

Neigh, Nebr., June 27.—Owing to the high water for the past two weeks and the sudden drop of the Elkhorn river in the last two days, twelve feet of the north part of the dam at this place washed out at 5 o'clock this morning. Every effort is being made to retain what is left. This is a heavy loss to the proprietor S. F. Gilman and also to Neigh as the electric light plant is run by this power.—World Herald

Nebraska's Cattle Queen.

It is said of Annie Pantenburg, 16 years old, of Sidney, that she can go out upon the ranges, catch the wildest horse in the herd, rope it, throw it and brand it without assistance, then return to the house and cook a meal that would tempt the appetite of a pampered epicure. She is known as the horse and cattle queen of western Nebraska. Miss Pantenburg lives upon the ranch of her father, late John Pantenburg, nine miles east of Sidney. She is a typical western girl, having been born on the banks of Lodgepole creek, with in an hour's ride of Sidney. Her taste, instincts, and training are in sympathy with the freedom of the western prairies and the buoyancy of out door life.

She is said to have inherited the nerve and daring of her father, who was a famous freighter between Sidney and the Black Hills in the early days.

Since the death of her father the young girl has taken personal supervision of the ranch. She has 3,000 acres of prairie and hundreds of head of cattle under her control, and concerns herself very little with spring styles of skirts or modes of headgear. Miss Pantenburg keeps tab on the markets and does all the buying and selling for the ranch. She determines when a consignment of stock is to be disposed of. It is with her that the neighboring ranchmen confer when the brand of a maverick is in dispute. She is credited with knowing every cattle and horse brand in western Nebraska and southern Wyoming. The Pantenburg family consists of an invalid mother and two younger brothers besides the young mistress of the ranch.—Exchange.

Washington News.

Washington, June 21, 1901.—The same interests—the sugar and tobacco trusts—which made Mr. McKinley turn such a sudden summersault on the Porto Rican tariff question are now working to nullify the provision of the Foraker act. That act provided that whenever the legislature of Porto Rico notifies the president of the U. S. that a system of internal taxation has been put into effect that would meet the expenses of the government of the island the president should issue a proclamation declaring free trade with Porto Rico, and that in any event the tariff on Porto Rican products should cease to exist March 1, 1902. An extra session of the Porto Rican legislature has been called to meet July 4, for the purpose of giving the president the notification provided for in the Foraker act and requesting him to issue a proclamation declaring free trade. Thus the trust interests are working to prevent on the pretended ground that the system of internal taxation provided by the legislature of Porto Rico will not provide the necessary revenue, but in reality because they intend to prevent free trade between Porto Rico and the U. S. if they can. Their plan is to compel Mr. McKinley to decline to issue a free trade proclamation, and then to get congress to amend the Foraker act, extending the tariff on Porto Rican products, before it expires by limitation. It is difficult to say what the result will be. Mr. McKinley wants free trade with Porto Rico, as he did when he sent his annual message to the last congress, but the trusts compelled him to eat his words and do their bidding then and they may be able to do so again.

Russia is hitting back at this government, which the short sighted policy of the administration has involved in a tariff war. First, the Russian duty on American machinery was raised and now the duty on American resin and bicycles goes up a notch or two. When it is remembered that what we buy of Russia is not a drop in the bucket compared with what we sell her, the silliness of a system of tariff retaliation between the two countries is apparent. It is quite certain that this sort of policy will not result in extending our foreign markets, an object that Mr. Mc-

Kinley constantly professes to keep in view. Secretary Gage has just ordered a counter-travelling duty placed on sugar from Italy.

The Industrial Commission has received a number of affidavits concerning the Standard Oil Trust, which will be printed in its permanent report. Following is an extract from one made by F. S. Monett, former attorney general of Ohio: "Campaigns come and go; commissions investigate and legislatures meet and adjourn, and magazine articles are written and read, and yet through their monopolistic and criminal exactions, the Standard Oil combination of transportation and distribution thereof levy tribute upon the owner of the oil rock and exact from the consumer an unnatural profit. The public are its victims; the little band of law violators owning and controlling shares are the beneficiaries of the plunder. The public for a short time stand aghast at their very boldness and defiance. The government alone can check their abuses."

Senator Jones, of Ark., Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, has been in Washington all the week. He talked freely of the political outlook but said he wished it understood that he made no pretense of representing anybody but himself in the opinions expressed. He thinks that the next session of Congress will devote a great deal of time to the Philippine question with which the Supreme Court has said Congress alone has power to deal, and that out of the discussion will grow the principal issue of next year's Congressional campaign—"Ought the Constitution to follow the flag?" Senator Jones thinks that we should not control any people who are not considered good enough to enjoy all the rights and privileges of American citizens; that we should assist the Filipinos to set up an independent government, notify the powers that we will brook no interference with it, and then withdraw our flag from the Philippines, but believes that a majority of the republicans will stand by the program of holding the islands for the money that can be made out of them. He said that he would fight the ship subsidy bill, which he expects to see pushed to the front again, just as hard as ever; that he doubted whether Babcock's much talked of anti-tariff bill would ever get out of the House Ways and Means Committee, and rather expected the order of the trans-continental railroad bosses, to another Nicaragua Canal Legislation, to be obeyed by the republican leaders.

