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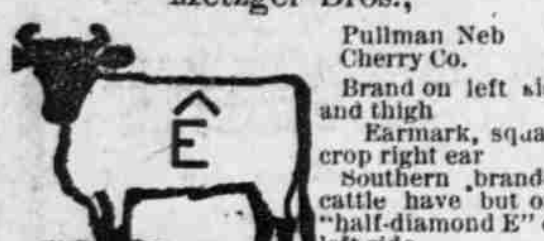
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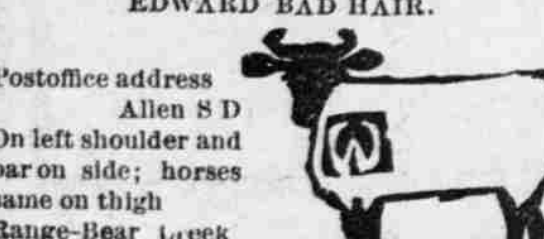
VALENTINE, NEBRASKA, NOVEMBER 30, 1899.

NUMBER 45.


Metzger Bros.,
Pulman 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 stealing cattle with above brand



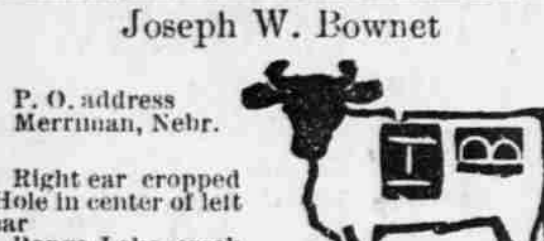
EDWARD BAD HAIR.
Postoffice address
Allen S D
On left shoulder and
bar on side; horses
same on thigh
Range-Bear Creek



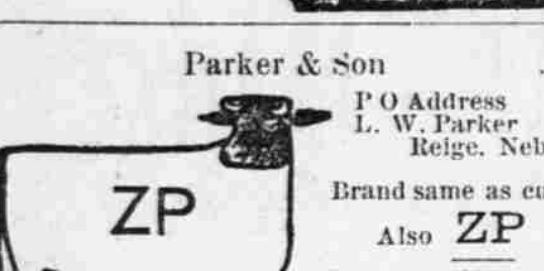
T J ASHBURN
Postoffice address
Valentine, Neb
Branded on right
side; horses same
Range-10 miles east
of Valentine on
the Niobrara



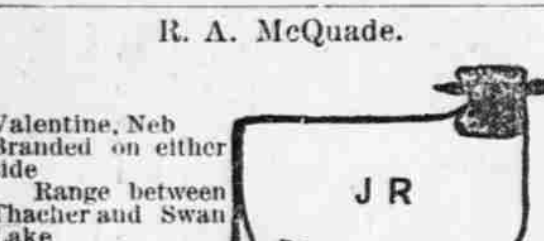
Joseph W. Bownet
P. O. address
Merriman, Neb.
Right ear cropped
Hole in center of left
ear
Range Lake creek
S. D.



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



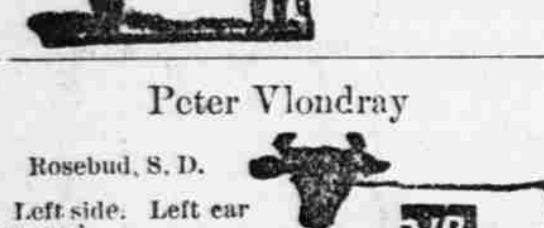
R. A. McQuade.
Valentine, Neb
Branded on either
side
Range between
Thacher and Swan
Lake



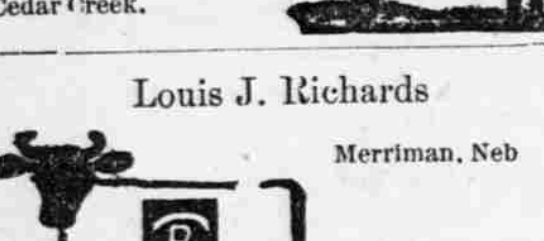
Charles C. Tackett
Rosebud, S. D.
Range head of An
telope near St. Mar's
mission
Horses branded
on left thigh



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



Louis J. Richards
Merriman, Neb




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



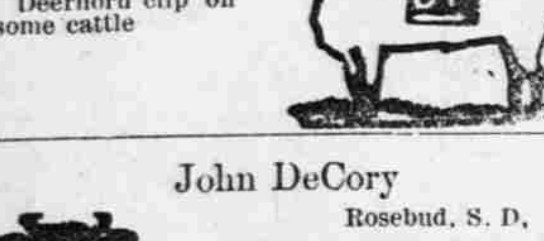
Louis F. Richards
Merriman Neb



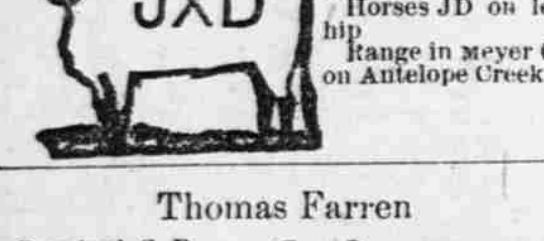
Henry Pratt
Rosebud, S. D.
Left side
Horses same on
left shoulder
Deerhorn clip on
some cattle




