.

W. K. Bell, a popular cattelman of Palo Pinto, came in Monday on his way to Galveston. While not entirely recovered from his ill health of some months past, Mr. Bell is much improved in both looks and feeling.

J. P. Jacobs, of the Strahorn-Hutton-Evans company, returned Saturday from a business trip to San Angelo, Temple and other points on the Santa Fe railroad. Mr. Jacobs thinks that the market for the cattle, mostly young stuff, will be put on second feed in Texas.

Jno. H. Belcher, the well known cattleman of Henrietta, who is also largely interested in the cattle ranching business in Southwest Texas, was here Friday night and while here closed the sale of 1500 acres of land off of the south edge of his ranch in Clay county to Sid Webb of Bellevue, at \$6.50 per acre.

M. Sanson of Alvarado, was here Thursday. Mr. Sanson has fed several thousand cattle at the Alvarado mills, a part of which has already gone to market. All the shipments made by Mr. Sanson have brought very satisfactory prices, two or three choice cars selling as high as \$5.20 and \$5.25 per hundred.

A. F. and R. E. Crowley of this city, have bought of F. T. Wadsworth his Hereford cattle ranch and herd five miles south of Midland. The herd consists of seven thousandbred Hereford bulls and one hundred and forty-three high grade young cows. The consideration is stated to have been \$9000.

E. E. Baldrige, a well-to-do cattleman of Waggoner, Indian Territory, was in Fort Worth Thursday. Mr. Baldrige was en route to Cottle county, where he owns a herd of cattle. He is of the opinion that if the beef market continues poor there will be an active demand for cattle for the Indian Territory.

Charles W. Bean, stockman and farmer of Wichita Falls, spent Thursday in Fort Worth. Mr. Bean reports that crop prospects in the Wichita country were never brighter and that his people are much elated by the prospect of better times in the near future.

P. M. Burnett, a prominent cattleman of Knox county and brother of S. B. Burnett of this city, died a few days ago of pneumonia at his residence in Benjamin. Mr. Burnett was deservedly very popular with all who knew him and was a successful and well to do ranchman.

Jno. R. Lewis, breeder of registered and high grade Hereford cattle, of Sweetwater, came in Saturday evening. Mr. Lewis says that all the registered Hereford cattle recently shipped in from Kansas City by him are doing splendidly. He had all of them inoculated immediately after their arrival and hopes in this way to entirely prevent any loss from Southern fever.

W. D. Driskill, an old time Texas cattleman who is now ranching in the northeast corner of Wyoming, spent the greater part of last week in Fort Worth. Mr. Driskill says many of the large herds in Wyoming were closed out during the past year and taken out of the country; that there are now fewer cattle in the Dakotas, Montana and Wyoming, than for several years. He says many of the ranchmen of that section of the country would be glad to re-stock their ranches with young steers from Texas and will do so if the cattle can be bought at prices they can afford to pay.

R. K. Erwin, the well known cotton seed oil man of Waxahatchee, and his associates, propose to erect in this city a \$40,000.00, one hundred ton cot-

ton seed oil mill, provided the citizens of Fort Worth will subscribe to one-half the capital stock. An energetic effort is being made to secure the required amount of the capital stock and the indications are that it will be secured and the mill built.

Fred Horsburgh, manager of the Espuela Land and Cattle company, spent Sunday in Fort Worth, leaving Sunday night for the East. Mr. Horsburgh expects to sail for England from New York about the 21st. He goes to London to confer with the directors of his company and expects to return in time to attend the next meeting of the Cattle Raisers' association of Texas, which convenes in Fort Worth on the 14th of March.

C. H. Baumbaugh of Kansas City, was in Fort Worth the night of the 10th en route home from a trip to El Paso. Mr. Baumbaugh is a brother-in-law of G. G. Gillett, the famous fugitive cattle operative of the Texas-Kansas, and was formerly associated in business with him. Mr. Baumbaugh went to El Paso to accompany Mrs. Gillett, who was on her way to join her husband in Chihuahua, Mexico, where he is now living.

