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CATTLE RAISERS CONVENTION ENDS

The thirty-third annual convention of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas is now history.

It was marked by rapid business, probably the most rapid of any convention ever held, by an unusually large attendance, and by the selection of James Callan of Menardville to the presidency of the association, the first time in history so signal an honor has been conferred on so young a man.

The remarkable growth of the association, the wideness of its scope of work, and the importance of its accomplishments were strikingly evidenced in the discussions of the convention and in the resolutions passed.

The tariff on hides, extending the beef market in Europe, freight rate reductions and the opening of a Washington bureau to further the interests of cattlemen in congress were the principal topics discussed rather than brands, cattle stealing and the like, which used to occupy the attention of the cattlemen a few years ago.

The sessions of the convention were held in the Byers opera house and the business of the association was disposed of so quickly the cattlemen were able to adjourn Thursday noon, instead of Friday, as had been originally planned.

Show Draws Many Away.

The business meetings of the association were not attended so well, perhaps, as they should have been, but this light attendance was due to two causes. One was that the visiting delegates wanted to spend every minute of the time at the Feeders' and Breeders' show and another was a feeling of indifference in the president's committee that the cattlemen should let their officials thrash out the problems while they themselves were having a good time.

The election of Mr. Callan as president came Thursday noon after a spirited race with Captain Al McFadden of Victoria. Mr. Callan's majority was only twenty-four votes, but the convention promptly made the choice unanimous and Captain McFadden himself introduced the new president to the convention amid enthusiastic cheers.

Mr. Callan is a native of Texas and is only 38 years old, but he has long ago won his spurs, not only in the cattle business, but also in public affairs, having served with some distinction in the Texas legislature. He is a man of most pleasing address, unassuming, quiet and affable, but determination and sturdiness are written in every line of his face. As one of his older admirers expressed it, "If the Cattle Raisers' association has a fight to make Jim Callan can be depended on to be right in at the finish."

The new president got into the harness from the minute he was elected and from that time until he left the city Friday evening he was busy every hour. There is a rumor that he will return to Fort Worth with his family and make his home in this city, but that has not been announced.

President Pryor, after six years of most distinguished services, retired after a vote of thanks from the as-

Jas. Callan of Menardville Elected President

sociation. Perhaps no single man among the entire 3,000 members of the association has done so much to bring the Cattle Raisers to their present important position and the best wishes of the association accompany Colonel Pryor to his well-earned vacation.

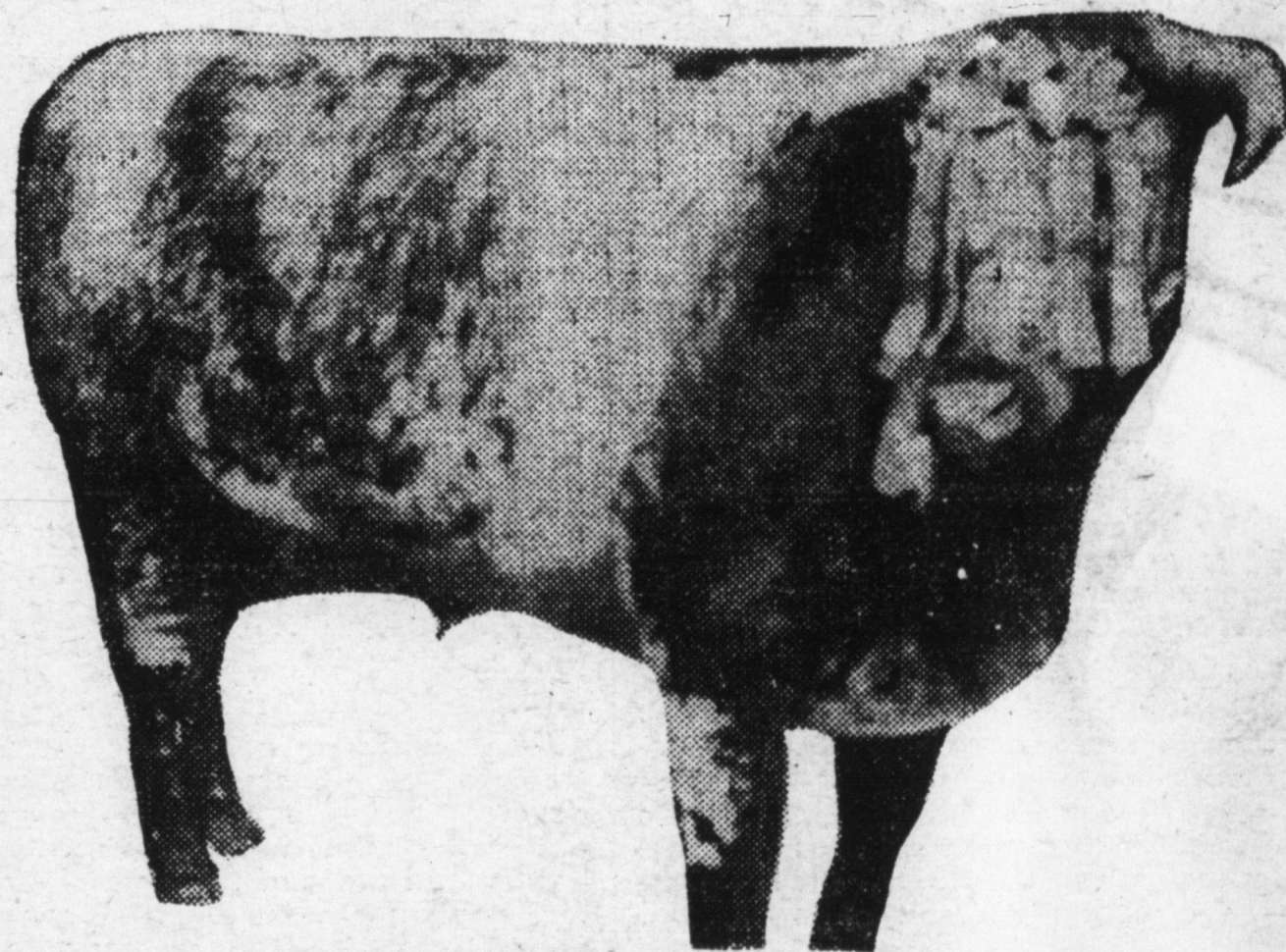
Crowley Re-Elected.

General Manager H. E. Crowley,

vice president, Captain S. B. Burnett, who has handled the shekels of the association since it had shekels to handle was re-elected treasurer.

President Callan made considerable change in the personnel of the executive committee, which is now as follows: Joseph F. Green, Gregory; D. B. Gardner, Fort Worth; F. W. Johnson, Pecos City; Murdo Macken-

THE CHAMPION STEER



ROAN JIM,

Owned by Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio, Winner of \$415 in Prizes, including \$50 Offered by The Stockman-Journal.

was re-elected as a matter of course. Ever since coming to Fort Worth no business man has spent longer hours in his office or worked more steadily for the interests of his employers than has Mr. Crowley in behalf of the Cattle Raisers association.

Berkley Spiller, his efficient assistant, who carries faces of cowmen in his head as inspectors carry brands, and who, it is said, can tell from a cowman's manner of walking just how many steers he owns, is also retained.

Judge S. H. Cowan, who has carried the fight of the cowmen to more than one successful termination, and who is now busy battling on the free hide proposition, was also re-elected and given a vote of thanks.

Sam Davidson of Fort Worth, who loses his job as city commissioner of Fort Worth next month, was elected first vice president of the association, and J. D. Jackson of Alpine, second

vice president, Trinidad, Colo.; J. L. Borroum, Cedar Vale, Kan.; C. A. Broome, San Angelo; S. E. McKnight, Brady; Lee L. Russell, Fort Worth; John Landergin, Tascosa; A. G. Sage, San Antonio; Martin O'Connor, Victoria; Earl Baldrige, Fort Worth; A. B. Robertson, Colorado City; W. J. Moore, San Antonio; Ed C. Lasater Falfurias; W. H. Featherstone, Henrietta; H. M. Stonebreaker, Guymon, Okla.; J. H. P. Davis, Richmond; George D. Reynolds.

Fort Worth was selected as the next place of meeting.

President Callan's Inaugural.

In assuming the gavel Mr. Callan said: "President Pryor, I come not to take your place but to succeed you. This is the highest office I expect to hold in this life, and much of what I am able to do will depend upon what the members do to sustain me. I have as loyal friends as any man ever had

and I appreciate the least one of them as much as I do this high office. I have done nothing to give any weight to my opinions, and will not thrust them upon you, but I will use my own individuality and power and will be guided by my common sense.

"I am not an ambitious office seeker and when I retire from the presidency you will never be bothered with me again. The sun of my life rose in West Texas and there it will set. The first work of my hands was with cattle and my last shall be with them. I invite all of you members of the association to come and meet me and ask your earnest co-operation. Colonel Pryor has retired from the presidency, but not from the work of this association. I cannot imitate his Chesterfieldian manners, but I trust he will always sit on the stage and thus attract the good women to our conventions."

The address of Retiring President, L. T. Pryor and of H. A. Jastro, president of the American National Live Stock association appear elsewhere in this issue, as does also the report of the executive committee for the association. Others who spoke were President Hefflin of the Texas Cotton Seed Crushers' association; Sam H. Cowan, attorney for the Cattle Raisers' association; and Dr. Rice P. Steddom, representing the department of agriculture.

Report of the executive committee adopted following reading by Secretary H. E. Crowley of the Texas Cattle Raisers' association was as follows:

Your executive committee begs to submit the following report of the work of this association, its policies and what it has accomplished, for your consideration:

Secretary's Report.

For the year ending February 28,

1909:	
Collections—	
Former year's dues collected	
1908-09	\$ 3,674.50
Initiation fees collected.	
1908-09	1,180.00
Dues collected—annual dues	6,936.49
Assessment collected	42,805.79
Commission collected	1,619.03
Proceeds of cattle collected and held pending investigation	1,344.71
Donations to rate case fund	40.00
Overdraft with treasurer February 28, 1909	3,011.97
	\$60,621.49

Disbursements—	
Members for cattle caught in previous years	\$ 595.80
American National Live Stock association	1,500.00
Exchange	15.52
Attorneys' salaries	5,000.00
Litigation expense	503.00
Inspectors' salaries	35,005.03
Inspectors' expense	2,923.21
Officers' and assistants' salaries	5,958.74
Incidental expense	4,307.44
Expense in rate case	808.15
Officers' traveling expense	1,108.07
Overdraft with treasurer February 29, 1908	1,830.21
	\$60,621.49

Cash on hand March 1, 1908	\$ 1,740.00
Receipts for 1908-09	69,561.15
Paid out during 1908-09	69,160.32
Cash on hand March 1, 1909	2,141.73
Due to the association from members and otherwise	12,679.28

Result of Inspection Work.

Inspector and Location.	No. caught.
J. F. Treadwell, San Angelo, Texas	278
John R. Banister, Santa Anna, Texas	345
B. F. Denson, Kansas City Stock Yards	238

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Executive Committee's Report

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Table listing members of the Executive Committee with their names and addresses.

Table titled 'CATTLE HANDLED DURING YEAR' showing statistics for sales, purchases, and investigations.

Total number caught this year was 58 more than last year, and their valuation was \$2,383.24 more than last year...

The 610 collected for this year brought \$17,688.74. Estimating the total number caught, 1,911, at the same average price, the cattle caught during the year were worth \$55,323.45.

Of the 610 collected for this year, 590 were caught this year and 20 in previous years.

Of the 167 released, 257 were caught this year and 10 in previous years.

The 39 held for investigation, the 394 put in pastures and 836 delivered to owners, were all caught this year.

The inspectors of the association have been diligent in the performance of their duties, and it has been the endeavor of your committee during the last year to supply all the inspection that seemed to it to be essential...

There have been brought to trial and prosecution all the cases of cattle stealing brought to the attention of the officers and attorneys of the association...

The amount of stealing is constantly on the decline, that diligence and watchfulness in this particular has been our constant aim. It is the belief of your committee that the detective and protective feature of your association should be strengthened wherever it is possible to do so...

List of Applications for Membership in the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas Since March 20, 1908.

Table listing names of individuals who applied for membership in the Cattle Raisers' Association since March 20, 1908.

Large table listing names of individuals, likely members or contributors, organized in columns.

Report of Attorneys. We herewith submit under separate heads a report indicating briefly the scope of our work for the past year: Purposes, Objects and History of the Association.

During the thirty-two years of the marvelous progress of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas it has at all times shown its adaptability to the protection and upbuilding of the cattle business of the Southwest...

In the beginning the regulation of range operations, or working cattle on the range and driving herds to the Northern pastures and to the markets was its principal purpose. Continuing that service so long as conditions rendered it essential, it became the chief protector in its purpose against the depredation of rustlers and thieves.

As the open range was closed by fences, and the trail was obliterated by settlers and transportation passed from that to the railroads, the conditions and necessities of the business changed, and with the change new

and important fields of endeavor to protect the interests of the cattle raisers brought to the association a more graphical area, with increasing complications in many directions familiar to cattlemen.

The accomplishment of this association in rendering safe the conduct of the business as against depredations has marked its progress from the beginning. Within its means nothing has been left undone which could reasonably have been done to recover cattle unlawfully taken and to detect and prosecute those guilty of crime.

Within the past few years your association has had to deal with questions pertaining to railroad rates—with questions pertaining to railroad service—with questions pertaining to quarantine regulations and the movement and marketing of cattle as affected thereby, and many incidental matters connected therewith.

As to all of which your committee here submits its report of what has been done, and its recommendations for your consideration in connection with the previous reports made from time to time by the executive committee of the association.

Freight Rates.

The aggregate of freight rates and transportation charges, it is estimated, equal 15 per cent of the value at the place of production, of the cattle in Texas, and most of the Southwest and far western states, and the constant, united effort of the railways to advance rates calls for the most active and intelligent effort on the part of the stock raisers to prevent this encroachment.

Since our last annual meeting the interstate commerce commission, in a case brought and fought by this association, beginning in 1904, has held the rates unreasonable as advanced by the railroads on March 5, 1903, and has prescribed a schedule of rates on cattle from Texas, Oklahoma, Eastern New Mexico and from Colorado, east of the mountains, to the markets at Missouri river points, St. Louis and Chicago, and from Texas points to New Orleans, and from Texas north of the quarantine line and from New Mexico and the Northwestern ranges, whereby the rates existing next previous to March, 1903, were re-established, and thus a reduction of 3 per cent per hundred pounds in nearly all of Texas, and in the south half of Oklahoma and the eastern half of New Mexico on shipments to market was secured, which will average approximately \$7 per car, and from the

northern half of Oklahoma, varying amounts, dependent upon the place of shipment, but averaging probably \$5 or \$6 per car, and an equal amount of the reduction of rates to the Northwestern ranges will average \$5 or \$6 per car; saving and placing back in the pockets of the shippers an amount equal, in the aggregate, to probably \$600,000 per annum or more.

Your executive committee, officers and attorneys have from year to year reported the progress of this contest. It was by united, persistent, intelligent, well directed effort that we have been able to show to the interstate commerce commission that the cattle rates of which we complained were higher than for twenty years previous and higher than they are elsewhere in the cattle countries of the West, and the results to the railroads of transporting cattle produce greater earnings per ton mile than the average of other freight and leave a larger margin of profit.

It is with gratification that your committee is able to report the success of both undertakings, and that the law was secured in time for you and the cattle shippers of this country to reap the benefit of this decision, which marks a precedent of inestimable value.

Not the greatest of the benefits came from the reduction of the advance made in the rates in March, 1893, but in the prevention of other advances, which, in our opinion, would doubtless have been made. Nor are the advantages of what we have thus accomplished confined to the membership of this association. Every shipper enjoys it alike.

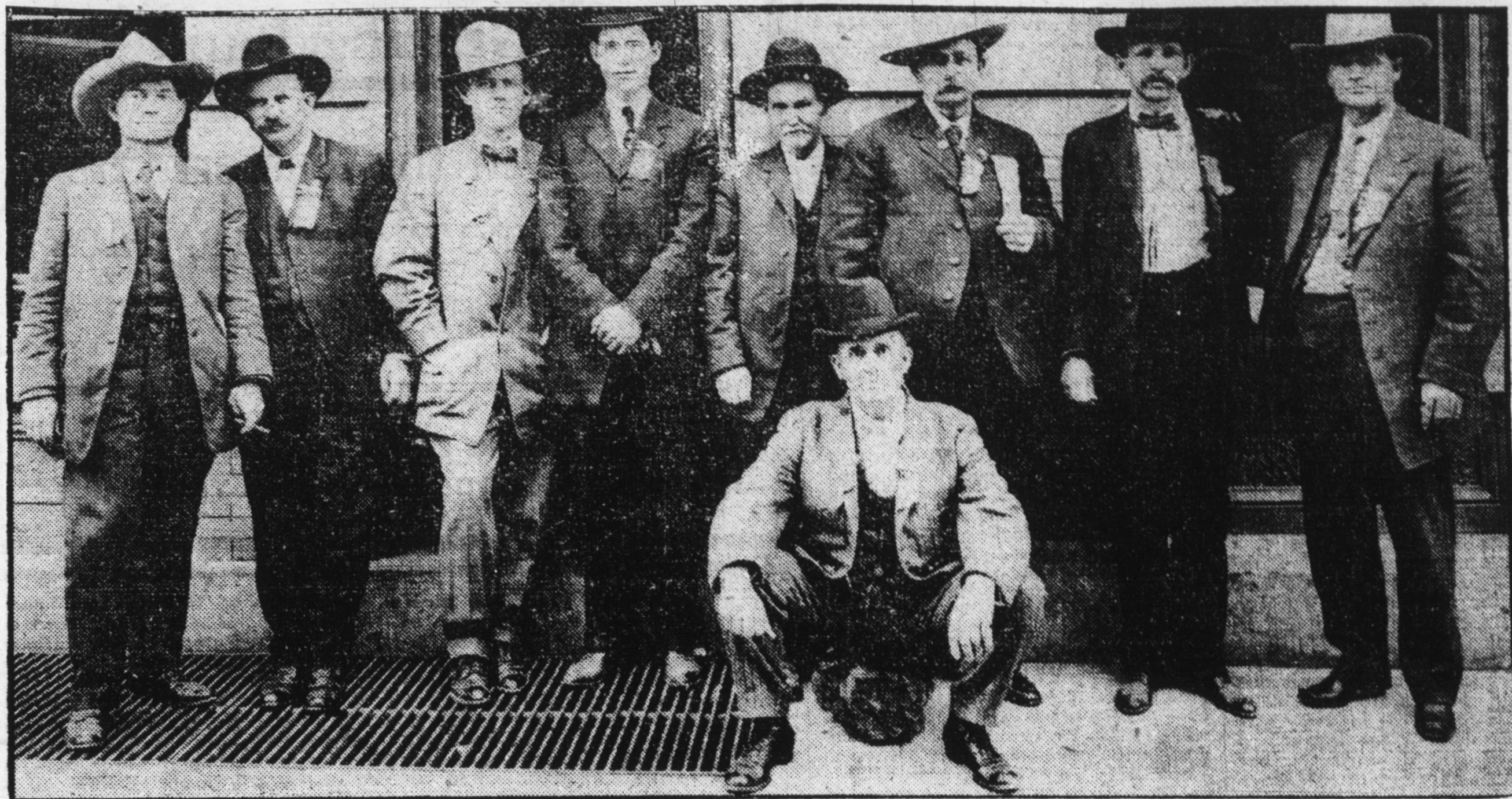
This committee appeals to the fairness of shippers in asking them to contribute some fair share of the benefits they are reaping through the labor and expenditure of this association toward the payment of this expense for continuation of this fight, and it will propose a suitable resolution which the committee trusts the association will adopt upon that subject.

It must be remembered that as you lessen the cost of transportation of cattle you enhance to that extent their value at the place of production, in whatever hands they may be, whether the shipper or the owner.

Claims for Back Charges.

Your association, through its officers, has called upon its members to file with the secretary lists of shipments made during the time this controversy has been pending, so that in the event of final success the unlawful part of the charge may be recovered back. We regret to report that many of the members of the association have been negligent about it, preferring, doubtless, to lose it rather than to go to the trouble of filing the list of their shipments with the secretary. All claims are barred after two years if not filed with the interstate commerce commission. Those which are filed and to which proof may

Bunch of Inspectors Cut From the Herd



Standing, Left to Right—J. P. Harding, North Fort Worth; Horace Wilson, ex-Inspector; A. C. Williams and Berkley Spiller of Headquarters Office; Eli Moore, Wichita, Kan.; J. F. Treadwell, San Angelo; John R. Bannister, Brady; M. B. Chastain, Marfa. Seated is J. B. Gillette of Marfa, who Isn't an Inspector, but Who Was Rounded Up With the Bunch.

