
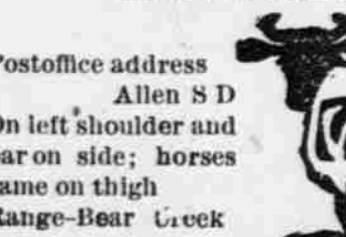



**Metzger Bros.**  
Pullman Neb  
Cherry Co.  
Brand on left side  
and thigh  
Earmark, square  
crop right ear  
Southern branded  
cattle have but one  
"half-diamond E" on  
left side  
Native cattle have  
throat wattle  
Range on Gordon and Snake Creeks  
Horses have same brand on left thigh  
**A Reward of \$250** will be paid to any  
person for information leading to the arrest and  
final conviction of any person or persons steal-  
ing cattle with above brand



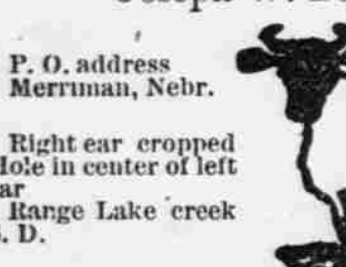
**EDWARD BAD HAIR.**  
Postoffice address  
Allen S D  
On left shoulder and  
bar on side; horses  
same on thigh  
Range-Bear Creek



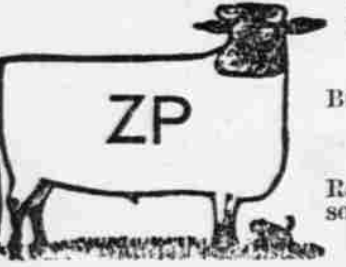
**T J ASHBURN**  
Postoffice address  
Valentine, Neb  
Branded on right  
side; horses same  
Range-10 miles east  
of Valentine on  
the Niobrara



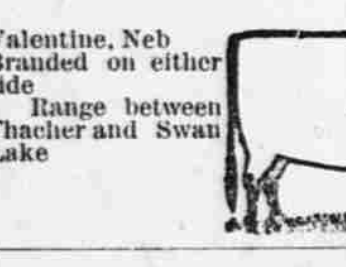
**Joseph W. Bowuet**  
P. O. address  
Merriman, Neb.  
Right ear cropped  
Hole in center of left  
ear  
Range Lake Creek  
S. D.




**Parker & Son**  
P O Address  
L. W. Parker  
Reige, Neb.  
Brand same as cut.  
Also ZP  
Range on Niobrara  
south of Crookston



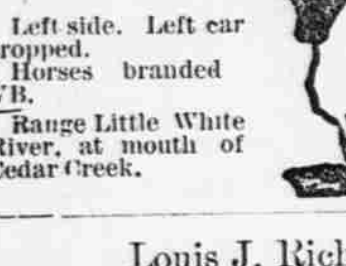
**R. A. McQuade.**  
Valentine, Neb  
Branded on either  
side  
Range between  
Thacher and Swan  
Lake



**Charles C. Tackett**  
Rosebud, S. D.  
Range head of An-  
telope near St. Marys  
mission  
Horses branded  
on left thigh



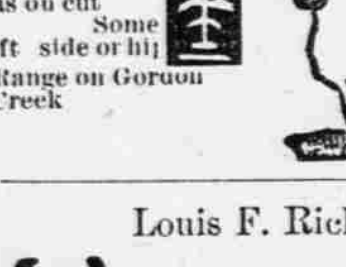
**Peter Vlondray**  
Rosebud, S. D.  
Left side. Left ear  
cropped.  
Horses branded  
VB.  
Range Little White  
River, at mouth of  
Cedar Creek.



