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Col, Goodnight Reported to Have Bought Extensively in Mexico

Wichita Falls, Tex., June 16.—It is authoritatively announced here today that C. C. Goodnight, owner of the Goodnight ranch and the famous herd of buffaloes in the Panhandle, and Dr. Charles Young, of this city, importer of the first flock of Karakule sheep ever brought out of Asia Minor, have purchased 875,000 acres of land in Mexico across from Del Rio in the Old Trevino tract and will transfer the sheep and buffaloes to there.

Seventy-five thousand acres is under cultivation and will be colonized. The remainder will be used for a ranch. Price not stated.

Bryan and the Senatorship

St. Louis, Mo., June 15.—Wearing a long black overcoat and a Panama hat, William Jenkins Bryan dodged into Union Station today. He was there just fifteen minutes. Asked about his reported senatorial aspirations, he said:

"I do not desire to be a candidate for Senator and do not expect to be. I will not say that under no condition shall I enter the race, but will say that I shall not enter it unless some unforeseen emergency arises, and hope none such will arise. I much prefer to do my work as a private citizen."

Woman Suffragist's Advice Will Hardly Stop Marriages

New York, June 14.—"Women would get the suffrage in eighteen months if every woman would pledge herself not to marry until suffrage was granted. I think every woman suffragist should pledge herself not to marry out of the cause, just as every member of the Salvation Army has to take an oath not to marry outside the Army."

In this and many other statements equally interesting Mrs. Oliver H. P. Belmont reiterated her recently avowed purpose to assist the cause of woman suffrage in this country.

"You know, it may come to actual fighting in England—yes, to warfare between men and women battling for their rights."

The highest June price for live hogs since 1882 was established Monday at the Union stock yards in Chicago when the best porkers sold at the long predicted figure of \$8 per 100 pounds. With the exception of 1902 this is the highest price paid recorded for any month since the Cudahy corner in pork in 1893 when live hogs sold at \$8.75 per 100 pounds.

Last Wednesday J. O. Morrison and wife, an aged farmer couple living near Madison, Ok., were instantly killed by lightning in a cellar underneath their home while seeking safety during a severe electrical and wind storm. Mrs. J. L. Wahlgemuh was also instantly killed by lightning at her home near Gage while feeding her chickens.

Ray Lamphere, notorious through association with Mrs. Belle Guinness, alleged wholesale slayer, and who was sentenced to the Michigan City prison for alleged murder of the woman, is extremely low in health, according to his sister, Mrs. James Finley, who visited him recently. It is feared Lamphere will die before steps can be taken for pardon.

Since they took the picture of the Waters-Pierce Oil company paying that million odd dollar fine to Texas and the pictures of the sugar trust paying that ten million dollar agreement settlement in Philadelphia, the public has begun to think that maybe there are million dollar pictures outside of swell art museums.—Austin Statesman.

Condition of Cotton Crop

The Memphis Commercial Appeal gives the following as the condition of the cotton crop:

Excessive rainfall has caused much grass in cotton fields east of the Mississippi. The weather of last week was fair and hot, however, and much progress was made in cultivation. Another week of bright warm weather is needed to put the crop in good shape. The worst reports are received from Mississippi, where, until last week, the rains were very heavy, washing the uplands and flooding the lowlands. The acreage in the state has been decreased as a result.

West of the Mississippi river the crop is in fair condition, reports from Oklahoma and Texas being excellent. The rainfall west of Arkansas and Louisiana, except along the coast of Texas, has not been excessive. Parts of Texas are deficient in moisture, but the plant looks well and is growing.

The plant generally is smaller than last year, but where not over-run with grass or submerged, is healthy.

