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What a Son of Tennessee Thinks of Jacksboro and Jack County.

JACKSBORO, Texas, Aug. 7.—Again I write to you from Jack county. In truth, this section of country seems to me to be deserving of more letters than one, because the main line in the tide of immigration now, it may be that some of your readers would want to know of the value of the lands, the productiveness of the soil, the health of the country, etc.

Jack county is fifty miles from Wichita Falls, the present terminus of the Fort Worth and Denver railroad. Lands are rated at from $1.00 to $3.00 per acre, but generally sold at anything one can get. The best idea that I can give you of the county is to liken it to our Cannon county—mountainous and hilly, with now and then one of the most beautiful of valleys. To him who contemplates a stock ranch I prefer Jack to any I've yet seen. For seven or eight miles around the town of Jacksboro the lands are not good generally for farming purposes, but on the outskirts are splendid for farming as well as grazing. The west fork of the Trinity river makes her way through the northern portion, and beautiful blue watered creeks in different sections of the county seem to afford more water than usual. Timber, too, is in great abundance, the post oak growth furnishing not only wood but winter shelter for cattle. Cattle men though here are becoming restless over the advent of the farmer ("Nester" as they call 'em). A big ranch man who has fenced up broad acres, turned roads, and annoyed the people, often nowadays finds his wire fence cut and laid open so that he'ed have to move further. As I rode through the beautiful valleys on the Trinity yesterday, and espied cattle and sheep and goats in grass knee high, and saw grass just as good on the sides of these mountain prairies, and even where the post oak grew, I was thoroughly impressed that some day, as Cannon county was for stock, corn and wheat, just so would Jack county be. It follows that on account of the mountains and hills, the health is better than in those sections where they are wanting.

Robinson & West, a leading law firm of this place, tell me that there is a little lull in land seekers now, but that when people realize from bountiful crops this fall, they are looking for a big tide of immigration.

They also tell me of an enterprise that would pay big, could a man acquainted with the business become enlisted. 'Tis this: Jacksboro, with a population of nine hundred, and Jack county, with a population of twelve thousand, want a national bank. The money is here with which to start it, but the man is not here who understands the business sufficiently to be entrusted with the management of the vast floods of money that no doubt would flow into her vaults. Now cannot our Stones River or First National send out some one of experience, with just enough money to put in the pot, and make himself cashier. Several railroads have been surveyed through and at an early day the people say that the railroad engine, with its multiplied valves and wheels and rods and cylinders, its brazen lungs and throat of fire, will scream her way to Jacksboro. You can lend money here at from 1 to 5 per cent a month.

The law business in this country takes in the land business as her counterpart. Hence on every lawyer's card you find "law and land agents," but Robinson & West say it goes further. The lawyer is an omnibus kind of fellow. He practices law, sells and pays taxes on land, furnishes a man's ranche, lends money, insures houses, keeps books, negotiates and effects trades, and branches out into every conceivable thing. They tell me now of a ranche, composed of 2000 acres, they have for sale at $2 per acre, and 2000 head of cattle at $18 per head. How would that suit my friends Putman, McEwen, Roberts & Oslin, or Fox? Ye who indulge in the pleasures of hope and money making, and feel like embarking in an enterprise that has recently made so many rich, listen, and let not this chance pass you. To morrow, they tell me, is estray sale day here. Under Texas laws estrayed horses and cattle are taken up, advertised a certain length of time, and if not claimed, are sold by the county clerk at public ontery, one half of the proceeds of sale to go to the county, the other half to taker up of the animal. Would not my friend Earthman now be happy, or "Teck" Butler, if they were only here living in the hope of getting a cheap mustang? And wouldn't some of our cattle men sit by and quietly dream in the hope, on the morrow, of purchasing a cheap cow? But I must tell you of the grasses of this country what will grow and what not. Mesquite is to Texas as blue grass is to Tennessee. It is gradually rooting out all other, and no doubt in a few years will completely annihilate broom sedge. I asked a farmer how clover would do here. His reply was, that it wouldn't do. Nothing here so far as we have known is so good for cattle as mesquite. There is a bush also very frequently met with on the prairies that cattle men and hog men value highly. 'Tis known as the mesquite bush. It grows a bean like unto a snap. At this season of the year, cattle and hogs grow fat on them. They value their beans as highly as any feed.

This takes me to my visit to the ranch of F. E. Wilson, ex-sheriff of Comanche county. His ranche was fenced in, and contained 5000 acres. His herd of cattle only 500, but divided off into about equal numbers, using in different sections. He provided himself with salt, and drove to the different places of salting. When he gave a peculiar yell you could see his cattle for miles trotting toward him. They would emerge from the mesquite bushes, and run as for life. He told me that he was going to train them to come to the salting place with a horn. It does seem to me that animals can be trained to anything. They say they are actuated by instinct, but I believe they have sense. I listened to his stories of panics and stampedes amongst cattle. He pointed me to an old ox that had one of his horns dislocated in one of these "blow ups." He could conceive of nothing more dangerous, and in them not only cattle but cow boys and their ponies lost their lives. If Wilson had not been a Northern man I would have assimilated it to our little Snow-hill and Mission Ridge the scene of which gave me a vivid impression of a stampede.

An ex-cow boy tells me that a stampede amongst men is nothing compared to cow stampede. Says he, I was stopping with a herd of cattle a few years ago near a man's house. My cattle in the night stampeded and absolutely butted the man's house down. Now you know these houses are nearly all boxed, and not hard to break into, but he says, further, that a herd of several hundred took fright on one of the mountains here, and run overboard, leaving nothing of that herd but a quivering mass of matter and flesh. The process of milling he explained to me—how cattle, when confused, would start around in a circle breaking off horns, trampling under foot each other, and crushing to attoms everything with which they come in contact. When driving a distance, a couple of cow boys after the cattle lay down at night, circle around them singing songs, so as to prevent them from fright.

But although my cow boy avers, still for fear my story appearing incredible, I must get back to Jacksboro.

Another thing is needed here badly and I dare say would prove profitable, if properly run; a large steam grist mill. They have nothing of the kind here. Near the town runs Los creek. At all times of the year it affords an abundance of water. Tressider ought to know of this, or Thomas, or Jim Ward, or Sam Black, or some other men of enterprise.

Jacksboro has her schools and her churches. The Sabbath is as sacredly kept here as in any of the towns in Tennessee. She boasts of a county paper and two good hotels. The Indian war-whoop has not been heard here since 1873. The desperado and bully have passed from within her county told. The stranger is welcomed with a hearty shake of the hand. The panther, the buffalo, the antelope, and bear have been driven by the cow boy out farther west, and nothing is left now indicative of a new county save a few prairie dogs and wolves and loafers. The birds only come now where the beast was wont. Instead of the Arkansaw toothpick, and bowie knife and six-shooter, peace, sweet peace, reigneth in Judea, and big camp meetings seem to be taking the country, such as we used to have at Shady Grove and Jerusalem.—[ON THE WING, in (Tenn.) Murfreesboro, News.