**Louis J. Richards**  
Merriman, Neb.  
Cattle branded  
R



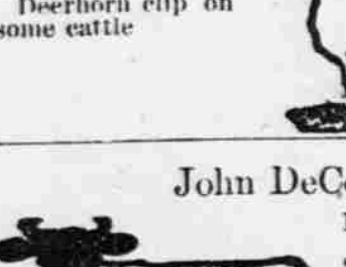
**Gorsuch Bros.**  
Newton, Nebraska  
Cattle branded  
as on cut.  
Some  
ft side or hip  
Range on Gordon  
Creek



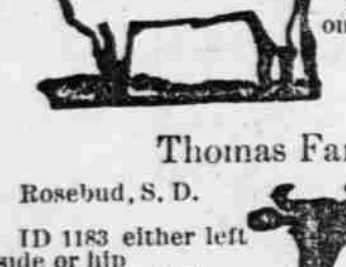
**Louis F. Richards**  
Merriman Neb  
Cattle branded  
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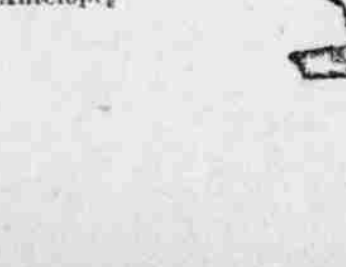
**Henry Pratt**  
Rosebud S. D.  
Left side  
Horses same on  
left shoulder  
Deerhorn clip on  
some cattle



**John DeCory**  
Rosebud, S. D.  
Some branded ID  
47 on left side  
Horses J D on left  
hip  
Range in Meyer Co  
on Antelope Creek



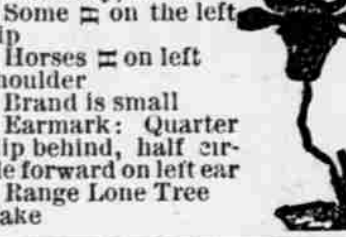
**Thomas Farren**  
Rosebud, S. D.  
ID 1183 either left  
side or hip  
Horses - F on left  
hip  
Range head of  
Antelope



**W. W. ANDERSON.  
Anderson & Rounds.**  
Simeon, Nebraska  
Cattle branded on  
left side as on cut;  
also 16 on left side  
with — on left hip of  
some cattle; also S 86  
on right side Horse  
brand, rake and 16  
on left shoulder or  
hip  
Home ranch—on  
Dewey Lake. Range on Niobrara River, east of  
Fort Niobrara; also between Snake River and  
Simeon, known as the Felch range, all in Cherry  
County, Nebraska.



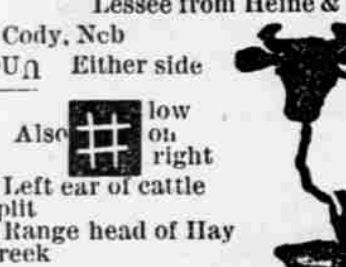
**Marshall & Wolfenden**  
Kennedy, Neb.  
Some — on the left  
hip  
Horses — on left  
shoulder  
Brand is small  
Earmark: Quarter  
clip behind, half cir-  
cle forward on left ear  
Range Lone Tree  
Lake



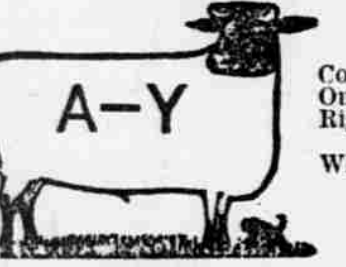
**I. T. Richardson.**  
Perch, Nebr  
Some on left  
hip  
Horses on  
left shoulder



**William M. Dunbar**  
Lessee from Heine & Kroeger  
Cody, Neb  
DU n Either side  
Also low  
on right  
Left ear of cattle  
Split  
Range head of Hay  
Creek




**Amelia Young.**  
Cody, Nebraska  
On right side,  
Right ear split  
Range, Little  
White river



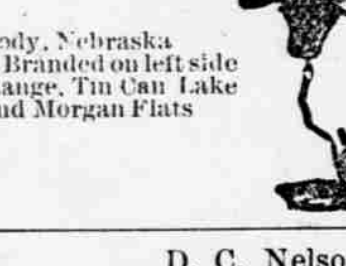
**Peder Thorsen.**  
Gordon, Nebraska  
On right side; T on  
right hip. 6 horse  
brand and T on  
right shoulder  
Also cattle branded  
L S on left side  
Range, 7 1/2 miles  
south of Irwin



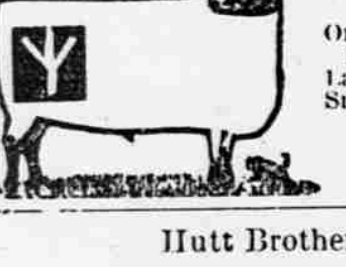
**Henry Young.**  
Cody, Nebraska  
Horse brand H Y  
on left shoulder  
Cattle, right ear  
split  
Range, Little  
White river, S. D.