An Alligator Scare

New York, June 14.—Some two thousand persons got the scare of their lives and many persons climbed trees today when two giant alligators made a break for freedom down the main pathway of the Bronx Park Zoo. The trouble started at the end of the transit of eighteen alligators from their winter quarters in the snakehouse to the summer pool for alligators across the pathway. The sixteen young alligators went over tamely, but the "jail delivery" began when "Big Jim" flung off the ropes that bound him with a flap of his muscular tail and began racing for the woods to the north. His wife, Sarah, followed him.

It took ten minutes to capture "Big Jim" and half an hour more to lasso Sarah and drag her back on a stoneboat.

Paid Him to Be Baptized

Evansville, Ind.—John Morgan, living at Maunee, Ill., on the Wash river, near this city, found a pearl in a very peculiar manner. He recently professed religion and was baptized in the river at Maunee. He wore a shoe in which there was a loose string and this dragged over the bottom of the river and a mussel closed on the string. Morgan pulled it out on the bank after him. When he opened the mussel shell he was surprised to find a pearl on the inside, which he sold to a dealer for \$500. Morgan says he would like to be baptized again.

President Taft Wednesday sent a message to congress urging the passage of a bill imposing a tax of 2 per cent upon the undistributed net earnings of corporations and the adoption of a resolution submitting to the several states an amendment to the constitution giving congress the power to impose a tax on incomes. This understanding was reached at a session of the cabinet, and was approved by republican leaders of the senate who conferred with the president.

Childress had a young water spout Monday night. The Denver railroad shops sustained the greatest damage, water there being 13 to 26 inches deep. The terminal yards were badly washed and west of the general office building 500 feet of the main line washed out. Engines were used to pump water from the basement of the storeroom, turntable, and transfer table. Material in the yards was badly washed and scattered.

You will find boys' wagons cheaper at Kerbow's than at any other place in town.

The Standard Forces Out Competition

Topeka, June 15.—That only about fifty companies producing crude oil in Kansas have survived from a total of 350 in existence three years ago, and that the Standard Oil Company as a trust is responsible for the decline of these companies, was charged today in a hearing before Attorney General Jackson in the suit of ouster now pending against the Standard. W. E. Connelly, who has investigated the conditions in the Kansas oil fields, gave the testimony. He said that of the 350 companies, 150 have been wrecked, 100 are dormant and no trace can be found of 46.

The resignation of Francis E. Leupp as commissioner of Indian affairs, which has been pending since March 4, has been accepted by President Taft, and Robert G. Valentine, assistant commissioner, was named to succeed him. Mr. Leupp has wanted to retire for some time on account of ill health.

A Chicago professor says summer resorts are unhealthy. Sure. Constant worry about rapidly diminishing finances is always unhealthy.—Star.

Lighting by Wireless Electricity

The recent demonstration of wireless electricity in Omaha is of more than passing interest. A hall in the city of Omaha was brilliantly lighted by electricity brought by wireless process from a power plant five miles away. The possibilities which are opened for contemplation by such demonstration are as limitless as they are fascinating.

It means, among other things, that the continually increasing numbers of poles and wires which disfigure every city in the country will be eliminated. The placing of wires underground had many advocates, but it also had its disadvantages. Now comes the means by which the wires will be done away with altogether. It means less expense, for the equipment of a wireless system requires a far less expenditure than does the present method. Also it means less danger from electricity. It means pretty nearly an entire revolution of the whole scheme of the application of electricity.

Experiments other than that at Omaha have been made, proving that the wireless method for the transmission of electric power for

A Baptist Educational Campaign

Rev. R. E. L. Farmer of the Texas Baptist Education Commission is in a sweeping \$30,000 campaign for our schools. A new \$20,000 Girl's Dormitory is to be built at Goodnight and important additional equipments at Canadian. Our schools have outgrown their present quarters, and enlargement is imperative. School men, missionaries, and pastors are assisting in the campaign. The air of the workers is to do good everywhere, to bring to every church a spiritual uplift, to seek to win souls, to inspire an educational atmosphere and find students for our schools, to circulate the denominational papers, and to round out a glorious collection. They are God's messengers. Let us cheer Him with liberal contributions.—Panhandle Missionary.