Not The Idler's Paradise.

THE east is eternally turning its attention towards the west, Europe towards America, the Old World towards the New. It is supposed in the eastern states of this country that the western portion is an El Dorado, a land flowing with milk and honey, and where fortunes only await claimants. In Europe the same idea is entertained of America as a whole. It is supposed that the United States are veritable paradises of nothing to do, where gold and silver are picked up in the streets and fields without effort, and where every man is a king. It is laughable to read some of the notions held by even intelligent citizens of European states about America. The stories of emigration agents, railway ticket agents and others from America, interested in inducing foreign emigration to this country, have scattered the wildest rumors throughout Europe as to the ease with which positions are obtained, and money and lands and honors are acquired in the United States. Many poor, deluded and too credulous immigrants can testify to the striking contrast between their anticipations and expectations and the reality on reaching our shores. A case occurring a few days since has called attention to a fact that hundreds of thousands of foreigners have only learned to their sorrow after landing on American sod, homeless, penniless and speechless. Eight Russian women, who had not long been in the United States asked a New York judge to send them back home, because they did not have to work as hard there as in America. There is probably not on earth a nation where the people are compelled, from the very nature of things, to work as hard and as universally throughout the land as in the United States. The cause is two-fold, a social and physical one. There are no patricians, or nobles or patrons in this country with a numerous class of retainers and clients and hangers-on, who live fro a month to month and year to year without any other visible means of support than the assistance furnished by the "upper tendom" to which we have referred. In America "every man for himself" and a miserable poor house for all who do not take the requisite interest in providing themselves by hard licks with the necessaries of life. A man without a visible means of support is nobody, and the community takes no more interest in him than it does in a cur in the streets.

Then there is the physical necessity for work always existent in a new country. No great eleemosynary institutions, no widespread charities, no cheap methods of living are seen, but every where there is an activity and rush and greediness that forces man to labor long and earnestly in the varied spheres of development and industry to get ahead af his fellows and win the prize. A foreigner coming out of the quiet and air of finished civilization, where society and physical development are at a standstill, as in the Old World, and being thrown into the universal activity and noise and seeming disorder in this country, is for the moment stunned, and fancies that he is in a perfect pandemonium. If, after awhile, as most of them do, he catches the fever and takes his turn, fortune and fame will wait upon him as surely as they do upon the efforts of the native. But the one great lesson that all must learn in the United States, native as well as foreigner, citizen and alien, is that this country, of all others on the globe, offers the poorest inducements to the idler and gives up its prizes only after the most sustained and severest toil, whether in political professional or business life. Poverty and idlers are found here, but they fare even more miserable than in Europe, and for the simple reason that there is no excuse for them. In no section of the American Union can it be said that those who want labor cannot find it, in no section does a man who can or who wants to work have to beg or become a pauper. The work is hard, and the service that brings independence needs to be long, but the rewards are certain, and the man is all the more stronger and wiser and better for the disciplined powers that his struggles have given him. The processes are severe, but the profits are finished, and the state is the gainer to an invaluable degree. No wonder then that the foreign immigrants by the thousand, who leave Europe under the impelling force of the rosy dictures painted by unscrupulous emigration and railway and steamship agents, when thrown into the busy walks of American life, where every "tub stands upon its own bottom," and where there is literally not even the coarsest living obtained but by unremitting and severe toil in a new rugged country, are disappointed and discouraged, and feel that the conditions of life and success are far more rigorous than they really are. No wonder that thousands of them feel like asking, as did these Russian women, the authorities to send them back to their easygoing native lands.

If the American consuls and authorities in Europe would assist the governments there in stopping the work of such agents we have referred to, our immigration might fall off very perceptible, but what was lost in quantity would be supplied in quality, and only such foreigners would come amongst us as had left home nerved to meet rigorous conditions of success and life, and determined to conquer comfort and fortune in the New World, whatever sacrifices might be required. American is not the place for the drone and idler, but to the intelligent, industrious, and courageous workers it offers the first prizes of the age.

Bricks impregnated at a high temperature with asphalt, are being successfully used in Berlin for street pavement.

Honeywell, Kansas has been in a ferment for some days on account of the attempt of cowboys to run the town. Five marshals have been successively appointed and resigned.

Judge Jeremiah Black died at York, Pa., at 2 o'clock a. m. August 18th. His last words were, "How can I fear to cross the dark river when my Father waits for me on the other shore."

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A Serious Question.

There is probably ... evil connected with the admin...ation of the law which calls ... loudly for redress. Says a ... temporary: "Men who are innocent ... of any fault but that of having ... involuntary spectators of ... men's crimes, reported into court ... against their will, either as ... witnesses or as ... the punishment of a criminal, or ... perhaps more frequently, to give ... testimony in a civil case. It would ... be natural to suppose that one who ... had thus been compelled, at considerable personal inconvenience, to ... attend a duty so onerous, would be ... treated with at least ordinary civility and respect. But this is not ... generally the case. After being ... sworn to tell the truth, he is beset ... by several sharp practitioners who ... have made this business a study, ... and who use the most despotic efforts to bend his intellect, to confound his ideas, to perplex his memory, and, if possible to betray him into unintentional error. If in such hands he becomes so worried as to ... utter seeming contradictions, he is ... lashed without mercy as a perjurer. Or if, after spending all their impudence upon him—after browbeating and torturing him to their heart's content—the lawyers are unable to ... puzzle him, and he still adheres to ... his simple story, mark the seething malignity with which he is assailed in the advocate's argument. How his motives are impeached, ... his character criticised or blackened, his most sacred feelings ridiculed, until he seems a monster to ... vile to be believed! We have known ... some estimable men of sensitive ... minds who have not recovered for ... weeks from attacks of this sort ... made by a skillful speaker, without ... a shade ... his ... from 25 to 40 per ... cent ... getting fresh ... ding to plan ... they may, ... few places.

Government Employers.

A Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Record writes: "The young men in the executive departments here may be roughly divided into three classes—those with a past, those with a future, and those with neither. Those of the first class are all 'scions'—never by any accident mere sons or descendants—and always of some 'proud old family.' What is has to be proud of, except its age is not always apparent. Its scion is proud of it, however, and that I suppose ought to content us. He sleeps on its tombs and fattens on its bones, and bores you with the good or bad deeds of its ghosts. This young man is apt to be a good clerk, though dreamy, and a good companion, though a trifle monotonous. But he will never advance any further than to-day. Those with a future are the best of them all. They are bright or brilliant fellows, with grit, snap, and ambition. No civil service reform will keep them in office, for with them an office is merely a pot-boiler while they are preparing for something better. Some of them are acquiring in the line of their duties experience which will be of value to them by and-by when they are patent attorneys, or claim agents, or land or pension lawyers. Some of them at the same time are pursuing their studies in the local law and medical schools ... dant here. Every one of them ... has an end in view, and ... himself of every opportunity ... to attain it. He has a good salary ... he lives economically, ... accomplishments, solid and showy. There are three flourishing law schools here and the same number of successful medical schools, so ... speak of half a dozen of a lower grade. These six school graduate something like 500 men a year. Four-fifths of them are government clerks. They get good training in these schools. Their professors are taken from the leaders in law and medicine here. Some of the law professors are judges on the benches of the United States and the District Supreme Courts. Diligent private study, added to what they get of the only, gives them more legal lore to start with than is required by the ...

Louisville, Ky., Aug. 22.—The Southern Exposition has been open ...ed just three weeks, and turnst... records show that in that time 100,000 persons have entered the building, not including the attendees, who enter through a gate where there is no register kept. The number of visitors is six times greater than those at Atlanta at the corresponding period and come from all sections of the country, the eastern and northern people reserving their visits until cooler weather in their own sections will make the southern climate more inviting. The attractions are all in shape now and visitors are surprised with the display made. The hotels are full of people and the city is alive with sight-seeing strangers.

Owing to the scarcity of grass and water on the west side of the San Antonio river, Messrs. John H. ...ood & Co. are removing a large ...ber of cattle to their enclosure ...ture in the eastern portion of ...toria county. On Tuesday one ... their herds passed through here ...owed by another a car of ...—[Victoria Advocate.

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WE hope those who agreed to or may wish to write Agricultural articles for the CITIZEN will not longer delay. Our farmers need your experience and observations. Let us hear how your alliances are progressing, do not fail to write.

ELD. J. A. SHACKELFORD, late of Cleburne, has moved to Glenn Rose to take charge of Paluxy College. Those who wish to send to school may do well to send for particulars. Address Eld. J. A. Shackelford, Glenn Rese, Somerville county Tex.

WE are gratified to learn that *Texas Farm and Ranch*, published at Austin, Texas, will appear after 15th September as a semi-monthly. The price of the paper will remain the same as heretofore—only $1 a year. It is an 8 page, 48 column paper, devoted to the farm, ranch and home circle. Sample copies free.

Editorial Notes.

Wednesday morning the 22 inst. we left for Greenwood, Wise county where the Jacksboro Baptist Association was to hold its eighth annual session, beginning the next day at 11 o'clock A. M.

We passed through De Gress and from thence to Audabon and then to Greenwood.

Audabon is situated among the timbered hills north of Decatur and surrounded by fine farms. Greenwood is situated on Hart's Creek in the edge of Grand Prairie, 15 miles northeast of Decatur.

It was 12 m. when we arrived at the church, Eld. J. W. Cearley had just preached the introductory sermon and the association had adjourned till 2 p. m.

The association convened pursuant to adjournment, Eld. Wm. Thompson in the chair. Prayer by Eld. J. F. Jones.

Letters from the churches were called for. R. J. Battle and J. N. Rogers were appointed to read them. Letters from 42 churches were presented representing an aggregate of —— members.

The officers for the session were then elected. Eld. Thompson was re-elected moderator, which position he has held for the last fiive years, J. N. Rogers, secretary, and R. J. Battle, Treasurer.

Correspondents, Eld. A. J. Holt, Supt. of Missions for the Baptist General Association of Texas, and Eld. J. W. Ballthorp, Montague Association.

The next business in order being the appointment of the regular committee, while the moderator was making up the committees Eld. Duncan was called to the chair and Eld. A. J. Holt addressed the Association on the subject of missions.

The subjects of Missions, both home and foreign, Temperance, and Sabbath Schools were very freely discussed. The following is the substitute adopted for the report on Temperance:

To Wm. Thompson, moderator, and the Brethren of Jacksboro Baptist Association:

We your Committee on Temperance would report, that we learn from the Word of God that "Wine is a mocker and strong drink is raging and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." And woe is pronounced upon him that putteth the bottle to his neighbor's mouth to make him drunk, and they who tarry long at the wine and they who go to seek mixed wine.

Paul classes drunkenness with all manner of wickedness, and says they who do these things shall not inherit the Kingdom of God. It is evident beyond any question that the use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage is an evil, and we are commanded to "abstain from all appearance of evil." Therefore we recommend to the churches to enforce the law of God in regard to the use of intoxicating liquors.

The report of the Finance committee showed total receipts for $126.50.

We heard several excellent sermons during the session, among which was one delivered by Alamado Hernandez who is traveling in the interest of Mexican missions.

The business was finished Saturday evening, and a very harmonious session was closed.

A resolution of thanks was voted to the brethren and citizens of Greenwood and vicinity for the generous hospitality extended to the members of the body while in session, which was well deserved.

We here take pleasure in extending our sincere thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Baily for the very hospitable manner in which they entertained us while attending the Association.

At this session we met many friends and acquaintances and made some new ones among whom we may mention Eld. R. H. Love of Shiloh Association and others, and then we shall not soon forget the acquaintance made with Mr. Collins, the very genial and gentlemanly editor of the Decatur *Post*, and we hope this acquaintance may continue while the quill moves. J. N. R.

Proceedings of the Clay County Nesters' Association.

Henrietta Shield.

THE house was called to order by J. Stillwell, and the following officers elected: Wm. Baker, chairman; J. F. Murray, secretary.

The following committees were appointed: Committee on organization, whose duty it will be to visit each community in the county and solicit organization: J. Stilwell, Wm. Slover, R. Bennett and J. Saunders. Committee on resolutions; J. Stilwell, W. C. Walker and Dr. H. H. Baker.

The Secretary was instructed to furnish a copy of the proceedings of this meeting, together with the resolutions of the same, to the Henrietta Shield, also to the Cross Timbers.

Whereas, There have been recently a number of very large pastures fenced in our county which are operating againts society, civil and religous, public highways have been obstructed, the mails have been stopped, settlers fenced in and forced to move, to their ruin, financially etc., etc.

Resolved, therefore, In order to prevent any further violence, we are in favor of every community calling a meeting immediately for the purpose of organizing this county, and counties interested, if necessary, to get an expression from the entire country on this important subject.