E. B. Carver of Henrietta, manager in Texas for Cassidy Bros.' Live Stock Commission company of the National Stock Yards, Illinois, spent Thursday in Fort Worth. Mr. Carver was feeling much elated over the sales recently made by his company of a shipment of cattle fed at Howie by D. Wagoner & Sons. One car of cattle in this train averaged 1330 pounds and sold for \$4.65 per hundred, the remainder of the train averaged 1230 pounds and sold for \$4.60.

Thos. Montgomery of this city, who ranches in Crosby county, says: "During my sixteen years' experience in cattle business in Northwest Texas, I have never seen conditions as bright and favorable as at the present. My recent snow and sleet in my section, while severe in the extreme, left no perceptible effects on range cattle. Thus far losses have been very meager and confined to stock, the physical condition of which rendered it impossible for them to survive even the mildest of winters."

A. B. Robertson, the well known ranchman of Colorado City, spent Friday and Saturday in Fort Worth. Mr. Robertson takes a very encouraging view of the outlook. He is much pleased at the high prices which Texas fed steers are now bringing in the markets, and thinks that the good prices paid for beef will have a tendency to strengthen confidence in the cattle business generally, and advance the price of all kinds and classes of cattle. Mr. Robertson thinks that good Panhandle and Plains range old steers will bring \$25 per head for spring delivery.

J. J. Farrell, a reliable poultry breeder, whose farm is six miles east of Fort Worth, and whose postoffice address is Handley, Tex., advertises Buff Cochins, Plymouth Rock, and Pekin duck eggs for sale in the breeders' directory of this issue. Mr. Farrell's Buff Cochins took first premium on cockered and second premium on hen at the recent poultry show at Fort Worth. His Buff Cochins are probably as good as can be found in any country. He is offering anything in Mr. Farrell's line should correspond with him. He has two settings of choice Buff Cochins eggs now ready to ship.

A new reporter doing work temporarily on the Fort Worth department of the Journal last week, in writing a personal of Col. Wm. Hunter, manager in Texas for the Strahorn-Hutton-Evans Live Stock Commission company, referred to the colonel as "manager of the Evans-Snyder-Buel company." Of course, everybody knows that Col. Hunter is a large shareholder in and one of the directors and treasurer of the Strahorn-Hutton-Evans company; that he was once its manager; but he has and has successfully managed its business ever since its organization. Newspaper men, however, especially new beginners, are not infallible, and like other people, are liable to make mistakes.

Charles L. Ware, manager at this place for the Evans-Snyder-Buel company, reports the sale by his company of the "Gillett" herd of cattle, something over 6000 head and located near Woodward, Oklahoma. They are coming three-year-olds and were sold to T. T. Pryor and Tom Coleman of San Antonio, and C. A. S. of Kansas City, at \$22.50 per head. These cattle were originally from Central Texas and were sold last year by Florence Hall of Galvestone to Gillett. Gillett borrowed from the Evans-Snyder-Buel company, directly close up to the value of these cattle, consequently, in the "smash-up" of the cattle were taken possession of by that company by virtue of their mortgage.

R. K. Wiley, one of the old time pioneer cattlemen of Texas, who is largely interested in land and live stock in Rannels county, was here all last week. Mr. Wiley says live stock of all kinds are looking unusually well in his section, and that so far there has been no loss, and with reasonably fair weather, none is expected. While here Mr. Wiley refused \$40 a head for about 500 coming 4-year-old steers that are now located on his ranch, and which are strictly grass cattle. They are, however, exceptionally well bred, and will no doubt bring a handsome price for feeders next fall. Mr. Wiley left for Galveston Sunday night, where he will take in the Stockmen's convention, now in session at that place.

Col. Jas. A. Wilson, general live stock agent of the Chicago and Alton road, was in Fort Worth Thursday. Col. Wilson said that some of the best cattle ever shipped in Texas, of the first feeding, are now going to market. "However," he says, "there are quite a number of young cattle being thrown on the market, caused by the shortage in native steers. Prices are holding up well and so far as I have learned, stockmen are satisfied with their returns. I don't look for a drop in prices in the near future. In fact, I see nothing to indicate that there will ever be such a 'smash' in prices as there has been in the past. There is a big demand for beef and it is taxing the herds quite heavily to

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supply the demand. Prices will certainly hold up until the herds are much larger than they are now."