SALE AT SAN ANGELO.

There will occur in San Angelo on April 12 and 13 two big auction sales of thoroughbred cattle, to be conducted by prize winning breeders whose names are the synonyms for success in cattle raising in Texas.

April 12 sixty-five head of Durhams, Polled Durhams and Herefords belonging to the well known breeders, William Anson, D. T. Yaws and Lee Brothers will be sold under the hammer. Some of these thoroughbred cattle will also come from picturesque Bismarck farm.

This sale of April 12 will be held at the San Angelo fair grounds. It will begin promptly at 12 o'clock on

LESS MEAT

Advice of Family Physician.

Formerly people thought meat necessary for strength and muscular vigor.

The man who worked hard was supposed to require meat two or three times a day. Science has found out differently.

It is now a common thing for the family physician to order less meat, as in the following letter from a New York man.

"I had suffered for years my dyspepsia and nervousness. My physician advised me to eat less meat and greasy foods generally. I tried several things to take the place of my usual breakfast of chops, fried potatoes, etc., but got no relief until I tried Grape-Nuts food.

"After using Grape-Nuts for the cereal part of my meals for two years, I am now a well man. Grape-Nuts benefited my health far more than the \$500 worth of medicine I had taken before.

"My wife and children are healthier than they had been for years, and we are a very happy family, largely due to Grape-Nuts.

"We have been so much benefited by Grape-Nuts that it would be ungrateful not to acknowledge it.

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville," in packages. "There's a Reason."

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the day mentioned. Preceding it, however, there will be a grand barbecue, which begins at 11 o'clock. Tally-hos will be furnished gratis to all who wish to attend the sale. These tally-hos will gather the crowds at the Landon hotel and Nimitz house.

There will be another sale the next day, April 13, when seventy-five head of thoroughbred, aristocratic Herefords will be sold under the hammer. At this sale J. L. Ely will disperse his entire herd of high class Herefords, including his Benjamin Wilton cows, his premier bull and champion steers.

C. H. and J. C. Powell will also contribute to this sale four thoroughbred Hereford bulls and Lee Brothers, the well known proprietors of Leedale Stock farm, will sell eight bulls. All of these cattle are registered, and come from the ribbon winning herds of the Southwest. This sale of April 13 will be conducted at the Ely farm, known as the old J. M. Cox place, and located six miles east of San Angelo. This sale will also begin at noon, April 13, and will be preceded by a grand free barbecue. Transportation in tally-hos from the Landon hotel and Nimitz house will be furnished free.

It is hardly necessary to dwell at any length upon the manifold advantages of this double sale of thoroughbred cattle. All of the offerings will be in the best condition and ready for immediate use. Buyers who are needing bulls at this time will find that these two sales of April 12 and 13 will afford them just what they want. Be sure to be in San Angelo on those days and attend the two sales.—San Angelo Standard.

FEVER KILLS DAIRY COWS.

Splenitic fever, which killed four valuable Holstein milch cows from a shipment sent to the City of Mexico, caused the owner, C. H. McCullough, who shipped them from Batavia, Ill., to sue the International & Great Northern railroad for damages because the company, through its agent, had the cattle unloaded in ticky pens at Laredo, and the court of civil appeals for the Fourth district ruled yesterday that the road is liable for the damage alleged.

The company urged that cattle shipped from Illinois to Mexico at that time of the year (July) were subject to fatal maladies anyhow, and

that the shipper should have known better than to have exposed them if the pens were infested with ticks. The trial court, however, believe testimony to the effect that Northern high-grade cattle can be shipped to the vicinity of the City of Mexico in the summer without danger except from ticks or other such infection, and that the company and not the shipper could reasonably be held to know the conditions of the pens at Laredo.—San Antonio Express.

BUYING CATTLE FOR MEXICO.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, March 16.—A. B. Primrose, representing Pearson & Co. of England, is here to purchase Texas Shorthorns to stock a great ranch owned by the company on the isthmus of Tehautepec. The ranch contains over 45,000 acres of improved land, which is well watered, covered with prairie grass, and so located that shipments can be made either by rail or water. Mr. Primrose said today that the demand for good beef cattle in Mexico is far in excess of the supply, and this importation will be made to improve the native stock.

SAN ANTONIO PICKINGS.

The suggestion was made on 'change yesterday that San Antonio might have a live stock show each spring if the horse show is to be made a permanent feature. With several towns in competition with live stock and horse shows it is argued that a better class of exhibition animals would be shipped to the state than if only one city in the state is offering inducements. It is more than probable that the matter will take tangible form at an early day. The facilities which are offered here would make the combination show easy to handle.

Considerable activity in Mexico grazing lands is reported by Walter W. Jones, stockman of El Paso, who was a visitor in San Antonio yesterday. Within the last few weeks quite a number of deals of good size have been made, one in particular approaching the important. In this Mr. Booker of El Paso disposed of 150,000 acres to a party of North Dakota stockmen, who will invade the Northwestern district of Mexico. Mr. Jones reports, however, that owners of immense Mexico ranches continue to hold their

full properties, and only a few smaller tracts of land are available for purchase. Development on the smaller scale, however, is pushing forward and relinquishment of some of the larger tracts of land soon would not be surprising. El Paso district was included in the recent rains and specially visited by snow, and conditions are favorable, says the El Paso visitor.

SHEEP SHORTAGE EXPECTED.

The prospects now are that there will be a shortage in the sheep supply at Kansas City during the spring months. About all the fed stuff will be in long before April and May, and at that time the Texas sheep usually commence to appear, but on account of the dry season in Texas it does not look as though there would be any sheep shipped to market from here. In that event Kansas City will be up against it for supplies until the Utahs commence to move in July.

20,000 CATTLE SOLD.

CLARENDON, Texas.—A big cattle deal has been closed by Lewis, Molesworth & Pyle of this city.

Through the deal they became owners of the entire herds of the Bar V and X—X ranches, numbering about 18,000 or 20,000 head of cattle. The consideration has not been made public.

Another cattle sale reported is that of R. H. Muir of this city to Isaacs Brothers of Canadian, in which the latter acquired 1,200 head of F. D. W. brand yearling steers.

\$23 ROUND FOR STEERS.

TOYAH, Texas.—Roy Beal of Plains is in Toyah and will spend a week in this vicinity purchasing cows. It was Mr. Beal who paid Joseph Seay \$23 a round for his steers and his intention is to obtain some cows to drive along with the steers, which he intends to trail out of the country.

FOR SALE

Cattle Ranch in New Mexico.

25 miles square; winter and summer range; plenty water and feed for 25,000 cattle; no sheep to bother; with 8,000 head; stock, entire outfit, \$125,000; terms, one-third cash, balance at 6 per cent. Address

JOHN BORRADAILE,

Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Address by H. A. Jastro

Address of H. A. Jastro, president of the American National Live Stock association:

I desire to thank your president for the courtesy extended to me in giving me an opportunity to address an organization that is so closely identified with the American National Live Stock association, and whose co-operation and assistance, financially and otherwise, have been invaluable to the national organization.

I must also not fail to express my gratification, and, I may say, surprise, at the marvelous growth and development of your beautiful city since my last visit here. The signs of progress and prosperity are manifest on all sides, and it seems all but incredible that this city should have advanced from the cowman's town, as I knew it some years ago, to the metropolitan city it is today, taking a high rank among the leading cities where the packing industry is established, and beyond a question its rapid growth and remarkable development are due to the united effort, perseverance and energy so characteristic of communities of the West. What you have accomplished speaks for itself, and is a tribute stronger than any words within my gift can offer to your citizens.

Co-operation and unity of purpose are great factors in the upbuilding of a city. They are just as potential in relation to any of the great interests of the nation, and nowhere is this truer than in the live stock business. In times past this great industry was either too careless or too laggard to properly safeguard its interests, but we have reached that point where we begin to realize that in this, as in all other great enterprises, there must be concentration of effort to bring the largest results to those who devote their time to and invest their money in this industry. Indifference is of the past, and our stockmen, awakened to their own interest, know that evils are to be cured and abuses remedied only by constant vigilance—vigilance that has behind it the power that comes through that organization that leads to united effort.

At the present time there are national questions, the settlement of which will materially affect, for good or evil, our interests as stock growers, and without organization, state and national, we would be powerless. But where the individual stockman's voice would not avail, the voice of

SPRY AT 64.

Keeps Well and Active on Postum.

Postum does one good because it is made of clean hard wheat and contains no drug or other harmful substance.

"My husband always had his coffee twice a day—thought he could not do without it," writes a New York woman. "About twelve years ago he began to have bad spells.

"His head felt queer, was dizzy and sick at his stomach. The doctor would come, and prescribe for biliousness, but medicines gave no permanent relief.

"In a short time the same old spells would return. This went on for years, until we dreaded these spells and feared he would become an invalid.

"A friend to whom we told this experience said it was coffee. He had been the same way and stopped drinking coffee and got well by change to well-made Postum.

"He told us to be sure to make it right, according to directions on package. Now we like Postum as well as coffee, and I can't remember when my husband has had a sick day.

"Those bad spells are a thing of the past. He is 64, works every day and is as spry as a boy. We have been using Postum a year and a half and are glad to have a delicious drink which does not injure us as coffee did."

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our association is heard, and the law makers, state and national, give heed. To illustrate: Our friends, the manufacturers, are persistently advocating the removal of the tariff on hides. Among us who are familiar with existing conditions, it were idle for me to say that if the manufacturers should succeed in their design, enormous losses would result to the cattlemen of the country—the loss aggregating some ten millions annually.

The tariff revision of this year will probably stand for ten years to come, and, in any event, it would be a difficult matter to secure relief at any time in the near future. And here we have our illustration of the value of concerted action. The National Live Stock association has, in conjunction with your association, established headquarters at Washington to safeguard the interests of the industry where they are likely to be affected by legislation, and in this tariff matter our attorney, Mr. Cowan, has already appeared before the committee on ways and means, with data so complete and arguments so convincing as to make converts to our cause among those who were inclined to favor the interests of the manufacturers. But you have doubtless received copies of Mr. Cowan's able argument on this subject, and it will not be difficult for you to understand that it carried conviction with it.

Equally strong is the effort that our united associations are making to secure a reciprocal or trade tariff that will promote an extension of our business in the countries of the old world—countries who are not only willing, but anxious, to buy our meat products, if this government will pass reciprocal laws that will give to those nations equal trade advantages along other lines with the United States. This is a great work of education, and it can only be undertaken by the united stock growing interests—again emphasizing the value of co-operation.

The manufacturing interests are willing to profit by tariff revision at the expense of the producers of live stock. They have received concessions year after year, largely through superior and effective organization, from which the farmers and stock raisers suffered in the past, and were accorded only scant consideration from congress. Organization, however, will enable us as well as them to present our cause to congress, and, like them, we are insisting with all the power that belongs to organization, on reciprocal trade relations that will place the live stock interests on a footing equally as advantageous as that enjoyed by other great industries.

Reverting to other matters on behalf of which your association has been equally as active as the national organization, I will mention briefly the Culberson-Smith bill, prepared by our attorney, and designed to secure better facilities for moving live stock and other perishable freight. That bill bore the approval of your association, and it has been strongly championed by Mr. Cowan, who, in turn, has been supported by many powerful organizations. This bill is still pending, but with brightening prospects of success, and, in the meantime, through the representation of strong local associations like this one here assembled, many states have passed radical laws. Agitation has resulted in the railroads granting us better service, and, on the whole, the transportation end of our business, you will agree, has been signally improved.

In this same connection I would direct your attention to the necessity for the passage of a uniform minimum speed law, to affect interstate shipments. This matter has received attention in many states, but there should be uniformity, and, as I have before suggested, this phase of the transportation question can probably best be met by strengthening the hands of the interstate commerce commission.

The same body must, it occurs to me, be vested with authority that will empower it to fully investigate any advance in freight rates, and pass upon the question of such advance before the rates go into effect. You here in Texas waged a five years' battle to have it set aside. Arbitrary advances

A Very Large Tract of Grazing Land

Located in the eastern part of the state of Sonora, Mexico, is for sale.

WILL BE SOLD IN LUMP OR IN PARCELS. IF INTERESTED, ADDRESS S. A. H. THIS PAPER.

in rates were made during all those five years pending the settlement of the question, and you paid those increased rates as assessed by the railroads. That those rates were declared inequitable in the end did not relieve you of the toil while they were in force, and the burden is still upon you in controversy with the railroads for a return of the moneys found in excess of the old rates. If the bill now being urged by our association becomes a law, the transportation companies will be prohibited from advancing the rates until such a time as the question of the proper advances is passed upon by the interstate commerce commission.

Time forbids that I should go further into detail as to the work projected by the American National Live Stock association, and by the several state associations. I have mentioned some of the more pressing questions, largely in order to emphasize the good that can be accomplished through concentration of effort, and that is the central idea—the thought that I want to make prominent here today. The interests of the cattle growers of the country are identical. The concern of one state is the concern of all. The national association, supported by the state organizations, becomes a powerful factor for the advancement of the industry. That you here in the great cattle producing commonwealth of Texas understand the value of unity of effort is evident in the cordial moral and financial support you have given the national organization. It is in appreciation thereof that I have journeyed from California to attend your convention, and I would say in closing that to a very large degree the measure of all prosperity depends upon ourselves, and upon our willingness to stand together in whatever affects our common interest. Therefore I say, more power to the American National Live Stock association, to the Texas association, and to each state organization, and the way to secure more power is to increase the membership of each organization. So let us forever, individually and collectively, preach to all whose interests are in line with ours the gospel of co-operation.

I cannot make this point stronger than to close by saying, as I said in Los Angeles in January last: This is the age, not only of corporations, but combinations; each little industry has its own kind of combination, and in its own quiet way is actively looking after its special interests. The only way for us to protect our rights is to organize and work together for our common good. I cannot too strongly impress upon you the importance of strengthening and supporting your different associations. One man cannot hope to accomplish any great results working alone. One little live stock association working by itself cannot exercise enough influence and power to enforce its demands; but if the live stockmen throughout the West are thoroughly organized and will

work together through one central organization, then we can protect our rights and secure such legislation as we are justly entitled to.

CUDAHY SAYS "HIGHER HOGS."

"You may put me down as a crazy bull on provisions," said Patrick Cudahy of Milwaukee. "There is a sensational condition developing and we are liable to see higher prices during the latter part of the summer and the early fall than any man now living ever saw before. The Cincinnati Price Current of this week tells the story. Editor Murray shows that the consumption of meats during the summer of 1908 was 227,000,000 pounds more than the summer of 1907. He says: 'Supposing we should have a corresponding increase for the summer of 1909 over 1908, where are we going to get the stuff. We are beginning the packer's summer season with about 20,000,000 pounds less than we had on hand a year ago, with a prospect of 1,000,000 less hogs for the summer than last year. I base this on the fact that our hogs are about twelve pounds lighter than they were a year ago. Twelve pounds means twelve days' hogs, and twelve days' hogs means fully 1,000,000 or more that have been drawn from the summer supply. Farmers' experiences with 4-cent hogs and 60@80c corn is bound to tell. If the consumption increases this summer as it did last, how are we going to supply it, and why should we not have the increase? It is the history of the trade. It requires more meat every year to feed the people of the world; more people, more meat. I think lard is in a specially strong position. The world's supply is already about 50,000 tierces short, and you know that lard can only be made from hog fat nowadays. It would not surprise me to see 15 cent lard next November and meats correspondingly high. It looks as though the consuming power of the cities had increased faster than the producing power of the country. Not long ago 2,000,000,000 bushels was considered a full corn crop; now we need 3,000,000,000 bushels to fill all requirements, and I presume in ten years from now it will take 4,000,000,000 bushels to meet our needs."

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The Feeders' and Breeders' Show

BY A. W. GRANT.

A lean old dun steer stood in a carefully built pen under a tent north of the Coliseum last week and reminiscently chewed his cud. The tent sheltered him from the sun and also from the March wind, which at times was a little chilly.

He was a sad-eyed old steer and he gazed reflectively back at the curious crowds looking at him. At the tent door he could hear a loud-voiced barker shouting "Right this way, ladies and gentlemen; the only long-horn steer in captivity. Just 10 cents to see this wonderful steer whose horns spread seven feet."

Inside the Coliseum a block away people by the hundreds were admiring blooded beauties, Shorthorns, Hereford, Angus, red Polls, and even cattle imported from India, but they paid nothing for the privilege except a general admission fee to the National Feeders' and Breeders' Show grounds. The value of some of the bulls was a hundred times as great as that of the old long-horn in the days when he was fit for killing (he is 17 years old now), but still people eagerly paid a dime to see the long-horn, almost the last of his race.

Nothing could better illustrate the complete revolution of the cattle industry in Texas. Twelve years ago fat stock shows began at Fort Worth and long-horns were plentiful. Three years ago there were still a few left, but they were getting old. Nobody thought of charging to see them. But now the long-horn has become so scarce in Texas, his native home, that he is a side-show attraction.

And it is only thirty years since ox teams trailed across the site where the Coliseum now stands, hauling buffalo hides to Fort Worth, then a frontier village and the greatest market for buffalo skins in the Southwest.

The buffalo has gone from Texas, with the single exception of a small herd kept on private grounds in the Panhandle. The long-horn is today scarcer than the buffalo.

Texas has gotten to the stage where a 3-year-old steer weighing an even ton provokes only mild admiration. It takes a bull that would win a blue ribbon at any show in the world to bring out the applause of the critical crowds.

Great Show Over.

The thirteenth annual National Feeders' and Breeders' Show is over. It ended Saturday night with a display of fancy horses such as may be seen in Madison Square Garden, New York or in Chicago. In fact, there were those who said that for brilliancy of appearance the Fort Worth Horse Show this year has equaled anything ever given anywhere in the country. The magnificent Coliseum, seating 10,000 people, without a post from ceiling to floor, the blazing lights, waving bunting, the smoothly rolled arena, green as a billiard table, the tiers of spectators banked up back to the roof, the prancing horses in their glittering harness, the shining vehicles, the gay music of the band, the handsome toilettes of Texas' fairest women in the half hundred boxes around the ring—all went to make up a picture such as can be rivalled nowhere else in the South, and but few places in the entire country.

The show began Saturday, March 13, some would have called the day unlucky, but it was bright, sunny and tempted crowds from the first. The full volume of attendance at the show, however, was not reached until Tuesday. After that it was a packed Coliseum every afternoon, and hundreds standing every night.

They were drawn by an exhibit of 5,000 cattle, sheep and hogs, 1,000 blooded horses and 1,000 entries in the poultry division. Never before in the South has there been such a collection of costly live stock.

The cash prizes in all the classes passed a total of \$30,000; it required an army of attendants to look after the exhibits and handle the crowds. And the whole show moved easily, smoothly and without the slightest hitch from beginning to end.

Shorthorn Men Happy.

The show closed with the Short-

horn men feeling particularly happy.

While all kinds of live stock were exhibited, the greatest display was naturally that of cattle, because Texas is a cattle state. Every year rivalry between the Herefords and the Shorthorns is keen. Last year the Herefords, and Texas Herefords at that, took honors, but this year it was different.

A big roan steer called Roan Jim came all the way from Mansfield, Ohio, to capture \$415 in prizes, including the \$50 offered by The Stockman-Journal, and to win for the Shorthorns championship honors in the steer classes at the show.

And among the bulls Diamond King, undoubtedly one of the greatest bulls ever seen in Texas, fulfilled the promises of last year, when he landed for the Shorthorns the grand championship bull honors. Diamond King is owned by Frank Schofield of Hillsboro, Texas. Last year he took everything in his class, but could not swing the grand championship. This year he came back, and in spite of magnificent competition came off victorious.

There were more foreign exhibitors this year than ever before at a Fort Worth show. A. J. Goetz came down from Tuckerman, Ark. Oscar L. Miles was here again from Fort Smith, in the same state, and he took back more blue ribbons than ever went to Arkansas before.

Carpenter & Ross were here with some wonderful Shorthorns from Mansfield, Ohio, and the prize winning Hereford herd of Giltner Brothers came from Eminence, Ky., to Texas to get fresh honors, especially among the cow classes.

Oklahoma sent down its usual contribution of fat stuff, and H. B. Johnson of Chickasha repeated his usual habit of taking honors for the best car of steers with a load of blacks. Gatewood of Cleburne, with a load of grade Herefords, took the prize for fat stuff over 3, while S. B. Burnett, as usual, contributed the best grass stuff offered.

