

10/30/11.

Dear Bro:-

Yours received from Gale-Sorry we did not get the other steers sold, but it seems that Theis could not handle the deal-I did not forward letter to Hughes until I heard that Theis failed to come through. Got two telegrams from Sam Dunn, one at Portales and one here, but did not answer them, until he called me over the Phone from Amarillo. Then wired him would have to hear from you. Sam writes me a letter and a copy of Theis telegram to him, both of which I enclose. Now Bob I tried to help Conner all I could but it seems the boys Father was here and he hoped against hope that the bill would not be found or that it would be faulty, of course the boy wanted immunity, but the Dist. Atty and I did not think that would be right. I promised Conner that I would do all I could to get Lenie as light as we could ~~ear~~. I think the boy was afraid to squeal on the bunch, but I may be wrong, any way Frank thought he had done all he could here and yesterday morning called me up just before train time and asked me to take care of his Hotel bill, which I did giving my personal check and enclose a/c to you. I told the Gran Jury about the 4 company cattle, but they only found one bill, as it seems Jones did not see the Thy S, and so thought it better to prosecute in Lubbock after they take care of him here for bringing stolen cattle in this County. I enclose letter from Dist. Atty about you getting a copy of the brand certified to from the records, which you will please do at once and send to L.O. Fullen Roswell. N.M.-Be sure and do this as he says he cannot do without it, so attend to this at once. Fullen says he will need Claude or Joyner, or any Texas witnesses, as he has enough here. I think the boy will plead guilty, but cannot say. Think you better be here-Trial Comes up Nov. 9th. try to get here. Doctor came down Wednesday as he promised and I sent him out in car and the Boy that drove him out just told me over the phone that Engine was working fine, put in two flues and had to wait awhile to cool off, so I feel that the engine is alright. The flues we carried down there was too small and I had to bat out with larger flues and a new expander the windmill man measured from inside like piping and flues are measured always from the outside. The boys have had about the same weather we had while out there, but hope they will get along the best they can under the conditions-Just got a phone message that they had the right Cylinder for my car and were putting it on, so will go to Ranch tomorrow and do what I can to help them along. Now Listen, I think you better meet me in Amarillo Wednesday and stay there a few days and see if we cannot catch some buyers for the steers at Company Ranch and also yours. I see that there a few buyers coming in there and you know all the Commission will knock ours-If it is possible for you to do so meet me there and let us look over the situation. Sun has not been out over here for 3 days. awful muddy. With best wishes to all from all over here,

I am your bro. George.

*You ought to get this done by noon & start  
train at 12 noon for Amarillo - If everything alright -  
at 12 noon I will leave for Lubbock and  
Ewing & go to Amarillo with you.*



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Subboos

Tex 2-27-12

Dear Company

I came out Ranch today night

Saturday got with Twitchell & had him go with me to see the Corners original on East side of Jaff Davis & he sure found them. Saturday night rained slowly all night & lightning & thunder all night.

Sunday we intended to leave for Subboos. Twitchell to attend to some business and I to meet Craig to take him to see ~~the~~ 30 bulls, when we woke up Sunday morning in a blinding snow storm the worst I ever saw. We could not travel - Will lose some cows on this day - Turned 3 of them Monday morning & we bucked snow in hats, the grass was not cut.

We leave after dinner with Twitchell. I signed a letter asking you to <sup>to assist Twitchell</sup> ~~to assist~~ <sup>to assist</sup> in getting buyers & adjoining lands to join us in making Corners - I made poison man Rebote 17 lbs per pound & Enclose his check to cover more arrow ~~some~~



Jan. 4/12.

C.C.Slaughter Cattle Co,  
Dallas.  
Texas.