**Stotts & Stetter.**  
Cody, Nebraska  
Branded on left side  
Range, Tiu Cat Lake  
and Morgan Flats




**D. C. Nelson.**  
Cody, Nebraska.  
On right hip.  
Range, Medicine  
Lake to the  
Snake river



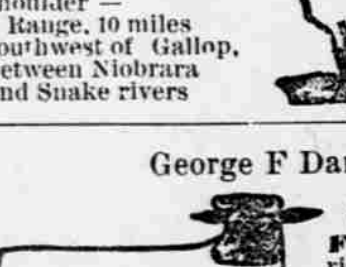
**Hutt Brothers.**  
Gordon, Nebraska  
Range, 14 miles north  
of Gordon.



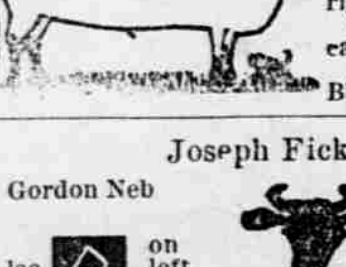
**F. C. Duerfeldt, Manager.**  
Gordon, Nebraska  
Cattle also branded  
90 on right hip  
Horses and mules  
branded same as cut  
on left shoulder



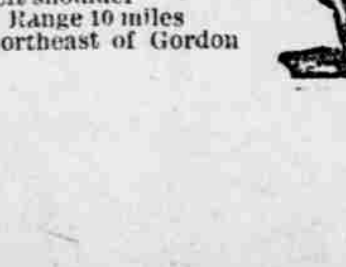
**J. C. Jordan**  
Gordon, Nebraska  
One bunch branded  
as on cut on left side  
One bunch branded  
L on left hip  
Horses J on left  
shoulder —  
Range, 10 miles  
southwest of Gallop,  
between Niobrara  
and Snake rivers



**George F Damon**  
Albany, Neb  
Cattle branded  
SD on left ribs or  
right shoulder; SD  
on right hip and left  
ribs; 6 on left hip  
Horses F D or SD on  
right shoulder  
Range 7 mi north  
east of Albany Neb  
Agent for Pasteur  
Black Leg Vaccine



**Joseph Fickel**  
Gordon Neb  
Also on  
left  
hip  
Horse brand F on  
left shoulder  
Range 10 miles  
northeast of Gordon



**HOW IT HAPPENED.**  
Last week we promised our readers that we would tell them how it happened, but the more we examine the returns the madder we get. We have talked with numbers of our people from various parts of the county, and they, one and all, agree that the result was caused by traitors in our own ranks. It is hard to say it, but we are convinced that this is the true explanation of republican success. Let us take the figures for a minute and see how this explanation is arrived at:  
Holcomb carried the county by 6, although about 200 fusionists failed to vote on the head of the ticket, and yet Donohoe was defeated by 61 votes, Hahn by 68, and Skirving by 283. In Woodlake, Holcomb had 1 majority, and yet Donohoe was 34 behind, Skirving 1, and Mrs. Crawford 4. This was the precinct where the republicans promised to skin Thackrey, yet Hahn only received 11 majority, indicating that but five republicans voted their convictions. In Dewey Lake, another of the same sort, Hahn received 2 more votes than Holcomb, and Thackrey got 4 more than Reese, while Donohoe was 9 behind Daniels, although the precinct is populist on the head of the ticket. In Gillaspie precinct the vote was 26 to 11 for Holcomb, yet Donohoe had only 10 majority. Hahn had but 3, Crawford 4 and Skirving was skinned by 12. German precinct gave Holcomb 13 majority, yet gave the republicans 12 for clerk, 1 for treasurer and 10 for sheriff. And so it went all over the county, the only bright spots being Irwin, Schlegel, Table and Valentine, these precincts giving the county ticket a larger vote than they did the state ticket.