The display of sheep was surprisingly large and of the best quality ever seen here. New Mexico contributed sheep for the first time. The hog display was light. Had it not been for Oklahoma, which sent several cars of Poland Chinas, the hog display would have been disappointing.

The car lot displays this year were more numerous than ever before. Aberdeen Angus also showed that they are coming into their own in Texas with much heavier entries than ever before. The Red Polls maintained their usual record. Right here let it be said, "Look out for these two classes, the reds and the blacks." Men like McKamy, Dr. Clifton and Cox & Barry have been coming to Fort Worth regularly for years and watching steer championship honors go alternately to Herefords and Shorthorns. They have been quiet in the presence of such overwhelming numbers, but look out for 'em.

The display of heavy horses this year was bewildering in its extent. Old-time cowmen, familiar enough with bronchos and good judges of quarter horses, stood open-mouthed at the ponderous Percherons, Belgians and Shires as they lumbered about the ring.

The Coaches and Hackneys were also plentiful, and one of the latter class, Adelaide Squire, took championship honors for coach and harness classes.

It was a great show. It drew thousands of visitors to Fort Worth expectant and sent them home pleased and satisfied. Fort Worth outdid itself in decorations in honor of the visitors, the street car service to the Coliseum was excellent, and only one single day was a trifle cloudy and rainy. Sunshine ruled all the rest of the time. Elsewhere in this issue are published the awards in the cattle classes. Awards in other classes will be published in succeeding issues of The Stockman-Journal.

REGISTERED SHORTHORNS.

List of Awards in the Breeding Classes at the Fat Stock Show.

Cows 3 Years and Over.

First—Browdale Rothnick Rose, roan; Sep-

tember 15, 1904; sire, Young Nominee 108433; dam, imp. Rothnick Rose; Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.

Second—Scottish Queen, red; September 20, 1904; sire, Beauty Boy 195872; dam, Scottish Girl; J. F. Hovenkamp, Fort Worth.

Third—Chickasaw Belle, red; May 4, 1904; sire, Ravenwood Indian Chief 182297; dam, Phyllis of Limestone, Loula B. Brown & Sons, Smithfield.

Fourth—Golden Royal Blackwater, roan; March 30, 1902; sire, Orange Hero 152689; dam, Golden Royal; Frank Schofield, Hillsboro.

Fifth—Almira, red; February 8, 1902; sire, Blythe Victor 140809; dam, Amanda Rosedale; C. W. Garrett, Muskogee, Okla.

Cows or Heifers 2 Years and Under 3.

First—Sweet Duchess of Gloster, red; January 8, 1906; sire, Whitehall Count 209775; dam, Aldis Duchess of Gloster; Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.

Second—Claret, roan; September 30, 1905; sire, Choice Goods, 186802; dam, imp. Clara LVIII; Frank Schofield, Hillsboro.

Third—Baroness II 1087, red; December 26, 1905; sire, Grassland Auber 175539; dam, Baroness; J. F. Hovenkamp, Fort Worth.

Fourth—Butterfly XIII, red; September 20, 1905; sire, Queen's Cup 209204; dam, Butterfly XII; Loula B. Brown & Sons, Smithfield, Texas.

Fifth—Loa Victoria 47588, red; January 1, 1906; sire, Linwood Victor 178436; dam, Lady Scotch Waterloo; C. W. Garrett, Muskogee, Okla.

Sixth—Lady Gloster VIII, red; April 15, 1906; sire, Queen's Cup 200654; dam, Lady Gloster IV; L. B. Brown & Sons, Smithfield.

Senior Yearling Heifers Dropped Between September 1, 1906, and January 1, 1907.

First—Blythesome Lassie 23857, red; November 12, 1906; sire, Fear Naught 191243; dam, Scottish Arabella; James F. Rhea, Lawn, Texas.

Second—Victoria LXXV 41299, white; November 2, 1906; sire, Old Lancaster 253007; dam, imp. Princess Victoria 41298; Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.

Third—Lucretia IV 14227, red; November 13, 1906; sire, Queen's Cup 200654; dam, Lucretia II; J. F. Hovenkamp, Fort Worth.

Fourth—Lavender Primrose III 24898, red; November 28, 1906; sire, Rufus 174255; dam, Lavender Princess II; Frank Schofield, Hillsboro.

Fifth—Peggy Primrose 24899, red; November 28, 1906; sire, Rufus 174255; dam, Ravenwood Indian Rosamond; Frank Schofield, Hillsboro.

Sixth—Searley Solitaire 47590, roan; September 17, 1906; sire, Reputation 225052; dam, Olivette VI; C. W. Garrett, Muskogee, Okla.

Seventh—Royal Bracelet III 24491, red; September 29, 1906; sire, Royal Cup 123093; dam, Willie Bracelet; Loula B. Brown & Sons, Smithfield.

Junior Yearling Heifers, Dropped Between January 1 and September 1, 1907.

First—Sweet Afton 12642, roan; March 4, 1907; sire, Whitehall Sultan 163573; dam, imp. Avalanche II; Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.

Second—Queen Iona 223681, red; April 22, 1907; sire, Fear Naught 191243; dam, Ella Byron II; James F. Rhea, Lawn, Texas.

Third—Diamond King 221076, red; March 1, 1907; sire, Diamond King 221076; dam, Verona of Riverdale; Frank Schofield, Hillsboro.

Fourth—Dale's Duchess of Gloster 12693, red; March 10, 1907; sire, Avondale 245144; dam, Addie, Duchess of Gloster; Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.

Fifth—Baroness III 14681, red; January 4, 1907; sire, Queen's Cup 200654; dam, Baroness; J. F. Hovenkamp, Fort Worth.

Sixth—Diamond's Pride 41538, red; January 1, 1907; sire, Diamond King 221076; dam, Archer's Pride; Frank Schofield, Hillsboro.

Seventh—Waterloo Victoria 47591, red; April 4, 1907; sire, Linwood Victor 178436; dam, Lady Scotch Waterloo; C. W. Garrett, Muskogee, Okla.

Senior Heifer Calves Dropped Between September 1, 1907, and January 1, 1908.

First—Dale's Gift 41150, roan; November 3, 1907; sire, Avondale 245144; dam, Wedding Gift XVI; Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.

Second—Maxwellton Mina 41154, red; October 1, 1907; sire, Avondale 245144; dam, Mina Princess III; Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.

Third—Royal Princess II 35016, red; November 2, 1907; sire, Marquis 266494; dam, Royal Princess; David Harrell, Liberty Hill.

Fourth—Queen Ovalo 48967, roan; September 15, 1907; sire, Fear Naught 191243; dam, Roany; A. B. Britton, Lawn, Texas.

Fifth—Queen of Diamonds 42296, red; October 17, 1907; sire, Diamond King 221076; dam, Queen of Texas; J. F. Hovenkamp, Fort Worth.

Sixth—Maja 48963, red; October 29, 1907; sire, Fear Naught 191243; dam, Miss Patrick; James F. Rhea, Lawn, Texas.

Seventh—Highland Missie II, 35015, roan; September 11, 1907; sire, Marquis 266494; dam, Gypsy II; David Harrell, Liberty Hill.

Eighth—Royal Rose Geneva 48469, red; September 2, 1907; sire, Royal Cup 123093; dam, Rose Geneva IX; Loula B. Brown & Sons, Smithfield.

Ninth—Lady Gloster X 42295, red; December 1, 1907; sire, Queen's Cup 200654; dam, Lady Gloster VI; J. F. Hovenkamp, Fort Worth.

Tenth—Minnie's Rose 41543, red; September 3, 1907; sire, Rufus 174255; dam, Minnie XXVIII; Frank Schofield, Hillsboro.

Eleventh—Royal Phyllis II 24497, red and white; September 1, 1907; sire, Royal Cup 123093; dam, Chickasaw Belle; Loula B. Brown & Sons, Smithfield.

Junior Heifer Calf Dropped Since January 1, 1908.

First—Maxwellton's Dorothy 41152; March 2, 1908; sire, Avondale 245144; dam, imp. Lady Dorothy XI; Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.

Second—Dale's Jealousy II 41151, roan; January 14; sire, Avondale 245144; dam, Sultan's Jealousy; Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.

Third—Victress 38445, red; January 23; sire, Marquis 266494; dam, Victorian; David Harrell, Liberty Hill.

Fourth—Diamond Princess 48598, roan; April 2; sire, Diamond King 221076; dam Secret Riverdale; V. O. Hildreth, Aledo.

Fifth—Phroso 48995, red; February 21; sire, Fear Naught 191243; dam, Maud 48964; James F. Rhea, Lawn, Texas.

Sixth—Marquis Lenore 38444, red; January 7; sire, Marquis 266494; dam, Princess Lenore; David Harrell, Liberty Hill.

Seventh—Alma M. 48962, red; May 10; sire, Fear Naught 191243; dam, Lady Florence; James F. Rhea, Lawn.

Eighth—Countess of Lackawana 41537, red; March 10; sire, Diamond King 221076; dam, Lad's Countess; Frank Schofield, Hillsboro.

Ninth—Dora Kirk IV 40121, red; March 9, 1908; sire, Diamond King's Butterfly 271153; dam, Archer's Dora Kirk; James Ditto, Arlington.

Tenth—Queen's Robin, red; April 1; sire, Cock Robin 192197; dam, Queen of Gloster; K. D. Harrison, Fort Worth.

Senior Sweepstakes Bull 2 Years and Over. Winner—Diamond King 221076, roan; November 26, 1903; sire, Bapton Diamond 187000; dam, imp. Village Belle; Frank Schofield, Hillsboro, Texas.

Texas Robin 267626, owned by J. F. Hovenkamp, Fort Worth, was a competitor.

Junior Sweepstakes Bull Under 2 Years. First—Marquis' Pride 302079, red; March 31, 1908; sire, Marquis 266494; dam, imp. Pride of Shetham; David Harrell, Liberty Hill.

Archer's Diamond 292851, owned by Loula B. Brown & Sons, Smithfield, and Doctor Lawrence Rhea 308690, owned by H. I. Duncan, McKinney, Texas, were competitors.

Grand Champion Bull. Diamond King—221076, roan; November 26, 1903; sire, Bapton Diamond 187000; dam, imp. Village Belle; Frank Schofield, Hillsboro.

Marquis' Pride 302079, owned by David Harrell, Liberty Hill, was a competitor.

Grand Champion Cow. Sweet Duchess of Gloster, red; January 8, 1906; sire, Whitehall Count 209775; dam, Aldis Duchess of Gloster; Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.

Browdale Rothnick Rose, owned by Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio, was the competitor.

Junior Sweepstakes Cow Under 2 Years. Winner—Blythesome Lassie 23857, red; November 12, 1906; sire, Fear Naught 191243; dam, Scottish Arabella; James F. Rhea, Lawn, Texas.

Sweet Afton 12642, owned by Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio; Dale's Gift 41150, Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio, and Maxwellton's Dorothy 41152, Carpenter & Ross, were competitors.

Senior Sweepstakes Cow 2 Years and Over. Winner—Sweet Duchess of Gloster, red; January 8, 1906; sire, Whitehall Count 209775; dam, Aldis, Duchess of Gloster; Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.

Browdale Rothnick Rose, Carpenter and Ross, competed.

Aged Herd. First—Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio. Second—J. F. Hovenkamp, Fort Worth.

Third—Frank Schofield, Hillsboro. Fourth—Loula B. Brown & Sons, Smithfield. Fifth—C. W. Garrett, Muskogee, Okla.

Young Herd. First—James F. Rhea, Lawn, Texas. Second—Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio. Third—J. F. Hovenkamp, Fort Worth.

Fourth—Loula B. Brown, Smithfield.

REGISTERED HEREFORDS.

Detail of Ribbon Winners in the White Face Classes.

Bulls, 3 Years and Over.

First—Druid of Point Comfort 210625; May 27, 1905; sire, Patrolman IV 133915; dam, Ada III 148612; Oscar L. Miles, Fort Smith, Ark.

Second—Warrior XVIII 119096; November 30, 1900; sire, Warrior 80177; dam, Miss Henrietta II 67031; Lee Brothers, San Angelo.

Third—Dale Wilton II 155306; October 24, 1902; sire, Dale Wilton 105642; dam, Aleina 58377; A. J. Goetz, Tuckerman, Ark.

Fourth—John Sparks 141621; December 25, 1901; sire, Wilton Alamo IX 94142; dam, Gypsy Girl VI 61883; J. F. Yearwood, Georgetown, Texas.

Fifth—Statesman 181678; March 5, 1903; sire, Beau Lamplight 102799; dam, Imogene 78194; McNatt & Hutchison, Fort Worth.

Bulls, 2 Years and Under 3.

First—Sagamore V 2486538; April 26, 1906; sire, Sagamore 189222; dam, Neal 101279; McNatt & Hutchison, Fort Worth.

Second—Texas Champion 240570; January 27, 1906; sire, Duke 184839; dam, Queen Bess II 114917; C. M. Largent, Merkel.

Third—Josephus 243857; March 15, 1906; sire, Beau Ronald 102787; dam, Jeannette 124863; Boog Scott Brothers, Coleman.

Fourth—Anxiety Grove 200503; April 17, 1906; sire, Patrolman IV 133915; dam, Ella II 971184; Tom Hoben, Neoca.

Fifth—Shadeland IX, Jr. 73794; May 17, 1906; sire, Maple Leaf Shadeland IX 132229; dam, Lela May 121563; Lee Brothers, San Angelo.

Senior Yearling Bull, Dropped Between September 1, 1906, and January 1, 1907.

First—Excel of Point Comfort 259495; October 22, 1906; sire, Luther 152312; dam, Lady Washington 141315; Oscar L. Miles, Fort Smith, Ark.

Second—Red Light 280274; November 14, 1906; sire, St. Grove VIII 159038; dam, Countess Sunset 173064; Lee Brothers, San Angelo.

Third—Dismantler 260716; September 16, 1906; sire, Disturber 139989; dam, Mabel X 144658; Boog Scott Brothers, Coleman.

Fourth—Promoter 259519; November 21, 1906; sire, Fair Lad 167739; dam, Vera 89604; W. M. Collier, Gale.

Fifth—Henry Howell II 64321; December 23, 1906; sire, John Sparks 148621; dam, Lela May 110298; J. F. Yearwood, Georgetown.

Junior Yearling Bulls, Dropped Between January 1, 1907, and September 1, 1907.

First—British Highball 267816; May 21, 1907; sire, Britisher 145096; dam, Roland Belle 150411; Giltner Brothers, Eminence, Ky.

Second—Dixie I 265361; April 11, 1907; sire, Dixie 205944; dam, Patti I 61890; C. M. Largent, Merkel.

Third—The Croft 286252; April 25, 1907; sire, Good Enough IV 179239; dam, Eva Croft 65051; Lee Brothers, San Angelo.

Fourth—Roy Boy 273468; May 30, 1907; sire, Dixie 205944; dam, April Bloom 133907; C. M. Largent, Merkel.

Fifth—Proper Lad 265992; January 10, 1907; sire, Prime Lad, Jr., 174479; dam, Preference 119543; A. J. Goetz, Tuckerman, Ark.

Sixth—Bill 272496; May 15, 1907; sire, Ike 82016; dam, Gertrude II 97184; Tom Hoben, Neoca.

Seventh—Protector 267590; May 15, 1907; sire, Acrobat's Beau Donald 137648; dam, Lady Trixie 207723; Giltner Brothers, Eminence, Ky.

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Weekly Market Review

Fort Worth's receipts of live stock for last week, compared with the preceding week and last year:

	Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Shp.	H&M.
Last week	9,661	1,051	19,589	1,922	219
Preced. wk.	13,943	888	23,079	3,243	442
Last year	10,854	689	15,536	1,283	344

General.

Receipts of all classes except calves show a falling off as compared with the preceding week. The market has lacked activity on mature cattle, but calves were in demand and scored an advance. Hogs sold up to the high point of the year on Wednesday, making a top of \$6.80. The selling of show hogs on Thursday at \$6.90 to \$7.10 cuts no figure in market conditions. Sheep have dropped from their high position and are on a lower basis than for two weeks.

Beef Steers.

The week opened with beef steers in scant supply for Monday and buyers in an aggressive state of mind. While feeling this way they bid steady to strong prices on everything offered, but cooled off before the end of the session, and slight weakness marked the close. Tuesday's offerings were mostly grassers, and sales were weak to lower. This condition was bettered on Wednesday, selling being strong to active, and some sales a dime higher. With not more than 125 head offered on Thursday the market steadied, and the week closed about steady with the opening.

Stockers and Feeders.

Monday and Tuesday brought so few stocker and feeder cattle to market that it was not easy to make a comparison of values, though packer

buying on Tuesday imparted strength to sales. Wednesday's offerings were few, sales holding steady with Tuesday, but Thursday not enough were in to quote. The market is strong compared with last week's close.

Butcher Stock.

Though the quality of Monday's offerings was inferior, demand was good, and the best found a ready demand at strong figures, though others were only weak to steady. No change was noted Tuesday, but few on sale Wednesday found better conditions, most sales showing strength, with here and there a weak spot. The light run of Thursday brought in nothing good in car lots, and the few offerings were taken on a steady basis, which was bettered by a strong market on Friday. Good butcher stuff is strong compared with last Saturday, but common cows are not better than steady.

Bulls have been in comparatively good supply, but quality was largely inferior. The market has been tending towards lower prices, and is 20 to 30 cents below the recent high time.

Calves.

A load of choice veal calves on Monday's market at \$5.75 indicated full steady figures, and a load of 192 pounds average on Tuesday at \$5.90 showed an advance of a quarter. Nothing choice was on the market since Wednesday, but such as were in brought full steady figures. Some good vealers Saturday brought \$5.90. The market is a good 25 cents higher than the preceding week's close.

Hogs.

Monday's run of 6,763 hogs was

among the biggest day's receipts of the year, and buyers took advantage of the sunly and lower markets North to cut off a slice from prices, this cut reaching to 10 or 15 cents. Tuesday's light supply brought no improvement, but conditions picked up on Wednesday, and with a moderate supply on hand buyers were paying 5 to 10 cents higher on the best, and about steady on others. Some prime 226-pound Oklahomans sold up to \$6.80, the best price on this market since September 28, 1908. The see-saw went the other way on Thursday, and the advance of Wednesday was taken off. Friday's market opened at a dime loss, which was recovered at the close, and the week closes about steady with last Saturday.

Sheep.

Though receipts show to good advantage, a large proportion of them were direct to packers. No such mutton quality was in as was sold the preceding week, except Fat Stock Show sheep. The market weakened and was mostly 25 to 50 cents lower than the high point two weeks ago.

Prices for the Week.

	Steers—	Top.	Bulk.
Monday	\$6.10	\$4.60@5.50
Tuesday	5.25	4.50@4.75
Wednesday	5.00	4.00@4.85
Thursday	5.75	4.00@4.80
Friday	5.05	4.50@5.00
Cows and Heifers—			
Monday	3.70	2.60@3.70
Tuesday	4.25	3.25@3.90
Wednesday	2.60@.....
Thursday	3.70	3.35@3.70
Friday	4.75	3.00@3.25
Calves—			
Monday	5.75	4.00@4.40
Tuesday	5.90	5.75@.....
Wednesday	4.00@.....
Thursday	5.75@.....
Friday	5.85	4.00@5.25
Saturday	5.90@.....
Hogs—			
Monday	6.05	6.25 @6.50
Tuesday	6.05	6.20 @6.50

Wednesday	.....	6.80	6.35 @6.50	
Thursday	.....	6.65	6.30 @6.55	
Friday	.....	6.70	6.15 @6.55	
Saturday	.....	6.70	6.25 @6.50	
Sheep—					
Monday	.....	6.25@.....	
Tuesday	.....	5.50	4.75@.....	
Wednesday	.....	5.60@.....	
Receipts for the week by days were as follows:					
	Cattle	Calves	Hogs	Shp.	H&M.
Monday	2,571	356	6,763	266	88
Tuesday	2,221	260	1,909	289	17
Wednesday	2,081	100	3,874	540	72
Thursday	1,110	42	3,062	826	42
Friday	1,378	193	2,531	1	..
Saturday	400	100	1,450

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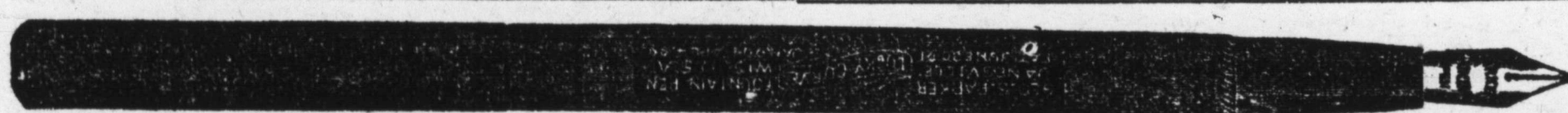
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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

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be furnished this association expects to recover unless the railroads finally succeed in enjoining the order of the commission.