He Saw the Hats

The editor of the Daily Panhandle has been to church. This may seem a little strange to the average reader, but it is a fact. And he don't seem to be pleased with his experience. Here is what he says: "An Amarillo woman who can remove a big hat in church, and who will not remove a big hat in church should be made to remove a big hat in church; or remove her self back to the back bench. A woman who will wear such bay-cocks and vegetable carts on her cranium into a house of God and shut out a view of the minister from persons seated behind her may have her name written in the earthly church book, but it is doubtful if it is written in the one above. The church claims to be the same today as it was in the apostolic days, yet if a female of those times had come prancing into an assembly of disciples wearing such a ridiculous head dress do you suppose Appolos or Luke, or Simeon or Paul would have allowed her to shut out the view from even a little child listening to the words that point the way to eternal life? Will a truly devout Christian woman be guilty of this practice? They remove hats in theaters at the demand of the management. Is a theater a more worthy place than a house dedicated to the Deity?"

A total of 32,815 men and women made their living behind stands in New York's public markets during 1908. They rented, or leased, 15,233 stalls, representing an investment to them of nearly \$3,000,000. Fulton Market alone did average daily sales of 500,000 pounds of fish. The pushcart peddlers did a daily business of \$25,000 selling all kinds of food and merchandise in their market under the Williamsburg Bridge.

The Denver road has shipped several cars of dirt from Oklaunton to be used in the Denver yards at Childress in growing plants and flowers as the dirt in Childress contains too much gyp and alkali to grow flowers without some Wilbarger dirt mixed with it.—Vernon Call.

A doctor told us this one: A patient called at his office, stated his ills, and the doctor wrote a prescription and handed it to him. The patient then inquired the probable cost of getting it filled and was told about 60 cents would pay the bill. The patient then asked the doctor for the loss of that amount and the doctor then scratching his head, drew a line through several parts of the prescription and then handed it to the patient, saying: "Now you can get it filled for a dime. Those I scratched out were for your nerves, but I see you do not need any thing for them."—Ex.

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E. M. OZIER,
THE GROCERYMAN

The harvester trust, which is a little brother of the steel trust, is said to sell binders in Europe for \$33 less than it sells them for in the United States, mowers \$12 less, reapers \$15 less and wheeled rakes \$5 less. In other words, the farmer who drives into Chicago from his farm in Cook county, Ill., has to pay the trust about 15 per cent more for his harvesting machinery than does the Russian or the Hungarian wheat-grower, whose home is more than 3,000 miles away. The American farmer naturally resents such discrimination against him, but when he tries to buy a harvester from an European manufacturer he has to pay \$85 tariff on it, which is the "protection" the law allows to the domestic product. Isn't it glorious to be a free born American and treated worse than an infidel by those who make the laws of the country and by those whom American customers have converted into millionaires?—Dallas News.

A new high record price for hogs on the Ft. Worth market was made Wednesday when two carloads sold at \$7.65. This is the highest price paid in Ft. Worth since the establishment of the yards.

Neat job printing at this office.

whatever purpose is perfectly feasible and economical. As one by one the developments of electricity and its uses have been offered the public the idea has grown that in this line human ingenuity had about reached the limit of the possibilities, but with the coming of the wireless system, by which lighting, heating, power and the transmission of messages by cable, telegraph and telephone is made possible, one merely accepts the matter and wonders what next.—Record.

Organize Negro Town

Negro capitalists have opened a new town, called Kally Miller, 87 miles south of Dallas on the Trinity & Brazos Valley railroad, for settlement by people of African descent only. A large tract embodying several thousand acres will be subdivided into suitable farm tracts. Nearly in its center is situated the town proper, composed of 312 lots. No land will be sold to whites.

Fairmount Park in Philadelphia is the largest park in the United States. It contains 3,000 acres. Forest Park, St. Louis, is second with 1,372 acres. Swope Park, Kansas City, is third. It contains 1,350 acres.