Dear Company:-

I wish to Acknowledge receipt of your Mr.C.C.Slaughter Jr.s

letter of 3d.Inst.reporting that he had received a letter from Mr. C.A.Pierce, enclosing a check of J.R.Craigs for \$1575.00. I figure that there was 35 head of these bulls, 175.00 had previously been paid as earnest money on these bulls, which makes \$1750.00 received at the office and placed to the credit of the company, which is 35 head of coming 2 year old bulls out of the Whiteface herd, our own raising. These bulls are short 2 yr olds or Long yearlings, which a call going some. Mr. Pierce made two trips to the Ranch using his car both times, one time with Mr. Lawrence and selling 100 bulls, and bringing your Manager, and Mr. Hutchinson and Mr. Lawrence to Lubbock and the next time carrying your Manager and Mr. Craig and bringing them back to Lubbock. His charge as commission is 25 cts per head which makes the Co. owe him for 101 head to Mr. Lawrence (one big jaw, and One 69 bull) not counted, and 35 head to Mr. Craig, which makes 136 head at 25 cts per head makes 34.00 we owe him. I enclose order #1433 to cover same and would request your Sec'y to mail him your check to cover same, and oblige yours truly. *Geo. M. Slaughter*

P.S. also enclose letter from J.W. Lemonds enclosing Voucher for his time for last quarter, you will notice he wishes this placed to his credit at American National Bank at Roswell. also his letter to me enclosed, explaining it.

Yours truly,

*Geo. M. Slaughter*



Jan. 4th. 1912.

G.C. Slaughter Cattle Co,  
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Company:-

I wish to know whether I better not get prices on cedar posts, while I am over here?. Whether I better get prices on Smudge Pots and installation Pipes and Reservoirs to replenish same, on the 60 Acre Orchard at the Farm.?. What to about the part of Hardeman County School-land we have in our enclosure, whether to lease it or not, and if it cannot be leased, whether to move the 2 mills we have on it. Would like to lease it, if it can be leased at 10cts. or less. Have Bob to try to see Mr. Garret at Midland and see what he can do about getting settlement out of him for watering place on Midland, as soon as he can conveniently do so. In talking with Lemond, while at Sweetwater, asked him about old freight wagon and he says that the Blacksmith failed to put it in as good shape as he thought he could, and he thinks we better buy one- So do I if the old one could not be fixed, which I reported to the meeting of Directors this year. Wish to know how much I will be allowed to pay for Lobo Wolf scalps.?. I enclose 2 prders and a Labor Voucher dft. Would be pleased to have you send the parties Company check for to orders and hold Bill Hunts until we know where to send it. I am wiring Lee Cannon a day letter for fear that Calvins account will not get in time, as Mrs Cannons letter to you says she wants in Oklahoma by 10th. Inst. "Settle account by Wagon to January first last year. Have Bassett as Notary make account against Calvin Estate from January last year to day stock left at Two Dollars and Fifty cents per head. You sign as foreman. Mail so it will reach proper party before the Tenth Instant." I send my two boys home today, they leave here at 2.30 P.M. and leave Fort Worth 10.45 tonight. I write you this so if they should get in trouble to Phone you, and you will know they are supposed to be there. Would be pleased to have you send me some Stationary and envelopes. All I can think of now. must go and get a drink (Crazy) only Wishing you a Happy and prosperous New Year I am yours to Command

*G.C. Slaughter*



Mineral Wells, Tex. 1/8/12.

C.C. Slaughter Cattle Co,  
Dallas, Texas.