Resolved, further, That the citizens of each neighborhood in the county are earnestly requested to hold meetings on Friday, August 31st, and to then select delegates to attend a county meeting for above purpose, to be held at the courthouse in Henrietta, on Monday Sept. 3d, 1883.

W. C. WALKER, J. STILWELL, Com. on Resolutions.
Dr. H. A. BAKER,
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Newport, Texas, Aug. 17, 1883.

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BY FREDERIC OSTERWALD.

ecessful issue, and when it is, we all have all the advantage of a undless range with economical ansportion, and the continued osperity of all the stock interests Texas will be assured.—[Wool rower.

There were 299,649 barrels of salt made in Michigan last month.

The Mohave Indians, located on the Big Colorado river, at the Needles, are the most industrious tribe in Arizona. They cultivate the soil and are self-supporting.

An eastern paper that has taken considerable pains to gain information about the condition of orchards comes to the conclusion that there will not be an average apple crop in any of the states or the British provinces. The prospect of an immense apple crop in England and Germany however, is good, and a Canadian paper thinks it may come to pass that apples will be brought from Europe to America this year.

The fast fruit and vegetable train of the Louisville & Nashville brought to Cincinnati last month 47 cars of watermelons and 92,618 barrels of potatoes, while the Cincinnati Southern brought in the same month 562 cars of watermelons and 66,680 barrels of potatoes.

A salt well at Muskegon is spouting brine of 95 degree strength. It flows fast enough to yield a bushel of salt a minute. The well thus far has cost $9,000. The only question now is as to how long it will hold out. If the prospect continues good a salt block will be erected and manufacture prosecuted.

Thirty years ago, in the heyday of the slavery regime, the total value of southern crops of cotton, tobacco, rice, hay, hemp, and sugar cane was $158,605,738. The census report of 1880 shows that southern agricultural products that year were valued at $760,000,000. Further more, the south is becoming a rival of the north in cotton and other manufactures.

The peanut crop is one of great importance. Over 400,000 bushels of peanuts are yearly brought to New York alone, and the aggregate crop is enormous. For the past few years it has averaged in value over $3,000,000. Virginia will this year produce not less than 2,100,000 bushels, Tennessee 220,000 and North Carolina 135,000 bushels. These are the only states wherein it is cultivated to any extent, and are those in which it was first introduced from Africa.

Among the noticeable movements in the trade in farm products is one for the direct export of wheat to Scotland from Dakota. The proprietor of a grain elevator is that territory has contracted to deliver Dakota wheat to a Scotch firm at the ports of Leith and Glasgow.

The London Times, reviewing the harvest prospects in England, estimates that wheat and barley will be below the average crop. Mr. H. F. Moore reports that the yield of wheat will be 8 1-2 per cent below the standard average.

To be Continued.

Dry Creek Stock Association

In order to further prevent stealing or unlawful driving off their horses and cattle some thirty eight of the best citizens of Dry Creek and vicinity met on the 21st of July last, and affected an organization, known as Dry Creek, Parker Co. Stock Association. C. Lemons was elected president, Isam Cranfill vice president, W. M. Parsons, secretary, and W. F. Taylor, treasurer.

And in the event any of the above named stock is stolen or unlawfully driven away the Association offers the following rewards:

1. For the arrest, with sufficient proof for conviction, of any party stealing a horse from any member of the association, $50 after conviction $50 more.

2. For the arrest or conviction of any party stealing a cow from any member of the association, $200.

3. For the arrest and conviction of any party unlawfully driving off a horse or cow from any member of this association, $5000.

By order of Dry Creek S. A.

W. M Parsons, Sec.

Cattle, Pasture and Fence Items.

WE are informed that Captain R. King shortly intends fencing the San Juan Carricitas tract of land, containing something over 600,000 acres, lying in Cameron county.—[Corpus Christi Caller.

Capt. George H. Gassaway of Falls county and Mr. Nal. Shacklin of this county, recently sold their stock cattle in the Panhandle to the Kentucky Cattle Company for $100,000 cash. Between eight and nine years ago Messrs. Gassaway & Shanklin invested $2,800 in cattle, and subsequently drove them to their present range. They have carefully looked after the stock and after the lapse of the time above indicated, they pocket the snug little sum of $100,000.—[Belton Journal.

Several owners of cattle in this section are suffering pretty heavy losses from a disease which seems to be contagious and is generally fatal. It was unquestionably brought into this country by a herd of cattle driven up from the coast, and has been spreading since among the native herds with deadly effect. It is more fatal to cows than steers. Out of twenty five dead in Captain Nevill's herd, twenty three are cows, and of the losses reported to us by several owners, about the same proportion are cows.—Fort Davis Rocket.

Information was received Wednesday that the pasture fence of Mr. C. D. Cates, one and a half miles east of town, had been cut the night before, and more than a mile destroyed. It is also reported that several other fences have been treated the same way during the past week. Some people seem to be thoroughly aroused against the pasture system, and there is no telling where or when the end will be. The next step will be to burn the grass, and this may be looked for at no distant day.—Decatur Tribune.

Capt. J. A. Knight, of the cattle firm of Knight & Steptow, of Fort Worth, Texas, arrived in the city Thursday. He is here to note the safe arrival and superintend the delivery of 8,400 head of cattle his firm sold last April to the Arkansas Valley Land & Cattle Company, of Colorado. The herd consists of 2,400 head of yearling steers, 2,500 cows and two-year-old heifers, the balance threes and beeves. These cattle are to be delivered to R. C. Bloomfield, manager of the company, at Holly Station, Colorado. The following are the prices paid for the the different classes of above named stock. $17 for yearlings; $22 for two-year old steers; $22.50 for two-year old heifers; $25 for cows; $27 for three-year-old steers; 75 cents per head for delivery.—[Ford County (Kan.) Globe.

The Horse Shoe Cattle Company of this city, a new enterprise lately chartered with a capital stock of one hundred thousand dollars, makes headquarters at this city and will range in Yellow House Canyon, Crosby county, where they have recently purchased lands. The company now own 4,500 head of cattle which will be delivered on the range in a short time.

J. W. Zook is president of the company and B. B. Paddock, secretary and treasurer. The company starts out with fair prospects of success and their stocks and lands will be increased by further purchases. Mr. Joe B. Loving of Parker county is ranch manager.—[Live Stock Journal.