STATE NEWS

The attorney general has approved \$35,000 water bonds for the city of Childress, being ten forties bearing 5 per cent.

The Traylor & Crabtrees gin at Argo, eight miles northeast of Mt. Pleasant burned Wednesday morning. The loss is \$5,000.

Brownwood now has free mail delivery with four carriers. The business district will have three deliveries and the residence portion of town two.

Aspermont's election for a special tax of 20c on the \$100 and to authorize issuance of \$12,500 bonds for a school building at Aspermont passed by a vote of 74 votes for to no votes against.

Cisco citizens held a meeting Saturday night to consider the movement to procure the West Texas Normal that some place in West Texas is bound to get. A movement will be made to assess the citizens for a per cent to raise this fund.

At Tyler Tuesday the county commissioners' court appointed Mrs. T. W. Jarvis tax assessor of Smith county to fill the unexpired term of her husband, who died several weeks ago. Mrs. Jarvis was appointed over twelve other applicants.

At Dublin Tuesday the house of J. A. Arnold burned from a lamp explosion. Besides Arnold's family, the house was also occupied by Dr. J. A. Lewis. Arnold carried \$1,000 insurance on the house and \$400 on the furniture. Lewis carried no insurance. Furniture all lost.

The wheat and oat crop in Fannin county will be short owing to the dry weather. Wheat will average about twelve bushels to the acre and oats about twenty. Some farmers had sold their wheat in advance at \$1.25 per bushel. Oats are bringing on the local market from 60 to 65 cents per bushel and from \$10 to \$12 per ton baled.

Monday night Harvey Marsh was robbed of \$500 at his home six and a half miles north of Crockett. Mr. Marsh and his family had retired for the night. He was awakened by two men standing over him with their knives drawn. They commanded him to tell them where his money was kept, and he refused to do so, whereupon one of them searched the room until he found it and they came to Crockett, where they caught a train for Houston.

Luther Rhodes, a brakeman, was instantly killed at Pecos Sunday when both engines and six cars of a double header Santa Fe freight train were ditched by train wreckers. The wreck occurred at the entrance of the local yards, the switch having been partially thrown. The switch engine crews escaped with slight bruises. Rhodes, the dead brakeman, was from Texline. Local, county and railroad officers are working on the case, but have not been able to pick up a promising clew as to the identity of the miscreant responsible for the mishap.

Extensive preparations are under way for the founding of the new town in the eastern part of Hemphill county, on July 2 and 3 Gem City is the name to be given to the new town. It will be twenty miles from Canadian, on the line of several proposed new railway lines as follows: Clinton and Northwestern, Hobart electric line, Wichita Falls and Northwestern, and the Colorado, Texas and Mexico. The following names are published as the list of speakers: President G. S. Slover of Clarendon college, Clarendon; H. L. Ackins, N. P. Willis, H. E. Hoover, F. R. Jamison and W. A. Palmer of Canadian.

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The Moore County Pioneer is a new paper from Dumas. It seems to have a phat take in the way of citations.

A Russian submarine sank during the Black sea Maneuvers with all on board. This seems to be the only maneuver in which the Russian navy is proficient.

It is practically settled that a duty of \$4 per ton will be put on print paper, and the trust will be able to add that much to the price to the printer.

Government in this country has come to be largely a very costly means of distributing special privileges where they will produce the largest contributions to the campaign fund or pay for the fattest offices.

The price of provisions will cause Dallas to pay higher for boarding her prisoners. The county has been paying 10c per meal, which totals about \$192 per month, but in receiving bids on a new contract this week, 19c was the lowest bid. The commissioners thought this too high and will ask bids again.

The supreme court has sustained the opinion of the attorney general that a county judge has the right to vote as a member of the county commissioners' court. The decision was given in refusing the petition for mandamus in the case of Rivera vs. Stephens, comptroller. This decision renews the deadlock in the selection of a Liberty county sheriff.