My Dear Company:-

The Cold weather still continues-I wired to J.P. Stone at Portales, who has the old Sloan Simpson Ranch, which lies North and west of us, day before yesterday and got a reply yesterday afternoon-My wire was as follos"J.P. Stone, Portales-"Wire condition on your Ranch, which will be information on ours" He answered yesterday"Conditions on my ranch favorable now, weather unsettled" Saturday afternoon I had Western Union to ask Dalhart and Amarillo for weather report and they replied"18 below at Dalhart, 45 mile w wind, with snow -Amarillo 13 below, high wind"-I then wired J.P. Stone and he does not seem to think it extra ordinary or unusual-Sometimes these heavy storms when reported at Dalhart and Amarillo do not reach as far south as Bovina or Canyon City. I have known it to be scarery at Amarillo and Plainview nothing unusual. I hereby return you Mr. H.A. Davidson letter with attached a/c, without Freighters O.K., and also the original copy of order for car cake which was made Dec. 16/11. When? "ATONCE"-I wish to score him and we cannot afford to have our teams come from Ranch after cake and go back without a load-It is impossible to get word to the Ranch before the wagons leave there for Lubbock and we are damaged considerable-Cant say how much. We asked about the responsibility of Mr. Davidson before giving him the order for cake and was told by some business men that he was reliable, but this looks different-We must have cake when we come in with our wagons, If he contracts us cake to be on hand at once and we send in some 3 wws later for our wagons to load-It seems that he should stand the difference in what we purchased for and what we will have to pay locally. If we pay him for the 105 sacks, he must have O.K. of freighter. Please score him and say to him he must load our wagons when they come after cake, which he promised that he would when we bought the car. Insist on this. With compliments of the season,

I am,

Your most obedient servant.

Geo. M. Slaughter.



Mineral Wells, Texas. 1/10/12

C.C. Slaughter Cattle Co,  
Dallas, Texas.

My Dear Company:-

Yours of 8th Instant to hand contents noted-In reply, will say that The Cameron Co. ~~school~~ land should be leased by all means-I do not know what we are paying for it, as I never leased or paid for same. I should think it better not to "ruffle the feathers" of these people, but renew the lease on same lines as before-Would like you to inform what we have been paying for this lease. Now as to Hardeman county school land or rather the part we lost, 2952 acres I think, I do not know who owns it, so think you better find this out and take it up with these people at once. As a general thing lands where they have water on them are leased for about 10cts. per acre.

In reference to the ~~#1st~~ salt, will say that we are offered it at 9.40 and reweigh to our wagon as well as to store same until we can haul it out, which is a better proposition. In regard to the Dorse Calvin Bill for grazing his horses-Will say that Dorse kept his horses on the alfalfa and promised every time I saw him that he would take them some where else, as I had given orders that the employes should not keep any stock on the farm while working there on account of they wanting to see them every once in awhile and they would have to drive up the mares and colts to den them, and there was danger of getting them to running and cut some colt on the wire. Just before he got sick he sent his boy off with his horses to Oklahoma, while I was at Ranch, when I got back to Roswell Calvin was too sick to talk to him about this, so took it up with Cannon, his son-in-law. Calvin had a wagon and after he died Mrs. Cannon wanted to sell it for him, we had used it at times when hauling hay to town, so I told Lee he could settle 1910 a/c by taking the wagon, as we needed one. Mrs Cannon was back to see her mother when I left Roswell and I instructed Lee to take up this 1911 account with her on her return to farm and place it with proper parties at once, but it seems they took it up with you or rather he She did, and you forwarded to me, so the time was limited, after you forwarding me the letter, so I wired the following "Jan 4th Lee Cannon-Settle account by wagon to January first last year.

Rave Bassett as Notary public make out account against Calvin Estate from Jan. first last to date stock left the farm at 2.50 per head. You sign as foreman, mail so it will reach proper party before the 10th Instant. signed. Geo. M. S." It seems that they think you the proper party. Now I would suggest that after this you give instructions through your manager to any of the foreman, this is due me, hold me responsible for men under me as foreman, and I will hold foreman responsible for men under them. By this way you will keep down any friction. Yours truly



Dear Company:-

Roswell.N.M. 1/22/12.

