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STOCK NOTES

From all Sections of the Country.

Exchange: Thirty-six Holsteins sold at Minneapolis, June 4, for \$10,415, the females averaging \$343.

New Mexico Stock Grower: Large numbers of Texas cattle are being shipped over the Texas Pacific railroad into Arizona.

Prescott Journal: Snyder & Casey are shipping into this territory and placing on the Upper Gila about 10,000 head of cattle.

Silver Cliff (Col.) Tribune: The Carlisle Brothers of southwestern Colorado will have 10,000 steers to market this fall, providing the Utes don't kill them.

Springer Stockman: A herd of 1,100 cows have been held about ten miles east of town for the past few days. They belong to Wm. Morris and are destined for Arizona.

New Mexico Stock Grower: Wm. Garland, whose ranch is near St. Johns, Apache county, Arizona, is in Texas, closing a trade for 6000 head of stock cattle for his range.

Socorro Bullion: Fifteen thousand head of cattle will be put on the ranges of western Socorro county before snow flies, nearly all of which are now moving this way from Texas.

Clifton Clarion: W. W. O'Neil will shortly start a weekly paper at Prescott, to be called the Arizona Stockman, which will be devoted entirely to the live stock interest of the territory. Bucky has our best wishes.

Albuquerque Journal: Six hundred head of fat cattle from the ranches of Sullivan, Garland and McCormick, Ash Fork, Arizona, passed through this city last night destined to Burlington, Kansas. The herd took a train of twenty-

Stock Review: A square built well-muscled horse will stand more work and more hardships than two lank, loose-jointed ones, and not require as much food as one of them. A half breed Norman is worth four scrubs in the harness or two in the market.

Northwestern Live Stock Journal: While prices are not as encouraging as they might be, still there has not been such a decline in beef as was anticipated a few weeks ago. And from present appearances the great decline looked for is not apt to take place at all.

Prescott Journal: Fifty and sixty per cent of animal increase from a given number of cows is the rate for the cold northwest range country, while in Arizona, with a full complement of bulls seventy-five to ninety per cent increase is the rate.

Salt Lake Tribune: It is expected that the Northern Pacific cattle shipments this year will reach 5,000 car loads. Last year the number of car loads was about 4000. The company expects to average a train load (in refrigerator cars) of slaughtered beef per day for the rest of the year.

Clifton Clarion: From Mr. J. A. Clark, of Clifton, who bought the cattle from the administrator of the Luther brothers' estate, we learn that it is his intention to retain the stock on some range on the Frisco, and "take up" a ranch, upon which he will build a dwelling and make a home for himself and family.

Texas Stockman: The wool growing industry of the United States has been slaughtered, not as were the Philistines, by the jaw bone of an ass, but by the jaw bone of a whole lot of asses. Those jaw bones still wag, but more feebly and with less noise than a year ago.

Socorro Bullion: The local and territorial associations are performing an important work in systematizing the cattle business and re-

ducing the losses by straying and theft. Economy is introduced in the handling of cattle and care is taken to improve the herds. The stockman is no longer a lawless adventurer, but is a practical man of business, and often an educated gentleman.

Kansas City Stock Record: It was learned that W. A. Jackson, a wealthy cattleman of Hillsboro, Tex., who recently fled the country, leaving debts to the amount of \$30,000, is in Cuba. After selling his train load of cattle in Chicago, he pocketed the proceeds amounting to \$60,000, and went to New York, where he took a steamer for Cuba.

Phoenix Gazette: Fine stock breeding is bound to become one of the most important industries of the Salt river valley. Experiments so far made have been quite satisfactory. There are no winters to retard the growth of young animals, and horses, particularly, bred and raised in this climate have shown great powers of endurance.

Wilcox Stockman: The Stockman acknowledges a pleasant call Wednesday from E. O. Shaw, who passed up the valley with 1,600 head of cattle which he is under contract to drive to the Wabash Cattle company's range in Apache county. He has had good luck with the drive so far and anticipates no trouble if the prevailing rains have been general along the trail.

Socorro Bullion: The 128 steers shipped by H. C. Myles, of Penasco, Lincoln county, sold last week in the Kansas City market at \$2.90 per hundred, with an average weight of 817 pounds. Another lot of 143 head of New Mexico steers, weighing 754 pounds each, sold at the same time for \$3, while in the Chicago market, western grade cattle of 1190 pounds sold at \$5.25.