Chicago Terminal Charge Case.

Since passage of the new law the interstate commerce commission has held, as it had previously held in a suit prosecuted by this association, that the roads should not charge more than \$1 per car as a terminal charge at Chicago. In this case the railroads secured an injunction from which an appeal has been taken to the supreme court of the United States, and we confidently expect the supreme court to sustain the commission.

A number of other matters of local nature pertaining to freight rates have been the subject of action on the part of this association, among which was one to compel the Texas & Pacific Railway company to restore joint rates for through shipments, which it canceled out in 1904, and we are pleased to report that those rates were restored in an adjustment made on November 17, when the rates established by the commission were adopted.

The fact of the close combination which has grown up in the past few years of all the railroad systems of the country, and their ability to advance rates, as shown by repeated advances which have been made, establishing that as the policy. It may be that in instances they are justified, but in the opinion of your committee, that should not be left to the railroads to determine, but the power should be given to the interstate commerce commission to first investigate and determine whether advances in rates are justifiable, before they are put into effect.

Matters Pending in Congress.

Considering that the rates as established by the commission will remain in effect but for two years, under the law, and the power of the railroads to advance them, it is most important that bills which are pending in congress and which your association has been endeavoring to get passed, to give the commission power to prevent advances in rates until it shall first have determined whether the same are justified, should be urged in every possible way by this association. Your committee will submit a resolution to this association upon that subject for its adoption.

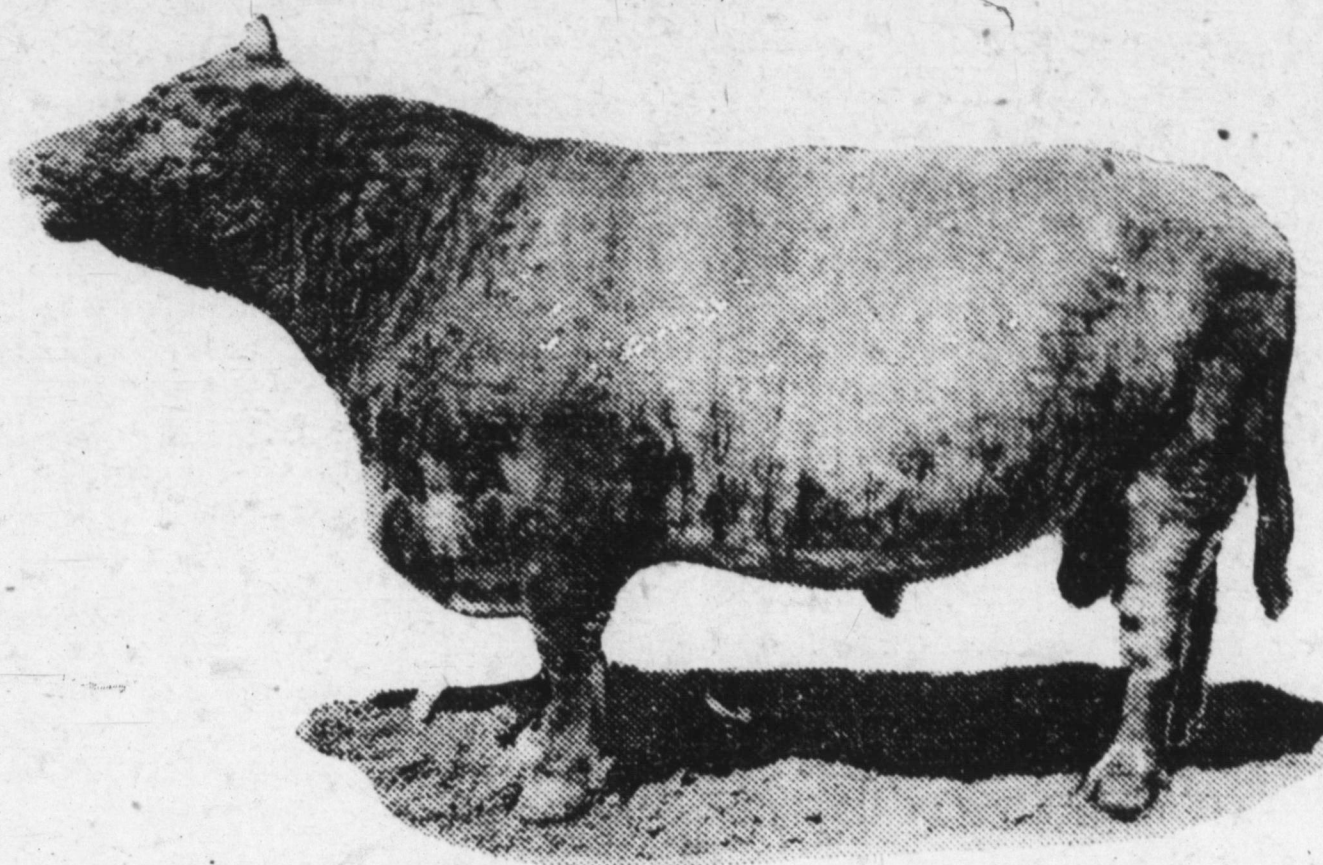
Car and Transportation Service.

Your committee has endeavored in every possible way to secure the enactment by congress of a bill which was recommended by this association at its last convention, known as the Culbertson-Smith car and transportation service bill, to require prompt furnishing of cars and prompt transportation service. The fact of the presidential campaign last year rendered it impossible to secure action, and the short session of congress which has just now adjourned afforded no opportunity for doing anything with this bill. It is confidently expected that it will come up at the congress which convenes next December, and it should receive the attention of this association. The great array of facts which were procured and read before the committees of congress in hearings held upon this bill brought to the attention of the heads of the railroads of the country the distressing conditions surrounding the shipment of live stock and the enormous loss to stock raisers and the destruction of accumulated wealth, and we believe that this had a good effect in that the railway officials repeatedly made promises to committees of congress to remedy the faults of which we complained. Your committee is glad to report that the service, both with respect to furnishing cars and in the transportation of cattle, as a general thing, is very materially improved, and one of the factors which brought it about were the efforts which you have made to secure the passage of a law to compel performance of those duties under penalties. You should not relax your efforts in that particular, and this committee will recommend a resolution upon that subject for the action of the association.

Tariff Question and Foreign Trade.

A special session of congress is now

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called for the revision of the tariff, which, in the opinion of your committee, is the most important subject before the live stock producers of the country. The two particulars in which you are most interested are first, the tariff on hides and cattle, and, second, the policy of the law which will determine whether we shall be able to export cattle and dressed beef to Continental Europe. We export no cattle or dressed beef to Europe except to Great Britain and to Belgium. We export to Great Britain about 450,000 head of cattle and about \$24,000,000 worth of dressed beef per annum, and that trade is being rapidly taken from us by Argentina, and unless the markets of Continental Europe are opened, which can only be done by a policy of tariff laws which permit these countries to ship the articles which they can better produce and sell here, our export trade will continually decline; with these countries open, it will continue to increase. It should therefore be the aim of the stock raisers throughout the United States to insist upon the adoption of the policy and the tariff laws which will open these countries to our products, and this association should take an active and leading part in doing that. This committee will submit a resolution on that subject for the action of the association.

The tariff on hides and cattle amounts to 15 per cent of their value, and it is the estimate of your committee, from the best information obtainable, that the tariff on hides will equal \$1 per head on grown cattle, and the importance of this tariff can readily be seen.

We believe that from any standpoint of any political party, and from the standpoint of justice, it would be an outrage on the stock raisers of the United States to compel them to compete with South America and Mexico, where hides are produced by cheap labor, on cheap land, while a tariff upon leather, shoes and leather goods is retained. The small amount of duty which we have is not objectionable as a high protective tariff, for it is a very low tariff, and in principle can not be objected to by either political party, unless the object be to remove it in order to discriminate in favor of a leather and shoe industry of the country, and this the stockmen steadfastly oppose. Your committee will submit a resolution upon this subject for your consideration.

Considering the embargo on cattle and the cost of production in this country, we believe it is but fair to retain the present small amount of tariff on cattle, and shall submit for your consideration a resolution upon that subject.

When these matters came on for hearing before the ways and means committee of the house at Washington your committee took the most active steps to place before the members of congress and before that committee the facts bearing upon the subject, and that in connection and under the lead-

ership of the American National Live Stock association. It has come to the attention of your committee that claims have been made by the united leather and shoe interests of the country that by placing hides on the free list leather will be so cheapened that stock raisers and farmers will gain a benefit in the reduction of the price of leather, harness, shoes and the like, but so long as the tariff is retained on these articles it seems so clear to us that no such result can happen that your committee wishes to point to this error, and to express the opinion that you would receive no benefit whatever from placing hides upon the free list, while the tariff exists on leather and shoes.

Means Adopted and Policy Pursued.

In the matters to which your committee has referred the ends sought can only be secured by co-operation with others interested, and it has been the policy of the association, which this committee has endeavored to carry out for the next year, to co-operate in every way with all organizations having a similar purpose, and various meetings and conferences have been held with these ends in view. The American National Live Stock association, comprised of live stock associations from almost every state west of the Mississippi river, and of a large number of individuals and corporations who are live stock producers, has been

strongly supported by this association, and in the opinion of this committee should receive the strongest support which this association and its members are able to give, and its work can be commended only in the highest terms.

Your committee, fully believing that the interests of this association imperatively demand it, has joined with the American National Live Stock association in opening an office at Washington for the purpose of taking care of the interests represented by each of these associations before the special session of congress in matters pertaining to tariff laws, to be enacted by that congress, and it is expected that the office will remain open during the entire session, which will last probably four months. We felt fully justified in this course, expecting that it will require an expenditure on the part of this association amounting to about \$1,500. Your committee believes that the vast interests involved should cause you not to hesitate in the small expenditure and to join with the other organizations in that undertaking. Your committee will submit a resolution on this subject for your consideration, and trusts that the association will heartily adopt it.

Your committee recommends that there be provided a more equitable method of rendition of cattle to the association. A full and fair reduction will provide all the funds the association needs and will be just to every man, and no one should object to it, because the benefits are in direct proportion to the number of cattle owned.

In submitting this report your committee takes pleasure in saying that what has been accomplished has been possible only by the co-operation of a united committee, and efficient and capable officers, attorneys, inspectors and our whole office force. We extend the thanks of the committee to the officers and employes of the association.

CAMADA RANCH SOLD.

SAN DIEGO, Texas.—The 15,000 acres of land which adjoins this town on the south and known as the Camada ranch, has about all been sold to people from the North. The land is laid off in ten, twenty and 160 acre tracts or blocks, wide driveways or streets between the blocks giving it a civilized appearance. About twenty homes have been built within the last two months, and the land is being made ready for orange planting, truck growing and farming.

CARLOAD OF BUCKS.

PEARSALL, Texas.—D. B. Littel of Friotown shipped one carload of fine bucks to the interior of Mexico Tuesday. Three years ago Mr. Little sold to parties in Mexico \$10,000 worth of this same bred of sheep at high prices. These were as fine sheep as will be found anywhere.

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5,000 MEMBERS IN 1910.

The thirty-third annual convention of the Cattle Raisers' association has just adjourned. Reports show the association had last year the most successful year in its history.

They also show that only a comparatively small number of the cattlemen of the Southwest are helping the association's efforts. There are at present only about 3,000 members in the association ranks. This is a large number, it is true, compared with the few who organized the association just a third of a century ago, but it is not large enough.

The Cattle Raisers' association ought to have 5,000 members and during 1909 the fight should be made to get them.

Last year in a single freight rate reduction victory amounting to over \$6 per car, the Cattle Raisers' association of Texas saved to the cattlemen of the Southwest more money than the entire expenses of the association have been since it started. Right now the association needs funds to continue its fight because the railroads are raising heaven and earth to have the reduction set aside. The association has sent an appeal to shippers of the Southwest, all of whom get the benefit of the saving in freight whether they are association members or not, for \$1 per car of cattle they ship. Let it be made clear that this is not in any sense an attempt to get payment for what the association has already done, but its sole purpose is to provide a defense fund for future work that the association officers see in sight. The association ought to have \$5,000 right now to push its battle in the courts and the men who are reaping the benefit of the \$6 reduction of freight to Chicago and St. Louis and who are not contributing to the association's fund are not hurting the association so much as they are cutting off their own noses to spite their chins.

The day has come when the Cattle Raisers' association of Texas is no longer an experiment. Its splendid achievements stand as part of the best history that has been written in the Southwest.

The association ought to have 5,000 members; it ought to have them by 1910. The Stockman-Journal will be glad to do what it can to help.

BETTER PRICES FOR BLOODED CATTLE.

At the Hereford sale in Fort Worth last week an average of over \$190 each was maintained, the highest average that has been recorded at any similar sale in months. One bull sold at \$750 and another is reported to have been disposed of at private sale for \$1,000.

Some Shorthorns were also disposed

of at prices much more satisfactory than is the usual rule at Texas exhibitions of cattle.

The sale proved two things, one that there is a good market in Texas for first-class stuff and that raising pure bred cattle pays, while the other is that Fort Worth is the best market for selling registered cattle in the Southwest.

One reason for this last condition is that cattle are sent to Fort Worth's show in better condition than at any other time of the year and more trouble is taken in preparing them for the show ring.

It pays to polish hoofs and horns, wash hides and comb hairs and a little bit of decorative ribbon does not come amiss now and then when it comes to putting a bull on sale.

The ready sale of good bulls and cows at satisfactory prices indicates that Texas is in the game of raising better cattle to stay.

CHANGES IN THE QUARANTINE

The Stockman-Journal is glad to note that the new state sanitary board has finally taken action in the quarantine problem of Sterling county.

Last Wednesday the board took Sterling, Irion and part of Tom Green counties out of special quarantine and put them below the line. This means that the Sterling cowmen will now know where they are at and will be allowed to move stock without the dipping that has been so objectionable to many of them.

But while putting Sterling below the line relieves the present condition and was undoubtedly the proper thing to do The Stockman-Journal believes that Sterling cattlemen should continue their war on ticks by dipping and changing pastures until the ticks are gotten rid of. Only by a determined fight can the area of tick-infected grazing land be decreased and decreased it ought to be.

The hog display at the Feeders' and Breeders' Show was disappointing. The Stockman-Journal doesn't believe this was due so much to lack of hogs in Texas as fear of disease on the part of owners of pure bred stuff. Many hog breeders had a costly experience at Dallas last year and they haven't forgotten it. If the Feeders' and Breeders' Show wants hogs it will have to provide pork insurance.

The Stockman-Journal will be greatly improved in 1909. If you haven't sent in your renewal better do it now. Maybe you have a friend who ought to be taking it, too. If so, give us his name so we may mail him a sample.

Stockman-Journal advertisers are reliable and if you see anything in these columns that you want, write for it, mentioning this paper. It will help us and you, too.

Next week's Stockman-Journal will be largely devoted to horses. There isn't room for 'em this week and justice couldn't be done and magnificent display at Fort Worth last week in a few columns.

A CHANCE TO MAKE MONEY.

I read a recent article about a woman who invested \$620 in improving a Mexican homestead and is now getting a regular income of over \$1,200 a year from the sale of bananas from her orchard. I am glad to say that I know this can be done. You can get a homestead in Mexico free, and do not have to live on it. All that is

required is to have 1,000 banana trees planted within five years, and the improvement department will prepare the land, supply and plant the trees and care for them until they come into bearing for about \$600. You can pay this in installments of \$5 a month, and in three years after your trees are planted they will bring you a profit of more than \$1,500 a year, if you superintend the work; but if you wish the improvement department will care for the trees and market your bananas continuously, so you will not have to be in Mexico at all; they get one-third of the crop for attending to and marketing the bananas. This will give you a profit of more than \$1,000 a year, from an investment of about \$600. If you act as your own superintendent you can make \$500 a year more. I know this from my own experience. It is a delightful country, never hot, never cold, and the health conditions are perfect. For full information address The Jantha Plantation company, Block —, Pittsburg, Pa., as all English literature pertaining to these free Mexican homesteads is distributed from Pittsburg.

CATTLE CHANGING HANDS.

Breeders Make Prive Sales—Numerous Ranch Cattle Deals.

The Fat Stock Show was the occasion for the sale of a large number of the fine animals on exhibition, and the Cattle Raisers' convention brings cattlemen and buyers together for trading. With both of these events going on at the same time, trading has been active all this week. Among them the following are reported:

Registered Cattle.

Giltner Brothers of Eminence, Ky., report sales of Hereford registered cattle as follows: Heifer, Florence Acrobat 283079, to J. W. Green, Gregory, \$500; bull, British Gem 283074, to J. W. Green, \$400; bull, British Choice, 295142, to J. M. Chambers, Van Court, \$300; bull, British Charger 283070, to E. G. Dodson, Plainview, \$300.

J. E. Boog-Scott & Brother of Coleman sold their fine young Hereford bull Josephus for \$1,000 to Tom Waggoner of Fort Worth. This is a big price, but in the opinion of cattle breeders the bull was well worth the money.

Frank Scofield of Hillsboro sold Diamond's Model, a Shorthorn bull calf, to Matt Zollner of Fate, for \$500. He also sold two young heifers and a bull calf to Marshall Calloway of Birdville for \$200 each, and to John W. Wray of Fort Worth a bull calf for \$300.

David Harrell of Liberty Hill sold to John W. Wray two Shorthorn heifers for \$250; to Frank Spencer of Mears, Okla., one bull calf for \$200; to John Brown of Granbury the junior champion bull of the show for \$500; and to Cotton & Lemon of Hamilton two heifers for \$300.

J. F. Rhea of Lawn reports the sale of some of his Shorthorns as follows: Paul Dewey, young bull, to J. B. Wilson of Dallas for \$300; El Capitan, bull, to a Waco breeder for \$250; six bulls to N. R. Powell of Pettus at \$150 each; Dick Williamson, bull, to Ed Fisher of Coleman, for \$150; Dr. Lawrence, bull, to Dr. Coleman of Colorado City for \$205.

Ranch Cattle Trades.

In addition to the sales heretofore reported, the following are announced:

James Puckett of Amarillo bought 6,000 to 7,000 yearling steers from different cattlemen. Prices not made public. Mr. Puckett sold to Lee Bevins between 5,000 and 6,000 2-year-old steers, spring delivery.

Colonel C. C. Slaughter sold 3,000 2-year-old heifers and 2,000 cows to buyers from the Northwest.

The Littlefield Cattle company sold to Northern buyers 3,000 4-year-old steers and 2,500 cows.

J. J. Williams of Gaines county sold to Scarborough & Eidson of the same county 500 Hereford steer yearlings at \$16 per head, not cut.

Boyse Brothers of Towh sold to Lem Chesher 1,000 head of cows at

\$17 per head, to be delivered at River Stock yards, New Mexico.

FINE CATTLE FROM ARKANSAS.

Winners at the Great Fort Worth National Feeders' and Breeders' Show.

Colonel Oscar L. Miles, the successful lawyer, planter and fine stock breeder, familiarly known as the "Sage of Point Comfort," his beautiful stock farm on the Petit Jean river in Arkansas, again attracted the wide attention and intelligent approval of the immense crowd of people who visited the great National Feeders' and Breeders' Show at Fort Worth, Texas, last week, as well by his genial personality as by his excellent show herd of Hereford cattle. For five years past Colonel Miles has exhibited his aristocratic herd of Herefords at this show, and each time he has won many first prizes and championship honors. This year, 1909, his great bull, Druid of Point Comfort, No. 219625, won first in the 3-year-old class, senior sweepstakes and grand championship. This bull is classed by old-time breeders and show yard exhibitors as the "best Hereford bull in the United States," "the best bull I ever saw," "the consummation of Hereford excellence," and one enthusiastic lady, after looking at him for a long time, turned away saying "He is perfection itself." This phenomenal bull was born and raised on Point Comfort place in Arkansas.

Excel of Point Comfort, No. 259495, the yearling bull in this premier herd, took first prize in his class. His official weight was 1,610 pounds, certainly a very heavy yearling.

Pink of Point Comfort, a yearling heifer, won first in her class.

Colonel Miles also won first and fourth in the produce of a cow, but his greatest triumph came when the judge awarded to his graded herd the championship honor, thus making him the premier breeder of the show.