Arrived home all O.K. This valley is bright and sunny and the first time I have seen the sun since I left here, that is all day. Wired you about talking to Davidson at Lubbock about loading cake, and he promised to load until our car arrived. Wired you about Phelps White find-some oil and gas at 1400 feet. They have a contract with man name of Mook to go down 2000 feet, and this looks good to me, as this well is only about 10 miles due east of our lands, and about the center or rather due east from center. I dont know whether you remember me saying one time at the meeting of stockholders some 4 or 5 yrs ago, that we had drilled a dry hole about 350 feet on the west side of pasture and the last dirt drawn up by the drill looked like lava and smelled like coal oil. I have always beleived that there was oil in our vicinity, and have been after mook last two years to go over to this dry hole and look at the soil for croppings, and he has promised several times, but could never catch him when he felt as he had the time, as he has had so much bad luck with his machinery. Wouldnt be great if we should find oil in vicinity of this land. White is wild over the prospect. Ofcourse one cannot tell whether they will find it in paying quantities or not, but this strike of some oil and gas shows that it is somewhere in that country. Have you leased the Coke county school land (the old bull pasture) for this year if not, would be glad to have this again this year, as we cannot do without the water on it, as there are two watering places on this land. It is owned by Simmons of Waco and O. Holland at Plainview. the last named had charge of it last year when it was leased. Have sold all the hay but about 50 tons, will load that as soon as can get cars. Some are getting 14.00 F.O.B., but most of them are only getting 13.50. Every one thinks it will go up, as soon as the 13.50 cars are loaded, that is the cars that have been bought at that price. Will go to Ranch as soon as I can get things up in shape here. Am putting a man in oldest 60 acre orchard to clean salt grass, old dead alfalfa and gr green alfalfa from around the roots of the trees, I have come to the conclusion that the above around the roots is the cause of the bugs or microbes or rather their eggs being deposed in this trash, and later produce worms or borers. Am anxious to attend the Farmers Institute. Think best to attend if do not hear anything to take me to Ranch. Things are picking up since statehood in way of selling irrigated lands.

Yours truly,

Geo. M. Slaughter  
mgr.



Roswell.N.M./1/30/12.

Dear Company:-

I wish to report to your honorable body that 90 head of saddle horses and 7 mules arrived at the farm from the Texas Ranch on the 2nd day Jan. in the yr of our lord 1912. Had Asbury to select out of the 90 head, some 20 head of the best ~~200~~ fleshed horses and 4 of the best fleshed mules, and put them in separte of the farm, so as to give them better treatment, and purchased this day 24 grass morrals, and 1000# of corn. The Morrals cost 2.25 p dozen, and the corn 1.65 per hundred, and it was deliverd to the farm, where it will be soaked the night before feeding, in a barrel, and about 3#, or 1/2 gallon will be fed to each horse and mule once a day. This will be as little as could be fed to harden them some 30 days before sending to the Ranch to start the Prarie dog poisoning. Bob Asbury will attend to this and see that they are properly fed and give them what hay (loose) they will need according to the grazing of green alfalfa, the other horse will not get as much hay and grain, as they will be longer on the alfalfa, but will be left later to go to ranch, or in other words until the green grass comes up, for fear of getting them locoed. My idea is to have these horses and mules to start about the first of March to the ranch and go right to work on the dog killing and when the Theis steers are orderd shipped, if we are not through with the dogs, to stop and take this same outfit and take steers to R.R. and then go back to Ranch and take up the poisoning where we left off and stay with until they are killed. White is killing dogs now on their Ranch. It is impossiblir to tell how much Strychnine we will have to use or how much cynide of potassium. I think the best to purchase Strychnine in 10# lots and also the Cynide of pottassium in 10# lots. Cheap molasses by the barrel. This will be main lots except the Kaffir corn which we have already purchased. I am working on as to how much or rather an idea, as impossible to tell on a/c of the towns are not on all the land - In the sandy land will find very few, and on the hard land there will be more. Am giving this subject my best thought and getting receipts from the most successful dog killers. Davissons car got on the bum, and will go to Portales tomorrow and give the ranch an inspection. Am fearful will have to buy another car of cake, but will write you as soon as I get back.

yours truly,



Roswell.N.M. 2/3/12.