The Kansas City Star cares very little for the troubles of Texas. It says: "It is hoped the report is correct that Senator Joseph W. Bailey will run for governor of Texas next year as a means of 'vindication.' Outsiders do not care who is governor of Texas, but they do care who's in the United States senate."

In the Amarillo independent district there are 1,486 enrollments, in Potter county outside of Amarillo district only 150 students are shown. One year ago the Amarillo district showed 1,295, this year's gain being 191. The county last year showed 110, this year's gain being 40.

Goos to the Pen Alone

Denton, Texas, June 16.—Penitentiary Inspector Hawkins yesterday bought a ticket for Huntsville, gave it to Lige Renow and started him alone for the penitentiary to begin serving a five-year term. Renow was convicted of murder of Dolph Isom in the southeastern part of the county three years ago, but the case was appealed and Renow released on bond. Several days ago the lower court's decision was affirmed and yesterday Renow, who has been living in Dallas county, came here to surrender, having noticed the appellate court's decision in the state press. Not caring to put Renow in the local jail to await the coming of the penitentiary transfer agent, which might be a month or more, Colonel Hawkins decided to make the experiment of letting Renow go alone and is confident his experiment will result successfully.

Morris Inheritance Tax \$183,844

An inheritance tax of \$183,844.31, the largest in the history of the state of Illinois, on the estate left by the late Nelson Morris, one of the pioneers in the meat packing business, will result from an order entered in the county court by Judge Rynaker. The appraisers' report gives the total value of the estate as \$16,703,427.78.

At Davis, Ok., Wednesday Houston Wilson was playing in a practice game of baseball when he was struck in the temple by the ball and instantly killed.

Keeton Case Transferred to Vernon from Amarillo

Amarillo, Texas, June 16.—Judge J. N. Browning refused the prayer of District Attorney Bishop for change in venue in the case of the state of Texas vs. James W. Keeton, but ordered the change to Wilbarger county upon his own motion, thus placing the trial out side of his own district. In rendering his decision in the matter this afternoon, Judge Browning stated that he based his actions partially upon evidence adduced at the hearing of the motion of the state, and partially upon matters within his own knowledge. Recognizance was entered into this afternoon by Keeton, his attorneys admitting that they have no recourse against the action of the court as to the change of venue. Amarillo has had few cases offering the sensationally interesting features of this one, which embodies the charge of killing State Ranger Thomas against Defendant Keeton, in the Potter county courthouse early during the present year.

Priddy Trying to Promote a Natural Gas Line

Amarillo, Tex., June 16.—D. C. Priddy, who with other capitalists is promoting a gas line from the Petrolia gas field to Amarillo to serve this city and intermediate points, returned today from Wichita Falls, where he had been in conference with R. H. Joyce and his associates.

Mr. Priddy estimated the cost of the line at \$1 per foot. He said he was not yet ready to give out the names of his associates, but that his concern had an option on seventy-five acres of proven gas land, and that he believed the project would be carried through. The purpose of the promoters is to pipe gas to the edge of the towns along the route and sell the franchises for local service.

Mr. Priddy further stated that there is gas in paying quantities to be found within twenty miles of Amarillo and that he and other local investors were working on the formation of a company for the development of this field.

F. A. Stead Shot by a Neighbor Woman

Mrs. B. C. Bledsoe, whose home is between Forest Hill and Kennedale, twelve miles southwest from Ft. Worth, was arrested Wednesday afternoon following the shooting of her neighbor, F. A. Stead. The ball ranged around to the right side of the face and came out under the right ear. Mrs. Bledsoe did not deny the shooting, but waived examining trial and her bond was fixed at \$1,000 which she made and was released. Mrs. Bledsoe, who is a comely young matron about 25 years old, was accompanied by her husband.

