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THE HENDERSON TIMES VERY SENSIBLY REMARKS: "The men whose business it is to buy the cotton for the least amount of money will never believe the reports of a short crop as long as the farmers rush to the market at the present rate."

The Goliad Guard gives a pointer that might lead to profitable enterprise in the following: "One of Goliad's and most worthy citizens, Mr. T. C. Taylor, has operated a small factory on his place near town and supplied brooms to the home market for a good many years. Broom corn has been successfully cultivated, and it is strange that the industry has not been developed into a larger one."

"Uncle Zekiel" of the Boyd Index, expresses a hopeful and reasonable opinion of the future of farm and range products as follows: "Of course no ordinary farm crop is certain to make a big yield and sell at a remunerative price all the years, but with increasing armies and navies and proportionate decrease in production of food and feed crops in most sections of the world, there is a fine prospect for reasonable prices and brisk demand for the American surplus of grain, meats, forage, etc., for many years to come."

Many a Texas and Territory farmer can appreciate the truth of the following, taken from the Rockfort New Era: "The ordinary farmer is looked upon largely as a man who plods along without responsibility, worry, or thought. As a matter of fact his worries, where he is dependent upon the elements, are constant, and far in excess of those of many business men. Never a season goes by that he does not hope and pray for rain at some time to save some particularly matured crop, or fidget and stew about in impatience and fear lest his crop already made shall be ruined before it can be harvested or cured. The brow of the irrigator is sure to have many less lines and furrows across it than that of the farmer who does not know the control of water in his agricultural operations."

COUNTY SCHOOL FUND INVESTMENT.  
The attorney general of Texas has rendered an opinion relative to the investment of county school funds which will be of interest to counties having such funds to invest. Taylor county had sold her county school land for \$1 an acre, or \$17,712. This money has been on deposit in an Abilene bank, drawing no interest. Another bank in Abilene proposed in writing to receive the money and hold it subject to call, and pay interest thereon at the rate of 6 per cent per annum as long as it remained on deposit.

Replying to the county treasurer's inquiry whether the law would permit him to make such investment of the fund, the attorney general said in substance that the law authorizing county commissioners to invest the county school fund in the bonds of the United States, the state of Texas and the

bonds of the counties of this state, or if such bonds cannot be obtained, in the bonds of incorporated cities, prohibits any other investment.

### THE RELATION OF SUPPLY TO DEMAND.

The statistics of the cotton crop for the year ending September 1, 1899, as compiled by the Commercial and Financial Chronicle of New York, show a total United States crop of 11,285,880 bales, against 11,139,960 bales in 1898, and 8,714,011 bales in 1897. Exports were 7,362,788 bales. Northern and Southern mills took 3,647,117 bales, leaving a stock on hand at the close of the year of 392,279 bales. The Chronicle alleges a supply of 3,600,360 bales, visible and invisible, carried over in all parts of the world.

The number of spindles has increased very considerably, and various conditions, including the improved purchasing power of the masses and the development of an important Asiatic trade assure a much larger demand for cotton goods than that of any previous year. The surplus of last year, according to the Chronicle's report, is smaller than has generally been supposed. The crop of this year will show such a heavy reduction under that of the year just ended that it will hardly, with the surplus held over added to it, furnish a supply to consumers much larger than that of the previous year. Very little will appear to meet the increased demands of the world's markets. In view of all the facts the position of those who contend that prices must advance certainly seems tenable.

### THE RAINS.

The report of rains received from many different portions of the state indicates that the drouth which has wrought such serious injury to the agricultural and live stock interests of Texas and the territories is now ended. The rains so far have been local, and at a number of places they were too light to serve any purpose other than to lay the dust and cool the parching heat from which animal and vegetable life had been suffering for weeks, but that they indicate a change of atmospheric conditions which will soon give to the parched fields and pastures much needed moisture is hoped for by all.

To the cotton crop rain could now bring no benefit. Indeed, heavy rains would do serious damage, as all the yield the plant can make in many sections is now open and ready for picking, so that heavy showers would dash it into the ground. The farmer, however, who receives rain now or at an early date can prepare for some fall vegetables, can prepare his land for wheat, and the pasturage for his live stock will be much improved, as well as their water supply.

While cattle over the range country generally had not suffered much from the effects of the drouth the ranges were beginning to need rain for water supply and to make winter grass. Very much of the range country has never been heard from since the first reports of partial rains began to come in, but the reports have come from such scattered portions of the live stock regions of the state, as shown by the "Live Stock News" department of the Journal to-day, as to indicate a probability that many other sections, not yet heard from, have probably had refreshing showers. The Laredo county, much of the coast country, a considerable part of the Concho range, the Pecos region, the Marfa region, the territory along the Texas and Pacific from Pecos to Abilene all have received beneficial showers. The Journal hopes to receive like favorable reports from many other sections within a few days, and that general rains will soon bless the farming and live stock districts alike.

### THE TEXAS COTTON CROP.

The Dallas News has presented a supplementary estimate of the cotton crop of Texas and the territories, based upon 385 reports of an average date of September 3, and covering 134 Texas counties and 23 points in Indian and Oklahoma territories. The News gives the following as the district averages of the probable yield in percentages of decrease from last year's crop:

	Per cent decrease.
Coast country . . . . .	29
East Texas . . . . .	40
Central Texas . . . . .	43
North Texas . . . . .	45
Southwest Texas . . . . .	27
Territories . . . . .	41

The News says: "These reports indicate a decrease in the yield for Texas, as of 30.8 per cent, and for Texas and the territories of 37.5 per cent."

This estimate of the News, after deducting 8 per cent from the acreage of last year and supposing the Texas crop of that year to have been 3,500,000 bales, would give a crop of about 2,600,000 bales.

The Houston Post, in commenting on this supplementary estimate of the News, takes occasion to repeat its estimate of a few weeks ago, of a yield of 2,700,000 bales.

The Journal believes the News' estimate will not be found to be very far from correct, and that the crop is more likely to fall short of that to exceed 2,000,000 bales, and that the crop of Texas and the territories will not be very far from 1,500,000 bales below the crop of last year. In a few localities rain has fallen, but it is probable that it has done more harm than good, as where cotton was open it was beaten into the ground. No hope of a top crop remains except at a few points where planting was late, and even there the hope is a slender one. In very many cases the plant is dead. In the coast country, where there was the smallest damage, from drouth, boll worms and weevils have inflicted more or less injury.

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There will also be a decrease in other states. In Georgia it is estimated that the crop is 500,000 bales below that of last year. It has been cut short in Louisiana and Arkansas. That the crop of the entire country will be 2,500,000 bales short of the last crop seems not improbable. Such a decrease, or even a two-million-bale decrease, as soon as it becomes generally accepted, must materially advance prices. The farmers are generally in a condition to hold and it seems that the probabilities of the market would make it advisable to be too anxious to sell. It is fortunate that the Texas farmers have placed their dependence on cotton less than they have ever done heretofore, and with the other farm resources they have provided they will generally be very far from being in distress. The experience of this year will be of very much value to them hereafter, and with better prices for their cotton and with all the other products of their industry to compensate the diminished cotton yield their experience may not, after all, have been very dearly bought.

To some extent the Texas cattle feeding interests may be affected, but not materially. Cotton seed products will be somewhat higher, but the experience of feeders had last year shown the advantage of a combination of corn with the cotton seed meal ration, and corn will be abundant and cheap in Texas during the feeding season. The improvement resulting from the corn addition to the feeding ration may to some extent compensate for the increased cost of the cotton seed.