John Scott of Goodnight, a prominent cattleman in the upper Panhandle section, was here Wednesday. When asked concerning the condition of his section of the state Mr. Scott said: "In the upper Panhandle we have had rather a severe winter. The losses thus far, however, were insignificant. I find the loss from blackleg increasing each year, especially in so far as young cattle are concerned. These seem to be more readily affected than older cattle. It is an infectious disease, and stock raisers are just beginning to realize that fact and are awakening to the necessity of employing vaccine inoculation in preventing its alarming increase. Hitherto no precautions have been taken to stamp it out, and not infrequently in the past have owners of small pastures permitted cattle that have died from blackleg to remain unburied, thus spreading the disease. In my case, I have vaccinated several hundred head on the JJ ranch in Armstrong county, with good results. With more precaution on the part of ranchmen in burying their dead cattle and inoculating their young calves to two-year-olds, most of them, however, being calves and yearlings. They were an exceptionally fine lot of cattle, all being recorded in the American Herd Book, and therefore purely bred, and in addition to their fine breeding, were splendid individuals as well. They sold at from \$100 to \$125 per head, the lot averaging something over \$106. The only way not to count on the demand, consequently quite a number of these cattle changed hands twice before leaving the yards. Among the buyers were B. W. Langley of Denton, J. O. McLaughlin of Hood county, former chief clerk of the land and department of the general land office under the administration of Gov. Hogg, was seen by a Journal reporter at the hotel. He was on his way to the interior and contemplated a pleasant visit among old friends in the latter a few moments in social chat, he spoke as follows in regard to the cattle business: "We are roughing through quite a number of yearling steers. Cattle are generally in good condition, have fared this far during the winter very well indeed, except a few cases of blackleg. I am determined that all young cattle in our pasture shall be immune, if the Pasteur process of vaccination is given a preventive of the disease. I anticipate better figures for good stuff this year than we realized last year. There is one noted fact in relation to matured cattle in all sections that I have visited this winter. No three or four-year-old steers can be found. Feeders will be few and far between of those ages. Younger stock cannot be profitably fed. Cows alone can fill the vacuum, thus cutting the increase. We will realize good prices on all cared-for stock. It will take several years to fill up pastures, because cows alone are butchered in the cattle raising sections. Every time a fat cow is slaughtered two lives are sacrificed for all such cows are springers. We fully appreciate the regular visits of the Journal."

J. C. Murray, a prominent breeder of Red Polled cattle, of Maquoketa, Iowa, and his associates had two cars of Red Polled cattle on sale at the stock yards in this city on Friday. The lot numbered fifty-four head, of which twenty-four were bulls and thirty were cows. The range of the cows was spring calves to two-year-olds, most of them, however, being calves and yearlings. They were an exceptionally fine lot of cattle, all being recorded in the American Herd Book, and therefore purely bred, and in addition to their fine breeding, were splendid individuals as well. They sold at from \$100 to \$125 per head, the lot averaging something over \$106. The only way not to count on the demand, consequently quite a number of these cattle changed hands twice before leaving the yards. Among the buyers were B. W. Langley of Denton, J. O. McLaughlin of Hood county, former chief clerk of the land and department of the general land office under the administration of Gov. Hogg, was seen by a Journal reporter at the hotel. He was on his way to the interior and contemplated a pleasant visit among old friends in the latter a few moments in social chat, he spoke as follows in regard to the cattle business: "We are roughing through quite a number of yearling steers. Cattle are generally in good condition, have fared this far during the winter very well indeed, except a few cases of blackleg. I am determined that all young cattle in our pasture shall be immune, if the Pasteur process of vaccination is given a preventive of the disease. I anticipate better figures for good stuff this year than we realized last year. There is one noted fact in relation to matured cattle in all sections that I have visited this winter. No three or four-year-old steers can be found. Feeders will be few and far between of those ages. Younger stock cannot be profitably fed. Cows alone can fill the vacuum, thus cutting the increase. We will realize good prices on all cared-for stock. It will take several years to fill up pastures, because cows alone are butchered in the cattle raising sections. Every time a fat cow is slaughtered two lives are sacrificed for all such cows are springers. We fully appreciate the regular visits of the Journal."

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