The Bledsoes and Steads own adjoining farms, there being only a fence between them, and several months ago there was trouble between Bledsoe and Stead, resulting in Stead having Bledsoe arrested on a charge of aggravated assault. Bledsoe was acquitted, but there has been hard feeling between the two families ever since.

Tobacco Raisers Moving from Night-Rider Kentucky

Lexington, Ky., June 16.—The trust is moving out—not all its holdings—no, not by any means, but as a result of the continual disturbances in Kentucky, ascribed to the activities of the night riders, the American Tobacco Company plans to experiment in tobacco growing in the state of Illinois. With this purpose in view, the company is causing to be shipped to Illinois some 10,000 burley tobacco plants.

After a conference Wednesday night in which five progressive republican senators participated, it was announced that the fight for the adoption of an income tax amendment would be continued in spite of President Taft's recommendation that the matter be referred to the various states.

This office for neat job work.

The Clovis-Coleman Cutoff

Austin, June 16.—The Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe railway through its subsidiary is making every effort to outstrip its competitors in reaching California through Texas and with the completion of extensions of the Pecos & Northern Texas Railway company, approved today by the attorney general's department, its line will stretch from Galveston to the border line with New Mexico at Farwell, in Parmer county.

While three extensions are proposed and, according to advices, are already under way, the one of most importance to the Santa Fe and to the people of northwest Texas in particular is that from Farwell to Coleman, a distance of 300 miles. At this latter point it will connect with the Santa Fe which has already reached there and thence to Galveston and Houston.

The amendments approved by the attorney general's department today are as follows:

Increasing capital stock from \$100,000 to \$650,000; branches, Farwell to Coleman, through the counties of Parmer, Bailey, Lamb, Hockley, Lubbock, Lynn, Garza, Scurry, Fisher, Nolan, Taylor, Coleman, a distance of about 300 miles. Branch line, Canyon City, Randall county, in a southerly direction through the counties of Randall, Swisher, Hale and Lubbock to Lubbock, a distance of about 105 miles, (that portion of this said branch extending from Canyon City to Plainview has been constructed.) Branch line, Plainview in a southeasterly direction through the counties of Hale, Floyd, Crosby and Dickens, to Dickens, Dickens county, a distance of 70 miles. Branch line, Lubbock, in a westerly direction through the counties of Lubbock, Hockley, Cochran, to a point in the west line of the state, a distance of 175 miles.

Fifty Thousand Dollar Fire at Brownwood

Brownwood, Tex., June 16.—Fire discovered tonight at 11 o'clock in Hespil & Company's office, over the Theatorium, destroyed four business houses, together with their stocks. Losses: Bowden Bros., furniture and groceries; Hespil Theatorium, cotton office, Citizens' National Bank, Campbell Drug Company, West Texas Telephone Exchange and general office.

The loss already is fully \$50,000 and the fire is not under control. Gilliam Bros., dry goods; Denman Furniture Company, McCurdy Manufacturing Company and Hardy & Denny are all threatened and may burn.

Individual losses and amounts of insurance carried can not be learned tonight.

Owing to a delay in the fire department getting out the fire was under good headway before water was turned on. The water pressure is good and but little wind blowing, which are the only hopes of saving much other property.

All this talk of the need of a greater navy in this country is rot. There is absolutely no danger of the United States having a war with any other Nation within the next ten years, and even if we did get into a scrap our present navy is amply sufficient to protect this country. A first-class battleship costs about ten million dollars. Just think of the number of agricultural colleges that could be maintained on ten million dollars! The great need of more battleships exist principally in the minds of steel manufacturers and shipbuilding contractors.—Handley Enterprise.

May Build Ft. Worth & Albuquerque

Over 20 years ago Fort Worth parties began building what they called the Ft. Worth & Albuquerque road and graded from near the city out some 20 or 30 miles and abandoned the project. Now the building of it is again discussed. Declaring that he can raise \$750,000 in a few days for the construction of the railway, Charles L. Dickenson has launched a canvass for that purpose in Ft. Worth.