### THE INDUSTRIAL CONVENTION AT DALLAS.

A meeting intended to advance the material resources of the entire state of Texas should excite very great interest throughout the state and should be composed of the most progressive, zealous and intelligent men in all the departments of industry and trade. Such a meeting the industrial convention to be held in the city of Dallas October 20 and 21 is expected to be Governor Sayers in his call for the convention requests each county judge to appoint three citizens of his county as delegates. The convention may therefore be expected to have an attendance of several hundred active, enterprising citizens of Texas, representative of all the important industries of the state and alert and aggressive as to their development.

Governor Sayers in calling this industrial convention, says: "The object of the convention will be to consider the resources of the state, as to agriculture, manufactures, commerce, cattle and sheep husbandry, timber and minerals, and to make known to other states and countries the great advantages which it enjoys in respect to these sources of wealth and prosperity."

The situation in Texas now is this: For the further development of its live stock and agricultural industries, the two industries so great as to overshadow all others at this time, manure is imperatively needed. We need more people here to consume the products of the orchard, the garden, the field and the range. And, still more important, we need the establishment of the plants that will convert the raw material produced in field and on range into the finished product ready for the final consumer. We have in the state everything necessary to make manufacturing profitable, fuel cheap and abundant, raw material near at hand at its place of production, a variety of production that will give employment to factories of different kinds, mutually helpful by their occupancy of a common territory, a climate and soil that renders the cost of living smaller than in any of the great manufacturing districts, and, near at hand, sea-ports that give opportunity to distribute throughout the world the finished products. This last consideration alone is one of great importance, and destined to become of controlling importance in determining the location of many manufacturing industries upon the completion of the trans-isthmian canal, a date not many years distant.

Some of the industries recently becoming of importance in Texas are falling short of their promise because of the long haul required to place their products upon the market, necessitating, or at least, causing charges that absorb the market value of the product. The establishment of manufacturing enterprises would rapidly build up the towns and cities of the state, leading to extension of railroad enterprises that would give the agricultural producer the benefit of competing lines, and would increase largely the population of the towns, giving a home market for much of the surplus that has now to be sent to distant points to find purchasers.

These are among the matters that will be discussed at the industrial convention. The thoughtful men of the state have recognized the fact that Texas rural industries in order to be prosperous must have manufacturing towns at hand. It was upon this need that Governor Sayers made his campaign, and trusting to his zeal and intelligence in promoting every legitimate measure that would quicken the development of the many material resources of Texas, the voters of Texas almost lost sight of party alignment and enabled him to sweep the state. The coming meeting at Dallas is a move upon the lines designated by the ablest practical men of the state. It should have a large attendance composed of men of character, intellect, energy and zeal that will direct to practical effort and successful results. Texas still needs the use of capital of non-resident capitalists. Let it be shown how safely and profitably it can be employed. But let not the capital of our home people, and throughout the state it will now aggregate a vast sum, stand aloof.

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The highest beef cattle price of the year so far was reached last week. The lot that brought this price was sold at the Tuesday market at Chicago was a bunch of 28 head of two-year-old Aberdeen-Angus cattle, fed 370 days by John McFall at his farm near Terre Haute, Indiana. They were fed a very good corn on good grass every day, with feed bran every other day. Their average weight was 1494 pounds. In its sales reports of that day the Chicago Drovers Journal says the price was the highest yet, but the cattlemen were better, so that it does not necessarily indicate an advance. On the same day St. Louis reported the sale of 17 head, 1500 pounds, at same price.

The importation of Mexican cattle during the month of August were larger than they have been during the same month since 1895. During the August just passed they amounted to 4,942 head, against 3,184 head in same month, 1898, 1,981 head in 1897, 571 head in 1896 and 11,292 head in 1895. For the eight months of the present year the total imports have been 58,082 head, against 118,505 head during the same month of 1898, 244,525 head, in 1897, 88,422 head in 1896 and 86,082 head in 1895. The advance in price of Mexican cattle has had much to do with the reduction of importations. The August entries were distributed as follows: To Texas, 243 head, of which 230 head were for grazing and 62 head for slaughter; to New Mexico 1515 head, all for grazing; to Arizona 104 head, of which 25 head were for grazing and 79 head for slaughter. The classification of the August imports is as follows: Steers, 1922 head, of which 414 head were yearlings, 354 head were 521 head three and 623 head over three. There were 1515 heifers, 500 cows and 105 calves.

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proposition to most of the Texas cattlemen. They have spent large sums of money in the purchase of good bulls for the purpose of producing better beef supplies and very much of the she stock on the ranges has an infusion of the blood of the best breeds. The general standard of Texas cattle would show a decided degeneracy if enough Mexican cows should be brought in to cover the present grazing capacity of the ranges, thus sacrificing to some extent the result of several years' judicious expenditure and care in improvement. Those that are brought in, however, should be bred only to pedigreed bulls of one of the best breeds in order to get the highest possible results. The improved quality of Texas cattle is just beginning to be generally known and the cattle industry of the state cannot afford to throw away a reputation which has cost so much money and intelligent handling. The Journal does not believe, however, that the shortage of cattle in the state will lead men to stock up their pastures in haste to subject to no hurry in filling the pastures. Let them have all the rest they can until filled by the natural increase of the present herds.

### A CATTLE RANCH IN MARYLAND.

The proposition to start a cattle ranch in Maryland will strike the people of this country as a decided novelty, but that it has not only been made by the people of that state, but that a community is shown by the following paragraph from the special correspondence of the Baltimore Herald, the correspondent writing from Cambridge, Maryland:

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TO DISCOVER LAMENESS.  
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For example, if during this ring exercise, the hauling of the lower leg increased so much that the horse's weight, the ailment resides in the lower part (hoof, coronet or pastern); on the contrary, if the halting of the outside leg increases, the seat of the ailment is in the higher region (shoulder, haunch); a greater amount of strength is requisite to move the limb, and one can understand that the extension and supporting of the foot is more difficult. After having examined the horse in motion, you must explore the limb with the hand, in order to assure yourself, if you do not perceive any sign of heat, whether or not there are traces of wounds or contusion, invincible swelling, whether or not pressure of the fingers causes abnormal pain.

Inflammation of the lymphatic vessels in the vicinity of the extremities under the hocks, rings, bones, etc., may also cause halting. Under the influence of persistent halting it may happen that certain muscles, particularly those behind the hock, will decrease in volume, become atrophied. This atrophy of muscles is caused not merely—as many believe—by complete paralysis of the shoulder and hock, but particularly, and in most cases, it is due to ankylosis of the hock. This exploration of the halting limb with the hand an excellent sign is given by the pulsation of the artery situated on the interior of the canon of the hind limb. If the pulse is feeble and little perceptible, the cause of the lameness is in the top part of the limb; if strong and slightly perceptible, the seat of the ailment is in the lower part, and generally in the hoof. Horses with a halting foot place it down reluctantly; the pain they manifest is sometimes greater while resting on the toe, and sometimes while on the heel, according as the lameness is in front or back of the hoof. Horses limping from the hock bend the pastern joint completely."

THE FAMILY HORSE.  
The Live Stock Indexer has called attention to the difficulty in finding a really good family horse. It is a difficult one can hardly appreciate until he starts out to find one. The man looking for such a horse must be thoroughly conversant with the animal as a whole. The lives of his wife and children may depend upon that. And as it is often hard for a stranger to furnish satisfactory evidence that the horse offers is not in any way dangerous for inexperienced drivers to handle, the number of animals from which selection is to be made is somewhat limited.

The qualities of a really good family horse altogether make a rare combination. It is seldom one under seven or eight years old is fit to be handled by women and children, simply because few young horses have the necessary degree of experience to which in family use he may at any time be subjected. He should have size and power for his kind; should be shapely and attractive in color and action; he should have a kind disposition, patience and high intelligence. A nervous, excitable horse must always be closely watched and is always a source of danger. Quickness of action is of importance, for a horse quick to avoid real danger is far safer than a dull, sluggish animal. The horse driven by women and children should know his duties in every case and not depend solely upon inexperienced hands to control all his actions. He should appreciate kindness and respond to it with intelligent affection.

