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Pullman Neb Cherry Co. Brand on left side Earmark, square crop right ear Southern branded attle have but one 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 baron side: horses same on thigh Range-Bear Greek

T J ASHBURN

Postoffice addres Valentine, Neb Branded on right Range-10 miles east of Valentine on the Niobrara

Joseph W. Bownet

P. O. address Merriman, Nebr. Right ear cropped Hole in center of left Range Lake creek

Parker & Son

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W. Parker Reige, Neb Brand same as cut Also ZP Range on Niobrara south of Crookston

PO Address

R. A. McQuade.

Valentine, Neb Branded on eithe JR Range between

Charles C. Tackett Rosebud, 3. D. Range head of Anelope near St, Marys Horses branded on left thigh T

Peter Vlondray

Rosebud, S. D. Left side. Left car ropped. Horses branded Range Little White River, at mouth of Bedar Creek.

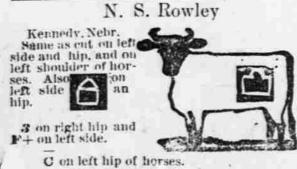
Louis J. Richards Merriman, Neb R

Gorsuch Bros. Newton, Nebraka Cattle branded as on cut Some ft side or hip as on cut Range on Gord

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 17 on left side Horses JD on left Range in Meyer Co Antelope Creek



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 S46 on right side Horse brand, rake and 10

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 a on the left Horses I on left Brand is small Earmark: Quarter cle forward on left ear Range Lone Tree

I. T. Richardson. Perch, Nebr Horses on

William M. Dunbar Lessee from Heine & Kroeger Cody, Neb DUA Either side Alse on right Amelia Young.

ody, Nebraska On right side. Right ear split Range, Little White river Peder Thorsen.

Gordon, Nebraska On right side; T or right shoulder Also cattle brande L son left side Range, fowl mite

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

Stotts & Stetter. Cody, Yebraska Branded on left side Range, Tin Can Lake and Morgan Flats

D. C. Nelson. Cody, Nebraska. On right hip. Range, Medicine Snake river

Hutt Brothers. Gordon, Nebraska Range,14 miles north F. C. Duerfeldt, Manager.

Gordon, Nebraska 90 on right hip Horses and mules randed same as cut on left shoulder J. C. Jordan Gordon, Nebraska One bunch brande as on cut on left side

One bunch branded

Horses J on left

C L on left hip

shoulder -

Range, 10 miles southwest of Gallop, between Niobrara and Snake rivers George F Damon Albany, Neb Cattle branded FID on left ribs or 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 Horse brand F on eft shoulder Range 10 miles northeast of Gordon

STOCK NOTES.

At the South Omaha stock yards last year 837,583 cattle, 2,216,482 hogs, mules were received. The largest rethe year was on September 18, when during the year, extreme prices being 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 mammies.

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 mar keted about 250, Hagerty Bros. about 175, as well as numerous others. These hogs seem to be proof against the ray ages of cholera and are in good demand,-Alliance Grip.

"Here," says an exchange, "is some thing 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 feeders which averaged 575 pounds. Cows sold at \$3.50, the highest price paid being \$4.15 for 23 head. Hogs sold at \$4.32 and \$4.37.

The proposed new treaty with Argentine provides that the tariff on gold. 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 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 s'ow an increase of 200,000 cattle, 40,000 sheep, and a decrease of 1,000,000 hogs. The average weight of exchange for gold. 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 twentyfive cents was the highest price paid for beef. The lowest average price at Chicago was \$4.80 in April. The high on right hip and left ribs; 6 on left hip was \$5.30, being 65 cents higher than in 1898. The export cattle trade showed bonds deposited to secure such circulaa falling off of about 20,000 head during tion. 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 ,086,319 sheep, and 34,255 horses and over last year, but few tailings and feeders selling below \$4 Chicago sent ceipt of cattle in any one day during 290,000 head of cattle to the feed yards \$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 \$2,600 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. the top price was \$4.95 for 84 head of We would publish the bill in full but for lack of space. The bill:

> 1. Makes the dollar of 25.8 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.

notes under the Sherman act payable in 4. All silver certificates to be restricted to one, two, and five dollar notes; legal-tender quality of silver dol-

3. Makes all greenbacks and treasury

lar 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

7. Directs the secretary of the treas doubt not that it will be done. Were ury to maintain this reserve and, if the stockmen organized into a gigantic | 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

outstanding.

8. Prohibits any transfer from the treasury general fund to the division of issue and redemption that will reduce the general fund below \$56,000,000. 9. Greenbacks and treasury notes to

be redeemed in gold at the will of the holder and to be paid out again only in 10. Reserve funds to be used to maintain parity, and to do this the secretary of the treasury may, in his discretion,

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

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 On left side or hip national banks \$25.000 capital in A4 left side or hip xceed 2,000 inhabitowns of no

MIDWINTER FOR CASH!

Men's Cotton Flannel Underwear, - were 50c, now 25c Men's Heavy, Fleece Lined " - " 50c, " 35c Men's Winter Underwear - - " 35c. Ladies' Winter Union Suits - - " 50c Misses' Winter Union Suits - - " 35e Children's Winter Underwear - - 5c to 15c ALL WINTER DRESS GOODS AT COST.

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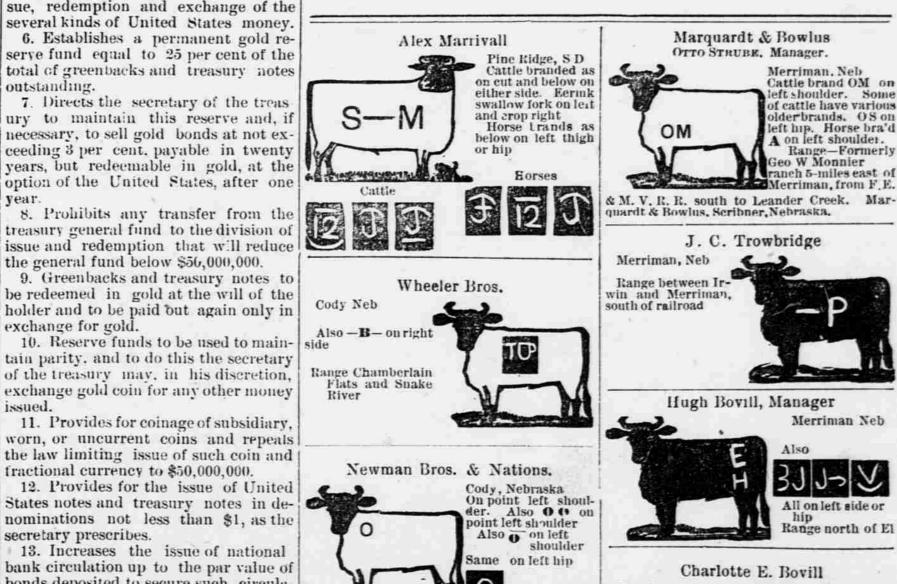
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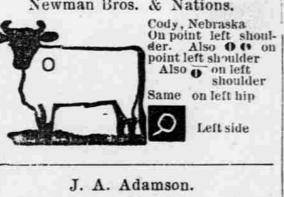
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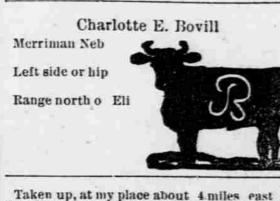
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Stinard, Clothier.





Valentine, Neb On left side Range on Niobrara



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 man years old, both branded on left shoulde ERNEST SEARS