Just now the principal mania of the "nester" seems to be for whitling up wire fences enclosing the property of his ancient enemy, the stockman. In this sanguinary undertaking he receives no inconsiderable assistance from the cow-boy, who with the cattle behind the wire finds himself in the desolate condition of Othello. The one mourns an occupation; the other an occupation gone. There is scarcely a large pasture in this entire country that has not been summarily opened and in some instances many miles of wire have been cut, literally shaved to pieces. And to complete the wreck often times the posts are pulled up and burned. 'Tis said that one company was damaged to the extent of $30,000 in one night. Just where the matter will end requires prophetic gifts to determine, though many predict bloodshed. The Western granger finds himself fenced in by the wealthier stockman, who purchases land if he is not pleased with the limit to the number of cattle which he is permitted to pasture there he proceeds to cut his way out. It is not to be denied that gross abuses exist on the part of stockmen, and a correction of these is the only way to alleviate the trouble. The fencing in of enormous tracts of land which they do not own, the obstructions to travel and the monopoly of water are placed among these. A prominent stockman, the manager of a large company, frankly confessed to me that his associates had largely brought their troubles upon themselves. Said he: "We intend to make it to the interest of every man we fence in to protect the wire, and will accommodate the traveling public by placing gates at regular and short intervals." This policy is no doubt good, but it is the birthright of experience. The stockmen are swallowing the pound of cure when they might have survived with an onuce of prevention. The wire cutting has brought them around to a conciliatory mood. Whether this will prove effective remains to be seen. The only cry which can now be distinguished along the outposts of civilization is "the wire fence must go." The people say the legislature hasn't got the backbone to tackle the question, and vent upon it their hearty and unanimous curses. A member of that body doesn't stand in as high repute in this country as a third-rate bootblack. The general opinion obtaining ground among the mercantile element is that the stock business will be finally relegated to regions further west; that as the agricultural possibilities of the country become developed land will appreciate in value until the stockman will realize a better dividend by closing out and moving on. They say that raw land commanding five dollars per acre is a poor investment for the stockmen. Be this theory false or true it is safe to assert that the barbed wire will take a tumble; it is boycotted and boy cut.—[Correspondent of Gazette.

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Taken up by D. D. Laycock and posted before F. R. Aston J. P. Pct No 1 J. C. T. one bay horse six years old 14½ hands high, left hind foot white, branded T
C on the left shoulder and thigh.
D. B. Mizell co. clerk,
Aug 22th 1883.

Taken up by Jno. Q. Bean and Posted before F. R. Aston J. P. Pct. No. 1 Jack Co. Tex. one deep bay horse about 14 hands high, about 5 years old, no brands.
July 0th 1883. D. B. Mizell, co. clk.

Taken up by R. F. Burns and posted before F. R. Aston J. P. Pct. No. 1: One gray horse 8 years old about 14 hands high, branded B-I on the left shoulder.
May 11, 1883. D. B. Mizell, Co. clk.,

Taken up by W. J. Dorsey and posted before R. M. Meador J. P. Precinct No. 2, Jack Co. Texas: one bay horse, slightly roan, scar on left hind pastern, 8 years old, 15 hands high, and branded thus on the left stifle
D B. Mizell Co. Clerk.
July 6th 1883.

Reported by J. C. Lindsey Commissioners of precinct No. 1 J. C. T. one sorrel mare about 6 years old 14 hands high and branded E on left shoulder and thigh.
D. B. Mizell Co. Clerk.
July 7th, 1883.

Taken up by A. J. Henson and posted before F. R. Aston, J. P. Pct. No. 1 Jack county Tex One iron gray mare about six years old, about 13 hands high branded q (with arrow point above) on the left thigh, said mare has a sucking colt, light bay 3 months old; also one bay mare 3 years old, about 13½ hands high, no brand said mare has a bay colt 2 or 3 months old
Aug. 11, 1883 D. B. Mizell, co. clk.

Taken up by J. R. Kieth and posted before F. R. Aston J. P. Pct. No. 1 J. C. T. one sorrel mare, three years old, some white in the forehead, branded JPA (JP connected) on the shoulder, about thirteen hands high.
Aug. 11 1883, D. B. Mizell co. clk.

Taken up by Stanley Cooper and posted before F. R. Aston, J. P. Pct. No. 1 J. C. T One black mare about 4 years old, about 14 hands high, branded ICK on the right thigh also one sucking colt about two months old.
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I can say that the watch is all that the company claims for it and recommend it to all railroad and mill men.
B. W. LENTLY."
"CLINTON, IOWA, APRIL 20, 1 81.
"I wish you would send me a spring for the Wm. Ellery Watch. * * By the way this Ellery is a watch I sold in your Screw Bezel Case to a farmer last fall. The first of January he lost the watch in the house, and found it this week in about one foot of water. It was five three months and over in snow and water, was but eight. Injury to the watch—only a hairspring.
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RURAL CITIZEN.

J. N. & ALICE M. ROGERS, Editors

Locals.

J. C. McKechan is gone to Weatherford.

Still dry and hot weather and considerable sickness.

J. W. Knox is preparing to build a new residence in the north part of town.

Quite a number of people from the country came in to attend the show.

F. W. Nicholson is having a law office built on the east side of the square.

S. W. Eastin has a large lot of wheat and rye for sale. Call before it is all gone.

G. M. Bowie of Weatherford was in town this week and paid the Citizen a pleasant call.

Prof. Myers of Sherman, representing the Brown Medicine and Manufacturing Co., gave us a call this week.

Found—a gold color button, which can be had by calling at this office and describing the same, and paying for this notice.

Do not forget the meeting of the Stockholders of Jack County Educational Institute, next Thursday, see notice elsewhere.

Hon. J. E. McComb who with his family has been visiting his brother Dr. J. W. McComb, left this morning for his home in Montgomery Texas.

Mr. Clark, the genial Dallas Herald man, gave us a pleasant call this week. If you wish for a paper east side of your own Co. subscribe for the Herald.

Dr. Nelms returned home last Saturday, and has been very sick since, but we are glad to state that he is better. Drs. Robinson and McComb have been attending him.

The contractors say by this day a week they will have the walls of the first story of the College building completed.

Prince, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham of Willow Pole, died at the residence of Dr. Nelms her grandfather, last Saturday night and was buried at Oakwood Cemetery Sunday morning.

W. W. Duke has purchased W. S. Ingram's Livery Stable. Duke knows how to accommodate his customers and certainly he can now with two stables accommodate all who wish to take a ride. No advance in prices.

One tee of the Negrist, Howe & Co's great show visited Jacksboro this week, not the great tee, but the lesser tee. As the Texan says the hand consisted of "some half a dozen Greasers with red-tail coats." Verily it was a light concern.

We are requested to announce that there will be a Baptist Missionary mass-meeting at Pleasant Grove six miles south of Decatur, on Saturday before the 5th Sunday in September. The Executive Board will also meet at the same time and place.

Eld. J. B. McComb and wife of Grayson Co. are in town visiting their children who live in this place. Eld. McComb has been preaching in Texas about thirty years. We love to meet these old Texans who have been tried and found true. He Preached an excellent Sermon at the Presbyterian Church, last night.