Such horses can be produced in much greater number if intelligent attention were given to the qualities that make them difficult to properly value, but which are requisite. Good breeding is the best foundation for such an animal, and promising young standard-bred horses should be selected and handled specially to fit them for family horse duties. The standard-breds having the intelligence, the action and other desired qualities to a greater extent than the horses of other breeds, save and excepting the saddle-bred, more valuable for their own particular purpose than for any other. The selection made the horse should be handled not to develop speed but to learn to be easily controlled; accustomed to city sights and sounds; patient under all circumstances; accustomed to the presence of women and children and to expect kindness and caresses from them. Everything in his training should tend to the development of a fearless but kind and affectionate disposition. Success can be attained in the development of horses handsome in appearance, attractive in action and having all the other qualities desired, and the man who becomes known as the producer of such animals, and trustworthy in his recommendation of them, is in the way to make bushels of money. It is a little strange that no one has yet set on foot a special system of breeding, raising and training such horses.

THE TEXAS BEEF SUPPLY.  
It is generally known among those having any knowledge of the cattle industry for some years, that since 1892 the number of cattle in the country, other than milch cows, have decreased 10,000,000 head. Of this number Texas lost about 2,000,000 head, or more than any other state and 20 per cent of the number. There are several causes of this large decrease in Texas cattle. Many owners abandoned the industry and thousands of the cattle belonging to such owners went to the shambles. Thousands of head died in every case, and the remainder, drouth, there being at that time but little provision for artificial water supply, and thousands of those that survived went into winter poor and weak and were unable to stand the winter. Losses from these causes under the improved methods of the industry must hereafter be insignificant. But among the causes of the heavy decrease in Texas and elsewhere which was generally displayed and which was caused by the depressed condition of the cattle industry. That also is a cause of reduction of the herds which has ceased to exist. Texas now is in an excellent condition to increase her supply of cattle. The water supply on the ranges is very greatly increased and so distributed as to enable owners to utilize their entire pasturage area to a greater extent than formerly, and the economy of pasturage by always having part of it resting and recovering gives the same area the ability to carry more cattle. Much improvement can and will be made in the respectability of stock-raising, and the carrying capacity with such improvement.

But more important, perhaps, than these methods of providing for an increase in the number of the cattle, is the fact that in the agricultural districts of Texas the farmers are becoming more interested in cattle raising, and over a considerable proportion of the range country the profitability of stock-raising is becoming more generally understood. All these facts would indicate that the cattle stocks of Texas would be rapidly increased until they caught up with the range and feeding capacity of the state, but for the enormous demand of the beef market, which is making such heavy drafts upon young steer stock, and upon the cattle also, that the day when any active increase against this specialty of breeding, raising and training such horses.

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On the subject of maneuvering a horse to discover and locate lameness, our esteemed contemporary, The Rider and Driver, comments as follows: "As it has been the rule in this country, at horse shows and elsewhere, to try a horse for lameness by walking and trotting the animal in a straight line, to and fro, usually on a hard pavement, and with a lead halter or bridle only, the recent expressed views of Professor Zurn, director of the Veterinary Clinical School of Leipzig, are pertinent and instructive. He strongly recommends that the horse should not be walked along a straight line, but chiefly in a circle; then the higher and lower parts of the limbs outside and inside the circle are unequally weighted.

For example, if during this ring exercise, the hauling of the lower leg increased so much that the horse's weight, the ailment resides in the lower part (hoof, coronet or pastern); on the contrary, if the halting of the outside leg increases, the seat of the ailment is in the higher region (shoulder, haunch); a greater amount of strength is requisite to move the limb, and one can understand that the extension and supporting of the foot is more difficult. After having examined the horse in motion, you must explore the limb with the hand, in order to assure yourself, if you do not perceive any sign of heat, whether or not there are traces of wounds or contusion, invincible swelling, whether or not pressure of the fingers causes abnormal pain.

Inflammation of the lymphatic vessels in the vicinity of the extremities under the hocks, rings, bones, etc., may also cause halting. Under the influence of persistent halting it may happen that certain muscles, particularly those behind the hock, will decrease in volume, become atrophied. This atrophy of muscles is caused not merely—as many believe—by complete paralysis of the shoulder and hock, but particularly, and in most cases, it is due to ankylosis of the hock. This exploration of the halting limb with the hand an excellent sign is given by the pulsation of the artery situated on the interior of the canon of the hind limb. If the pulse is feeble and little perceptible, the cause of the lameness is in the top part of the limb; if strong and slightly perceptible, the seat of the ailment is in the lower part, and generally in the hoof. Horses with a halting foot place it down reluctantly; the pain they manifest is sometimes greater while resting on the toe, and sometimes while on the heel, according as the lameness is in front or back of the hoof. Horses limping from the hock bend the pastern joint completely."

THE FAMILY HORSE.  
The Live Stock Indexer has called attention to the difficulty in finding a really good family horse. It is a difficult one can hardly appreciate until he starts out to find one. The man looking for such a horse must be thoroughly conversant with the animal as a whole. The lives of his wife and children may depend upon that. And as it is often hard for a stranger to furnish satisfactory evidence that the horse offers is not in any way dangerous for inexperienced drivers to handle, the number of animals from which selection is to be made is somewhat limited.

The qualities of a really good family horse altogether make a rare combination. It is seldom one under seven or eight years old is fit to be handled by women and children, simply because few young horses have the necessary degree of experience to which in family use he may at any time be subjected. He should have size and power for his kind; should be shapely and attractive in color and action; he should have a kind disposition, patience and high intelligence. A nervous, excitable horse must always be closely watched and is always a source of danger. Quickness of action is of importance, for a horse quick to avoid real danger is far safer than a dull, sluggish animal. The horse driven by women and children should know his duties in every case and not depend solely upon inexperienced hands to control all his actions. He should appreciate kindness and respond to it with intelligent affection.

Such horses can be produced in much greater number if intelligent attention were given to the qualities that make them difficult to properly value, but which are requisite. Good breeding is the best foundation for such an animal, and promising young standard-bred horses should be selected and handled specially to fit them for family horse duties. The standard-breds having the intelligence, the action and other desired qualities to a greater extent than the horses of other breeds, save and excepting the saddle-bred, more valuable for their own particular purpose than for any other. The selection made the horse should be handled not to develop speed but to learn to be easily controlled; accustomed to city sights and sounds; patient under all circumstances; accustomed to the presence of women and children and to expect kindness and caresses from them. Everything in his training should tend to the development of a fearless but kind and affectionate disposition. Success can be attained in the development of horses handsome in appearance, attractive in action and having all the other qualities desired, and the man who becomes known as the producer of such animals, and trustworthy in his recommendation of them, is in the way to make bushels of money. It is a little strange that no one has yet set on foot a special system of breeding, raising and training such horses.