Northwestern Live Stock Journal: We understand that the Union Cattle Company has completed arrangements for feeding 2,000 head of cattle at a point a little west of Omaha. Steamed food is to be used, and it is said that the first bunch will be put in at an early date, fattened and turned out late this fall, when another lot of 2000 head will be put in and fed for the spring market.

Southwestern Stockman: Frank Johnson, colored, a herder for Caleb Martin, was killed by lightning on Wednesday of last week, while riding range near Fort Grant. The fat shaft killed both horse and rider, and when found they were lying side by side, Johnson's foot still remaining in the stirrup. The clothing had been stripped entirely from his body by the lightning.

Omaha Journal: The Union Stock yards will soon build a \$40,000 exchange building out at that bustling point. It is to be of brick, three stories, and mansard roof, 40x100 feet, and wing 40x100, first floor devoted to banking purposes and offices, and the upper floor will be arranged and finished for an elegant hotel. The plans are in the hands of the architects and the work will be in operation at an early day.

Texas Live Stock Journal: Cattle have drifted across the plains to the Pecos in large numbers on account of the severity of the winter. The "drift" (straying) of cattle has been worse than in any previous winter in the history of Texas. Twenty thousand head have so far been recovered, and it is held that it will require the combined efforts of the entire western country to get the cows home to their respective ranges.

Exchange: In Colorado recently a cowboy attempted to swim his horse across a swollen stream, but the horse no sooner entered the stream till he sank out of sight and was seen no more. On several

previous occasions he had swam the same stream. Strapped to the saddle was \$490 in gold, which the rider thinks accounts for the failure of the horse to swim. Others claim that it was because he was double cinched, as it is said that a horse girthed in this manner cannot swim.

Texas Stockman: The men who originated the quarantine, beat Texas out of three dollars a head upon every yearling she had for sale, and the proportion runs about the same for all classes of cattle. This means that free grass and its twin fraud, the Bureau of Animal Industry, beat Texas cattle owners out of, at the very least, a million and a half dollars. And who derives the benefit? The few speculators who got up the scheme—the "business scheme" as one of them called it.

Prescott Journal: Messrs. P. J. McCormick, J. W. Sullivan, Stephen Ross and Wm. Garland expect to ship this week or next twenty-six car loads of cattle to Burlingame, Kansas, where they will be placed on pasture for a month or six weeks preparatory to being shipped to the Kansas City market. The distance to Kansas City is so great that considerable shrinkage is sustained in shipping direct. These gentlemen propose to overcome this in the above manner and the experiment will no doubt prove successful.

Prescott Courier: The Courier is on record as being opposed to turning the grazing portions of Arizona over to large cattle companies. Our idea is that Arizona is a good poor man's country; that in order to have sufficient population to give it standing as a state, the valleys, mountains, etc., will have to be filled by families, not by employes of great corporations. Capital can be employed in our mines, in reclaiming so-called desert lands; in building and running factories, in constructing highways, in sinking for artesian water; but, it would be best for the Territory and the country if would-be grabbers of springs, etc., be not permitted to gobble vast tracts of country.

Kansas City Live Stock Record: What can be done to lessen the number of dead and dying animals sent to market? There is no more disabled stock coming this year than usual, but there is far too much. Overloading is one of the prolific causes. It is sickening to see the large number of crippled and bruised animals that come to market every day. Many of them are condemned by the authorities, but there must be many of them going into consumption that are wholly unfit for food. There are all kinds of patent improved stock cars, but most of them are impracticable. Let country shippers be more careful not to overload and not start to market animals which are not in condition to stand the trip.

Prescott Journal: "The wounded bird flutters." Touch a man on his tender spot and you will hear from him. Cattle thieves indicted and convicted create considerable fear and trembling in the rank of the "rustlers." All the cattle and horse thieves of this county have not yet been caught and tried. A goodly number of respectable (?) thieves—owners themselves of cattle and horses—are at large. The cry of great cost to the county because of prosecution will not spare them. A strong sense of security in personal property running at large, as the live stock of this land must to get grass and water, demands that the line shall be very tightly drawn between those in the cattle business who act upon honor under all circumstances, and those in the same line of business, who, if they consider it safe, and there be no probable show for detection, appropriate to themselves the property of their neighbors. The live stock interest of our county should be fostered and protected to the full extent of the law, as it is the main support of all our other industries.

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