The Camp-meeting at Carroll's Creek is progressing very well, between 15 and 20 professions have been reported.

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Notice.

All persons indebted to me are requested to settle their accounts by Sept. 10th. I cannot wait longer as I must have what is due me by that time. S. W. Eastin.

Notice Stockholders!

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of stockholders of Jack Co. Educational Institute is called to meet in Jacksboro on Thursday September 6th, 1883, at which time the election of trustees to fill vacancies in the bond will be held. Also other important business will come before the meeting. By order of the President.

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Also 100 Cotswold and Merino bucks. Ranche on Roberts prairie, 10 miles N. W. of Jacksboro.
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Stone Masons Wanted.

Bly & Cornelius, contractors, want to hire several good stone masons to work on buildings at this place.

Dots From Vineyard.

Aug. 28, 1883.

Rev. Mr. Goode (Methodist) held a protracted meeting here last week. There were but few accessions to the church, yet we are sure that much good has been done. He has made a good impression here and we hope that he will be sent again on this work. We are sure that no other man will do more good in Vineyard than Mr. Goode.

Rev. Mr. Ager from Whitesboro was here a few days last week. He intended to remain several weeks, but owing to the death of his little daughter which occurred a few days after he arrived here, he became dissatisfied and returned home. We sympathize with him in his bereavement.

Visitors still continue to come to Vineyard. The curative properties of the mineral water is settled beyond a doubt. All are benefitted who use it properly.

Mr. McDaniel of Greenwood was here last Sunday. He came after his son Mr. Andrew McDaniel who is quite sick. His disease being the result of an internal injury caused by a fall, and we are doubtful as to his recovery.

Mr. Eaton of Collin county is here using mineral water.

Mrs. Webb of Grayson county died to-day at Mrs. Jackson's. She leaves many friends in Vineyard to mourn her loss.

Rev. J. F. Jones of our town is now attending the Baptist association at Greenwood.

G. B. Claybrook, proprietor of the Mineral Hotel has gone to Whitesboro on business.

Prof. Wilson and wife of Henrietta, Mr. Saunders and wife of Doraster, and Mrs. Webb late of Ill., are stopping at Mrs. Salter's.

Uncle John Crutchfield of Wise county is in town drinking mineral water for his health.

UNCLE FULLER.

Newhope.

Aug. 29, 1883.

We now have at Newhope a post office, one new mill and gin going up, and there will be two or three business houses going up soon. With her noble hearted citizens she will soon be one of the leading business points of this section.

Prof. Carter's school closed last week.

Health very good.

We are needing rain on our section.

I am glad to learn Lake City and vicinity have cotton to pick this season, and that the girls have some one to take care of them.

Oh, that spelling match!

Preaching by Rev. J. M. Carson every second Sunday. SPRAGUE.

Jasper Creek.

Aug. 29, 1883.

Being at Jacksboro I thought I would leave a few dots about our Creek.

Health is improving.

Some crops tolerably good.

The new Baptist church and Odd Fellows Hall is about completed.

Prayer meeting every Sunday and Wednesday night. Good interest manifested.

A protracted meeting closed a few days since. Five professions and four additions to the church.

A FRIEND TO THE CITIZEN.

Old papers, (exchanges) will be sold at this office at 1 half cent each. 50 cents per hundred. They can be utilized in various ways, papering paddling carpets, wrapping goods, &c. &c.

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S. W. Eastin.

$10.00 Reward! I will pay ten dollars reward for the delivery, to me at Jacksboro, of one brown mare mule 13 hands high 7 years old branded on right shoulder Z. this mule either strayed or stolen from Sam Ingram's Stable in Jacksboro Tex. on the night of 27th of July, 1883. D. C. Brown.

If you wish to buy extra good platform scales, which half ounces and as much as 240 pounds, second hand, overhaul very little and as good as new; they were bought with a closed out stock of goods and will be sold very cheap. Call at the Citizen Office or McKechan Bros.

I have the German carp fish, suitable size for stocking ponds, for sale, at $10 per hundred.
Jacksboro, Tex. John Luttrall.

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The Second Session of Whitt Academy commences Sept. 3, 1883. Instruction thorough and non-sectarian. Instruction on the Normal plan. PRIMARY, INTERMEDIATE, PREPARATORY and ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS.

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Address to the Young Men and Ladies of Parker, Palo Pinto, and Jack Counties, by Prof. D. H. Creager, Principal of Whitt Academy.

TO THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF WESTERN TEXAS:

DEAR FRIENDS:—I am happy to make my bow to you through the Prospectus of WHITT ACADEMY. I desired very much a different location of Parker, Palo Pinto, and Jack counties in the interest of education, but my family's health [illegible] compelled me to call your attention to the important advantages of education. I want to see every young lady and gentleman [illegible] a course of life, and will try to give you a few practical hints [illegible] in order to attain the greatest [illegible] good of course public for you.

It is not simply [illegible] to get an education but how to succeed, that is absorbing your thoughts [illegible] just now. This is a question that will not "shout" at you [illegible] building. If you will take a short survey of life you will be surprised to see what a vast number of people wander about without any [illegible] will to find a purpose, waiting for something to turn up. They [illegible] to understand that the young "shape their own destinies." There is a tide in the affairs of men" and it behooves you to know when to ride safely over the breakers and make that tide contribute to the success of life. There is a great element made by every [illegible] education, and every school boy has learned the popular [illegible] The newspapers are full of "educational notes," every [illegible] on the public platform has a "cut and dried" speech on education, and a great many preachers have gone madly on the subject of a "sanctified education," amounting it with religious extracts from "classic authors." In fact there seems to be an educational "boom," just now and everybody is talking about the educational interest of Texas. But all this twaddle about education is worthless to you unless you have a more definite idea about the matter, than that which is generally presented. But I propose to make a few statements that will enable you to solve the whole matter satisfactorily.

I want to unlock the secret of success to you, and [illegible] you to be [illegible] the Sawback. Though I say this thing about you may begin to grumble a little, [illegible] I am speaking of the climate are Darkening and the storm is gathering all [illegible] fire, ready to spread in open contest a time when you [illegible] Hence you must carefully examine all the [illegible] which [illegible] you. First, you must make up your mind about what you propose follow for a livelihood. Education, without a definite [illegible] Many young men go to college for the "honor of the [illegible] They like to have it said they are graduates of [illegible] Inquiry of each [illegible] will tell you that a young man just commencing life's [illegible] and does his business [illegible] to chance [illegible] "aimless life." The first great crime of life, I think, [illegible] in marrying, venture upon and undertaking [illegible] great enterprise [illegible] without [illegible] preparation for it. It is one regret to have [illegible] preparation that, if something else presents itself [illegible] something.