THE TEXAS BEEF SUPPLY.  
It is generally known among those having any knowledge of the cattle industry for some years, that since 1892 the number of cattle in the country, other than milch cows, have decreased 10,000,000 head. Of this number Texas lost about 2,000,000 head, or more than any other state and 20 per cent of the number. There are several causes of this large decrease in Texas cattle. Many owners abandoned the industry and thousands of the cattle belonging to such owners went to the shambles. Thousands of head died in every case, and the remainder, drouth, there being at that time but little provision for artificial water supply, and thousands of those that survived went into winter poor and weak and were unable to stand the winter. Losses from these causes under the improved methods of the industry must hereafter be insignificant. But among the causes of the heavy decrease in Texas and elsewhere which was generally displayed and which was caused by the depressed condition of the cattle industry. That also is a cause of reduction of the herds which has ceased to exist. Texas now is in an excellent condition to increase her supply of cattle. The water supply on the ranges is very greatly increased and so distributed as to enable owners to utilize their entire pasturage area to a greater extent than formerly, and the economy of pasturage by always having part of it resting and recovering gives the same area the ability to carry more cattle. Much improvement can and will be made in the respectability of stock-raising, and the carrying capacity with such improvement.

But more important, perhaps, than these methods of providing for an increase in the number of the cattle, is the fact that in the agricultural districts of Texas the farmers are becoming more interested in cattle raising, and over a considerable proportion of the range country the profitability of stock-raising is becoming more generally











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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.

E. B. Norman, a cattleman of Graham, Tex., was in the city Wednesday.

J. B. Wilson, a cattleman of Graham, Tex., was in the city Wednesday.

J. B. Wilson, accompanied by his daughters, returned from Europe and Canada last week.

J. A. Kemp, a prominent citizen of Wichita Falls, was registered at the Windsor Wednesday.

Mr. Jot Gunter of Sherman, was in Dallas Thursday on his way home from his ranch in Southwestern Texas.

Capt. S. A. McMurray, formerly an officer of the Texas Rangers, was in Dallas Wednesday. Capt. McMurray is now a citizen of Louisville, Ky.

It is reported that some cattle have died in the country about Dallas from drinking the water in the stagnant holes of Trinity river.

Hon. Geo. T. Jester of Corsicana, ex-lieutenant governor and a prosperous Navarro county farmer, was among the visitors to Dallas Wednesday.

M. Potter of Woodward, O. T., has moved to Okadale and writes the Journal as follows: "Please send my paper to Okadale, as I can not do without it."

Texas Stock and Farm Journal welcomes to its exchange list the Trenton Tribune, an excellent paper just started at Trenton, Fannin county, and wishes it success.

A. P. Bush of Colorado, a prominent cattleman and for many years president of the Cattle Raisers' association of Texas, passed through Dallas Wednesday on his way home from Austin.

The Journal has received the July number of the Spokesman-Review Quarterly, published at Spokane, Wash. It is profusely and handsomely illustrated and gives much information relative to Northwestern mining operations.

Gov. Sayers has called an industrial convention to be held in the city of Dallas Oct. 20 and 27 and has requested of the county judges throughout the state that each will nominate three citizens to attend as delegates.

SHORTHORN BULLS IN OKLAHOMA. Jacob Maddox, Jr., of McCredie, Mo., writes: "I have extra good carload of Shorthorn bulls for sale. The bulls are located in Oklahoma and have been here for one year."

H. O. Perkins, association inspector at Big Springs, Texas, writes: "Very dry here at present. There have been good winds for the last three or four days which kept the wind mills going enough to furnish plenty of water for stock, and prospects still look favorable."

There was a good shower in Dallas Sunday afternoon, and it extended pretty much all over the county. At Farmers Branch the rain was heavy enough to cover the track of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad, delaying trains on that line over two hours. It was the first rain this section has had for seven weeks.

The Commoner, a new weekly published at Alvin, Texas, edited by Dr. A. H. Telar, is a welcome addition to the Journal's exchange list. Dr. Telar is an old and able newspaper man, and his many friends in Texas will be glad to know he has returned to the occupation to which he is fitted. The Journal wishes The Commoner success, assured that it will be merited.

The Dallas Democrat has issued a special "Texas State Fair, Immigration and Industrial" edition, which is creditable to the management of that paper. It is in magazine form and is profusely illustrated, the engravings showing many of the important business and public buildings of the city, and the faces of a number of its representative men. The cover gives an attractive view of some of the principal objects of interest at the fair grounds.

Mr. L. C. Wall of Midland, passed through Dallas Monday with cattle for the Kansas City market. He left Midland Sunday and said there were good rains at Midland, extending northwestward and west, up the Pecos valley, and eastward along the Texas and Pacific, as far as Abilene. The country between Abilene and Baird was shipped, but Baird received rain, and there were rains from there on to Dallas. Mr.

Wall says he has not decided on his feeding arrangements, but that if cotton seed were too high he would go to the corn district.

Mayor Traylor will recommend to the council to-night that a dam be built near what is known as the "California crossing" on the Elm fork of the Trinity and that sixty acres of land surrounding it be bought at \$20 per acre for reservoir purposes. This dam, he believes, will catch enough water during the wet season to last with the present storage capacity supply all summer. The dam and land will cost about \$65,000. The money is not available at this time but the mayor will recommend that an option be taken at once on the land.

The Journal has received the thirty-sixth annual catalogue, 1898-99, of the Kansas State Agricultural college, Manhattan, Kan., announcing the program for 1899-1900. The Kansas Agricultural college, like the Texas Agricultural and Mechanical college, while giving due attention to the pure sciences, mathematics and other studies, is generally and practically an industrial training school, fitting the student for future work in industrial and technical lines. The students learn to do the work, not only how it is done. The Kansas school has done a big work for that state.

Ed Moorhouse of Kaufman, had two cars of cows and heifers at the Central Stock Yards last week. Hamms & Williams of Wills Point, sold one carload of cows. T. P. Bates of Ferris brought to the yards a good bunch of beef cattle. Dodge Mason of Kemp brought a carload of two-year-old heifers which were sold. C. C. Wilkins of Zephyr was at the yards with two carloads of muttons, which were sold to Ed Gambrell of Fort Worth. Ziglar Simmons of Wills Point, had a carload of hogs that were sold to a local buyer. A. B. Hamm of the same place also sold a car of hogs to the same buyer.

The Journal has received from the American Well Works, Aurora, Ill., Chicago, Ill., and Dallas, Tex., catalogues of their well-sinking machinery, gasoline engines, pumping machinery, air water lifts and air compressors. These catalogues contain forms and descriptive plates and explanations that will give value to those intending to secure water supply on ranches, farms or in cities. Their Chapman Patent air water-lifting machinery employed at Waco in a well whose natural flow of 200 gallons has by the use of this machinery been increased to 675 gallons a minute, or 100,000 gallons a day more than the company guaranteed. Any person intending to sink a well or provide a pumping machine would do well to address the American Well Works, either at Dallas, Tex., Aurora, Ill., or 45 W. Randolph street, Chicago, Ill.

Mr. S. E. Brown, a stock farmer of Coleman county, was in Dallas Friday with a shipment of cattle, which he sold on this market. This is not his first shipment to Dallas this season, and he is well pleased with prices received. Mr. Brown says the corn crop in his section is fairly good, but cotton is a failure and without rain in a short time the sorghum crop will be worth very little. His section still has plenty of grass and water and cattle are doing well. He is raising grade Shorthorns and provides plenty of feed to carry them through the winter, and this, he says, is getting to be the rule in his part of the country.

Ed Carver, the Henrietta stockman, spent last Friday in Dallas and in an interview with a Journal representative relative to his copper mines in Archer county, said that he had not disposed of them for \$1,000,000, nor for any other amount. He stated, however, that he had found copper scattered all over the Texas and Pacific, and owned by him in his pasture of 50,000 acres (which is the old Ed East pasture in Archer county. Boston parties own 12,000 acres adjoining his, which they have been working and they have been sufficiently encouraged to seriously consider the establishment of a plant at an early date to work it. Mr. Carver will go to Boston in a few days to be present at a meeting of the Boston parties and possibly negotiate for the development of his property. Mr. Carver's property is not for sale. If it is valuable, he prefers keeping it, and if it is not valuable for its copper deposits he will keep it as it is, and as a cow ranch as there is in the state.