Col.W.B.Slaughter,  
Pueblo,Colo,

Dear William:-

Your "beautiful lecturing" letter of the 1st. received. In reply, will say that the letters you are "roaring about so much, were both received on my arrival from spending 2 weeks holidays with my old Dad, and 2 weeks at Mineral Wells to rest and drink their restful waters. I fully intended to join you and Harrell on your El Paso trip, but on a/c of some annual ditch meetings that came about that time I could not get away. When I received your letters, you were on your way to El Paso, and I did not know where to catch you with mail. I told Harrell what to tell you, I think some of your information was from Harrell. He gets into trouble and wants me to write him and divide the responsibility on Association business-I have troubles of my own, and besides he has a President at home to go to. Many thanks for your trouble in behalf to engage rooms for Bob and I. you say you don't know whether I will go to El Paso or not I should say that I will be there with both feet, and if "Uncle Bill" don't come away from El Paso as President of the Association, they will know that I have been to a Bull fight alright. I heard the other day through J.P. Stone that there is some "log rolling" around Amarillo for your friend Fuqua. Now I am willing for Fuqua to be president of all the club Banks, Trust Companies, life and fire ins. companies that he wants to be, but if he beats "Uncle Bill" for Panhandle Association Presidency, he will know that he has been to "an Irish wake of the first water. I am quite sure that you and Bill Harrell did all that was necessary to put the ball to rolling ~~near the~~ at the City near the "Manyanas". Now I would advise that you let this fight of changing name rest awhile until my fight, is over, then if you want another scrap ~~\*\*\*am with you~~ I will more than likely join you, that is, when El Paso makes good on entertainment and membership, etc. Now as to that "Texas Raisers bunch" we will have to study that pretty well. If they make an offer to consolidate, would like to hear what they have to offer as to where there is any chances for consolidation. I think if we had a 3d. Inspector, from ~~nae~~ experience, they would not let so many cattle pass that they do not see. Have not thought it over very seriously, only talked with Harrell, that it would have to be separate offices ~~et~~ etc. We will listen to their proposition, and it will depend, whether it is best for us or not. My Father always taught me to take all the options, without cost, but never give one without considerations and valuables put up. I will be pleased to hear from you soon and often and will promise to answer on receipt. Amarillo is still sore over old scars and scores, and sore at the Slaughter boys, on a/c of past defeats by them, and are *jealous* ~~records~~ envious of their victories, but their is consolation, that is, our



Col.W.B.S. #2.

records are clean and above board, and always for the good of the Association. I suspect that they are telling that the Slaughters think that they can run the Association, that they think it belongs to them, and try to the members "poisoned" by this kind of talk, but these cow boys require more proof than that kind of Loco. The mass of them will say that the Slaughter boys have their failings, who has not, but when they are put ~~at~~ <sup>on</sup> the wheel, that they will steer "in the teeth of the wind" if necessary to further the old ship along to a safe landing. That they do not allow their business to occupy all their time and attention to the detriment of the Association, but will ~~it~~ give it some time and attention. I am proud to hear of your success as a banker, not only in Texas, but also in Colorado, and this is very gratifying to me. Had a beautiful visit <sup>with</sup> my old Dad, and am very proud to see him as well as he is, in his 75th <sup>year</sup> his mind is as bright as ever on "big business", although a little <sup>child</sup>ish on small matters, which are expected and natural. I am going to bend every effort to eat dinner with him on his 75th birthday. It seems the older he gets the closer I feel towards him, and when he is gone I will miss my best friend and counsellor, in fact the only one that I have ever had. I know that it is impossible to improve on his record, but you can rest assured I will never willfully pull it down. Isn't it awful that the son of Boyce should be the cause of his old Father's death, I would rather be dead and rotten than stand in his shoes. Too bad to think of. Just to think of ~~all~~ as many hobble skirts unmortgaged running around Goo Goo eyeing to jump on one that ~~is~~ <sup>is</sup> mortgaged. Fearful winter for three or four weeks, and it all depends on what kind of spring we have whether they pull through or not. Was over the ranch a day before yesterday, and they look better than I expected to see them, considering what they have already stood. Everything is nice and sunshiny over here and I expect wonders out of our baby state. We are proud of our "Cow Puncher" governor. Hoping to hear from you soon and often and with best wishes to you, aunt Annie, Coney and wife and baby, I will bid you good night,

As ever your NevY,

Geo. M. Slaughter



Roswell.N.M.2/4/12.