Pride of Point Comfort, a 2-year-old steer weighing 1,550 pounds, was also awarded the blue ribbon.

Colonel Miles is a steadfast believer in the ultimate success of the National Feeders' and Breeders' Show and several times repeated his prediction made three years ago "that in 1911 it will be the greatest show in the United States." Texans are all glad to welcome the "Sage of Point Comfort" and his aristocratic Herefords to the Texas exposition.

CONCHO COUNTY.

W. J. Crunk, F. N. Wyatt, W. D. Kirkpatrick and J. W. Norman have bought an option on the Boswell ranch on Fussy creek, near town. They have until October 1 to make good to the amount of \$24,500. It is the intention of these gentlemen to cut up and sell the land. It is a good body of land two miles from town, and no doubt it will prove valuable property. —Paint Rock Herald.

W. R. Cole of Big Springs was in the city Friday en route to Coleman county, where he will likely close a \$35,000 deal before returning. The tract for which he is on a trade includes some of the best agricultural land in Coleman county, and it will bring a handsome price. Mr. Cole would give out no definite information about the trade which is pending. He states that everything is in a flourishing condition in the Big Springs country and that the heavy rain of Thursday night improved conditions to a great extent. —San Angelo Standard.

TERRAZAS TO START PACKING.

The Luis Terrazas interests, which up to a few months ago controlled the packing house interests in the City of Mexico, have secured a concession for the establishment of packing houses at Guadalajara. The National Packing company of Mexico, composed of English capitalists, bought the Terrazas interests in the City of Mexico. Guadalajara now operates its own abattoir, but will close its plant when the new company is ready for business, which, according to the terms of the concession, must be in two years.

Resolutions Passed by Cattle Raisers

RESOLUTION NO. 1.

Be it Resolved, by the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, in annual convention assembled at Fort Worth, Texas, That we heartily indorse the administration of the agricultural department of the government of the United States by Secretary Wilson and Dr. Melvin, chief of the bureau of animal industry. The thorough and efficient work, under the guidance of Secretary Wilson and Dr. Melvin, in the eradication of ticks, in stamping out the foot and mouth disease and preventing contagious diseases generally among animals, and in their valuable experimental work in various lines, being carried on by the bureau of animal industry will result in incalculable good to the live stock industry of the United States generally. It is a source of congratulation and satisfaction to the live stock interests of the country that President Taft has seen fit to retain Secretary Wilson in his cabinet.

Resolved, That the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas indorses the animal and meat inspection laws enacted by the government, and their impartial and effective enforcement, and we heartily recommend their continuance as heretofore.

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to President Taft, to Secretary Wilson and to Dr. Melvin and also a copy to our senators and members of congress.

RESOLUTION NO. 2.

Be it Resolved, by the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, in convention assembled at Fort Worth, Texas, That the congress of the United States be, and the same is hereby memorialized to enact a law which shall prohibit any railroad company from advancing interstate rates, fares and charges except upon approval of the interstate commerce commission, after notice thereof to interested parties in all such cases as the commission shall deem necessary; and,

That all parties interested shall have the right to complain of any proposed advance in the rates, whereupon the interstate commerce commission shall have power to suspend the taking effect of such proposed advances until an opportunity shall be afforded the interested parties to be heard.

RESOLUTION NO. 3.

Whereas, at a previous session of congress there was introduced in the senate of the United States by Hon. C. A. Culberson, United States senator for Texas, a bill numbered S-3644, and in the house by Congressman W. R. Smith of Texas declaring it to be the duty of railroads, subject to the act to regulate commerce, to provide sufficient facilities to perform with dispatch their duties as common carriers in furnishing cars and transporting all freight, including live stock, and to promptly transport same, and to exchange loaded and empty cars, and otherwise to provide sufficient facilities, fixing penalties for failure of such duties and giving the shipper the right to recover in any court of any state or territory having jurisdiction his damages and attorneys' fees, and in case of failure to furnish cars for shipping live stock, double the damage sustained; and also empowering the interstate commerce commission to enforce penalties for violation of the act, and to make rules and regulations with respect to the time and manner of giving notice for cars, furnishing cars, exchange and interchange of cars and all needful rules and regulations in the administration of such law, and to compel its observance, and providing rules applicable to the different classes and kind of freight, and the varying circumstances and conditions of shipment; and,

Whereas, We believe that the enactment of said bill into law will speedily remedy the serious obstacles to securing cars and will secure a better service by railroads, and that some such measure is imperatively necessary; now, therefore,

Be it Resolved, by the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, in convention assembled at Fort Worth, Texas, That we heartily indorse said

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bill and recommend to our congressmen and senators from all of the Western states from which this association draws its membership that the same be passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 4.

Resolved, That the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas commend the excellent work of the Agricultural and Mechanical college of Texas in fostering and stimulating the live stock industry by inculcating in the students of the said college and in the youth of our state a love for fine blooded stock, and for developing among its students a class of experts in judging fine blooded stock, which will be much needed in connection with the live stock industry of our state. We commend said institution for its efforts to encourage and improve the breeding of the live stock of the state and for its dissemination of information that will prove of great economic value to the cattleman.

Resolved, That we congratulate the Thirty-first legislature, just adjourned, for its showing of a more liberal policy in supporting the Agricultural and Mechanical college, and encouraging the different features of the work of said institution in reference to live stock.

Resolved, That we also commend the Texas State Sanitary board for its efficient and effective work in stamping out and in checking the spread of contagious and infectious diseases among live stock.

RESOLUTION NO. 5.

Be it Resolved, by the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, in annual convention assembled at Fort Worth, Texas, That we recommend to the executive committee that all members who are delinquent in the payment of assessments for six months be drawn on by the secretary of the association, and that any who fail to pay prior to the next quarterly meeting be dropped as members of the association.

RESOLUTION NO. 6.

Whereas, Judge S. H. Cowan has labored energetically and earnestly at all times in behalf of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas in the furtherance of all its interests and policies, and especially in the matter of the reduction of freight rates on live stock, in connection with the opening of the foreign markets for our products and with reference to the tariff on hides; and,

Whereas, We recognize in Judge Cowan an able and efficient representative of our interests, and fully appreciate and know that we cannot find any substitute for him, who would so faithfully and efficiently represent our interests wherever and whenever assailed.

Therefore, be it Resolved, by the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, That we commend his efforts in our behalf and extend to him our most sincere thanks.

RESOLUTION NO. 7.

Be it Resolved, That the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, in convention assembled at Fort Worth, Texas, hereby indorses the action of Colonel I. T. Pryor as president of this association and of the executive committee of this association in co-operating with the National Live Stock association in the establishment of an office and agency at Washington to further the interests and protect the rights of this association, as far as can be done, in legislation at Washington, and in the action of the different departments of the government bearing upon the live stock interests of the country.

Be it further, Resolved, That we feel that it was especially important to establish said office at this time, for we recognize that the vast interests

connected with the live stock industry of this country should be represented and carefully looked after in connection with the legislation which is liable to be brought before congress affecting the live stock industry at various times, and especially in connection with the tariff laws to be considered at the special session of congress now at hand.

RESOLUTION NO. 8.

Whereas, The interstate commerce commission of the United States has reduced the interstate rate approximately \$6.60 per car on all cattle shipments.

Whereas, The association has devoted much time in bringing the testimony properly before said commission; and, whereas, the railroad companies have now sought the aid of the courts to raise the rates, which makes it necessary to incur large expense in defense of this litigation to prevent the increasing of the rates on all interstate shipments of cattle and to secure our rights.

Therefore be it Resolved, by the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, That in order to meet the expense of said litigation the inspectors be instructed to request all shippers who get the benefit of approximately \$6.60 per car to sign an order on their commission house to remit to the treasurer of the Cattle Raisers' association \$1 per car, same to be deducted from their account sales.

Be it further, Resolved, That this association extends its thanks to a large number of members of the association for their generous and prompt contribution and payment into the treasury of the association of this \$1 per car on all cattle shipped by them since the reduction of said freight rate, and we earnestly request others who have received this benefit from the work of the association to make similar contributions in order that we may not lose the benefit of the work already done, and the reduction already made in said rate.

RESOLUTION NO. 9.

Whereas, The Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, in that territory north of the quarantine line, and the members of the Texas Cattle Raisers' association occupying and using public lands in New Mexico, Colorado and the various Northwestern states, are vitally interested in the leasing of sufficient of the public lands of the United States to stockmen to conduct their business and improve their herds; and,

Whereas, The cattle business is to be benefited by the establishment of permanent ranches and places of business upon the public lands of the Western states; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, in annual convention assembled at Fort Worth, Texas, That we recommend to our senators and members of congress that they advocate and support some reasonable law for the leasing of the public lands of the United States to stockmen or some other form of control of the range which will enable the stockmen to obtain the use thereof.

RESOLUTION NO. 10.

Whereas, Colonel I. T. Pryor has served the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas for three successive terms and has, at great sacrifice to his personal and business interests, devoted a large part of his time, for the last six years, to the interests and to the work of the association; and,

Whereas, Colonel I. T. Pryor, as our retiring president, has at all times been alert and active and laborious in the protection of the interests of the cattlemen of this association, spending freely his own personal funds and devoting a large amount of time, without compensation, to the interests of the members of this association; and,

Whereas, He is now retiring from the office of the president, with the good will and gratitude of every member of this association; and,

Whereas, The membership of this association has been greatly disappointed and feels keenly that it will be subjected to a great loss by reason of Colonel Pryor declining to further serve as its president.

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, by the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, in convention assembled at Fort Worth, That we indorse the administration of affairs of this association by Colonel Pryor in every particular and extend to him the sincere thanks of this association and its membership for his faithful and efficient service, and in this connection we indulge the hope that while his connection with the association as president will be severed that we may still receive the benefit of his advice and watchful interest in the affairs of the association, in connection with our executive committee.

RESOLUTION NO. 11.

Whereas, There is a provision in the interstate tariff on live stock rates as follows:

Valuation—Shipment at Owner's Risk, 243-A.—The rates in this tariff apply on ordinary shipments of live stock where contracts are executed by shippers on blanks furnished by these companies, and are based on the declared valuation by shipper at time contract is signed, not to exceed the following:

Each horse or pony (gelding, mare or stallion), mule or jack	\$100.00
Each ox, bull or steer	50.00
Each cow	30.00
Each calf	10.00
Each hog	10.00
Each sheep or goat	3.00

B.—Where the declared valuation exceeds the above, an addition of 25 per cent will be made to the rate for each 100 per cent or fraction thereof an additional declared valuation per head. Animals exceeding in value \$800 per head will be taken only by special arrangement; and,

Whereas, The said railway companies of this state have added 25 per cent to the rates mentioned in the foregoing cases where shippers have been without knowledge of the provision above quoted, and thus increased the rates; and,

Whereas, It is complained that in other instances agents of certain railroad companies have charged the additional 25 per cent where no value was named at all; and,

Whereas, Shippers are not familiar with the tariffs and the rules and regulations embodied therein and have been unjustly imposed upon through the application of the provision above referred to; and,

Whereas, The provision with respect to valuation is an unreasonable and unjust limitation and an unjust and unreasonable requirement of the tariff.

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, by the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, in convention assembled, That we condemn such action upon the part of such railroads as have practiced it, and we appeal to the sense of justice and fairness of the railroad management in this state to cancel and eliminate from their tariffs the said provision with respect to valuation.

And, be it further, Resolved, That the executive committee of this association be directed to take said matter up with the interstate commerce commission for the cancellation of said provision in the tariff or such revision thereof as shall make same just and reasonable.

RESOLUTION NO. 12.

Whereas, A special session of congress is now called to revise the tariff laws of the United States; and,

Whereas, The cattle raisers are vitally interested in the tariff on hides because, as we believe, the 15 per cent duty on hides is equivalent to an average of \$1 or more per head as an added value to grown cattle, for the 14,000,000 hides produced in this country; and,

Whereas, To remove the duty on

hides will bring the cattle raisers of the United States in direct competition with South America and Mexico, where cattle and hides are produced by cheap labor on cheap land; and,

Whereas, We recognize that it is an established fact that a tariff system will be continued which places a duty and an enhanced price on all articles which are manufactured and which we consume, including leather, shoes and manufactured articles of leather; and,

Whereas, It would be an unjust discrimination to single out the stock raisers of this country and place their product upon the free list and in competition with the production of the world, yet compelling them to pay tariff prices on what they buy; and,

Whereas, So long as the tariff upon leather, shoes and manufactured articles of leather is retained, no benefit would accrue to the consuming public in placing hides upon the free list, but the effect would be to legislate out of the pockets of the stock raisers and farmers and into the pockets of the tanners, shoe manufacturers and manufacturers of other leather products whatever of benefit is now received from the tariff on hides; and,

Whereas, The manufacturers and producers of leather, shoes and manufactured articles of leather now enjoy the privilege of using imported hides for the purpose of manufacturing leather and the products of leather to be exported, practically free of any duty, from which it follows that no considerable increased output of these articles will be occasioned by placing our hides upon the free list; and,

Whereas, There is a constantly increasing cost in the production of cattle and the business is carried on with small margin of profit; and,

Whereas, The prosperity of all the corn belt and Western range states is dependent upon the live stock business, and the producers of live stock are entitled to as full measures of benefit as other industries from tariff laws and to fair and equal treatment; and,

Whereas, Erroneous and misleading statements have been made and widely circulated by the organizations of tanners and manufacturers of shoes and of leather goods in which it has been claimed, without any foundation whatever in fact that the producers of cattle derive no benefit from the tariff on hides, which statements are based upon the assertion that the packers derive all of the benefit of the tariff on hides; and,

Whereas, Of the total of 13,000,000 hides of cattle slaughtered the big

packers slaughter only about 5,000,000 and the balance are slaughtered as extensively as the necessities of population and the production of cattle throughout the United States; and in addition there are produced 1,000,000 fallen hides, and 5,500,000 calf hides, of which the big packers slaughter only about 1,000,000, from all of which it is apparent that so far as the price of hides is affected by the tariff it must necessarily be an element in the value of the animal by whomsoever it is owned, which must be reflected in the price to whomsoever sold.

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, by the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, embracing in its membership cattle raisers from Oklahoma, New Mexico, Kansas, Colorado, Arizona and many other Western states, in annual convention assembled at Fort Worth on March 16, 1909:

First—That we demand the retention of the duty on hides, expressing our willingness to place a reasonable minimum below the present duty for the purpose of reciprocal trade agreements with foreign countries if that system shall be adopted in the law to be enacted; or if a system shall impose above a reasonable tariff a maximum duty for retaliatory purpose, then an appropriate maximum above the present 15 per cent duty.

Second—That we demand that the duty shall be made alike applicable on all hides of cattle and calves.

Third—We protest against the placing of hides on the free list as an unjust discrimination against the stock raisers and farmers as depriving them of the direct benefit to the farm and ranch in behalf of the interested manufacturers of leather, shoes and leather articles.

Fourth—We hold that the fact that the tariff on hides increases their cost to the tanners, and consequently the price to the purchasers, furnishes no basis or occasion for placing hides upon the free list, because the very system of laws in which it is proposed to place hides on the free list establishes a protective tariff system on practically every article which we purchase and consume, including leather and leather goods, with the expressed intention and for the express purpose of thereby increasing the price compared to what such articles could be purchased for in foreign countries were the duties thus imposed removed.

Fifth—We condemn as wholly erroneous and unfounded the repeated assertions made by tanners and manufacturers of shoes circulated in the press and otherwise, that the tariff on hides is of no benefit to the stock

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raisers and the farmers. We concede to the manufacturers of leather and shoes the right to decide whether the tariff on their article is a benefit to them, and we demand for the stock raisers and farmers of this country the right to themselves determine whether the tariff on hides benefits the producer, and we challenge their statements as entirely erroneous and as based upon nothing except an interested, bare-faced assertion.

Sixth—That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to United States senators and members of congress.

RESOLUTION NO. 13.

Resolved, by the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, in annual convention assembled at Fort Worth, Texas, March 16, 1909, That we are in favor of the retention of the present import duty on cattle, with such reasonable adjustment and maximum and minimum schedules consistent with whatever tariff law is enacted, as shall best subserve the interest of the cattle growers of the United States.

RESOLUTION NO. 14.

Whereas, The surplus production of cattle and dressed beef cannot find a ready and free market without opening to the products of this country the market of Continental countries of Europe, Germany and France; and,

Whereas, We do not export any cattle on the hoof of dressed beef to any Continental country of Europe, aside from Belgium; and,

Whereas, The great cattle producing interests of the United States can only succeed in the fullest measure to which it is entitled by opening the markets of foreign countries to our surplus; be it therefore

Resolved, by the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, in annual convention assembled at Fort Worth,

Texas, March 16, 1909, That we urge upon congress the necessity of establishing such system of tariff laws as shall enable the government of the United States to make reciprocal trade agreements whereby our surplus of cattle and meat products will find a ready market in such countries.

Be it further Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded by the secretary of this association to the members of congress from the cattle growing states, requesting their earnest support of such system of tariff laws as shall best enable this country to secure the opening of such foreign markets to our cattle and dressed beef and other meat products.

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SYNOPSIS OF PRECEDING CHAPTERS.

There is a possibility of war. By certain coastal fortifications at Dover, recently enlarged, a motor car breaks down, and, the night being cold and dark, the sentry accepts the offer of the chauffeur of a draught of whisky. The sentry, whose name is Collins, is thereby drugged, and a second man, taking a key from the marine's wallet, surreptitiously passes within the fortification.

Lady Mary Clyde has arranged a dance on account of her relative, the beautiful debutante, Lady Ena Carteret. Equally anxious to find a wife for her protegee, Captain the Hon. Hugh Devigne, R. N., Lady Mary is delighted to see that they are partners in the ball room and clearly charmed by each other's company. Suddenly Lord Marlow, first lord of the admiralty, arrives, and asks, with a grave look, that Devigne, who is his secretary, may be summoned immediately.

He entrusts the young officer with the task of interviewing the unfortunate Dover sentry and tracking down the foreign spies, and Devigne takes with him young Lechmar, an admiralty clerk, and son of Lady Lechmar. Devigne's man, Holland, occupies the rear seat in the motor, and, with two revolvers snugly stowed away in the pouch by the steering wheel, they set out, in a 28-horse power Panhard, to go by road to Dover.

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"I saw him on tiptoe, looking through one of the windows from the outside. You sent me in to get some tea, sir, if you remember, in the kitchen of the inn. While they were boiling up the water I came out into the yard. I saw the garage was lighted up, and wondered why. I knew that Aaron had switched off the lights; I was going round to the door, sir, when I noticed him, craning his neck at the window. I stood quiet to see what would happen, he appeared so deucedly interested, begging your pardon, sir."

"Yes," Devigne interpolated, impatiently.

"Suddenly he tiptoed away into the darkness of the yard. I fancied I heard him speaking to somebody; directly afterwards the light went out in the shed, and you and Mr. Lechmar came out."

"I did not see anyone about," his master commented.

"No, sir, he had made himself scarce. I was by the inn door, but you did not look my way."

"I was taking stock of that foreign make of car—Belgian," the captain remarked. "Do you know when it was taken out of the garage?"

"No, sir. I can't say I specifically noticed it; I found there was one less in the shed when I came back after having my tea."

"That was the one. Now, you must see this man to his quarters. You have put out my gear, I suppose?" Devigne had told Holland he would probably dine at the mess that night.

"Yes, sir, all is ready."

"Then come back here after you leave the barracks."

Devigne went into the inn. Lechmar had not yet returned from the town, and the former was not sorry to have a few minutes to himself; he wanted time to piece things together. He went straight upstairs; a fire had been lighted in his bedroom; altogether he was not dissatisfied with the result of his first look round at Dover.

He sat down before the fire and ruminated. He was not obliged to dress for half an hour at least. While he was in the midst of his cogitations someone knocked at the door. In obedience to his summons, Lechmar entered.

"Colonel Sturgis wants us to dine at the mess tonight. It is guest night, so I shall have to put on full tog," Devigne remarked.

"All right. A humble civilian, unless he happens to have an order or so, hasn't much choice what to wear. Found anything out?"

"Nothing to mention at present."

"Good-by, then; what time do we start?"

"Seven-fifteen will do; dinner is at half past."

At the appointed hour the friends

sallied forth. Devigne looked remarkably well in his full dress.

The new barracks had been designed on generous lines; they were well adapted to set off the somewhat brilliant assemblage. The guests included Lord Sturdevant, Sir Richard Tanker, several naval and military officers of rank, a foreign looking gentleman, with three orders conspicuous on his court dress. Devigne's eye singled out the last-mentioned directly the introductions were over. The costume worn was new to him; it was probably that of one of the smaller principalities of Europe or the Balkans. He fancied the interest was mutual. There was no opportunity of asking questions, as dinner was announced almost immediately after the friends arrived.

