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Metzger Bros.,

Fullman 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 cattle
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 and
the Niobrara

Joseph W. Bownet

P. O. address
Merriman, Nebr.
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
stopped.
Horses branded
VB
Range Little White
River, at mouth of
Jedar Creek.

Louis J. Richards

Merriman, Neb
Range between
Irwin and Merriman,
south of railroad

Gorsuch Bros.

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

Louis F. Richards

Merriman Neb
Range between
Irwin and Merriman,
south of railroad

Henry Pratt

Rosebud, S. D.
Left side
Horses same on
left shoulder
Dewborn clip on
some cattle

John DeCory

Rosebud, S. D.
Some branded 1D
417 on left side
Horses JD on left
hip
Range in Meyer Co
on Antelope Creek

N. S. Rowley

Kennedy, Nebr.
Same as cut on left
side and hip, and on
left shoulder of hor-
ses. Also on left
side of hip
Range on left side
of hip

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 516
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 1
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, e horse
brand and T on
right shoulder
Also cattle branded
L N on left side
Range, fowl miles
south of Irwin

Henry Young.

Cody, Nebraska
Horse brand HY
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
00 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
41 on left hip
Horses J on left
shoulder
Range, 10 miles
southwest of Gallup,
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 FD or SD on
right shoulder
Range 7 mi north
east of Albany Neb
Agent for Pasteur
Black Leg Vaccine

Joseph Fickel

Gordon Neb
Also
Horse brand F on
left shoulder
Range 10 miles
northeast of Gordon

STOCK NOTES.

At the South Omaha stock yards last year 837,583 cattle, 2,216,482 hogs, 1,086,319 sheep, and 34,255 horses and mules were received. The largest receipt of cattle in any one day during the year was on September 18, when 10,695 head were handled.

The Belgian hare is becoming quite a fad in the west, Colorado and California being especially afflicted. The kids are sold at three to four months old, dressing two to three pounds. One doe will raise about sixty kids per year, and the flesh is by many considered to be superior to the spring chicken of our mammals.

Some shippers have a habit of shearing their sheep before sending to market, but we are advised by a prominent commission firm that buyers make a difference of fully \$1.00 per hundred pounds in favor of the unsheared stuff. In view of this fact we would advise all to refrain from shearing sheep or lambs until regular shearing time.

The Platte River country is becoming quite a breeding district for stock hogs. The Rush Creek Cattle Company raised about 500 which they shipped to the company's feeding pens at Central City. Duffin Bros. have marketed about 250, Hagerty Bros. about 175, as well as numerous others. These hogs seem to be proof against the ravages of cholera and are in good demand.—Alliance Grip.

"Here," says an exchange, "is something that is worth two dollars to every farmer to know. Sprinkle lime in your stock tank and not a particle of scum will form on the water. When the lime loses its strength the scum begins to form, which may be twice during the season; wash out the tank and repeat the dose. It is cheap, and not only harmless but wholesome, keeps the water sweet, and saves livestock."

At Omaha, Monday, about a hundred cars of cattle were received, made up of all kinds of stuff. Right good beef cattle were scarce, the market as usual being made up principally of half fat stock. More than the usual number of stockers and feeders were on hand, but they were gobbled up in a hurry at prices a little in advance of last year. In the list of sales we notice the top price was \$4.95 for 84 head of feeders which averaged 575 pounds. Cows sold at \$3.50, the highest price paid being \$4.15 for 22 head. Hogs sold at \$4.32 and \$4.37.

The proposed new treaty with Argentine provides that the tariff on wool and hides from that country shall be reduced 20 per cent, and cattle and sheep men all over the country are opposing the treaty. The Argentine republic is one of the largest wool producing countries in the world, and is the most formidable competitor the United States has in the meat markets of the world. To reduce the tariff, therefore, is a direct blow to the live stock industry of this country, but we doubt not that it will be done. Were the stockmen organized into a gigantic trust which could make and unmake politicians, they might secure more favorable legislation.

Combined receipts of live stock at the four principal markets during the last year show an increase of 200,000 cattle, 40,000 sheep, and a decrease of 1,000,000 hogs. The average weight of cattle was the lightest since 1895, and sheep were the lightest on record, owing to the greatly increased price of lambs. The advance in the price of by-products helped to keep cattle at a high price, and the same cause kept mutton up. Eight dollars and twenty-five cents was the highest price paid for beef. The lowest average price at Chicago was \$4.80 in April. The highest average price for native beef steers was \$5.30, being 65 cents higher than in 1898. The export cattle trade showed a falling off of about 20,000 head during the year, the British demand showing the greatest decrease. Increased shipments from Argentine and the British colonies were the greatest factors causing the decline in exports. Exports of dressed beef showed a gain of 50,000,000 pounds, and since the South African war canned beef has taken a boom, the November shipments amounting to