Dear Company:-

I went out to Ranch on the last day of January and drove down near the center of south pasture, looked at the cows, they look fairly well for this time of year, and much better than I expected to see them. Selected a place for another well while down there, where it is needed, which will be about 1/2 way between Dunlap and Dynamite, and something like 1/2 between Slaughter and South Mills, John will measure the distance with buckboard wheel. If this well furnishes reasonable water, will make it double. Am anxious to have a well east of headquarters, about 1/2 between Hdqtrs and Lobo hill mills, and about equal distance between Prairie Dog and south mill, but on a/c of the Penny strip, will more than likely have to have a surveyor, so as to be sure that we are getting it on our lands-Will try to locate this before they are through with wells spoken of above. When do you expect Twitchell will be on our lands? Please write and ask him what time he expects to survey ours. The white face cows in north pasture I think look better than the south pasture cows, but I expected to see the reverse, as the south pasture cows have had that range all to themselves, while the North pasture grazed the steers all summer, before turning the Whiteface cows from their old pasture in on this-Saw the steers (our coming 2&3 year olds) and they are doing much better than I expected-John has about 600 on cake, part of them feeding at Zavalla, part at whiteface camp and part at Scraped out. He is gathering a bunch out of north pasture and throwing them in horse pasture at Hdqtrs. until he gets them together and then will take them to white face. Have had beautiful weather for this time of year since the 10th of January. Some few calves dying with black leg, think they have counted about 6 so far-Our cattle look better than any cattle I saw from Portales out to ranch. It will all depend on what kind of ranch we have as to our losses-Examined grass in sand and find some green grass coming in every bunch that I pulled up, and if we can have pretty weather should have early sand grass, and there is the best season in the ground that we have had for years. Think will need another car cake alright, and I think it money well spent-All the ranches are feeding the poorest ones. They have all the cake hauled out, that is the car bought from Davidson and when Davidson sends in the orders that I have signed, you can pay the ones that have been o.K.'d. and sent in while I was at Mineral wells.

Have wired Lubbock to ask the other grain house what they will put in car for, Davidson wants 29.50. On a/c of the grass starting in the sand will start the horses and mules to ranch 15th. inst. to prairie dog, and while poisoning dogs I gave John orders to cut ear off every dead one (cattle) they saw, and save ear and tally, so we could get some idea of our losses. We finished last week with the Baled hay, and have been figuring selling some of the loose damaged hay to local parties, when we can, after



C.C.S.C.Co, #2.

figureing fully on what it will take to run the farm this summer. Lee is getting his orchard worked and trimming done and will soon be ready to spray. Getting some plowing done since the ground has thawed e out. Expect to let a contract for some more cementing through our 100 acres of farm on the right hand side going out to farm, or rather the s th side of farm, hope this will take out the Sub irrigation that has be detrimental to this land for years. We will only have to pay 1/4 of the cost, as it is done by the North Spring ditch Co, and we own 16 shares out of the whole or 64 shares. We are putting in a new head gate on the Pioneer ditch out of cement as the old wooden ~~was~~ one was rotting off and leaking. Then we are putting in an improvement on the South Spring center ditch, a syphon flume, to take place of old rotten over head flume. The weather has been like spring here in the valley, except at night, which of course is chilly. Think will get Dr. Jenkins report tomorrow about the Reg. cattle, also will go to work and get up my expense a/c and as I want to go to Bobs and look at his bulls, and would like to get heater for Dipping Vat, will run down about the 7th. or 8 th. and we will select a good boiler for Vat. Also get together on Poison-Saw the old Lobo hunter and he promises to start to work on ranch next week. have not orered the Car salt yet, as we are getting it about as cheap and not standing any loss, and not ready to haul it right out, but have wholesale prices and will order so it will arrive about time when both wagons can haul out at once, and then can take teams to break land with. This is about all I can think of just now. Have you leased the Coke Co. As far as I can see everything working as well as could expect, and the country is picking up over here and quite a few buying property and it is looking up some, Hoping everything doing nicely at your end of the line, I am with best regards and good wishes,

yours very truly,  
yours to command.