Ainsworth Star-Journal.

Miss Fannie Clark was in from the ranch last Friday and took her sister Mrs. Lila Johnson, back. Mrs. Lila will remain for several weeks enjoying the pure breeze of Brown and Cherry counties. Last week, Wednesday, Chas. M. Stimson, an old newspaper friend of the writer, stopped off in Ainsworth a few hours on his way from his home in Iowa to Valentine. It was a mutual surprise, as some twenty odd years had passed since we met or had kept tab on each other's whereabouts. However, these remarks are made preliminary to the announcement that Bro. Stimson has, we understand, accepted an editorial and mechanical position on the Republican at Valentine and will abide in the sand hill country for a time. He is a vigorous and versatile writer and Bro. Barker is to be congratulated over his addition to the editorial as well as mechanical force.

There is talk of abandoning Ft. Niobrara and some claim to have inside information that it will soon be in the hands of an overseer and the soldiers taken to other posts. This is done by the authorities because we didn't vote for M. P. Kinkaid for congress. They say we are populists up here and don't deserve anything and when we have been subdued they will send soldiers to the post again. This was the argument of the republicans all the way through the last campaign and wound up by keeping 14 away from the polls down to the Fort refusing to grant them permission to come up to vote. We know of the party who went down to talk to the commanding officer calling him outside the Fort and arrangements were to keep them at home. Our republicans rejoiced over it at the time and would now rejoice but as these votes would not have changed the election in any particular as it was afterward learned they would now draw down a long face and talk of honesty for the purpose of again deceiving some voter and cajoling him into voting for a republican this fall. Their ticket is already planned and you couldn't change it. It has been fixed up for the past two months and they are among you now hunting for votes. Its a nice little ring and they'll tell you a nice little story.

Stray Notice.

Taken up at my place 5 miles north-east of Killgore, Nebr., one bay mare, weight about 80 lbs. branded UT on right shoulder and on left shoulder 1 on right hip. CHAS. BURNS, Valentine, Neb., June 6, 1901.

Henry Fliniaux, Simeon, Nebraska.

Brand Registered No. 516. Quarter Circle Club. Cattle branded on left hip. Some without quarter circle. Horses branded on left shoulder.

R M Faddis & Co. Postoffice address—Valentine or Kenne. Cattle branded same as cut. Some branded on left thigh. Some on left side or hip.

J P GARDINER Postoffice address Cody, Nebraska. On left side of cattle; horses on right arm. Range, north and south of Niobrara River, 12 miles south west of Cody.

D N GOURLEY Postoffice address Bushville, Neb. On left hip; also 500 on left side. Horses on left shoulder.

D. Bray Rosebud S D. Cattle branded on left thigh or hip same as cut. Horse brand same on the left shoulder.

Charles Richards Merriman, Neb. Cattle branded on left hip.

Wm. F. Smith Rosebud S D. Same as cut or with lar under S; right ear slit and dulapped. Horses branded same on left hip.

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

Vetal Vlandry. Cody, Nebr. Cattle branded anywhere; some with under-neck the brand. Horses on left shoulder.

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

Reuben Quick Bea. Rosebud S D. Cattle branded same as cut or on hip. Range, Blak Pipe Creek.

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

C. E. Wright. Valentine, Nebr. Brand registered No. 374. Brand anywhere on right side.

J G COOLEY Postoffice address Hyannis, Neb. On right side; horses same on right shoulder. Range—six miles northwest of Moberly.

High Grade Bulls. I have at my ranch 20 miles south of Valentine in Dewey Lake precinct 8 high grade Herford bulls two and three years old and three head of full blood Galloways which I will sell cheap. These bulls are all first class and were raised on my ranch. W. G. BALLARD, Woodlake, Nebr.

C. P. Jordan.

Res. hind, SD. Horses and cattle same as cut; also C J BE JJ on right hip. Range on Oak and Butte creeks. A liberal reward for information leading to detection of rustlers of stock bearing any of these brands.

Morey & Hewett. Gordon, Nebr. Brand registered 2222. On left hip of cattle. Horses same left shoulder; er; also 240 on right side. Range—South of Snake 35 miles se of Gordon.

Shatbolt & Fleishman. Bailey, Nebr. Left side; S F left shoulder. Horses same on left side. Range—Range 32 and 37, between Niobrara and the Snake.

Hervey Ranch Wm Cavanaugh Mgr. Crookston Neb. Two miles east of Crookston, in Cherry county, Nebraska. Cattle branded OC on left hip, and on right side with 3-inch letter.

George F Damon Albany, Neb. Cattle branded FD on left ribs or right shoulder; FD 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.

Wm. J. Ahen Ft Niobrara Neb. Brand registered No 870. Horses branded on left hip. Range, Niobrara river 12 miles east of Valentine.

James Goodfellow. Cody, Nebr. Cattle branded on left side. Horses JG on left jaw. Range—Between the Niobrara and Medicine Lake.