Haying stated in the foregoing that our local defeat was due to traitors in our own ranks, the intelligent reader will of course want to know what caused our people to turn traitor, and that question is not easy to answer, but to the best of our knowledge the following reasons had weight.  
Skirving suffered his overwhelming defeat through three prime causes, to-wit: (1) He is a comparative stranger to the people of the county. (2) His personality is such that he doesn't make friends readily. (3) He signed, while in town, a paper pledging himself to not support any political party which did not have a prohibition plank in its platform next year. When we consider that Lee Layporte has been a resident of this county for many years, that he is a pleasant, affable and common man, and that he is an ex-saloonkeeper and all the saloons in the county are run by either democrats or populists, the weight of these arguments can be appreciated. Add to this the fact that a few politicians were sore over Skirving's nomination, and it is easily seen why his defeat was certain.  
Hahn was reported to be an office seeker, was charged with incompetency and all but accused of crime, and at the eleventh hour, in violation of all agreements made between leading politicians, had to contend against a circular signed by Robt. S. Lee and sent over the county. To the credit of the republican chairman, Chas. Reece, be it said that he refused to be a party to the infamous work, and would not allow his name to be signed to the paper, as was intended. We learn this from Mr. Reece himself, hence it is authoritative. In addition to this Hahn was accused of being a Valentine man and in connivance with court house, bond and anti-division "schemes," which argument was to many voters the same as a red rag is to a bull.  
According to almost all prophets, Pete Donohoe was to have been elected, but the week before election a few sanctimonious sons of Satan, in combination with certain degenerated disciples of Dives, circulated a slanderous statement against him which accomplished his downfall. This story needs no repeating in this paper. Suffice it to say that it was false from beginning to end, and had we known of its circulation in time we would have proven its falsity. Not content with circulating this story by word of mouth one of the flatter, fatuous factotums of the republican party even descended to the point of degradation where he wrote to various parties throughout the county, peddling the falsehood thus to many who would not otherwise have believed it. Not content with this same backbiting, blaggard buzzer must needs give as authority for his story a man who never even heard of it until after election. This is one of the means used to defeat

**STOCK NOTES.**  
We firmly believe that if our range horses were kept growing throughout the winter by the addition of a little grain they could be made to weigh more than now when four years of age. They would then make the best cavalry mounts in the world. At present it can be said that they have the best feet, legs, vitality and lungs of any horses in the world; but they are not quite heavy enough. It is entirely practicable for range people to increase the weights to suit the requirements of those who buy such animals extensively.—Denver Field and Farm.

Goat culture in the United States is enjoying a boom. The hardy, thrifty nature of these animals has made them well adapted to the climate and conditions of the southwest, where great herds of them are raised. It is estimated that there are 300,000 Angora goats in this country. The average fleece weighs about three pounds, though some exceptional clips have reached eighteen pounds. There is a good market for the fleece and skins, and the carcass, when fat, is not a bad substitute for mutton.—Chicago Drovers Journal.

The West Texas Stockman says of cattle dipping: The federal government has announced that there will be no more of the cattle dipping foolishness this season. The cattle dip was a theory evolved by an embryo horse doctor who parted his hair in the middle, ate big stock yard dinners free of charge and stood in with the push trying to mulct stockmen in the sum of 25 cents per head on the number of cattle they were obliged to handle. It was a great scheme and one of the most damnable outrages upon the great stock industry ever concocted.

Will We Have Cheap Beef Again in the United States?  
(William Adams, Jeffersonville, Ind., in the Cincinnati Price Current.)  
The following are figures from the United States agricultural reports:  

Cattle other than milk cows	per head
1877	17,958,000
1880	21,231,000
1892	37,651,000
1899	27,994,000