LIVE STOCK EXHIBIT AT THE STATE FAIR. The Journal has received from the management of the Texas State Fair a list of the live stock exhibitors who have already engaged space up to date. Mr. F. M. DeRemanz, who prepared the list, says the number of exhibitors and the number of live stock is greater than at any previous fair, and as he has been assigning stalls for several

years he is in a position to know. It is likely that additional entries may be made, and these the Journal will give as they are received by Secretary Smith. It will be seen from the list, given below, that the exhibits will be of high quality.

CATTLE.

A. F. Hardie, Dallas, Tex., Holsteins, Shorthorns and Jerseys.

W. A. Rhea, McKinney, Tex., Shorthorns.

Hovenkamp & McNatt, Fort Worth, Tex., Shorthorns.

W. S. Ikard, Henrietta, Texas, Herefords.

Campbell Russell, Bennett, I. T., Herefords and Shorthorns.

S. Q. Hollingsworth, Couthatta, La., Jerseys.

H. O. Samuel, Dallas, Tex., Shorthorns.

J. C. Cobb, Dodd City, Tex., Shorthorns.

Geo. P. Lillard, Seguin, Tex., Shorthorns.

H. E. Singleton, McKinney, Tex., Shorthorns.

A. E. Buck, McKinney, Tex.

Jno. T. Bell, McKinney, Tex.

W. S. Snow, Dallas, Tex.

H. O. Craig, Ennis, Tex.

S. F. Schurman, Terrell, Tex.

C. A. Cayton, Honey Grove, Tex.

Fred T. Hockaday, Honey Grove, Tex.

Col. Henry Exall, Dallas, Tex.

J. W. Floyd, Richardson, Tex., Poland Chinas.

L. I. Erwin, Little Elm, Tex., Poland Chinas.

A. M. Prather, Dallas, Tex., Poland Chinas.

Jno. W. Stewart, Jr., Sherman, Tex., Poland Chinas.

Nat. Edmondson, Sherman, Tex., Duro-Jersey Red.

Frank Hamm, Dallas, Tex., Ohio Chester Whites.

Geo. P. Lillard, Seguin, Tex., Berkshires.

S. Q. Hollingsworth, Couthatta, La., Berkshires.

H. Watt Smith, Fort Worth, Tex., Poland Chinas.

H. E. Singleton, McKinney, Tex., Poland Chinas.

Doty & Son, Charleston, Ill., Poland Chinas, Jersey Reds.

Seth Miller, Dallas, Tex.

H. O. Samuels, Dallas, Tex.

Doty & Son, Charleston, Ill.

Chas. A. Mansold, Dallas, Tex.

ROUNDLAP COTTON BALES.

To Satisfy the Demand the Entire Crop will Eventually be so Baled.

For once the cotton planter has an ally among the great corporations. For years the cotton ring, the bagging combine and the compress people have all lived off the cotton grower. There was no way to fight them and so they grew rich on their enormous profits, while the farmers had to pay. Now the American Cotton Company with its Roundlap bale is in the field and it is so revolutionizing the cotton handling business that many of the old cotton mills are necessarily closing. The farmers must inevitably get a large share of this saving, but the old compress people and the bagging and the trust are raising a great commotion. Now the American Cotton Company, as though they had always been the friends of the farmer. Unfortunately for them they never played the friendly game and now they are being doubted the sincerity of their repentance. The Roundlap bale is the trade mark name given by the American Cotton Company to its round bale to distinguish it from all other bales. The cotton mills of New England and of Europe are eager buyers of this bale because as compared with all other bales it has many advantages covered by patents, which greatly lessen the cost of manufacture to the mill. This Roundlap bale eliminates two or three processes in manufacturing and as the cotton mills of the world are willing to pay more for this cotton than any other, it naturally follows that to secure the highest prices all Southern cotton must in time be put up in this Roundlap form. Mr. Wm. C. Lovring, one of the most distinguished cotton mill men of New England, says: "I do not hesitate to say that the time is coming when the cotton manufacturers all over the world will insist that their cotton shall be delivered to them in the form of a Roundlap bale."

FARM AND GARDEN NEWS.

Ennis, Tex., had a light rain Sunday.

Mineral Wells had a good rain Sunday.

A fine rain fell at Longview Sunday night.

It rained several hours at Floyd Sunday.

Gainesville had a heavy shower Sunday night.

Local showers fell in Hill county Sunday.

Collinsville had showers Saturday and Sunday.

Lamar county had good rains Saturday and Sunday.

Roscoe had a rain Saturday night and another Sunday.

Mount Pleasant, Texas, had a good rain Saturday evening.

Rain fell Sunday at Greenville, but not as much as needed.

There were several good showers in Cooke county Sunday afternoon.

Good rains fell about Chickasha, I. T., Saturday night and Sunday.

Fine rains fell about Ardmore, I. T., Friday and Saturday nights.

Good local rains visited different portions of Erath county Sunday.

A heavy shower fell at Weatherford Sunday. Gordon also had a good rain.

McKinney had a one-half inch rain-fall early Sunday morning.

The Southern part of Wise county had a fine rain Friday night.

A fine rain fell Friday night in the Northern part of Hopkins county.

The State Truck Farmers' association will meet in San Antonio Oct. 30 and 31.

There was a shower at Howe on the 10th, too light to help any farming operations.

A dispatch of the 10th from Comanche, Texas said it had been showering there forty-eight hours.

It rained nearly all day Sunday about Durant, I. T., and some hope it will increase the yield of cotton.

Grayson county farmers think the first picking will clean up their cotton crop. They do not expect a top crop.

A tremendous rain fell Saturday along the Elgin in the Territory from Tallahas several miles down the road.

Sherman had a light shower Saturday and several good rains, extending over Grayson county, during the following day.

The country southwest and north-west of Plano, Collin county, had a good shower Sunday and there was some rain at Plano.

Hamilton Herald: The wheat for the new mill still comes pouring in. The farmers carry away the cash in their pockets.

Centerville (Leon Co.) Democrat: A light rain fell here yesterday, and several very industrious men have planted turnip patches.

A good rain fell in the Northwest portion of Denton county Saturday night and there were indications of a heavy rain east of Denton.

J. P. Parker, a Red River farmer, sold a bale of cotton yesterday a bale of long-staple cotton at \$7.25, the highest price paid this season.

Farmers in Jackson county, Texas, hope for a top crop of cotton larger than the crop they have picked. The boll worms and weevils have disappeared from that section.

The directors of the West Texas Fair to be held at Abilene October 25 to 28 inclusive, have decided to not permit Taylor county to enter in competition for the \$100 offered for the best cotton exhibit.

A good rain fell at Ryan, I. T., on the morning of Sept. 8, the first rain there for a month. It was too late to benefit cotton but will help the grass and enable farmers to prepare the ground for wheat.

Huntsville Item: The proposed truck growers' association met again Saturday and adopted by-laws, appointed a committee to solicit new members, and decided to effect permanent organization later.

Vernon Globe: The continued dry weather is delaying the farmers in plowing for wheat. The cotton crop is being now benefited by rain. It will be very short, not more than one-sixth of last year's crop.

Sainer (Lavaca Co.) Gazette: Corn is being sown before the Texas rail. A great deal of it is on the ground having been blown down by the June storm. This is probably the cause of the falling off in the cotton receipts.

Corsicana Sun: A refreshing shower of rain visited the Western part of the city at 5 o'clock Friday afternoon. It cooled for about twenty minutes and was sufficient to break the heat and to the atmosphere to a bearable point.