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




Thomas Farrer
Rosebud, S. D.
ID 1183 either left
side or hip
Horses - shoulder
Range head of
Antelope



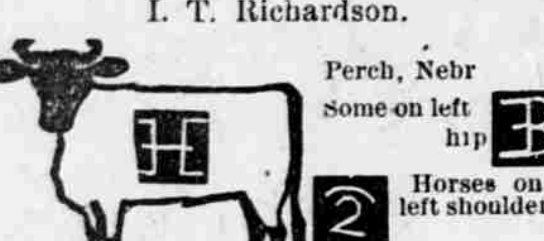
W. W. ANDERSON.
Anderson & Rounds.
Simons, Nebraska
Cattle branded on
left side as on cut;
also 16 on left side
with - on left hip of
some cattle; also S40
on right side. Horse
brand, rake and 16
on left shoulder or
hip
Home ranch-on
Dewey Lake. Range on Niobrara River, east of
Fort Niobrara; also between Snake River and
Simons, known as the Felch range, all in Cherry
County, Nebraska.



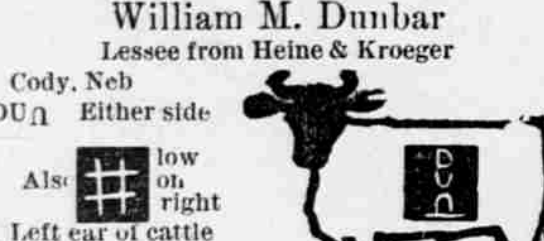
Marshall & Wolfenden
Kennedy, Neb.
Some on the left
hip
Horses on left
shoulder
Brand is small
Earmark: Quarter
clip behind, half circle
forward on left ear
Range Lone Tree
Lake



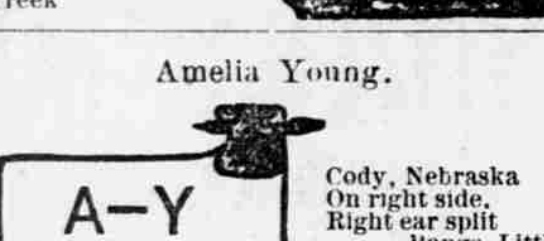
I. T. Richardson.
Perch, Nebr
Some on left
hip
Horses on
left shoulder



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



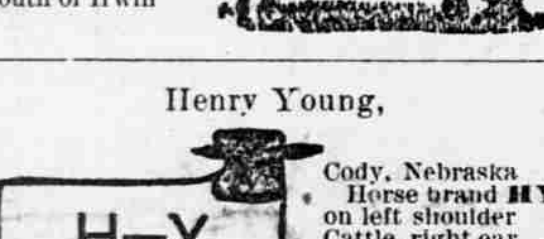
Amelia Young.
Cody, Nebraska
On right side.
Right ear split
Range, Little
White river



Peder Thorsen.
Gordon, Nebraska
On right side; T on
right hip, e horse
brand and T on
right shoulder
Also cattle branded
L S on left side
Range, fowl miles
south of Irwin



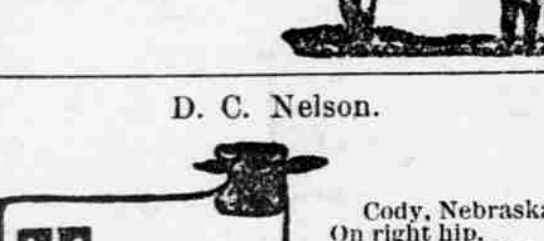
Henry Young.
Cody, Nebraska
Horse brand H Y
on left shoulder
Cattle, right ear
split
Range, Little
White river, S. D.



Stotts & Stetter.
Cody, Nebraska
Branded on left side
Range, Tin Can 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.