When the meal was half over Devigne asked his next neighbor, Major Gastor, as to the identity of the foreigner in court dress.

"Oh, he's a capital chap," he said, "a Baron Brunow; he is consul for Serbia or Bolivia, or some place or other, I forget which. He was staying for some time at the Lord Warden, and was very hospitable to us when we first came to Dover. He has a particular liking for England, talks the language better than we do ourselves—this with a laugh—and is looking out for a place. I hear he is a capital shot, Lord Sturdevant—not a bad judge—says he has never seen a better, over stubble, or with pigeons."

"Quite an interesting man to meet. I should like to be introduced to him," Devigne commented. "You need not mention that I am Lord Marlow's secretary; I am here incog, you know."

"All right; we have all had a hint that you are more or less a private individual. Frankly"—the major lowered his voice—"I shall be only too thankful if you get on the right scent, Devigne. I don't like these goings on at all; it will give the corps no end of a bad name if we don't find out who these spies are, and stop their little games; I should like to hang them high as Haman."

"All right, you shall deal with them when I have caught them," Devigne laughed.

"First catch your hare, then cook it," the major quoted. "Well, if you catch, we'll do the cooking."

"That's it; a fair division of labor."

A few minutes later Colonel Sturgis proposed "The King." The baron drank his majesty's health with great empressement—quite the most loyal person present, as Devigne remarked to himself.

CHAPTER X.

"Baron, may I introduce Captain Devigne?" Major Gastor said.

It was a few minutes before 11 o'clock; some of the guests had risen with a view to leaving. Two or three, including Lord Sturdevant and the baron, were adjourning to Colonel Sturgis' quarters for a game of bridge; the baron was smoking a big cigar; Devigne finishing a cigarette. The major presented the latter on his way down the room to join Lechmar, who was with one of the subalterns near the door.

"Pleased, I am sure." The baron extended two fingers. His eyes did not express the satisfaction framed by his tongue, although his lips were smiling. Nearly everyone has one honest feature, even though diplomacy—not to use a stronger word—has become the habit of a lifetime. Brunow's eyes looked green in some lights, yellow in others; he himself described them as gray; they were keen under their thatch of brown, his hair coming over his forehead; his moustache was well trimmed, waxed at the ends; tall and well proportioned, his figure suggested vigor and athletic gifts. Devigne knew that the eyes looking into

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his were taking his measure, while the lips greeted him with a conventional smile. "Are you paying a long visit?" the baron inquired, with polite indifference.

"Only a few days, I expect," Devigne replied. "I ran down here in my motor with my friend Lechmar. By the bye, talking of motors, wasn't it yours Baron, we were admiring in the garage of the Jolly Waterman?"

The baron's smile had faded, although he still showed his white teeth, his lips remaining slightly open. Just for a moment here was a suggestion in his face of an animal about to spring—menacing, alert.

"The Jolly Waterman? Let me see, where is that? I do not know it. The Jolly Waterman?"

Brunow's face had resumed its apparent mask of polite indifference.

"Only a small inn, on the outskirts of Dover, with a good garage adjoining it."

"Ah! I have never been there."

"I must have made some mistake. I fancied the car I admired, made by Martalini of Antwerp, belonged to you."

"I have two or three cars"—the baron shrugged his shoulders—"one of them did come from the firm you mention; perhaps my man may have left it for repairs or something at the place you name. Myself, I have not driven for a couple of days; your November climate is not attractive, shall we say? I like the English character better than I do their weather."

"I thought one or two of the arrangements rather ingenious," Devigne remarked, casually.

"I am afraid I am not an expert." Brunow turned round towards Colonel Sturgis. "Do not let me keep you waiting," he said.

"I must be going any way," Devigne put in.

The commanding officer and his guests left by one door. Devigne joined Lechmar at another. Major Gastor accompanied him to see him off.

"The baron's a good fellow," he remarked, "but extraordinarily ignorant about all military matters. He used to ask us the most amusing questions when we first knew him. Rather unusual in a foreigner, I fancy; they are generally soldiers first and everything else second. I suppose the country the baron belongs to is a small one; it certainly does not support a navy or naval guns."

"I take it you enlightened him?" Devigne remarked.

"We opened his eyes on a few points; nothing of any consequence of course."

"Exactly." The captain closed his lips tightly together after he had said the one word which, to him, summed up the situation.

While they were talking, Colonel Sturgis and his other guests had disappeared. The baron had turned back to make some arrangement about a day's shooting with Sir Richard Tanker; he was the last to pass out of the door.

"I should think the baron's country, wherever it may be, was rather a disturbed one."

"What makes you think that?" the major asked, in some surprise.

"The baron has a straight back."

"Straight back! What are you gassing about, Devigne?"

"One side is a little out of proportion."

"I have never noticed anything."

"Possibly not," the captain agreed. "He has a hip pocket and carries something in it, I presume."

"His purse, possibly."

"Something bigger than that, I fancy. But I must be saying good night." He then followed Lechmar out.

"I wish you would tell me what you mean," Major Gastor said, as they stood on the steps outside the mess buildings.

"Oh, only this," Devigne responded; "if you ever have a difference of opinion, I mean a serious difference of opinion, with Baron Brunow, look out for his hand going into that hip pocket. I will wager the moon to a pound of cheese, or a thousand pounds to a penny, that it contains a serviceable little revolver. It is not, I know, an English custom to take these little things out to a dinner, but possibly it is good form in Bolivia, or wherever the baron hails from."

Captain Devigne walked away.

"He seems greatly prejudiced against our friend," the major thought, as he turned back into the building; "the baron did not seem to like him either. I wonder if Devigne was right about his hip pocket. I should like to find out. I will have a look at him again next time he comes to the mess. Devigne is a shrewd man, everybody knows that, but I sometimes think these smart chaps imagine more than there is, and fancy every ant-hill a mountain."

The two friends went back to the Jolly Waterman.

"How soon will you be ready?" Lechmar inquired as they neared the door of the inn.

"Ready for what?"

"Why, to go and have a look around. You said you meant to go out when other people were in bed."

"I've changed my mind. We will wait for a more favorable opportunity."

Lechmar looked at Devigne almost with incredulity; he knew how rarely his friend gave up a determination, once formed.

Devigne smiled at him. "The night is not too pleasant, and we should not gain anything by strolling about in it. We will defer our visit until tomorrow."

"I am not sorry," Lechmar answered. "I don't know why, but I am rather tired."

They parted at the top of the stairs. Devigne went into his room and found that Holland had looked after his fire and put everything ready for the night. He dismissed the man with an injunction to call him at 8 o'clock.

Then he put on his dressing gown and sat down in an easy chair before the fire. Unlike Lechmar, he was not tired, and had no inclination to go to bed. He sat for the best part of an hour revolving many things in his mind. First, he put together all the points of the puzzle which he had set himself to solve. Then his mind reverted to the adventures of the preceding night. He saw himself again in Lady Mary Clyde's ball room; he felt the throb of the music, the lilt of the bright airs of the band, almost as if he were listening to them once more, his feet ready to respond to their invitation. The picture was wonderfully vivid to him. In the fore-

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The Feeders' and Breeders' Show

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First—Beau Columbus 28061; October 8, 1907; sire, Beau Ronald 101767; dam, British Columbia 215052; Giltner Brothers, Eminence, Ky.
 Second—Carl of Point Comfort 305367; December 5, 1907; sire, Druid of Point Comfort 219625; dam, Magnet 207781; Oscar L. Miles, Fort Smith, Ark.

Third—Dixie Bloom 291791; October 22, 1907; sire, Dixie 204944; dam, April Bloom III 83009; H. F. Massman, Romney.

Fourth—Leedale's Donald 315273; December 2, 1907; sire, Donald XVIII 198887; dam, Lady Grinnan 109396; Lee Brothers, San Angelo.

Fifth—Bob S. 292527; September 26, 1907; sire, Statesman 181678; dam, Betty Girl 170244; McNatt & Hutchison, Fort Worth.

Sixth—Duke Hesiod XII 289326; October 8, 1907; sire, Oakwood Hesiod VIII 132269; dam, Nellie 105569; Scharbauer Brothers, Midland.

Seventh—Sir James XXXI 295059; December 11, 1907; sire, Sir James XXIV 126699; dam, Mattie IV 193422; Scharbauer Brothers, Midland.

Junior Bull Calf, Dropped Since January 1, 1908.

First—Jimmie, February 8, 1908; sire, Statesman 181678; dam, Kattie Gammill 229107; McNatt & Hutchison, Fort Worth.

Second—Improver 301478; February 19, 1908; sire, Fair Lad E., 167739; dam, Amy 172511; W. N. Collier, Gale.

Third—Shadland V 297488; February 14, 1908; sire, Maple Leaf Shadland IX 123229; dam, Miss Aline 137344; Lee Brothers, San Angelo.

Fourth—Dale Wilton II 153306; dam, Fanny Fern; A. J. Goetz, Tuckerman, Ark.

Fifth—Beau Carlos II 294566; January 15, 1908; sire, Beau Carlos 204453; dam, Roxie 232092; C. M. Largent, Merkel.

Sixth—Point Comfort 306375; April 14, 1908; sire, Druid of Point Comfort 219625; dam, Anilla A 154188; Oscar L. Miles, Fort Smith, Ark.

Seventh—Texas Prince 308806; September 2, 1908; sire, Texas Champion 240570; dam, Elsie 260500; C. M. Largent, Merkel.

Cows, 3 Years and Over.

First—Dorothy Bell 197420; May 17, 1904; sire, Beau Ronald 102767; dam, Dorothy II 87104; Giltner Brothers, Eminence, Ky.

Second—Nubrown IX 188681; October 18, 1902; sire, Princeps 66683; dam, Nubrown VIII 52352; A. J. Goetz, Tuckerman, Ark.

Third—Little Gem 224427; March 14, 1905; sire, Hesiod XXX 66305; dam, Lida Earl 67280; Scharbauer Brothers, Midland.

Fourth—Victoria 250345; April 1, 1905; sire, Maple Leaf Shadland IX 123229; dam, Bessie 141312; C. M. Largent, Merkel.

Fifth—Ormie III 212513; January 12, 1905; sire, James XXXIV 126699; dam, Ormie 61374; Scharbauer Brothers, Midland.

Cows, 2 Years and Under 3.

First—Lady Wilton 232657; September 3, 1905; sire, Dale Wilton 105642; dam, Lady Salisbury 91741; A. J. Goetz, Tuckerman, Ark.

Second—Proctor's Marchioness 229316; December 15, 1908; sire, Protector 117878; dam, Lady Fowler March On 140667; Giltner Brothers, Eminence, Ky.

Third—Beta 248519; May 22, 1906; sire, Young Garfield 193030; dam, Marguerite 113158; Lee Brothers, San Angelo.

Fourth—Lady Belinda 238028; January 3, 1906; sire, Disturber 139989; dam, Belle 119684; Scharbauer Brothers, Midland.

Fifth—Cinderella III 246308; March 19, 1906; sire, Patrolman IV 133915; dam, Cinderella II 97182; C. M. Largent, Merkel.

Senior Yearling Heifers, Dropped Between September 1, 1906, and January 1, 1907.

First—Phoebe of Point Comfort 259047; September 21, 1906; sire, Lad of Point Comfort

207846; dam, Gretchen 207779; Oscar L. Miles, Fort Smith, Ark.

Second—Prime Lady 263989; November 28, 1906; sire, Prime Lad, Jr., 17479; dam, Miss Steward II 57319; A. J. Goetz, Tuckerman, Ark.

Third—Pink Poppy 265742; November 15, 1906; sire, Statesman 181678; dam, Portia III 161577; McNatt & Hutchison, Fort Worth.

Fourth—Pink of Point Comfort 259498; September 16, 1906; sire, Red Oak 223766; dam, Virginia II 154253; Oscar L. Miles, Fort Smith, Ark.

Fifth—British Carnation 257556; September 15, 1906; sire, Britisher 145096; dam, Sweet Carnation 187575; Giltner Brothers, Eminence, Ky.

Junior Yearling Heifers, Dropped Between January 1 and September 1, 1907.

First—Addie's McDonald 286222; May 3, 1907; sire, Donald XVIII 198887; dam, Addie Myers 163606; Lee Brothers, San Angelo.

Second—British Dorothy 237813; January 10, 1907; sire, Britisher 145096; dam, Dorothy Bell 197420; Giltner Brothers, Eminence, Ky.

Third—Our Bessie III 269472; January 9, 1907; sire, Prince Hesiod 224431; dam, Our Bessie 203815; Scharbauer Brothers, Midland.

Fourth—Prime Lassie 263991; January 7, 1907; sire, Prime Lad, Jr., 17479; dam, Belle McDonald XXXIII 109873; A. J. Goetz, Tuckerman, Ark.

Fifth—Jewel Spencer VI 270588; April 4, 1907; sire, Bell Boy, 197234; dam, Jewel Spencer II 155903; Scharbauer Brothers, Midland.

Sixth—Marguerite Donald 286821; April 27, 1907; sire, Donald XVIII 198887; dam, Marguerite 113158; Lee Brothers, San Angelo, Texas.

Seventh—Aura of Point Comfort 280353; March 5, 1907; sire, Hercules of Riverside 201627; dam, Aurelia A. 154188; Oscar L. Miles, Fort Smith, Ark.

Senior Heifer Calf, Dropped Between September 1, 1907, and January 1, 1908.

First—Florence Acrobat 183079; October 5, 1907; sire, Acrobat's Beau Donald 157648; dam, Florence 151897; Giltner Brothers, Eminence, Ky.

Second—Regina 283080; October 10, 1907; sire, Beau Ronald 102767; dam, British Royalty 215957; Giltner Brothers, Eminence, Ky.

Third—Bess of Point Comfort 305366; October 18, 1907; sire, Druid of Point Comfort 219625; dam, Lorine 179940; Oscar L. Miles, Fort Smith, Ark.

Fourth—Miss Donald Wilton 289897; September 27, 1907; sire, Dale Wilton II 153306; dam, Belle Donald VI 109882; A. J. Goetz, Tuckerman, Ark.

Fifth—Miss Royal Choice 287151; September 16, 1907; sire, Royal Choice VII 127286; dam, Shadland Queen 232657; C. M. Largent, Merkel.

Sixth—Miss Dallas Rhea 287150; November 2, 1907; sire, Royal Choice VII 127286; dam, Victoria 250345; C. M. Largent, Merkel.

Seventh—Viola of Point Comfort 305382; November 4, 1907; sire, Hercules of Riverside 201627; dam, Lady Washington 141315; Oscar L. Miles, Fort Smith, Ark.

Junior Heifer Calf, Dropped Since January 1, 1908.

First—Maud S. Britisher 295153; January 3, 1908; sire, Britisher 145096; dam, Maud Muller II 205795; Giltner Brothers, Eminence, Ky.

Second—Adell Acrobat 295138; January 3, 1908; sire, Acrobat's Beau Donald 157648; dam, Miss Mills 72427; Giltner Brothers, Eminence, Ky.

Third—John's Pearl 297481; March 20, 1908; sire, John A. 253404; dam, Miss Pearl 217568; Lee Brothers, San Angelo.

Fourth—Maude II 299040; April 6, 1908; sire, Chad 246303; dam, Maud 76572; H. F. Massman, Romney.

Fifth—Lou Etta 302173; C. M. Largent, Merkel.

Sixth—Warrior Lass III 297489; March 3, 1908; sire, Warrior XVIII 419096; dam, Whole Piece 266445; Lee Brothers, San Angelo.

Seventh—Cowslip VII 308393; May 15, 1908; sire, Sir James XXXIV 126699; dam, Cowslip II 145767; Scharbauer Brothers, Midland.

Senior Sweepstakes Bull.

Druid of Point Comfort 259495, owned by

Oscar L. Miles, Fort Smith, Ark., the winner.

Junior Sweepstakes Bull.

British Highball 267816, owned by Giltner Brothers, Eminence, Ky., was the winner.

Grand Champion Bull.

Druid of Point Comfort 259495, owned by Oscar L. Miles, Fort Smith, Ark., was the winner.

Junior Sweepstakes Cow.

Lady Wilton 232667, owned by A. J. Goetz, Tuckerman, Ark., was the winner.

Junior Sweepstakes Cow.

Florence Acrobat 283078, owned by Giltner Brothers, Eminence, Ky., was the winner.

Grand Champion Cow.

Florence Acrobat 283078, owned by Giltner Brothers, Eminence, Ky., was the winner.

REGISTERED SHORTHORNS.

Ending of Awards in the Beef Cattle Breeding Classes. Calf Herd.

First—Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.
 Second—David Harrell, Liberty Hill.
 Third—J. F. Hovenkamp, Fort Worth.

Fourth—Frank Schofield, Hillsboro.
 Fifth—James F. Rhea, Lawn.
 Sixth—Louia B. Brown & Sons, Smithfield.

Best Two Animals, Either Sex, Produce of One Cow.
 First—David Harrell, Liberty Hill.
 Second—James Ditto, Arlington.

Third—Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.
 Fourth and Fifth—J. F. Hovenkamp, Fort Worth.

Sixth—Frank Schofield, Hillsboro.
 Best Four Animals, Get of One Bull.

First—Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.
 Second—Frank Schofield, Hillsboro.
 Third—David Harrell, Liberty Hill.

Fourth—James F. Rhea, Lawn.
 Fifth—J. F. Hovenkamp, Fort Worth.
 Sixth—Louia B. Brown & Sons, Smithfield.

AMERICAN SHORTHORN SPECIALS.

Grade Shorthorns, Sired by Registered Shorthorn Bulls, Ages to Be Computed From September 1.

First—Roan Jim, sire, Gloster's Choice 284895; owner, Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.

Second—Murphy; owner, Charles McFarland, Jr., Weatherford.

Third—Governor; sire, Linwood Victor 178436; owner, C. W. Garrett, Muskogee, Okla.

PURE BRED SHORTHORN.

Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer; 2 Years and Under 3.

First—Ohio Stamp; owned by Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.

Second—Buster Brown; Coleman Fulton Pasture company, Gregory.

Third—Commett; sire, Linwood Victor 178436; C. W. Garrett, Muskogee, Okla.

Fourth—Beauty Boy; sire, Beauty Boy; George A. McClung, Bone.

Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer; 1 Year and Under 2.

First—Feed Box; David Harrell, Liberty Hill.

Second—Rincon John; Coleman Fulton Pasture company, Gregory.

Spayed or Martin Heifer; Under 1 Year.
 First—Joe; Coleman Fulton Pasture company, Gregory.

Second—Joe Woods; James Ditto, Arlington.

Champion Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer.
 Competition limited to first prize winners in above sections.

Winner—Ohio Stamp, owned by Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.

Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer; Under 1 Year.
 First—Martin Lady; sire, Gloster's Choice 284895; owned by Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.

Second—Buster Brown; sire, Rufus 174255; Louia B. Brown & Sons, Smithfield.

Third—Royal C.; sire, Royal Victorious 245263; Marshall Calloway, Fort Worth.

Champion Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer; Any Age.
 (Only first premium winners eligible.)
 Winner—Roan Jim; sire, Gloster's Choice 284895; Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.

Herd.
 Winner—Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.

Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer; 1 Year and Under 2.
 First—Red King; sire, Gloster's Choice 284895; Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.

Second—Bob; sire, Royal Lad, 212878; Coleman Fulton Pasture company, Gregory.

Third—Proud Boy; V. O. Hildreth, Aledo.

Fourth—Joe Bailey; sire, Red Duke 226942; W. W. Potts, Watauga.

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Honors Divided Between Herefords and Aberdeen Angus.

BEEF CATTLE, CAR LOTS.

Steers, 3 Years and Over.

(Herefords.)
 First—R. E. Gatewood, Cleburne.
 Second—H. B. Johnson, Chickasha, Okla. (Aberdeen Angus.)

Third—G. E. King, Taylor.
 Steers, 2 Years and Under 3.

First—H. B. Johnson, Chickasha, Okla. (Aberdeen Angus.)
 Second—Riverside Farm, Chickasha, Okla.
 Third—M. L. Kennard, Parker.

Steers 1 Year and Under 2.
 First—H. B. Johnson, Chickasha, Okla.
 Second—Riverside Farm, Chickasha, Okla.
 Third—A. J. Scott, Beeville.

Steers or Heifer Calves Under 1 Year.
 First—C. B. Campbell, Minco, Okla.
 Second—B. E. Gatewood, Cleburne.
 Third—R. E. Gatewood, Cleburne.