STATE NEWS.

Rice worms are said to be doing great damage to rice in the coast country. Farmers estimate the season's rice crop will be heavy unless worms continue destruction.

Mrs. R. N. Koonce, who lives two miles east of Nevada, committed suicide by taking carbolic acid last Sunday morning. She leaves a husband and several small children.

Fort Worth has 2,552 more school children to care for this year than last, according to the school census just completed and issued by County Superintendent L. M. Hammond. There has been little increase in the scholastic population in the county outside the city for the year.

Will Hendrix, a half breed Choctaw under life sentence from the federal court, broke jail at Paris Thursday and escaped on a stolen horse. Hendrix was convicted on a writ of removal from Oklahoma for the murder of his father-in-law at Roff in 1906. He was made trusty and turnkey at the jail.

An accident on the Texas & Pacific railroad near Ranger, Texas, which resulted in the death about four hours later of Fireman C. K. Thompson and the probable fatal injury of Engineer J. P. T. Kane occurred Wednesday. The engine and nine cars were derailed and piled up alongside the track. Five of the cars derailed were empty coal cars and the other four were loaded with cotton, which was scattered in the vicinity of the wreck.

At Chillicothe Monday night the stores of S. H. Williams, Parker, Williams, A. M. Shelton and Masie-Willingham were broken into and the cash drawers robbed of the contents. At Williams' store about \$9 was taken, and at Shelton's something like \$12 was missed, while at the other two about \$7 came up short. A night key, or skeleton key, was used in gaining entrance. Nothing further than money has been missed. All the cash drawers had more or less checks but they were left.

Texas as It Is

We had a letter some time ago from a party in Kentucky making inquiries as to the class of people that inhabit west Texas. From the trend of his inquiries the gentleman evidently thinks the days of Indian massacres are not over in this country and that the fictitious tales of the "wild and woolly west" are as true as gospel. Among other things he wishes to know if the cowboys give much trouble with their wild and reckless behavior. We hated to knock the props from under his ideal, imaginary cowboy outlaw, but we were compelled to inform him that the cowboys of west Texas today is of the educated country gentleman type and as a rule as well acquainted with and as ready to regard the rules of good society as are his neighbors in old Kentucky; that the cowman of west Texas never was and never can be surpassed in hospitality, in liberality and gentlemanly behavior; that, in short, Texas as a whole is populated with a refined and highly cultured class of people whose social qualifications will compare favorably with the people of any state in the union. It is strange, indeed, that there are still people in the east who insist on believing that west Texas is the home of outlaws and bandits and that a man who comes here leaves civilization far behind.—Shafter Lake Herald.

The new railroad well is down about 500 feet. No water, oil gas or daylight have yet been discovered, so the well continues to go deeper.—Panga News.

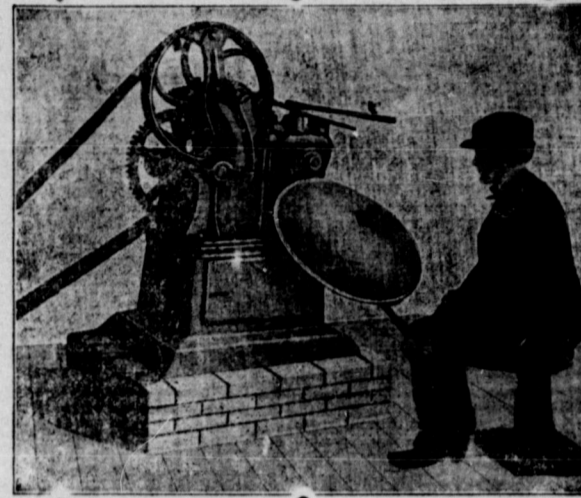
Market Report.