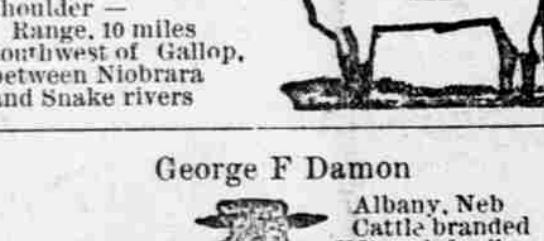
F. C. Duerfeldt, Manager.
Gordon, Nebraska
Cattle also branded
60 on right hip
Horses and mules
branded same as cut
on left shoulder



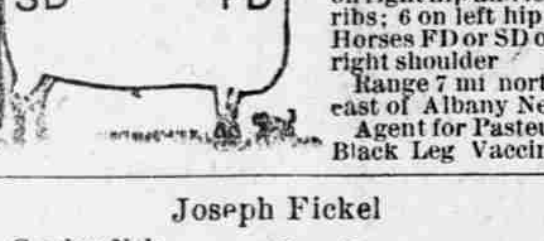
J. C. Jordan
Gordon, Nebraska
One bunch branded
as on cut on left side
One bunch branded
C L on left hip
Horses J on left
shoulder
Range, 10 miles
southwest of Gallop,
between Niobrara
and Snake rivers



George F Damon
Albany, Neb
Cattle branded
FD on left ribs or
right shoulder, SD
on right hip and left
ribs; 6 on left hip
Horses F D or S D 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



STOCK NOTES.

The stock shipment came to a close last Saturday and seven crews have been pulled off of train service. The F. E. has had a splendid run of stock shipments this fall and this paper takes a grain of satisfaction in that fact.—Chadron News.

Dr. H. P. McKnight has disposed of the remainder of his cattle, except a bunch of calves, to J. B. Cox, a cattle man living in the Bloody Valley, and has sold his feed to W. E. Root. Dr. McKnight is still a firm believer in the money making qualities of good cattle, but has decided that keeping a ranch with hired help is not profitable.—Longpine Journal.

Ft. Pierre (S. D.) Stock Journal.—Bunches of stock cattle are still going out on the range almost daily. Never before in the memory of the oldest inhabitants has there been such a continuation of fine fall weather. No snow to cover up the grass, and no freezing weather to close up the water holes. The nights have been just cold enough to make cattle hold their fat and take on more and to induce the growth of a good winter coat of hair. If cattle on this range were ever in shape to go through a hard winter they certainly are now.

D. T. Taylor and Dave Phillips accompanied three car loads of cattle, belonging to the former, to the Omaha market the fore part of last week. After disposing of the stock they took a trip over into Iowa and visited friends a few days. From his comparatively small ranch Mr. Taylor has disposed of over \$12,000 worth of stock during the past four months. The secret of D. T.'s success is the fact that he believes in breeding up. He is making arrangements to dispose of his grade cattle and raise nothing but thoroughbreds.—Hay Springs Leader.

It is announced that an attempt is to be made on a large scale to grow cattle on the abandoned farms in Maine. It is hard to see why such an undertaking should not be made remunerative. Any use of the land in question ought to be an improvement on its abandonment, and the cattle that could be grown on these abandoned farms would at least have the advantage of being produced close to the demand of a strong, nearby market. Leading business men, it is said, have secured from the state an option on 28,000 acres of land for the purpose of inaugurating the undertaking and finding out whether it can be made commercially profitable.

Clay Robinson's Report says that during the past two weeks there has been a very heavy run of warmed-up steers to this market—cattle that should have been fed 90 to 120 days longer. This was doubtless occasioned by feeders being under the impression that because the western rangers were about through coming it would be a good time to market their cattle and avoid the risk to come later.

As events proved, however, a very large number of feeders took the same view of the situation and with almost disastrous results, as during the past two weeks values on the above class of cattle have declined 75 cents to \$1.00.

One of the largest, if not the largest, real estate deals ever consummated in this county was the sale of the Circle Arrow ranch, six miles east of town. This valuable ranch, which consists of 5,800 acres, has just been purchased from the Bay State Live Stock Company by Robert Deal and Mr. Haggerty. The latter is Mr. Deal's partner in a copper mine in Wyoming. The ranch has about twenty-five miles of fence and a good meadow from which 500 or 600 tons of fine hay is cut every year. The purchasers get this year's hay crop. We understand they will stock it up with cattle or sheep in the near future and Mr. Deal will look after this ranch in connection with his own.—Kimball Observer.

Since so much interest is being taken in stock circles regarding goats, the editor has been looking up the matter a little. From his investigations he is convinced that Angoras would prove to be paying property in this country. Their meat is by many preferred to mutton, and their fleece will prove far more profitable than wool. They are

early breeders, breeding sometimes at as early an age as seven months, and as their period of gestation is only five months it is not infrequent to find goats giving birth to young at the age of one year. It is said, however, that the best results are obtained when breeding is done at the age of ten or twelve months. The best strains of Angoras are obtained from Asia Minor and South Africa, though the more prominent breeders are inclined to favor the stock from the latter country.

The secretary of the National Live Stock Association has been engaged in collecting and analyzing the market statistics on live stock from western points where they are obtainable. The most important feature noticed is the great increase in slaughter compared to the increase in receipts. Receipts of cattle from all sources show an increase of about 75,000 head while the increase in slaughter is over 230,000 head.