It has [illegible] a special training for any calling [illegible] A difference of time or four years is a great deal in the young people who are limited in time and in money.

I wish to say to all that have not time nor means to take a full course, that if you will only make known to me your intentions as to the future course of your life, I will, [illegible] to select such branches as will be of the most profit to you in the battle of life. While it would give me great pleasure to know that every one of you could complete a full course, yet I know that many cannot, and as I want to benefit all, I will make this offer. I will be glad to correspond with any interested on the subject.

We are prepared to give satisfaction in any department of study from the primary Training School to the Academic, including Music and Commercial departments. Trusting that we may be benefited by these remarks we solicit the patronage of your good selves.

D. H. CREAGER.

Sewing Machine Attachments.

Some years ago I inaugurated the business of keeping needles and attachments for sewing machines in this place, but afterwards gave it up to sewing machine men and others, who promised to keep the community supplied in this line. To-day nothing of the kind (in any assortment worth mentioning) is to be found in Jacksboro, and at the solicitation of my customers, I have ordered a full line of needles, oils, oil cans, springs, and screws, and will have illustrated catalogues showing every part of every machine made, which I will procure on short notice. *Furthermore*, I have been appointed agent for the "Domestic" and "White" and in a few days will show samples of these famous machines. H. H. McConnell.

Times change, strangers come and go, the march of improvement shows signs of taking in Jacksboro on its way, but McConnell still "holds the fort" in the drug line, as he has done since the fall of 1873; and just here he would thank this people for their patronage, so liberally bestowed, that he has virtually had all their trade in his line; what he has missed, not counting for much in the sum total. And he hopes by continuing to keep the best stock in the west, as well as by his reputation of "never making a mistake," to merit its continuance.

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One and all.

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I can always be found at T. E. Horan' Store.

Respectfully,
A. BUSKIN.

Notice.

We have for sale 400 head of graded sheep. Until July 20th we will entertain propositions to exchange these sheep for Jack county land. Address C. P. Kerr, Cisco, or call on Robinson & West.

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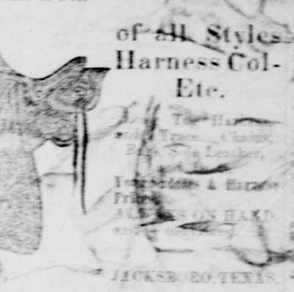

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BANK STATEMENT.

STATEMENT
Of the Condition of the MERCHANTS AND PLANTERS BANK
at Sherman in the State of Texas, on the close of business on the 29th Day of June, 1883.

RESOURCES.

Overdrafts	[illegible]
Bonds	[illegible]
Stocks	[illegible]
Real Estate	[illegible]
Furniture and Fixtures	[illegible]
Due from Banks	[illegible]
Cash	[illegible]
	$[illegible]

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock	[illegible]
Surplus Fund	[illegible]
Undivided Profits	[illegible]
Due to Banks	[illegible]
Due Depositors	[illegible]
Deposits	[illegible]
Total	$[illegible]

I, [illegible], Cashier of the Merchants and Planters Bank, a banking corporation doing business at the place and in the State aforesaid, do solemnly swear that the above and foregoing statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

[illegible] CASHIER.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of June, 1883.

THOS. H. RANDOLPH, Notary Public, Grayson County, Texas.

A regular meeting of the Directory of this Bank, nearly the majority being present, was held on the day and date above, when the above report was ordered to be published.

Willis with our capital paid up, of [illegible]

Given under our hands this [illegible]

A dividend of [illegible] per cent out of the net earnings for the past six months, and ordered to be paid to the stockholders in cash.

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U. S. MAIL STAGE LINE.

I am running a U. S. Mail Stage Line from Weatherford to Jacksboro, Texas.

Leaves Weatherford every day except Sunday, at [illegible] M. Arrives at Jacksboro by 5 P. M.

Leaves Jacksboro every day except Sunday, at 6 A. M. Arrives at Weatherford by 5 P. M.

J. J. GRILLAMS, Proprietor.

March 10, 1883.

READ THIS

I wish to say to the people of Jack County that still have a fine class drill and am prepared to do good work in any line of [illegible] guaranteeing satisfaction [illegible] part as to [illegible]

RURAL CITIZEN.

OFFICIAL JOURNAL OF THE FARMERS ALLIANCE.

All secretaries of Subordinate, and County Alliances are authorized agents to receive subscription for the Rural Citizen.

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Fish Ponds for Farms.

HAVING indicated the possibility of farms having a pond for fishes and enjoying a dish of sweet fish at times, we want to show how this can be done at little expense and labor. Let us see how they can be improved and stocked: We stated in a previous letter that an acre of water can be made to produce more than an acre of land. A farmer writing to an Ohio paper says:

"We write from practical experience in this matter, having in earlier days caught many a nice string of fish in a pond that was formerly a swamp. During one day in August the owner, with two of his boys, went in with a plough, road scraper, and shovels, and in a short time had a pond of nearly an acre in extent. This he stocked with fish common to the sluggish streams of the neighborhood, and procured others at some distance from the farm. For years thereafter it proved to be [illegible] best acre on the farm."

While we do not advocate so cheaply made a pond as this mainly on the principle that "that which costs nothing is no value," still, this is better than no pond and if a few trees and owing shrubs and planted around it would make a pleasant, shady place in the summer heat. If some aquatic plants put in the bottom of the pond, they will furnish food for fish, and produce flowers on the surface. Your unsightly swamp or slough becomes a picture as well as means of enjoyment and profit. Where springs exist, as described in my previous letter, some means must be provided to carry off the surplus water, especially if the lower portion of the pond is a deep ditch or slough. Let this be gradually shaped to an oval form, leaving about six feet wide to form your dam. If the bank of your water will not exceed three feet, a simple dam and embankment of clayey earth will be sufficient. Let the dam be solidly constructed by putting a tree across for the breastwork. Square up this piece of timber, and let it be of sufficient length to be embedded into the earth some feet on each side of the ditch or dyke. For the dam get good solid boards, set upright edge to edge. If hardwood planks can be obtained, elm or alder wood, so much the better will your dam be built. We should advise a bottom stringer to be put in; a tree squared up will form the best support. Inside this stringer dig a ditch two feet deep, and let the planks come to the bottom of this trench; puddle and ram them into position with clay and make a firm bottom. Build up an inclined slope of clay and stones. As you ascend, puddle and beat the clay into position against the planks. Get your road scrapers to work, and on this clay run up some of the mud and silt from the bottom of the pond. This all will give you a dam with a pond that will increase the value of your farm. A trough or sluice must be provided to carry off the surplus water. Experiment must govern you in its construction. A simple trough, a foot wide, four inches deep, will carry off a large quantity of water. Let the top of your dam around the wings be well rammed and beaten with clay, so as to prevent any leakage of water.