The Texas Grain Dealers have decided to begin before the Texas rail. The road commission Sept. 26 and make another effort to have the present rail-rates on corn, 12 1/2 cents per hundred pounds, apply also to shipments of oats, chops, bran and hay.

Roswell Register: Jno. B. Gill, the truck gardener and orchardist, brought into the Register office last Saturday, a fine specimen of the "Austrian Salt Bush," a forage plant which he says should be raised on dry lands for stock. The sample was from one seed and the top covered a space three feet in diameter and was very dense.

Corsicana has already received over 5000 bales of cotton, or about 40 per cent more than to same date last season. On some plantations all the cotton has opened and the fields are being picked the last time, all hope of a top crop having been abandoned.

The Corsicana business men do not hope for a crop of more than 25,000 bales, or about half as much as was received last year.

Texas Lasso (Haskell): The hot, dry winds and broiling sun of the past month has cut the cotton crop short in this part of the state, however, there is no complaint that we have heard of as to the crop, that was made before the drought set in. The forage crops are satisfactory, being, it is said, the best ever grown in this country, though the late crops of cane, kafir corn and the like are drying up in the fields.

The Bowie County Fruit and Truckers' association, recently organized, is growing in zeal and membership. At its last meeting, when permanent organization was effected, H. B. Hillier was elected president, S. D. Thompson vice president and J. A. Youree secretary and treasurer. The association will hold meetings on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month. It proposes to make Bowie an important fruit and truck growing center.

A dispatch of Sept. 9, from Sherman, Tex., says: Judd E. C. McLean, who has just returned from an extended trip in South Texas, makes the following statement concerning the cotton crop: "Even the latest figures of the cotton crop, estimating it at one-half of last year's yield, are badly exaggerated. There will not be one-fourth of a crop around Houston, Austin and other

South Texas cities, and then near Hillsboro and Waxahachie I noticed the cotton close; there are many fields where it will be impossible to get one bale from forty acres. There will be no top crop and the bolls now open are very small. Every one I visited I noticed that one picking completely cleaned the stalks. The fact is, the cotton is nearly all in already."

An interesting meeting of the Waco Horticultural society was held April 9. Mr. G. J. Graham read a paper on onion growing, giving his own experiences in the crop. He drilled in the seed in September and October, after a thorough preparation of the ground, and gathered the crop in April or May. J. M. Thompson read a paper on fruit growing, which was discussed and criticized by some of the members. It was the opinion of most of them that young fruit trees should not be planted among old ones. President Falkner told the society of a cottonmill moth which infested his pear orchard, doing much injury. He had also found them among some apples brought from Navarro county. He said it came originally from California. He will spray his pear and apple trees with Paris green when in bloom and continue spraying until summer. President Falkner expressed the opinion that the Kiefer pear is the best in his section and he believed it would pay to plant that variety and feed the fruit to hogs. Another meeting of the society will be held in October.

FOUND IN THE PHILIPPINES. (Continued from page 5.)

carriage in which were seated two remarkably pretty girls and a gray-haired, slender gentleman, had reined up the row of officers' seats and Canker had ripped out his watch, with an ugly frown on his forehead, for three of his companies had just marched in from drill, and three of their young lieutenants, on the instant of dismissal had made straight for the vehicle and he half hoped to find they had lapped off a minute or so of the allotted hour. The sound of merry laughter seemed to grate on his ears. The sight of Gray's beaming face seemed to deepen the gloom in his own. Instinctively he knew the youngster had come to ask a favor and he straightened up to refuse.

"Colonel, I'd like mighty to go over and see that review this morning, sir; and Mr. Prime is good enough to offer me a seat in his carriage. May I go, sir?"

"You can't go anywhere, sir, with the tents of your company in that disgraceful condition. Just look at them, sir—as ragged as a wash line on a windy day!" and Canker scolded angrily at the young fellow standing squarely at attention before him.

"I know that, colonel, but the sun did that while we were out at drill, and the men were grateful for everything in ten minutes. I'll give the order now, sir." And Billy looked so though refusal were out of the question.

"You'll stay and see it done, sir, and when it's done—to my satisfaction—will be time enough to ask for favors. Mr. Gordon, send word to the company commanders I wish to see them here in five minutes." Canker scolded while the interview by so doing. It was in Gray's mind for a brief minute to follow and plead. He had made it tell many a time, but he had a university don, but he knew the sergeant was waiting—the carriage load watching and deep down in his heart there was a disappointment. He would have given up of his monthly pay to go with that particular party and occupy the seat opposite Amy Lawrence and gaze his fill at her fair face. He well-nigh hated Squeers as he had many advantages covered by patent and given the necessary order before daring to return to the carriage and report his failure. His bright blue eyes were clouded and his face flushed with the shame of the moment. The rear-most regiment was even filing into the Presidio Reservation affair to the north, and that no time was to be lost if his friends were to be seen now in the flash that the boom of guns told that the general whose honor the ceremony was ordered was already approaching the appointed spot, and away over the rolling uplands toward the Golden Gate a cavalry escort rode into view. Billy ground his teeth. "Run and tell them I cannot get leave," he called to a fellow sub. "Squeers has set me to work straightening up camp. Turn out the company, sergeant! Brace the bayonets and align tents," and a mournful wail of his forage cap was the only greeting he dare trust himself to give, as a few minutes of fruitless waiting, the vacant seat was given to another officer and the carriage rolled rapidly away. A second or two it was hidden from his sight behind the large wall tents along the line of fence, then shot into full view again as he stood at the end of the company street looking eagerly for its reappearance. And then occurred a little thing that was destined to stay in his memory for many a day, and that thrilled him with a new and strange delight. He had never been of the so-called "spooner" set at the "Varsity." Pretty girls galore there were about that famous institute, and he had danced at many a student party and romped through many a reel, but the nearest he had ever come to something more than a mere jolly friendship for a girl, was the regard in which he held his partner in the "Mixed Doubles," but that was all on account of her exuberant health, spirit, general comeliness of face and form, and her exquisite skill in tennis. But this day a new and eager longing was eating at his heart; a strange, dull pang seemed to seize upon it as he now in a flash that the seat was to have been his, was occupied by an officer many years his senior, a man he knew only by sight and an enviable reputation, a man whose solidly, fearless face never turned an instant for his eyes were fixed upon a lovely picture on the opposite seat—Amy Lawrence bending eagerly forward and gazing with her beautiful eyes alight with sympathy, interest and frank liking in search of the sorely disappointed young officer. "There he is!" she cried, though too far away for him to hear, and then, with no more thought of coquetry than a kitten, with no more motive in the world than that of conveying to him an idea of her sorrow, her sympathy, her perhaps pardonable and exagger-

Congressman Botkin's Statement

WASHINGTON, D.C., April 1, 1898. Dr. S. B. Harrison, Columbus, O. My Dear Doctor:—It gives me pleasure to certify to the excellent curative qualities of your medicine.



Hon. J. D. BOTKIN, Congressman-at-Large from Kansas.

Peruna and Man-a-Lin. I have been afflicted, more or less, for a quarter of a century with catarrh of the stomach and constipation; a residence in Washington has increased these troubles.

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J. D. BOTKIN.

ated indignation at what she deemed an act of tyranny on the part of his commander, with only an instant in which to express it all—her sweet face flushed, her eyes flamed with the light of her girlish enthusiasm and in that instant she had kissed her hand to him. Col. Armstrong, turning suddenly and sharply to see who could be the object of interest so absorbing, caught one fitting glimpse of Billy Gray lifting his cap in quick acknowledgment, and the words that were on the tip of Armstrong's tongue the moment before were withheld for a more auspicious occasion—and it did not come too soon.

(Continued next week.)

IF YOU ARE THINKING of going anywhere, consult the I. and G. N. excursion rate list in another column of this paper.