In connection with these figures, reports coming to this office indicate that the shortage on the ranges of the west is becoming accentuated rather than relieved. The terrible experience of last winter has made rangemen timorous, and this, with the high prices that have prevailed, has encouraged shipping to an unusual extent. As a result hundreds of range stockmen have reduced their herds to the lowest possible point, some clearing up everything, while others have shipped down to their breeding stock, even sending their yearlings to market. Many of these shippers are figuring on buying stock cattle in the spring to replenish their ranges, arguing that it is safer to sell now and avoid all risk of winter loss and then buy back in the spring even if they do have to pay nearly as much as at present for cattle.

With all the efforts of the range shippers to clean up their herds, however, shipments from the ranges fall far behind last year's movement. This is only another indication that the greatly discussed shortage is real, not imaginary. It is also remarkable that with the high prices and strong demand so few stockers and feeders have been sent to the country. This is explained on the part of sheep in the demand for wool, but the only explanation as regards cattle is the shortage and high prices.

With a demand for consumption increasing at a much greater ratio than the supply, fewer stockers and feeders going to the country, ranges shorter than ever before in their history, there seems to be reason to anticipate a continuance of present high prices. Cattle are continuing to concentrate in the big corn states of the Mississippi and Missouri valleys, and it is possible that next season will witness something of a retrograde movement, for it is likely to be a difficult matter to find the stock cattle which will be needed in the range country, from usual sources. In any event, it is feared that the situation will put prices to a point that will make the free movement difficult.

The Ainsworth Star-Journal says that in every state where Bryan made speeches this year the republicans made large gains in the vote. If our esteemed contemporary down the road will only look up the records he will find that he narrowly escaped telling a falsehood when he said it.

The latest fashion is for girls to wear a belt which contains a plate on which their name is engraved. If you see a pretty girl on the streets and wonder who she is, step behind her, and you may read on the plate that she is Edythe Gledowynne Carruthers, the same as you may read on a dog's collar that his name is Curly.

Not the least unwise proposition in support of the United States retaining the Philippines is that they are not capable of self-government. It is a delusive theory. The glorious sun of heaven never shone upon a race of men incapable of self-government. Whatever the condition in life of a class of people may be, so will their government, if left to themselves, be suited to them; and the less intelligence the simpler the government.—O'Neill Independent.

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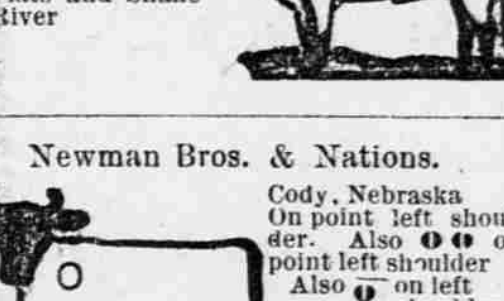
Alex Marrison
Pine Ridge, S D
Cattle branded as on cut and below on either side. Earmark swallow fork on left and crop right. Horse brand as below on left thigh or hip



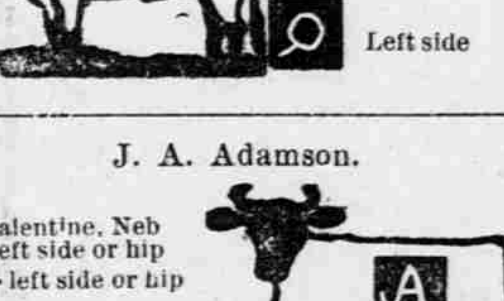
Wheeler Bros.
Cody Neb
Also B on right side
Range Chamberlain Flats and Snake River




Newman Bros. & Nations.
Cody, Nebraska
On point left shoulder. Also O on point left shoulder. Also O on left shoulder. Same on left hip




J. A. Adamson.
Valentine, Neb
On left side or hip
A4 left side or hip




Marquardt & Bowls
OTTO STRUBB, 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 Monnier ranch 5 miles east of Merriman, from F. E. & M. V. R. E. south to Leander Creek. Marquardt & Bowls, Scribner, Nebraska.



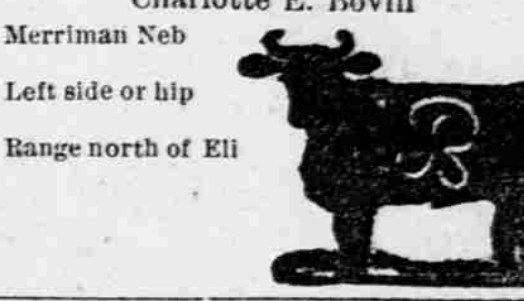
J. C. Trowbridge
Merriman, Neb
Range between Irwin and Merriman, south of railroad



Hugh Bovill, Manager
Merriman Neb
Also B J J
All on left side or hip
Range north of El



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



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