almost 9,000,000 pounds. Range cattle were fewer in numbers than any time since 1889, and the prices show the highest range since 1891. It is generally conceded that prices this year show an increase of \$5 to \$7 per head over last year, but few tailings and feeders selling below \$4. Chicago sent 200,000 head of cattle to the feed yards during the year, extreme prices being \$2.65 and \$5.40, the bulk selling at \$3.60 and \$4.50. The top price on hogs, \$5.00, was reached in August, the average for the year being \$4.05. No other branch of the live stock industry has shown such a wonderful growth as the sheep business, the exports being especially large, and the price of western wool reaching 20 cents, when before 8 and 12 cents was considered a fair price, although the sales of feeders fell off over 100,000 head.

The above we condense from the Drovers Journal annual review.

When Cleveland made his now famous bond issue, he told the congress he could get \$16,000,000 more for the bonds if they would make them payable in gold instead of in "coin." This congress refused to do, most of the present republican leaders voting against the proposition. The financial bill now before the senate makes these bonds payable in gold, thus making a present of \$16,000,000 to the bondholders. Is anyone so blind he cannot see the truth of this?

From all reports the recent changes in the live stock rates are very obnoxious to the local shippers and unless the state board of transportation takes the matter up there will be trouble in the air shortly. It should be remembered that this is one of the fusion counties of the state, and unless something is done presently there is apt to be a change in the political complexion of the county which will not be very pleasing to our present board of secretaries who are drawing \$2,000 a year for doing practically nothing. Arguing from this point it is easy to see that if the secretaries do not do something the county is apt to change its political complexion.

We have had many inquiries for a copy of the financial bill, passed by the national house of representatives, and now before the senate. We have but one copy of the bill, but below will be found a synopsis of the bill, which we believe will be found fair, one which will stand criticism from all parties. We would publish the bill in full but for lack of space. The bill:

1. Makes the dollar of 25.5 grains of gold the standard unit of value.
2. Declares that all bonds now existing and hereafter to be issued shall be paid in gold.
3. Makes all greenbacks and treasury notes under the Sherman act payable in gold.
4. All silver certificates to be restricted to one, two, and five dollar notes; legal-tender quality of silver dollar not affected.
5. Establishes a division of issue and redemption, to which is assigned all records and accounts relating to the issue, redemption and exchange of the several kinds of United States money.
6. Establishes a permanent gold reserve fund equal to 25 per cent of the total of greenbacks and treasury notes outstanding.
7. Directs the secretary of the treasury to maintain this reserve and, if necessary, to sell gold bonds at not exceeding 3 per cent, payable in twenty years, but redeemable in gold, at the option of the United States, after one year.
8. Prohibits any transfer from the treasury general fund to the division of issue and redemption that will reduce the general fund below \$50,000,000.
9. Greenbacks and treasury notes to be redeemed in gold at the will of the holder and to be paid but again only in exchange for gold.
10. Reserve funds to be used to maintain parity, and to do this the secretary of the treasury may, in his discretion, exchange gold coin for any other money issued.
11. Provides for coinage of subsidiary, worn, or uncurrent coins and repeals the law limiting issue of such coin and fractional currency to \$50,000,000.
12. Provides for the issue of United States notes and treasury notes in denominations not less than \$1, as the secretary prescribes.
13. Increases the issue of national bank circulation up to the par value of bonds deposited to secure such circulation.
14. Repeals the 1 per cent tax on national bank circulation and substitutes a tax of one-fifth of 1 per cent in the aggregate on the capital, surplus, and undivided profits of banks.
15. Authorizes incorporation of national bank \$25,000 capital in towns of not exceed 2,000 inhabitants.

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Alex. Marrivall
Pine 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

Cody Neb
Also — on right
side
Range Chamberlain
Plats and Snake
River

Newman Bros. & Nations.
Cody, Nebraska.
On point left shoul-
der. Also 0 4 on
point left shoulder
Also 0 on left
shoulder
Same on left hip
Left side

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

Marquardt & Rowles
OTTO STUBB, Manager.
Merriman, Neb
Cattle brand OM on
left shoulder. Some
of cattle have various
older 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. R. south to Leander Creek. Mar-
quardt & Rowles, Scrinier, Nebraska.

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

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

Charlotte E. Bovill
Merriman Neb
Left side or hip
Range north o Eli
Taken up, at my place about 4 miles east of
Fort Niobrara, May 26, one sorrel bald-faced
gelding, 5 years old, and one bay mare
2 years old, both branded on left shoulder
—ERNEST SEARS