SUNNY SIDE AT THE FAIR. Editor Texas Stock and Farm Journal: We will ship the Sunny Side herd to the Dallas Fair about 26th and we think it is the best exhibit we ever showed at the Fair. Hobson, full brother to W. J. Bryan, best bull calf Fort Worth Fat Stock show 1898 and best yearling bull same show March, 1899, sold to Waggoner & Son for \$600 at nine months old. Hobson 10 months old and weighs 960 pounds, gaining 20 pounds a week, and I consider him the best bull of his age I ever saw, and everyone that sees him says he is the best they ever saw. The bull that beats him in my opinion, will be champion.

W. S. IKARD, Sunny Side Stock Farm, Henrietta, Texas, Sept. 10, 1899.

The Geo. E. Brock Company, Decatur, Texas, have purchased and high grade Hereford and Shorthorn bulls, registered Shropshire sheep and pure-bred Collie Shepherd dogs for sale. Write them and mention Texas Stock and Farm Journal.

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FORT WORTH.

Fort Worth office of Texas Stock and Farm Journal, ground floor North Hotel building where our friends are invited to call when in the city.
Jas. A. Weaver came in from Rockwall Monday.
G. H. Connell of Dublin, was in this city Thursday.
P. R. Kenney, a Canadian cattleman, was here Monday.
C. H. Brown, cattleman of Denton, was in Fort Worth Saturday.
A. P. Bush, Jr., of Colorado City, spent Thursday in Fort Worth.
Ralph Harris, stockman of San Angelo, spent Saturday in this city.
Robt. McNairy, a Colorado City stockman, spent Monday in this city.
B. T. Ware of this city, returned Monday from a trip to the Panhandle.
L. C. Wall came in Monday from a trip through the Western part of the state.
J. L. Harris, live stock agent of the Wabash, spent Saturday in Fort Worth.
H. W. McKay, cattleman of Oshkosh, Wisconsin, spent Friday in Fort Worth.
W. A. Poage of Waco, was among the visiting stockmen in this city Thursday.
Frank Wilson of Comanche, was among the visiting stockmen in this city Friday.
Sidney Connell, a prosperous cattleman of Brownwood, was in Fort Worth Monday.
L. M. Barkley of this city, returned a few days ago from a trip to the San Angelo country.
Lee Russell of Menardville, was in this city last week en route home from a trip to Kansas City.
The Salt Lake Tribune, one of the P. R. Clark of Comanche, was in Fort Worth Monday.
Charles Sharp, buyer for Cudahy, shipped six cars of hogs to Los Angeles last Wednesday.
W. A. Briggs and J. W. Kennedy, cattle feeders of Waxahachie, spent Friday in Fort Worth.
Charles Coppinger and family returned Thursday from England where they spent the summer.
J. T. McElroy, the well known cattleman of Pecos City, is spending several days in Fort Worth.
M. C. Hancock of Marlow, Indian Territory, spent several days in this city last week in the live stock center.
G. T. Reynolds, the well known banker and cattleman of Albany, spent Monday in the live stock center.
E. B. Carver, the well known cattleman of Henrietta, spent several days of last week in the live stock center.
W. E. Washington, cattleman of Marietta, Indian Territory, spent several days in Fort Worth the past week.
J. H. Campbell of Kansas, closely identified with the cattle industry, spent several days of last week in this city.
Col. B. B. Groom, a veteran cattleman of Panhandle City, spent several days of the city during the past week.
J. M. Chittim, cattleman of San Antonio, passed through Fort Worth Monday en route home from a trip North.
J. S. Todd, the well known banker and cattleman of Checotah, Indian Territory, is spending a few days in Fort Worth.
Tom Andrews, commission man of this city, received word last week of the death of his brother, James Andrews of McKinney.
Andy Hale, a well known cattle feeder of Greenville, passed through this city Saturday en route from Marlow, Indian Territory.
John Schirbauer, the well known cattleman of this city, came in Thursday from Midland, where he spent the greater part of the summer.
T. P. Stevens of this city, was called to Gainesville Thursday by the sudden death of his uncle, J. R. Stevens, a wealthy capitalist of that city.
G. M. Frazier, B. K. and T. Riggs and A. T. Windham, all prominent stockmen of Pecos county, spent Saturday in the live stock center.
W. R. Moore, the well known cattle feeder and oil mill manager of Ardmore Indian Territory, spent several days of last week in Fort Worth.
S. R. Coggin and Henry Ford, stockmen and bankers of Brownwood, passed through Fort Worth Thursday en route home from the Northwest.
N. B. Edens of Corsicana, was in Fort Worth Friday. Mr. Edens says that he intends feeding again this year if he can get cattle on satisfactory terms.
The city and will make Fort Worth his city and will make Fort Worth his headquarters for some time while looking after Texas and Indian Territory business.
S. B. Burnett of this city, has just sold to Eden Bros. of Corsicana, 2000 three and four-year-old "6666" feeder steers at \$34 per head, delivery to be made October 1st.
T. A. Dysart, a stockman of Midland, spent Friday in Fort Worth. He reports cattle doing well in that section, notwithstanding the drought there being a good supply of stock water.
B. G. Davis of this city, returned Monday from an extended stay in the

country around Midland and Colorado City. He reports that section as having recently received very fair rains.
J. K. Rosson, assistant live stock agent of the Katy, returned a few days ago from a trip over North Texas. He estimates that the cotton crop in that section will not be over one-fourth, or at furthest one-half as large as usual.
Charles McFarland, Aledo; G. W. Hall, Brownwood; Lee Woods, Purcell, Indian Territory; T. H. Boyce, Chaning, and T. B. Yarborough of Decatur, all prominent cattlemen of their respective places, spent Tuesday in the live stock center.
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Col. Jas. A. Wilson spent the first of this week in Fort Worth. Col. Wilson spent several days in the Territory and reports rain in that section. He thinks the cattleman ought to consider himself lucky with beef steers bringing \$85 to \$90 on the market.
S. B. Burnett of this city, returned Friday from the 6666 ranch. He says that while it has been very dry, cattle are doing better than at any time during the year. There is plenty of water on the ranch. Mr. Burnett's only fear for winter grass is that heavy rains in November might cause it to rot.
T. B. Jones, the well known cattleman of Wichita Falls and R. K. Hallsell of Decatur, spent Thursday in this city. While he has not been consumed by which Mr. Hallsell leases to Mr. Jones about 6000 acres of pasture land in the Comanche and Kiowa reservations for a period of eighteen months, effective October 1st.
S. B. Burnett, W. T. Scott, J. B. Collins, W. G. Turner, Jake Washer, F. D. Hovenskamp, W. G. Newby and J. C. Loving have been appointed a committee to arrange for the reception and entertainment of the National Live Stock association which meets here next January, and the Cattle Raisers' national which meets in March.
Col. H. T. Keenan, live stock agent of the Burlington, came down from Chicago Saturday. He said that on account of the short crop of cotton seed he feared that some of the oil mills in Texas would hardly be able to run this season. He estimates that not more than one-half or two-thirds of the usual number of cattle will be fed in this state this season.
L. C. Beverly of Clarendon, one of the prominent cattle raisers of the Panhandle, spent Saturday in this city. Mr. Beverly feels very jubilant over the good rains that have fallen during the past week in the Panhandle country and says they have put the cattle ranges and everything in that section in the finest condition. In all respects Mr. Beverly says this has been a splendid year for the Panhandle.
C. C. French, representing the Evans-Snyder-Buel company of this city, spent last week in the Southwest, visiting the state, visiting San Saba, Runnels, Menard, Concho and other counties. Mr. French says that while the weather is very dry and hot, he has the highest hopes for the future. In the San Saba valley, where the lands were susceptible to irrigation, he found a wonderful growth of cotton, the stalks taller than a man's head, still blooming at the top and with bolls at the bottom.
L. W. Krake, representing the National Stock Yards, St. Louis, with headquarters in this city, returned Saturday from an extended trip through Oklahoma, Indian Territory and Kansas. He reported dry weather everywhere he had been but said that cattle had done well and were now ready for market. Shipments have not been very heavy so far, owing to the fact that holders are inclined to wait for still higher prices and also to the fear that by rushing them in altogether the market might be depressed. Mr. Krake advocates the feeding of corn to cattle this season in view of the anticipated short supply of cotton seed products.
LAND SALES AND CATTLE SHIPMENTS.
Editor Texas Stock and Farm Journal:
The Pecos Valley has witnessed during the past month a larger volume of transfers of land than in any other section in its history. Not only has the acreage of the ranches sold been large, but the prices realized have shown a decided increase over any previous year, not even excepting the old boom days of '90 and '92.
The most important sale was made to J. J. Hagerman, who bought from Mr. Hamilton to the entire increase of the acreage of alfalfa on the ranch. It is known that Col. Slaughter will transfer a number of his Hereford cattle from his Texas ranches and establish a breeding farm on his new purchase and hold yearly sales of finely bred and graded stock each spring.
W. E. Washington of Marietta, I. T., yesterday concluded the purchase of the Livingston ranch, containing 200 acres of alfalfa, for which he paid \$7000.
An outfit of \$3000 was made for the Wick ranch on the Black river last week. This property belongs to J. B. Wilson and C. O'Connor of Dallas and G. W. Williams of Missouri. The ranch will probably be sold within the next few weeks.
The fine fishing in the rivers and lakes of the valley this year has attracted many people to Carlsbad and Roswell. In the neighborhood of the latter place bass have been plentiful and large catches made. The Black river, the Seven rivers and the irrigation