Best Car Spayed or Open Heifers, Any Age, One Show.
 Winner—C. M. Largent, Merkel.

Best Car Gnan Steers (20 Head), Any Age.
 Winner—S. B. Burnett, Fort Worth.

Best Car Feeding Steers, Any Age. First and Second—S. B. Burnett, Fort Worth. Champion Load Fat Steers. Winner—H. B. Johnson, Chickasha, Okla.

BEEF CATTLE.

Single Steers, Grade and Cross-Bred of All Breeds, Get Prizes.

Grade and Cross-Bred Single Steers; Spayed or Martin Heifers, 2 Years and Under.

First—Roan Jim; owned by Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.
 Second—Murphy; owned by Charles McFarland, Weatherford.

Third—Pride of Point Comfort, owned by O. L. Miles, Fort Smith, Ark.
 Fourth—Leedale; owned by Lee Brothers, San Angelo.

Fifth—Black Prince; owned by H. B. Johnson, Chickasha, Okla.

Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer, 1 Year and Under 2.
 First—Red King; owned by Carpenter & Ross, Mansfield, Ohio.

Second—Buck; owned by C. M. Largent, Merkel.

Third—Cracker Jack; owned by G. O. Creswell, Oplin.

Fourth—Pat; owned by Tom Hoben, Nocona, Okla.

Fifth—Ely; owned by Cox & Barry, Walnut Springs.

Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer Under 1 Year.
 First—Prince Wilton; owned by J. L. Ely, San Angelo.

Second—Teddy; owned by C. M. Largent, Merkel.

Third—Cracker Jim; owned by G. O. Creswell, Oplin.

Fourth—John Terrell; owned by J. R. Daringer, Fort Worth.

Fifth—Leedale; owned by Lee Brothers, San Angelo.

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First—C. M. Harris.
 Second—S. B. Burnett, Fort Worth.
 Third—W. and R. Roeder.
 Fourth—Logan Bothers, Rhome.

RED POLLED.

Beef Grade Classes Judged and the Awards Made.

Pure, Grade and Cross-Bred Red Polled Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer, 2 Years and Under 3.

First—Eugene; sire, Welcome 6734; owner, W. R. Clifton, Waco.

Second—Nigger 16849; owner, W. C. McKamy, Renner.

Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer, 1 Year and Under 2.

Winner—Roscoe 16856; owner, W. C. McKamy, Renner.

Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer, Under 1 Year.
 Winner—Ned; owner, W. C. McKamy, Renner.

Champion Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer.
 Winner—Eugene; sire, Welcome 6734; owner, W. R. Clifton, Waco.

ABERDEEN ANGUS.

Results of the Judging in the Beef Grade Classes.

Grade and Cross-Bred Aberdeen Angus, by Registered Aberdeen Angus Bull; Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer, 2 Years and Under 3.

Winner—Black Prince; sire, Joe Joe W. Knox; owner, H. B. Johnson, Chickasha, Okla. Only one shown.

Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer, 1 Year and Under 2.

Winner—Cracker Jack; sire, Andy Ito 74352; owner, Gerald O. Creswell, Oplin.

Second—Ely; sire, Midland Duke XXV 89140; owner, Cox & Barry, Walnut Springs.

Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer Under 1 Year.
 First—Cracker Jack; sire, Andy Ito 74352; owner, Gerald O. Creswell, Oplin.

Champion Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer, Competition Limited to First Prize Winners.
 Winner—Cracker Jack; sire, Andy Ito 74352; owner, Gerald O. Creswell, Oplin.

REGISTERED HEREFORDS.

Continuation of Awards in the Beef Breeding Classes. Aged Herd.

First—Oscar L. Miles, Fort Smith, Ark.
 Second—Giltner Brothers, Eminence, Ky.
 Third—Lee Brothers, San Angelo.

Fourth—A. J. Goetz, Tuckerman, Ark.
 Fifth—McNatt & Hutchison, Fort Worth.
 Sixth—C. M. Largent, Merkel.

Young Herd.

First—Giltner Brothers, Eminence, Ky.
 Second—Lee Brothers, San Angelo.
 Third—Scharbauer Brothers, Midland.

Fourth—Oscar L. Miles, Fort Smith, Ark.
 Fifth—McNatt & Hutchison, Fort Worth.
 Sixth—H. F. Massman, Romney.

Calf Herd.

First—Giltner Brothers, Eminence, Ky.
 Second—Lee Brothers, San Angelo.
 Third—Oscar L. Miles, Fort Smith, Ark.

Fourth—McNatt & Hutchison, Fort Worth.
 Fifth—C. M. Largent, Merkel.
 Sixth—Scharbauer Brothers, Midland.

Four Animals, the Get of Same Sire.
 First and Second—Giltner Brothers, Eminence, Ky.

Third—Lee Brothers, San Angelo.
 Fourth—Oscar L. Miles, Fort Smith, Ark.
 Fifth—McNatt & Hutchison, Fort Worth.
 Sixth—A. J. Goetz, Tuckerman, Ark.

Seventh—C. M. Largent, Merkel.

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Here's the Rock Island Special

The Unspoken Word

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ground of it was Lady Ena Carteret; she was all in white, her waist encircled by a gold band from some Eastern workshop. He could see again her beautiful skin; in imagination her eyes looked into his as they parted after the close contact, the physical touch, of the waltz. How much he could see in the fire, and yet how little he really knew. For a brief second he had seen the outline of Lady Ena's lissom form that very morning. He knew that Lady Mary Clyde, dearest and best of friends, had looked out from the lower window, and waved her farewell. Had Lady Ena come to the curtain in response to the call of his horn?

Devigne was surprised at his own interest, wondering greatly that a girl's feeling, a girl's views, should concern him to an extent he had never dreamed of before. The mental experience was wholly novel, perhaps not altogether welcome. The strong man likes to feel himself armored at all points; to find that he is vulnerable is to confess himself mortal. Doubtless Achilles strove to banish from his mind the idea of his unprotected heel, and was the more conscious of it every hour of his day.

Devigne fell to thinking of the men who had been Lady Ena's partners during the short time he was present in the ball room, for Lord Marlow's interruption had occupied a considerable interval. One or two of them were certainly nearer Lady Ena's own age—Harry Lester, for instance. To Devigne, who had fought the battle of life strenuously, he seemed a mere boy; but a girl, a year or two younger than the man, might look at him very differently.

Was he really looking at possibilities? Had Lady Mary succeeded in infusing that nonsense into his veins? Puff! he must banish such thoughts, and turn strenuously to his work; for was he not a poor man, to whom all such visions were an impossible luxury?

He stood up and stretched his arms. The shadow appeared gigantic on the white ceiling of his bedroom; he might have been some Hercules, some Titan of the far past. Well, he must go to bed and banish all the foolish fantasies of the midnight hour, with that dreamless sleep which he usually enjoyed.

That night, however, proved an exception. He tossed about, now waking, now dreaming. He saw Lady Ena beckoning to him with sad and sorrowful eyes—he, tied down, unable to go to her. He awoke with a start, beads of perspiration on his brow.

At 8 o'clock punctually Holland appeared. Devigne had then fallen into a sound slumber, from which he had to be aroused. There was nothing romantic about Holland's figure, a staid, plain, commonplace, well-trained English servant, with a dash of the soldier.

The man had brought his master a cup of tea; on the salver were some letters.

"How did these come?" Devigne asked, in some surprise, as he had not given his address.

His own eyes supplied the answer; they had been directed to the marine barracks.

"Major Gastor sent his men up with them, sir."

Devigne opened a registered cover, addressed in Lady Mary Clyde's well known handwriting. When he had read a few lines he uttered an exclamation.

Holland, who was pouring water into the bath, looked up with surprise written on every line of his face. He had never seen his master express such astonishment before; he wondered much what could be the cause.

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CHAPTER XI.

Lady Ena half lay, half sat up against her pillows, sipping a cup of chocolate. Juliette was a past-mistress in the art of making one of the most delightful beverages in the world. She had brought the cup to her young mistress on a small silver salver, looked round to see that everything was ready, given a poke to the fire, which was burning brightly in the grate, then left the room.

A quarter of an hour elapsed, or possibly a little longer, before Lady Ena felt it incumbent upon her to rise and begin the process of dressing.

Lady Ena looked very happy; she was face to face with her first lover. The girl had been brought up almost entirely in the country. Her father, Lord Granton, was a farmer and a sportsman, devoted to the large slice of Surrey meadows and uplands which had come to him by inheritance; finding his pleasures there, and grudging every moment which separated him from the ordinary round of life which satisfied to the full all his requirements. Lady Granton had been a beauty, the belle of more than one season. While she was staying in the neighborhood of Granton Hall the owner of it fell in love with her. The affection was mutual, lifelong.

When Lady Ena was 10 years old and her brother 12, Lady Granton lost a large share of the health which had never been conspicuous for robustness. She became a partial invalid, confined to the house during the severe months of winter, and rarely going outside the limits of the park, which was extensive, during the summer. Ena became the companion, almost the prop, of her mother's life at an early age. She had governesses who cultivated talents above the average; she was fond of games, inheriting some of her father's pleasure and instincts; an expert rider, a skillful angler, developing physically in her healthy outdoor life after the regime of governesses was over, but retaining many of the instincts of a child.

This was Lady Ena's history up to the moment when she became the guest of her kinswoman, Lady Mary Clyde. Every year Lady Mary stayed for a month at least, generally two, at Granton Hall. For few women had she greater respect and affection than she had for Sarah, Countess of Granton. That love Ena inherited. Lady Mary admired the child, loved the child; found her satisfying an ideal after her own heart of what a young girl should be. Lady Mary had brought her up to town intentionally. She knew that the time had come when Ena must find herself; she wanted her to come to that precarious state of knowledge under her own roof, with some possibility of guidance, if not direction, from her own mature wisdom.

What Lady Mary Clyde did not know about the social world, and human nature, as it was presented in that circle, was not worth knowing. On Ena's behalf she had woven the fine web of romance. On the one hand, the whole love of the older woman centered in Hugh Devigne. He had been brought up under her eyes; she had seen him pass unscathed through that hazardous time of trial when a young man is first thrown upon the world, with almost unlimited scope for good or evil. Lady Mary saw into his soul; it was open to her as to no one else. She knew him to be a knight of a chivalry rare and true; she knew him to be of great mental capacity, capable of grasping fortune and using it for wise purposes; she saw him regarded by his peers, trusted by his superiors, placed in one position of responsibility after another by those best qualified to judge. She saw her own opinion of Devigne, which might have been biased, influenced by her affection, reflected in the calm judgment of others; confirmed by circumstance, as opportunity followed opportunity in an eventful service.

Thus cogitating, she had paid a visit to Granton Hall. A year had passed



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since she had seen Ena. A year of remarkable development. Lady Mary had then brought the girl up to town, and had deliberately made opportunities for the meeting of the two people in whom she was most concerned. Now she was realizing the truth of the proverb that "One man may lead a horse to the water, but that twenty cannot make him drink."

Devigne had never seriously considered marriage at all. He loved his work; he was ambitious, in the best sense, ambitious to do something, not so much for his own advancement as for the weal of the land he loved and served. He was comparatively a poor man, considering his rank; that was a bar. He was not impressionable as regards women; appreciative of them, ever treating them with a rare courtesy and almost exaggerated respect for their sex, but nothing more.

Lady Mary greeted Ena with real affection as the latter entered the breakfast room; she showed that she loved the girl, a demonstration the more remarkable and convincing from the fact that she always held herself in reserve, rarely allowing the outside world to guess what was passing through her mind.

"May I take the dogs out, Aunt Mary?" Ena asked an hour later.

She had written a letter home while her hostess was attending to her domestic duties, ordering her household, and settling her accounts.

"Certainly, dear. They will be delighted!"

When the front door was shut behind the trio, Lady Mary walked to the window. Her face had assumed a thoughtful, almost an anxious appearance; she stood where she could see without being seen. The road in front of the terrace was a long, straight one, ending in a sharp turn which opened upon a main avenue leading to one of the entrances of Hyde Park. Lady Mary watched Ena and the pugs until they were out of her line of vision.

"I wonder—" she said to herself. "Ena generally asks me to go with her in the mornings, when I am free; today she did not even suggest it."

Ena walked to the end of the terrace, and then became conscious of someone approaching her from the direction of the park. Harry Lester raised his hat.

"Taking the dogs for an airing, Lady Ena?"

"Yes," she answered, slyly; she had only vouchsafed him one swift glance, and then looked down.

It is astonishing how much a woman can see, appraise and understand in one brief second of actual time. Ena took in Harry Lester's face and figure, the slight tilt of his hat, the cut of his clothes, worn apparently for the first time that morning, during that instantaneous, all-comprehending glance. She settled within herself that he looked better driving than walking; on the box seat of his handsome carriage than meeting her in the terrace road.

His thoughts were widely different. Had he ever seen her look so lovely—even in the ball room? The freshness of the morning was in her face, the light wind had rippled her hair; he longed to run his fingers through it, to kiss it.

They walked side by side, talking of indifferent things—the weather; the state of the roads, the pictures he had bought yesterday, nominally under her supervision and subject to her approval. There had been no arrangement about this meeting. He had stood his chance that she would come out with the dogs; she had believed it possible that he might be in the park or its vicinity; that was all.

The girl, while still feeling some of

that glow of appreciation which had greeted her wakeful moments when first roused, at the thought that the dream of a woman's life was come close to her in realization, felt, underlying it, mingling with it, a strand of doubt, threads of dissatisfaction woven into the fabric of her mind. She liked to feel that she was loved, but the sufficiency of the lover was in question; also, inexperienced as she was, she could not but be aware that she had yet as yet given but little in return. She had never plumbed the depths of her own nature, but something assured her that there were such recesses capable of being stirred, full, strong, the fine notes of an instrument which one hand, and one hand only, could play upon with sure touch, so as to bring out their answering resonance.

Harry Lester was charming in many ways; a delightful companion, a man of the world, liked by all who knew him, popular both with men and women, clean, honest, true, strong. He seemed to have all the qualities that a girl could wish. He satisfied Ena's critical judgment in nearly every respect, yet she was conscious of a lacking, of a something wanting to which she could give no name.

So for an hour, using the weapons of her woman's endowment, which seems to come even to the inexperienced by a species of intuition, she fenced off any deeper topic. Lester was all aglow to speak to her of that which lay nearest to his heart; but something in her attitude warned him that it would be unwise, premature, possibly even disastrous.

Neither of the two was aware that at the outset of their walk, when they turned from the terrace road into the avenue culminating in the park, a motor car had passed the corner a few yards behind them.

In that carriage sat Captain Devigne. He was in the tonneau; Holland was driving. It was fortunate, perhaps, in the circumstances, that his man's hand was on the wheel.

(To be Continued.)

MARKET LOOKS BULLISH.

It looks as if the packers were on the run and were going to have to pay high prices for all kinds of stock. In other words, the producer of live stock is in a position to demand strong figures and the necessity of the packers and the public compel them to step and settle. This does not mean that the producers are going to make a whole lot of money by any means and that is the worst feature of the whole business. High prices do not necessarily mean prosperity.—Omaha Journal-Stockman.

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Some Who Were Here

Dick True is a "constant comer" to Fort Worth and contributes unnumbered hundreds of fat hogs and cattle to the market here. He lives up in the new state of Oklahoma, near Ryan, and deals in all kinds of stock, both breeding and selling. He is a loyal member of the Texas association of cattlemen called the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas and is also a liberal supporter of the Fat Stock Show. "We had some rain," said he, "and we are in very good shape now and look for good grass pretty soon. The gathering here this year is a big one and both the convention and the show have been of unusual interest."

P. C. O'Loughlin came down to the great cattle center to take part in the convention, for he is a member of the Cattle Raisers' association, and incidentally to take in the Fat Stock Show, but as he staid mostly at the show he missed voting for the new president of the association. He lives in Shackelford and gets his mail at Moran, but his ranch is to the eastward of that place some ten miles. "I have been taking The Stockman-Journal ever since the days when Loving ran it as The Journal, and I am still in love with it," said he. "This is a great occasion for both cattlemen and Fort Worth and the show is just beyond conception, and it will pay any Texan to come down and take a look at the stock alone. It is very dry up our way and has been for some time, but things will probably change soon."

J. J. Putnam came in from his horse and cattle ranch in this county to add to the multitudes that were already here to see the fat stock and good looking ladies. He took in everything out at the yards, night and day, but then he found time to take part in the pleasant dissipation in the city proper. "The show is great, the greatest we have had," said he, "and if it continues to grow in proportion it will be hard work to find room to accommodate the entries. It is dry out on our range, but nothing in the animal line is suffering as yet. It has been a fine winter for stock and stockmen."

Mr. Matt Skeen has again returned to his old love, Texas, from California, where he had invested and hoped to make his home. He has purchased eighty-five acres of land near Handley and will go into the producing of food stuffs for the people. He was a pleasant caller on the editor and explained that now he was going into the agricultural and stock lines he thought he had best get in touch with the best stock and farm papers in Texas.

"I have attended every cattle show in Fort Worth up to the present one," said J. F. Murchison, a stockman of Eldorado, "and I want to say that the cattlemen of the state have just cause to be congratulated upon the showing made this year. What strikes me as the most important feature of the display is the large number of high grade Shorthorn cattle which are on exhibition. I am a Shorthorn breeder from the start, and I want to say that they are the salvation of the cattle industry in Texas. We can do just as well and make just as much money with fewer cattle, but better ones. Many of the big ranches are disappearing in my section of the state, but they are being cut up into smaller feeding farms. Your will see that in the not far distant future Texas will furnish the bulk of the meat support of the country. Fort Worth, the recognized center of the packing industry in the Southwest, undoubtedly has a great future."

W. W. Treadwell of Menardville, who is in the city, is an enthusiastic breeder of high-grade Herefords and is particularly gratified at the showing made by the breeders of this class of stock the present year. Mr. Treadwell now has a bunch of 1,600 steers which he is preparing for market and will ship about 800 3 and 4-year-olds during the next month. "I find the Fort Worth market to be the most satisfactory," he said, "and the prices are as good as can be obtained anywhere."

One of the most extensive breeders of Durhams in the state is J. T. Davis of Sterling City, who is spending the week here. Mr. Davis states that without exception the Durhams, of which there are many in his section, have wintered well and the cattlemen's prospects are good for the coming season. Extremely dry weather, he said, had caused some hardship, but the best bred cattle had come through in excellent shape for spring feeding.

S. Waring of Eden, Concho county, Texas, who was in the city attending the cattlemen's convention is an extensive raiser of fine Hereford cattle and is one of the pioneers of the state with this class of stock. Mr. Waring stated that, while there are still a great many range cattle of inferior grade in his section, the blooded cattle are gradually coming in. The great trouble so far has been the danger of loss from ticks, but the ranchmen hope to overcome this trouble, as they have secured immunity from Texas fever.

The inimitable Ben Van Tuyl, from the wilds of the Colorado, in Mitchell county, was in his element shaking the hand of his fellow cowmen whom he had said good-by to a year ago in this city. He was just as cheerful and optimistic as usual and looked as if he was not afraid of dry weather. "This is a great thing, both in so far as the fat stuff is concerned," said Captain Ben, "but also in the fact that the cowman of today as he parades the streets of this great stock center looks as well and just as sick as does his fat stock out at the Coliseum. They are both in good keeping. We are doing all right out in old Mitchell and have in town some of the best looking men to be seen. You just ask a Mitchell county man about it and he will say so."

T. S. Bugbee of Clarendon is in the city on his annual pilgrimage to the Fat Stock Show and takes a deep interest in the progress of the stock raising industry in the state. He is widely known among the cattlemen and is rendered particularly conspicuous by his striking resemblance to

Colonel William Cody (Buffalo Bill). Colonel Bugbee is quite proud of the distinction and many amusing incidents have occurred through strangers mistaking him for the great plainsman. In fact he is an old friend of Colonel Cody's, having first met him in 1865 when they were both crossing the plains. At that time Colonel Cody was hunting buffalo under contract, and Colonel Bugbee was driving a large herd of Texas cattle in Idaho.

Colonel Bugbee settled in Texas in 1868, and came to Dallas when that place was a village of some 400 inhabitants. Shortly after he came to the little trading post where now stands the great city of Fort Worth, and ever since has been prominently identified with the cattle raising industry in the West.

"Just say for me that plain Jim McFaddin is in town," said the well known stockman of Victoria by that name, as he grasped the hands of a dozen old friends in the lobby of the Worth. Mr. McFaddin is one of the best known cattlemen in the state, and has been in the business since 1858. He is a recognized authority on fine cattle as well as high grade horses and mules and many old heads with years of experience would rather take Jim McFaddin's judgment than their own in a "hoss" trade. Mr. McFaddin states that stock have stood the winter exceptionally well around Victoria, and that a fine grade of blooded cattle is rapidly succeeding the mongrel stock which has been raised in the past.