Into such a pond it will be necessary to put a few aquatic plants of such kind as will attract flies and larva, thus enabling young fish fry the appetite they feed in a natural state. binding it together and also provide hiding places for young fish.

Our readers will recall the fact that to successfully increase fish and keep them up to a good standard in size, we must provide proper food for them. We do this by putting in minnows and fish of such kinds as are prolific, yet of small value as food fishes. There, in turn will "form food for fishes." To feed these minnows we put in aquatic plants that attract insects. We will name a few that are common: Potamogeton, Myriophyllum (Water milltoil), Utricularia (Bladder wort), Common-Water-Lily, Polygonum, Amphibium, Pennsylvanicum, Nasturtium officinale (Water Cress), Zizania aquatica (Water Oats, or Indian Rice), Sagittaria (Arrowhead,) a fine calla-like growing plant.

If we wish to introduce some insect life in our pond, we examine the weeds pulled from the bottom of some neighboring lake or stream, and find them teeming with minute creatures. Let us watch the minnows and small fry around these weeds! How carefully they nose around them, pushing the leaves aside. These minnows live on these infusoria. Pull a bucketful of the weeds, carry them to your pond, lay the roots on the soft mud, put a stone across the roots, and you will find the weeds soon growing. The few minnows we have put in have found the weeds and are getting a feast. Your minnows will increase and multiply. Get some yellow perch, a few pickerel, and half-a-dozen small bass. We can not commend the sun-fish, simply because he is a checky gormand snapping up everything that comes across his way, having a decided fondness for spawn of all kinds. There are better fish to be had—but he has one advantage to commend him—he will live in almost any waters for ponds.

The best table fishes are the bass, having springs in them, as to some, and the yellow perch, and pickerel, perhaps hospitable in a few bull-heads or pouts, they are good food fry.

Many farms in these times have a windmill on them for furnishing water for stock, and supplying the house from the well instead of the laborious pumping by hand. By a pipe to the fish pond it will pay. The fish named will live in water pumped from the well though impregnated somewhat with sulphur or iron. Personally on a farm may be a small blood spring which not being well adapted for fowls and such soil may be used. From some strong spring put up a paddle tube. On careful examination pr. A. full of minute worms and forms of infusorial life. Some of this mud in your pond, and you have fish food for another class of fry. Let us follow nature in her plan. Her courses are simple, few and generally direct. She adopts a means to an end, and varies little in her aims.

It is useless to attempt to stock a pond with trout, because these love the dashing, seething brook. It is useless to put the carp in a pond with the bass family, because the latter are a carnivorous family and must live on fish-fry. The carp must be bred in ponds specially prepared for them and after breeding must be kept separate from the young fry.

Finally, keep your pond clean. Do not make it a place for the cattle to wade in and drop their excrements. In time put a fence around it. Plant some species of pines near to it. A few maples or rock elms will add to its beauty and afford a graceful shade. Plant some willows along its sides close to the water. These, overhanging, will afford the fish a shadow from the sun's rays, and their roots will make a good spawning bed; though a proper bed should be made in season and left in the water. A mat of brush fastened in a frame work of wood, and sunk to the bottom, forms a good spawning bed for members of the perch family.

Let some attention be given every spring and fall to your pond. Repair all damages. Look to your "finny stock;" sometimes feed with carcasses that are the results of accidents" (abortions, etc.) on every farm. Let this be done in nature's own way. Drive a few hours the swarms of fish in your pond are looking for maggots, of which they are very fond.

Let me counsel in conclusion: Never allow a net to be cast in your pond. Teach your boys and girls to take their fish in the correct manner "with a rod and line." If the fish increase too rapidly, then have a family picnic; invite your friends and neighbors, and have a grand, good time cooking your fish near the pond, and have one good day's sport beside this best acre on your farm.

If your boy chooses some girl for his companion because she knows how to catch and then cook her fish, rest assured he has chosen well, and she will make him a good wife. Angling never spoils any man, but makes him better for his days of rest, and often leads his thoughts into fields hitherto a blank to him, and is the first step into the study of natural history.

If the plants I have named herein can not be found to stock your pond, address a letter D. T. Curtis, care of Joseph Breck & Sons, Boston Mass., and they will be pleased to furnish the plants at the cost of about 25 cts. per root. These plants can not, as a rule, be found at florists. They are usually kept only in botanical collections.

In presenting these items for consideration, I have not followed pet theories, but facts, as I have found them. Recent developments have proved the carp an expensive luxury. The pond and its inhabitants, as I have presented it, can be made a "thing of beauty and a joy" for a lifetime.—[NORMAN, in Prairie Farmer.

The Coming Empire State.

SPEAKING of the present "southern boom," the San Francisco Call has this to say of Texas: As to Texas, the great state is only beginning to be appreciated at its future value and capabilities. Larger than France, it has a territory watered by as grand rivers, and will soon be as well railroaded as the most thrifty state in the union. Marvelous as was its increase in population from 1870 to 1880, much more is expected in the present decade. As good a judge as General McClellan, who recently visited many parts of the Texas Panhandle, predicts a population of 5,000,000 for the whole state by the year 1890, and he declares it can prosperously support 20,000,000 and without crowding. A state like that is capable of supporting a commercial city of the first class. Already Texas is second only to Georgia in the production of cotton, and she produces more cattle than any other two states. The social and commercial relations of California and the southwest will in a few years become very close, perhaps closer than between us and other part of the union.

Farmers can not too much pains in stacking their grain to build so that as far as possible they will be weather proof. Too much grain is stacked in careless, slovenly manner. The farmer is good at time of stacking, he expectation is to thresh as soon as possible, and the grain is simply piled up in a huge pile. It not unfrequently the case that after harvest a wet spell sets in which not only prevents threshing but seriously damages grain in the stack, the wet penetrating to the middle of the stack, causing serious loss from the sprouting of the grain. The greatest care in stacking is to keep the middle so well rounded up and packed so firmly that when the stack has settled, every bundle will incline to the outside; in such case water cannot penetrate far, except as the topping out is imperfectly done. Not every stacker can top out a stack so that it will be impervious to rain storms. Where slough hay is attainable, the insertion of a small load, to give a foundation to each grain stack, will well pay for the labor, and in case of long-continued rain storms, save from serious loss.

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Justice.
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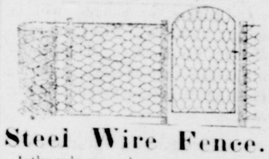

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