lakes have also afforded fine sport.
The movement of beef cattle commences this month. The first large shipment will be made from Portals on the 12th of a full trainload, and thus far orders for cars for this class of stock indicate a shipment of about 2000 head, with possibly as many more later in the month. Many, and possibly in the most of these shipments will be made from Portals, as that town is the principal shipping point of the principal shipping points on the P. V. and N. E., commanding as it does a large territory and possessing an abundance of good water.
Hon. Sam M. Gaines, superintendent of railway mail service for the eleventh district, with headquarters at Fort Worth, has been passing some time in the valley, visiting Carlsbad and Roswell and the different points of interest. He left for home last night, Thomas N. Dixon of the Dallas News, also passed some ten days here fishing and hunting.
Roswell and its vicinity have now over 100 flowing wells, yielding from fifty to 2000 gallons a minute and are being bored all along the line of the road from Carlsbad to Roswell and considerable capital interested in the search for artesian water. The majority of the enterprises will prove successful, as there have been but few failures as yet.
ARGUS.
Carlsbad, N. M., Sept. 4, 1899.
MODIFYING QUARANTINE ORDER.
To the Inspectors and Cattlemen:
You are hereby notified that the Proclamation issued on the 2nd day of June, 1899, regarding the slaughter of cattle, is hereby modified so as to permit cattle to be moved and across said trail, except the slaughter pasture in Garza county and Mill from pasture to and including the South Shoe Nail pasture in Hall and Childress counties and the shipping pens at Estelina in said Hall county, as hereinafter provided, and no cattle will be permitted to pass through said pasture, nor through that portion of the country above described around and about Estelina.
W. B. TULLIS,
Livestock Sanitary Commissioner,
Quanah, Texas, Sept. 6, 1899.
W. J. Duffel, fine breeder, Ross, Tex., and by-the-way, an advertiser in Texas Stock and Farm Journal, writes: "Business is fine; in fact the best I ever saw for this time of the year."
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Write the Oliver Ranch, Geo. E. Brown Company, proprietors, Decatur, Tex., about purchasing high grade Hereford and Shorthorn bulls, registered Shropshire sheep and purebred Cattle Shepherd dogs.
ANOTHER REMARKABLE CURE.
Mrs. E. M. Myers, Riverside, Fort Worth, had been dangerously afflicted for ten years with a spinal disease, liver and stomach difficulty, and had protracted the best medical aid possible and found no permanent relief, and nervous prostration set in. No peace of mind day or night could be furnished her by any treatment she could find until, almost despaired with failure, she went to Dr. Duncan and wife, 300 E. 4th street, Fort Worth, who cured all diseases by the use of combined science. To her surprise, she improved from the first and after a few treatments which were perfectly relieving and restored. This was very much of a surprise to her friends, as they had concluded there was no cure for her. Dr. Duncan says he had never before established any claim made for combined scientific treatment. Dr. Duncan and wife use every means of healing without medicine, not one science, but all of them combined—osteopathy, Swedish osteopathy, scientific magnetic treatment, massage treatment, science, cold and heat in all forms. Dr. Duncan and wife have a large building for the reception of patients permanently established in Fort Worth. People are going to them from everywhere and being cured by this most successful treatment.
The Texas railroad commission issued the following Sept. 7: "Bulls in straight carloads, or when mixed with shipments of beef cattle, oxen or cows, shall be subject to the rules prescribed in table No. 2. Bulls when forming a portion of a shipment of stock cattle shall be subject to the rates prescribed in table No. 3. The order takes effect Sept. 25. Rates in table No. 2 are for beef cattle and in table No. 3 on stock cattle."
Odesa, Texas, had a good shower Sept. 8, the first for three months. It is reported from there that the grass had been dried up by the heat the last two months and was eaten off so closely that stock was feeding on Mesquite brush, and that a number of cattlemen were moving their cattle to New Mexico and other ranges. The rain of the 8th will produce some grass, but not as much, says the report, as will be needed.
Corpus Christi Caller: Corpus Christi was among the fortunate places in Southwest Texas which received rain last Sunday morning, the rainfall here reaching nearly two inches. Mr. Geo. Havers reports a splendid rain at the Laureles ranch; Mr. Joe. Hunter reports a fine rain at his place near Nueces town. Fine rains are reported at a number of other places, while not a few places received only light showers and some hardly a drop. Of all months, September is the month that the most rain is needed, to make grass for the winter. On account of the long hot, dry summer a world of rain is needed to put the country in good shape.
Laredo Times: This city and immediate section was blessed Saturday evening and very nearly all day yesterday with a good down pour of rain, which has greatly refreshed the atmosphere, besides doing thousands of dollars worth of good. From the Western Union office we learned that it extended down the river to Carrizo, but rained only an hour there, and north as far as Cotulla. From the Mexican National office we learned that it rained very little between here and Hebbronville, but beyond there clear to Corpus Christi, and into Mexico only to La Jarita.
SANTA FE EXCURSION RATES.
Boston, Mass.—One and one-half fare for the round trip on the certificate plan, account of the Farmers' National Congress to be held at Boston Oct. 3rd to 6th.
Cincinnati, Ohio.—One first class standard fare for the round trip, October 19th and 14th, limited for return to October 23rd, account of National convention of the Christian church.
Austin, Texas.—One fare for the round trip, limited for return Oct. 21st, account of State convention United Daughters of the Confederacy.
"Found in the Philippines"—Household page.
Premiums No. 1, 2, 10, 13, 15 and 16 published in this issue of the Journal will interest you. Look them up.

Watches by Mail.
Our Illustrated Catalogue for 1899, showing Watches, Chains, Silverware, Silver Novelties, Jewelry, Diamonds, Rings, Optical Goods, etc., is now ready and will be sent on application. We also issue a special Watch Catalogue.
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