Since 1892 our loss on beef cattle is 10,000,000, decreasing from 37,000,000 to 27,000,000, yet we had 16,000,000 of cows to breed from, and an increase in price of almost \$8 per head and everything favorable for an increase in numbers.  
Even if we are able only to arrest the decrease, in 1910 our population would be 90,000,000 and our beef cattle 27,000,000, we would have only 300 cattle for each 1,000 persons, against 550 in 1892. Should our population be 90,000,000 in 1910, we should have 50,000,000 of beef cattle to be in proportion to 1892.  
The probabilities are that our population will reach 95 or 100 million in 1910. Five years of a continued annual loss of 1,250,000 and we will be on a basis of France and Germany on cattle. We can offer no satisfactory theory for this annual loss of cattle. In our own state (Indiana) we have more acres of grass, an increase of price, and yet we have 349,000 less cattle than in 1890, while wheat and corn, with a declining price, have increased their average. Corn has increased 700,000 acres in Indiana since 1890.

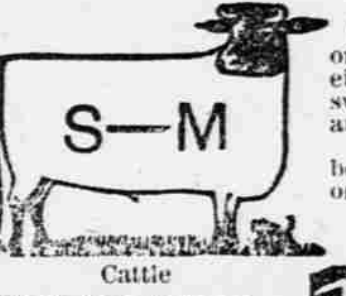
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**D. Stinard, Clothier.**


**Alex Marrivall**  
Fine Ridge, S D  
Cattle branded as  
on cut and below on  
either side. Earmark  
swallow fork on left  
and crop right.  
Horse brands as  
below on left thigh  
or hip



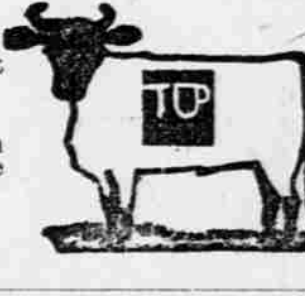
**Marquardt & Bowls**  
OTTO STRUNK, Manager.  
Merriman, Neb.  
Cattle brand OM on  
left shoulder. Some  
of cattle have various  
other brands. OS on  
left hip. Horse brand  
A on left shoulder.  
Range—Formerly  
Geo W Monier  
ranch 5 miles east of  
Merriman, from F. E.  
& M. V. R. R. south to Leander Creek. Mar-  
quardt & Bowls, Scribner, Nebraska.




**J. C. Trowbridge.**  
Merriman, Neb  
Range between Ir-  
win and Merriman,  
south of railroad



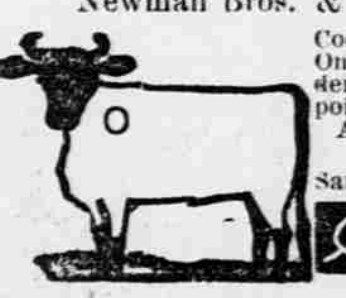
**Wheeler Bros.**  
Cody Neb  
Also — H — on right  
side  
Range Chamberlain  
Flats and Snake  
River



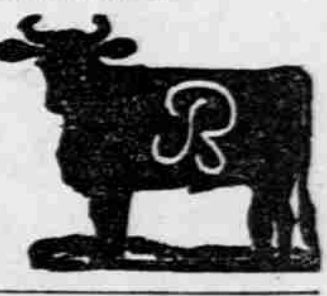
**Hugh Bovill, Manager**  
Merriman Neb  
Also  
All on left side or  
hip  
Range north of Eli



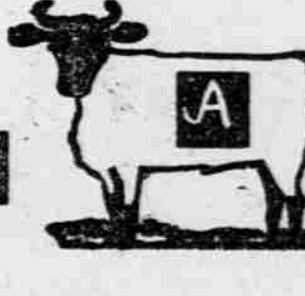
**Newman Bros. & Nations.**  
Cody, Nebraska  
On point left should-  
er. Also 00 on  
point left shoulder  
Also 0 on left  
shoulder  
Same on left hip



**Charlotte E. Bovill**  
Merriman Neb  
Left side or hip  
Range north of Eli



**J. A. Adamson.**  
Valentine, Neb  
On left side or hip  
A 4 left side or hip  
On left side  
Range on Niobrara



Taken up, at my place about 4 miles east of  
Fort Niobrara, May 25, one sorrel bald-faced  
gelding, 5 years old, and one bay mare  
2 years old, both branded 1 on left shoulder  
— ERNEST SEARS