M RICHARDSON Postoffice address McCann Neb. Branded on left side. Range—McCann.

CHARLES GARTSIDE Postoffice address Cody, Neb. Cattle branded on left side; also CG on left hip of cattle and left shoulder on horses. Range on Niobrara 10 miles northwest Cody.

A T BRACKETT Postoffice address Riego Neb. Branded on left side. Range—Three miles Southeast of Georgia.

Pat Peiper Irwin Neb. Cattle branded on left side.

George Heyne Cody, Neb. Brand registered No 1077. Horses branded on left shoulder. Range north and south of Chubb Lake in Cherry Co.

Frank Livermore. Cody, Neb. On both sides or on hip or shoulder. Also L on hip or shoulder. Range—Little White River and mouth of Cedar Creek S. D.

L. B. Lesser. Merriman, Neb. On left side; also on same side, SM underlined. Horses underlined M on left hip. Range—Little White River.

GEORGE JESSEN Postoffice address Merriman, Neb. On either left side or hip; horses same on left shoulder. Range—East of Cottonwood Lake.

J. B. Lord Simeon Neb.

Stock branded same as cut back of right shoulder and on right hip. Range on the Niobrara.

D. M. Sears. Kennedy, Nebr. Cattle branded as on cut, left side. Some on left hip. Horses same on left shoulder. Range—Square Lake.

Charles H. Faulhaber Brownlee. Right or left side of cattle. Horses same on left shoulder. Left ear cut off of cattle. Range on Loup river.

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

WILLIAM FERDON. Postoffice address Brownlee, Neb. Like cut on either left side or hip; also left side. Horses same as cut on left hip. \$250.00 REWARD for conviction of anyone unlawfully handling cattle in these brands.

William Shangran. Cody, Nebr. On left side. Horses same. Range—Lake Creek, S. Dakota.

P S ROUSCHER Postoffice address Brownlee, Neb. On left side or any part of animal. Ear mark—right ear cut off; horses branded same on left hip. Also has stock branded H on side or shoulder, or JK or W or O V L or O or E Z. Also the following, the first one being on side and hip.

E. R. Vandegrift. Brownlee, Neb. Same as on cut. Range—Between Goose Creek and North Loup.

Frank T. Lee. Brownlee, Neb. Cattle on left side; horses same on left shoulder. Range—Four miles northeast of Brownlee.

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

Julius Heckman Brownlee, Neb. Range south of Brownlee.

Sawyer Bros. Postoffice address Oasis, Nebraska. Robert Quisenberry have charge of these cattle; horses D on left shoulder; some stock brand 4 V anywhere on side. Range, Snake river.

C F COOPER Postoffice address Oasis, Neb. Brand registered 2065. Cattle branded on left side same as cut. Horses branded on left hip. Also some cattle branded.

Metzger Bros., Greory Neb. Branded on left side and thigh. Earmark, square on right ear. Horses have same brand on left thigh. Range on Gordon and Snake Creeks.

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

D. B. STONER & SON.

Newton, Nebr. Brand registered No. 411. Cattle branded same as cut on left side or left hip. Horses same on left shoulder. Range—South of Gordon Creek.

Teeters Bros. Newton, Nebr. Cattle branded on left side same as cut. Horses on left shoulder. Range—Between the Gordon and Snake.

Louis F. Richards Merriman Neb. Left side. Range—Steverson Lakes and South.

Garner Brothers. Cody, Nebr. Anywhere on cattle. Horses on left shoulder. Range—North Ell.

SWEENEY BROS. Postoffice address Pullman, Neb. Cattle branded as on cut; horses branded same as cattle except reversed S. See block Range—Steverson Lakes and South.

C. Evenson. Cody, Nebr. On left side and thigh; horses the same on left side. Range—Between Niobrara and the Snake.

GEORGE N DAVIS Simeon, Nebr. Cattle branded on left side. Horses same on left shoulder. Range—Gordon Creek.

P. A. Cooper. Chesterfield, Nebr. Cattle branded same as cut on left side. Horses same on left shoulder. Also on left side.

DAWSON & BALL. Postoffice address Chesterfield, Neb. Cattle branded on left side as on cut; also V left neck and Z left hip; some V left neck, V left shoulder and Z left hip. Horses VZ left hip. Range Snake River, 31, 32, 33.

J A SAULTS Postoffice address Gregory, Neb. On left side or hip. Horses same on left shoulder. Range—Arkansas Valley and Snark.

JULIUS PETERSON Postoffice address Gregory, Neb. Branded as on cut. Range two miles north of Gregory.

WILLIAM BEAMER Gordon, Nebr. Cattle branded same as cut on left side. Horses branded on left shoulder. Range—6 miles south of Irwin.

D. Stinard. Valentine, Nebr. State Brand registered 1554. Cattle and horses branded same as cut on left hip. Range—2 miles east of Ft. Niobrara.

PIKE BROS. Postoffice address Crookston, Neb. Branded on either side of animal. Some on right hip. Range—On Minnehaha, 5 miles east of Crookston.

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