George Berry, the popular stockman, land owner and banker from Merkel, was in and around both the convention and the Fat Stock Show, for he loves to look at stalwart cattlemen and steers indiscriminately. They are both good propositions to him and he likes them. "It is dry with us, but we are getting on very well. No doubt but that the rain will come in the proper time and then we will all forget the fears for the future and find ourselves in clover again."

S. H. Buchanan of Pawhuska, Okla., one of the best known stockmen in the new state, is in the city attending the Fat Stock Show and cattlemen's con-

vention. Mr. Buchanan is enthusiastic over the showing made by the cattle raisers of the Southwest this year and predicts that Texas and Oklahoma will soon be the principal source of supply for the great packing centers of the country. "The farmers and stockmen of Oklahoma are raising hogs extensively," said Mr. Buchanan, "and the success that has been met with has been most gratifying. Fort Worth is the principal shipping point for our country, as we find the market facilities to be satisfactory and the price obtained for high grade stuff equal to that paid in the Northern markets. A large percentage of our cattle, however, are shipped to the Northern packers, but when the improvements which are being contemplated by the packers of Fort Worth are completed I believe that a much greater percentage of Oklahoma business will be drawn to this city." Mr. Buchanan stated that the winter loss in Oklahoma has been exceptionally small, as the section has had plenty of rain. The usual method, he said, was to feed cattle for about five months during the cold weather and then finish off on the spring grass.

W. I. Wynn, a former Texan, but now of Oklahoma, and a member of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, was in the city and as he said, spent his time between the convention and the show, with the show getting the best of it. He lives on his ranch in Comanche county, Oklahoma, near Cooperton, which is his postoffice. "We have had the snows," said he, "and they wet our soil pretty well, so that things are in good shape. I was raised in Fannin and Hunt counties and am proud of this show and the progress it has made. The election of officers of the association suits me. They were both good men, and either would have acted for the best interests of the association."

SCHLEICHER COUNTY.

P. I. Elder sold this week to S. I. Nicks, Jr., his livery and feed stable in Eldorado for \$1,600. Mr. Elder also bought from S. I. Nicks, Jr., 930 sheep, 600 ewes for \$4, and 350 dry sheep for \$3.50 per head. The sheep have a twelve months' clip of wool on. —Eldorado Success.

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Feeders' and Breeders' Show

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- Eighth—Scharbauer Brothers, Midland.
- Two Animals, Product of Same Cow.
- First—Oscar L. Miles, Fort Smith, Ark.
- Second—Lee Brothers, San Angelo.
- Third—C. M. Largent, Merkel.
- Fourth—McNatt & Hutchison, Fort Worth.
- Fifth—C. M. Largent, Merkel.
- Sixth—Oscar L. Miles, Fort Smith, Ark.
- Seventh—J. F. Yearwood, Georgetown.
- Eighth—J. B. Salyer, Jonah.

HEREFORD SPECIALS.

- Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer, 2 Years and Under 3.
- First—Pride of Point Comfort; owner, Oscar L. Miles, Fort Smith, Ark.
- Second—Leedales Kind; owner, Lee Brothers, San Angelo.
- Third—John; sire, Patrolman III 133915; owner, Tom Hoben, Nocona.
- Fourth—Fred; sire, Patrolman III; owner, Tom Hoben, Nocona.
- Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer, 1 Year and Under 2.
- First—Buck; sire, Beau Bonny 184688; owner, C. M. Largent, Merkel.
- Second—Pat; sire, Patrolman III 184688; owner, B. C. Rhome, Jr., Saginaw.
- Third—Preston; sire, Beau Bonny 184688; owner, B. C. Rhome, Jr., Saginaw.
- Fourth—Span Silk; sire, Good Enough IV 179239; owner, Lee Brothers, San Angelo.
- Fifth—Echo Lad; sire, Worth 95798; owner, Agricultural and Mechanical college, College Station.
- Sixth—Hutton; sire, Ike 82016; owner, Tom Hoben, Nocona.
- Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer, Under 1 Year.
- First—Prince Wilton 313428; sire, Prince's Best 151836; owner, J. F. Ely, San Angelo.
- Second—Bryan; sire, General Oyama 217175; owner, C. M. Largent, Merkel.
- Third—Leedale's Spot; owner, Lee Brothers, San Angelo.
- Fourth—John Terrell; sire, Lancet 70775; owner, J. and F. Durringer, Burleson.
- Fifth—Teddy; sire, Texas Champion 240570; owner, C. M. Largent.
- Sixth—Leedale; owner, Lee Brothers, San Angelo.
- Champion Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer.
- Winner, Prince Wilton 313428; sire, Prince's Best 151836; owner, J. F. Ely, San Angelo.

ABERDEEN ANGUS.

- Bull, 3 Years and Over.
- One shown, Midland Duke XXV 89140; March 15, 1905; sire, Warner Black King 53299; dam, Midland Black Rose 39298; owner, Cox & Barry, Walnut Springs.
- Bull, 1 Year and Under 2.
- First—Toilet of Meadowbrook 115633; June 15, 1907; sire, Quickstep 61870; dam, Twill of Meadowbrook 72460; owner, G. C. Creswell, Oplin.
- Second—Luke Broadhead 107420; October 8, 1906; sire, Luckiness 62968; dam, Lively III 76385; owner, Cox & Barry, Walnut Springs.
- Third—Black Cat Zaire 109245; owner, G. C. Creswell, Oplin.
- Bull, 1 Year and Under 1 Year.
- First—Oplin Nugget II 116576; December 28, 1907; sire, Andy Ito 74352; dam, Oplin Nugget II 73568; owner, G. O. Creswell, Oplin.
- Second—Oplin Pettio 116588; February 7, 1908; sire, Andy Ito 74352; dam, Peon Pet 26873; owner, Elsie May Creswell, Oplin.
- Third—Oplin Lodito 116586; February 4, 1908; sire, Andy Ito 74352; dam, Oplin Lady 7607; owner, G. O. Creswell, Oplin.
- Cow, 3 Years and Over.
- First—Midland Princess XXV 89142; April 7, 1905; sire, Warner Black King 53299; dam, Midland Wildflower 33971; owner, Cox & Barry, Walnut Springs.

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Second—Oplin Nugget II 73568; March 18, 1904; sire, Maple Lawn Jack 35165; dam, Prairie Gellina 48683; owner, G. O. Creswell, Oplin.

Junior Champion Bull.
Toilet of Meadowbrook 115633.
Grand Champion Bull.
Toilet of Meadowbrook 115633.
Heifer, 1 Year and Under 2.
First—Barbara 8th of Greenview 98845; September 5, 1906; sire, Eric 7th of Kellor Park 69803; dam, Barbara P. 5th; owner, G. O. Creswell, Oplin.

Second—Oplin Itora 106348; February 1, 1907; sire, Andy Ito 74352; dam, Leon Mora 39684; owner, G. O. Creswell, Oplin.

Heifer, Under 1 Year Old.
First—Bosque Princess 3rd 111741; January 13, 1908; sire, Midland Duke 25th 89140; dam, Midland Princess 25th 89142; Cox & Barry, Walnut Springs.

Second—Oplin Italoomeer 116582; January 30, 1908; sire, Andy Ito 74352; dam, Leon Bloomer 34031; G. O. Creswell, Oplin.

Third—Oplin Middy 116590; February 17, 1908; sire, Andy Ito 74352; dam, Maud S. W. 51019; owner, G. O. Creswell, Oplin.

Junior Champion Cow.
Oplin Italoomeer 116582; January 30, 1908; sire, Andy Ito 74352; dam, Leon Bloomer 34031; owner, G. O. Creswell, Oplin.

Grand Champion Cow.
Midland Princess XXV 89142; April 7, 1905; sire, Warner Black King 53299; dam, Midland Wildflower 33971; owner, Cox & Barry, Walnut Springs.

Best Two Produce of One Cow.
First—Bosque Princess III 117741; January 13, 1908; sire, Midland Duke XXV; dam, Midland Princess XXV; owner, Cox & Barry, Walnut Springs.

One calf, Ell, dam Midland Princess XXV 73568; April 7, 1903; sire, Warner Black King 53299; dam, Midland Wildflower 33971; owner, Cox & Barry, Walnut Springs.

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Bull 3 Years and Over.
First—Banker 14202; November 12, 1904; sire, Popular 8561; dam, Anne Dorre 16113; owner, W. R. Clifton, Waco.

Second—George Gilbert 14113; November 20, 1904; sire, Trimmer 9919; dam, Beauty Belle 144906; owner, W. C. McKamy, Renner.

Best Bull, 2 Years and Under 3.
First—Cartwright 15469; January 10, 1906; sire, Frisky Friar 8155; dam, S. P. Queen 19041; owner, W. R. Clifton, Waco.

Second—Leo 15545; February 7, 1906; sire, Texas 15004; dam, Lena 902; owner, W. C. McKamy, Renner.

Bull, 1 Year and Under 2.
One Shown—Winner, Valentine 16858; September 6, 1906; sire, Pat 8553; dam, Velvet II 17792; owner, W. C. McKamy, Renner.

Bull, Under 1 Year.
First—Diamond 18776; owner, W. R. Clifton, Waco.

Second—Multiplier; owner, W. C. McKamy, Renner.

Cow, 3 Years and Over.
One shown—Winner, Velvet II 17792; October 4, 1900; sire, Rufus 5866; dam, Velvet 11913; owner, W. C. McKamy, Renner.

Cows, 2 Years and Under 3.
Winner—Mary 26055; March 20, 1906; sire, Pat 5833; dam, Maude II 17105; owner, W. C. McKamy, Renner. One shown.

Heifers, 1 Year and Under 2.
First—Babette; January 8, 1907; sire, Tarquin 12303; dam, Brownie 20861; owner, W. R. Clifton, Waco.

Second—Dorothy 27748; aged September 5, 1907; sire, Marshall 15067; dam, Daisy 19474; owner, W. C. McKamy, Renner.

Heifer Calf, Under 1 Year Old.
First—Mary Ann 29073; aged November 25, 1907; sire, Oyama 12955; dam, Missie 20133; owner, W. R. Clifton, Waco.

Second—Winsome II; sire, Winnie 26067; dam, Winsome 17857; owner, W. C. McKamy, Renner.

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ANNUAL ADDRESS BY PRESIDENT PRYOR

Address delivered by Ike T. Pryor, president of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, at Fort Worth, March 16, 1909:

Members of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas:

Ladies and Gentlemen—The year just past is the thirty-third year of your existence, and I dare say one of the most eventful years in the entire history of this great organization.

I must compliment the individual members for promptly meeting their assessments and dues during the past year.

Our membership since our last meeting has made a substantial and healthy growth, payments have been promptly and cheerfully made, all of which is a source of much gratification to me.

The Rendition of Cattle.

I would recommend a more uniform and just taxation. I am convinced a proper and true rendition of the cattle owned by members of this association would result in ample funds being raised each year to carry on our inspection and detective, as well as legislative work. This can be accomplished by the members duplicating their state and county tax roll as regards cattle, thus equalizing the burdens in such a way that the large will pay in proportion to the small cattle owners.

Words are inadequate to express my gratitude to our executive committee for the unanimity with which they have supported your attorneys and president in all undertakings. This support gave us encouragement and caused renewed efforts on our part.

Complications are many in the conduct of this great organization, but I am happy to state, with the assistance of our able secretary and executive committee, we have met all issues fearlessly and solved the different problems to the best interests of the association.

The Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas has had a creditable representation at every state and national meeting during the past year, and some very effective work has been done through this source. By attending these meetings we have the opportunity of securing the influence and co-operation of the particular organization holding such meeting.

Cattle Rate Case.

Our efforts in securing a substantial reduction in freight rates on cattle from Texas to market centers have been crowded with success. The victory is such as to command the respect of the railway magnates of this country and the admiration of all those interested in a similar organization.

The success of this association should result in a saving of nearly a million dollars for the year 1909, whereas it has taken our inspectors twenty-five years to catch \$1,000,000 worth of cattle, hence our legal and legislative department will save the cattlemen of Texas as much in one year as our inspectors saved in twenty-five years. The difficulties encountered and obstacles overcome by us in this long drawn out fight for rate reduction can better be explained by one of our able and efficient attorneys, S. H. Cowan.

Notwithstanding the fact we hold 75 per cent of our members by virtue of our inspection system alone, only about 25 per cent of the members really place the proper valuation on our legislative efforts, and remain with the association more on account of what we have done and hope to accomplish along this line than anything else. This may seem strange that only 25 per cent of our members are sufficiently informed to properly appreciate our legislative efforts and results obtained therefrom; this is caused, however, by their indifference—not attending our sessions that they may learn what is being done, and from those who are thoroughly conversant with all we are doing and hope to accomplish for the membership.

\$1.00 Per Car Assessment.

At our first executive meeting after the Interstate Commerce Commission was able to compel the railroads to obey its orders reducing the rate 3 cents per hundred-weight, or \$6.66 per car on cattle, shipments from Texas



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points to market centers outside this state, I called their attention to the great saving that would result to the shippers by virtue of this reduced rate and recommended we undertake to collect the small sum of \$1.00 per car on all cattle shipped under the new schedule.

We instructed our secretary to write all shippers soliciting a contribution of this amount, and to my great surprise and disappointment but few responses were made. This, however, does not discourage me in my efforts to secure the funds necessary to continue the fight. In order to obtain this reduced rate, we are now and will be compelled for some time to make a vigorous defense in the courts, which costs money and the cattle shippers of this state, whether members of this association or not, should be willing and anxious to give us their financial as well as moral support.

For five years the railroad collected \$6.66 per car more than they were entitled to and put this money into the treasury to be used in carrying on the fight against us to prevent this reduction. We have succeeded in reversing this, in so far as the railroad does not get the \$6.66, but the shipper of cattle from Texas does. Report from Kansas City and St. Louis markets show over 2,000 cars were received at these markets from Texas, from November 17, 1908 (date the reduced rate went into effect), to March 1, 1909. These shipments should have placed in our treasury at least \$2,000. Mark the difference, when the railroad collected this money, they put it in their treasury; when the shipper gets it, he does not even allow one-sixth of it to get into the hands of our treasurer, yet this same shipper expects us to continue the fight to hold this reduction, never stopping to think we need every dollar we can possibly get to meet the expense of this litigation and other important matters.

Many individuals in this audience and elsewhere are not only paying their part and more, in dollars and cents, to maintain this organization, but are contributing mentally their best efforts, while others who contribute neither mentally nor financially toward the success of a business and industry from which they derive their support, and often accumulate large fortunes without giving anything in return for conditions brought about by co-operation of the more progressive ones in the same line of business.

The particular individual in this instance is the man who ships his cattle to market, securing this reduction for which this association has fought five years, and does not contribute his share towards sustaining this great victory won and making it permanent. I feel I would be derelict in my duty if I did not report such important mat-

ters that you might take such action as you deem best.

Results are what you expect of your officers. This is what we have accomplished, and in order to make our victory permanent, the shipper must contribute a portion of his gain towards this work.

It is an opportunistic time to co-operate with all organizations created for similar purposes as ours, and there never was a time since the birth of this association that it had such an opportunity to do as much good for its members and the cattle industry as it will have in the near future. Every condition is ripe for active and efficient work. This association has earned (and justly so) a reputation for doing things. Its officers command the respect of congressmen from every state in the Union, and all other organizations of a similar nature are ready and willing to co-operate with us in the great work we are so zealously and earnestly striving to accomplish.

At this particular time the stockman and farmer has a fair chance to secure some favorable legislation from congress; such organizations as the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas and the American National Live Stock association are able to command a hearing; both these associations have had representatives before the ways and means committee protesting against the removal of the small duty on hides, unless this protest is followed by vigorous and systematic work in both branches by congress, we will not be able to retain this duty on hides. This is one of the reasons we joined with the American National Live Stock association in opening an office in Washington. The manufacturers of this country are powerful and thoroughly organized, and have dominated congress so long they will reluctantly relinquish any of

their influence, especially to an adverse interest.

We must fight for what we get, and are entitled to all we ask for. The new tariff bill is of great importance to the live stock interests of this country. Briefly speaking it can be so framed as to result in excluding live stock and the products thereof from Continental Europe, or it can be so written as to induce those countries to open their doors to our live stock both on the hoof, as well as dressed—they can write a clause in this bill that will wipe the tariff off of hides and wool and admit cattle and sheep into this country free of duty. This being true you can readily realize the great importance of this tariff bill to our industries.

I have the hearty approval of the executive committee to share with the American National Live Stock association the expense of maintaining an office in Washington during the extra session of congress. I deem such an office of vast importance not only to the cattle raisers of this state and country, but all classes of live stock should be benefited by the passage of the laws we have been endeavoring to secure.

With this office in Washington, we can do far more effectual work than could be accomplished without it. Our co-operation with the American National Live Stock association has been both cordial and beneficial during the past year, and I sincerely hope this policy will be continued until we have secured every legislative enactment for which we stand committed.

We can congratulate ourselves that President Taft retained Secretary Wilson in his cabinet. This not only gives us a true and tried friend at the head of the agricultural department of this country, but one who is familiar with all important details of our industry.

WANTS CATTLE FOR ARGENTINE.

With the object of furthering the shipment of pure bred cattle from Texas to the republic of Argentine, Mario Estrada, acting as an agent of the agricultural and live stock departments of the Argentine government, is in San Antonio conferring with local live stock men and officers of live stock companies with offices in San Antonio.

That Argentine presents a vast field for the shipment of Texas cattle and that the pure bred stock from Texas can be marketed in that country at a higher price than in any other market is the conclusion of Mr. Estrada. His statements have aroused a great deal of interest and enthusiasm among Texas pure bred cattle raisers and already shipments to Argentine are being prepared by Fort Worth and San Antonio breeders.

Mr. Estrada came to San Antonio from Fort Worth, where he made a close study of all breeds of cattle during the Fat Stock Show. His studies, he says, demonstrate to him that Texas cattle are much freer from diseases and of superior quality than those of any other country.

Texas Cattle Superior.

"They are not raised, like in England and other European countries, in stalls, artificially and abnormally fed—hot-house animals, as it were. In Texas they are raised upon the range and are consequently better constituted. They are freer from disease than the cattle of any other country or section.

"Argentine is and in the past has always been drawing her supply of pure bred bulls mainly from England," said Mr. Estrada. "I am now perfectly convinced that she would do better to draw from Texas. The bulls shipped from England are infected to a large percentage with tuberculosis and other contagious diseases. Tuberculosis is now so common in English bred cattle that the shipments to Argentine during the last two years have decreased fully one-third. There were 3,000 Hereford bulls shipped from England into Argentine in 1906. Last year there were only about 1,500. Of these a large percentage were found to be infected with tuberculosis and this entailed a great loss to the buyers as all cattle are allowed to be

imported without a thorough examination. If tuberculosis is discovered in an animal upon inspection it is immediately killed. Hundreds of them worth over 3,000 guineas a piece were killed.

Arranging Big Purchases.

"There is a great similarity in the climatic conditions and the foliage of Texas and Argentine. I am sure the cattle of this state would do well in my country. While I was at Fort Worth I arranged with a number of Fort Worth pure bred cattle breeders for some large shipments, and while in San Antonio have secured an arrangement for a large shipment from P. P. Garcia, general manager of the International Live Stock company."

Mr. Estrada will go from here to Mexico, where he will investigate the condition of the cattle imported into that country from Texas. He is an expert along all agricultural and live stock lines and is making an exhaustive study of the foliages of this country. He will travel through New Mexico, Nevada, Wyoming, Colorado and other states before returning to make his report to his government.

STOCK MEETING AT BELL FOURCHE.

The seventh annual stock meeting will be held in Belle Fourche April 15, 16 and 17, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The finance committee has been interviewing business men and encouragement was met with on every hand, so there is no doubt but what the stock meeting this year will be as large if not larger than ever before.

Within a short time a program of riding, potato races, horse and pony races, foot races and other sports will be arranged, and as soon as this is done it will be published. As in former years the commission men of South Omaha, Sioux City and Chicago will be here to meet the stockmen and talk over the prospects for the coming year. The annual meeting of the Belle Fourche Wool Growers' association will be held one day of the meeting, when the sheepmen will meet to talk over matters pertaining to their business and devise means of advancing the interests of the sheepmen and wool growers of this part of the country. Belle Fourche (S. D.) Bee.