The following is the Fort Worth stock market report for Thursday:
Steers \$2.75 to \$5.40.
Cows \$2.20 to \$4.10.
Calves \$2.00 to \$5.20.
Hogs \$6.25 to \$7.85.

Lost—Stick plaster shoe, with whip across, garret enter. Finder leave at this office and get reward.

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HORTICULTURE IN SCHOOLS.

Why Encouragement Should Be Given to Teaching It.

No road to the city or town beautiful can in any way be made more effective than the one which leads through the public schools, for which reason all possible encouragement should be given to the teaching of horticulture during the early years of the pupils' attendance. We need text books on the subject for every grade in the common schools. Civic associations should take some concerted action in urging forward this work and could even provide leaflets calculated to interest and instruct old and young alike. These could be distributed to teachers and such others as applied for them, and in time all would become so interested that the demand for text books on the subject would make compliance necessary.

At present we have school gardens, nature study, elementary horticulture and other phases of the work in isolated cases where the teachers are somewhat interested or where some civic body has forwarded the work. What we now need is a standardization of the work through co-operation of all interested and the issuance of some printed matter bearing the stamp of approval of those in authority. With the aid of some simple leaflets, supplemented by a few seeds and living plants, we may soon have growing up a generation of lovers of the beautiful in nature that will transform our present unattractive and wholly artificial cities and towns into gardens of entrancing beauty. Soon after the institution of the preliminary work herein suggested there would follow a general and widespread demand for more literature, for more school gardens, for more plants in and about the schools and homes; more trips afield would be taken, a closer association with nature would result in the extensive planting of trees, shrub and vine in both public and private places, and ere long the city and town beautiful would come almost unconsciously, whereby all would be more happy, healthful and longer lived.—Los Angeles Times.

VALUE OF ORGANIZING.

How United Effort of a Town's Societies Can Boom Home Trade.

The work done by the boards of trade and other commercial bodies in the larger cities can be duplicated by similar organizations in the smaller cities and towns. This is not a mere matter of theory, but has been proved in practice hundreds of times. It matters not what the body is called. It is

the purpose, the enthusiasm and the intelligent work for local betterment that count. It should include business and professional men and all others interested in the community's future. The many services it can render are invaluable. It can advertise the town on any and all occasions. It can decrease local misunderstandings and differences, allay mere factional spirit and harmonize these, at least to the extent of uniting for the common good. In the rebuilding of a town, in holding and increasing home trade, in getting improved railroad facilities, in procuring cleaner streets, more sightly houses and lawns and in the general effort for town progress all citizens are interested. These results can best be brought about through united and organized endeavor.

Not only commercial bodies, but secret societies, social organizations and even schools, can assist powerfully in the work. But the board of trade or similar body under whatever name called must take the lead and set the pace. Such an organization, holding regular weekly, semi-weekly or monthly meetings, with subcommittees to look after different departments of the work, will find innumerable ways to help the cause along. New industries can be procured, the surrounding territory can be canvassed for trade, and, above all, local spirit can be kept alive. The very fact of the existence of such a body has a suggestive value of great power. Organize for your own town. Cities are built not alone with wood and stone, brick and mortar, but out of the public spirit of their people.

The Theaters of London.
"Good seats in the best theaters of London are pretty dear," remarked Mr. Jay F. Durham, a distinguished newspaper man and veteran globe trotter.

"The prevailing price is 10s. 0d., or about \$2.60 in our currency. The pit is a good bit cheaper, being only 8 shillings. There is no especial theater district in London as in most of the big American cities, but fine playhouses are to be found away out in residential sections, miles distant from the business quarter. In this country, were a theater, no matter how magnificent and well equipped it might be, established in a remote street, it would be a financial failure, as it could expect no patronage. The London theaters are also a great deal smaller than those of the United States, but in the matter of comfort they are infinitely superior. They have large, easy chairs and do not put them so close together as to make entrance and exit a painful and disagreeable task, as is too often the case over here."—Baltimore American.

