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PANHANDLE CABBAGE.

There is no use to dodge the issue—the Panhandle country contains the virgin soil of the world. There are many things that the soil will produce most abundantly, but it appears that cabbage surprises even the oldest truck farmers. The Brand here relates two stories of the production of this succulent plant on the Plains.

G. C. Major, who lives 9 miles east of Hereford, has been growing cabbage for the market. This year he has kept an accurate account of the sales off of a small patch and the results are as follows:

The patch consisted of only 10 rows 20 yards in length. He and his son used what they needed for their families, and the rest were marketed, selling the output for \$77.30, besides receiving \$3 in cash as prizes at the Fair.

A little calculation will show that this patch is a little less than one-sixteenth of an acre, and on the same count, the production of an acre would have sold for \$1280; it would have weighed 25,600 pounds.

Mr. Major in speaking of farming and gardening in the Panhandle, said that he had farmed in

many sections of Texas, but that crops were raised in the Panhandle easier and with less uncertainty than in any other place he ever lived. He has lived in the Panhandle 6 years and does not care to hunt a new location. He owns a two-section ranch and raises all general farm stuff with equal success.

The other story is quite as good. Tom Beall, who is well known to several people in Hereford, raised some 200 heads on a small patch of 1-16 of an acre and averaged 22 pounds each. He was not the only one in his community that did well, but every one who tried, cut a big yield. This crop was raised last year, but for the past seven years, just as good cabbage have been produced. With your pencil, figure out this yield. An acre at the same rate would have given the enormous yield of 70,400 pounds and at even 3 cents per pound this would give over \$2000 per acre gross income. Taking the local market this season, an average of 5 cents, the gross income would give the unheard-of amount of \$3,520 per acre.

These two stories might be doubted by those who do not know the Panhandle soil, but the Brand is in possession of the facts and can substantiate every statement.—Hereford Brand.

Sugar Beets in the Panhandle.

Among the many things of promise for the Panhandle, the production of sugar beets looms up in perhaps the brightest colors in the horizon of the future.

Colonel H. T. Groom of Carson county, submitted a sample beet of his own raising at this office this morning. He informs us that he has raised sugar beets on his ranch in Carson county nine consecutive years without a failure, that the six different analyses he has had from official experts show 12 1-2 to 17 1-2 per cent of pure sugar. The best Michigan beets contain 12 1-2 to 13 per cent and Colorado's 14 to 16 per cent pure.

Mr. Groom says he raised the beets without any irrigation, that it will stand more drought even than Kaffir and maize, and that after nine years of practical experiments he is thoroly convinced that the Panhandle is the best sugar beet country on earth. He claims that one acre will grow, with ordinary cultivation, 20 tons of beets in any year.

Colonel Groom, Sr., father of the gentleman who today is a prominent Panhandle advocate, carried on extensive experiments in all lines of agriculture on his

Carson county ranch. He died while at work, but his son has stepped into his place and is continuing the work of the father.

There is no question in the minds of those who have tried to raise sugar beets on our fertile Panhandle soil that the rich and remunerative crop will thrive here. The specimen shown by Mr. Groom looks fertile and thrifty. All that remains to be done now is to get our farmers to raise this beet in supplies large enough to warrant the establishment of a sugar refinery in Amarillo.

It is suggested, and well so, that a sugar beet convention be called for Amarillo in January, that we induce the farmers from a hundred miles around us to attend it, that we have men who can speak authoritatively inform the farmers how to grow the beet, that we offer large cash prizes for the best half acre, second best and so on, thus arousing general interest and get the farmers to raise what promises to be the most remunerative of all our crops.

What success such a movement means to land owners and the entire Panhandle country can readily be seen. It would mean \$100 land inside of two years. The sugar beet question is well worth consideration.—Amarillo Panhandle.

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