Geo. M. Slaughter



(Copy)

On train from Lamesa to Lubbock,  
2-16-12

Dear Company:

Arrived next morning after leaving Dallas. Struck Lemond there; arranged for poison to kill dogs, best crystal strychnine for 9.67 per pound and #1 cyanide potassium @ .36 per pound, all in 10# lots. Closed with "Davidson Feed Store" for car 20 ton cake, not less than 43 portein, for \$29.50 per ton, including storage and reweigh to wagons, also 1 car 20 tons best lump rock salt @ 9.00 per ton, storage and reweighing to wagons as called for. Also purchased "Flanders 20" at cost, including top, wind shield and speedometer; as there was no car in stock arranged with agent to go up to Amarillo yesterday for his actual traveling expenses, and drove car to Lubbock today, so can go to Ranch tomorrow. He is a careful, temperate man, and says he will come slow and watch that no bearings are burned or taps loose and adjust on road, so by time he gets to Lubbock with car it will be ready to operate without "burning up."

'Phoned Bob and stayed with him and Joyner yesterday, and last night and then they delivered me back to Lamesa this morning for train. While there, purchased 15 out of 21 of their bulls, our selection, to be delivered at Brownfield July 1st or sooner if we want them; they agree to feeding heavier from now on so as to have them in good shape by delivering for 60.00 per head. Did not go to Colorado as Bob was going to Dallas today, but he and Joyner promised they would find out all bulls in their part of country that were for sale and prices, and let me know later. Took up the matter of Registered Herd, sold them and they all agreed everything was all right, and they withdraw any claim against Company.

Cattle look good for this time of year all along the road, did not see any of Long S, but neighbors looked fairly well. Lemond reports our cattle doing fairly well. Will write you when I get home.

Yours very truly,

GEO. M. SLAUGHTER, Mgr.



Dear Company:-

Roswell.N.M.2/20/12.

I purchased the little car at cost, but the party had it in stock at Amarillo. I wanted a runabout, but they did not have that style, and as I did not want to pay 25.00 for an old car to go to Ranch, I did the best I could and got a touring fore door body, good wind shield and Mohair top. Took old trunk rack off old car, and will take Presto also as soon as it is exchanged for a full tank. They did not have a speedometer in Amarillo, so will take old speedometer off of the old car and buy a wheel to fit the 30" tire, and use it, then I will know how fast I am driving and also how far it is to different places on the ranch. I am very much pleased with the car, but it will not pull in the sand. It is possible that it is on account of the small tires, I don't know yet. On good roads it hums nicely and does not use much oil or gas. I wish you would have Dick see the State Agent and see whether Bradley has a contract for only 18%. It seems to me that we ought to have 20% off-At least that is what I understood the State Agent to say, but Bradley told me that is all that he got off. The Surveyors are on the Ranch, are in the white face pasture, and I had John send a man and plow to their outfit to follow the Chain carriers so as to plow a furrow around each League. I did not go to see Twitchell, as he was leaving the next morning for Lubbock, but will go out Friday and join them, as Twitchell is expected back at that time. I wish you would <sup>have</sup> our Sec'y to write the Cameron people, also the Coke County people, and ask them if they want their dogs killed, that we can kill them on their land Pro-rating the expense by leagues at what it costs us, that all the adjoining lands are killing dogs, and it will be much cheaper to have us kill them as we are going to run our prairie dog outfit as reasonable as we can. Now I hope you will do this, for their lands have quite a number of dogs, and if they are not killed they will come back on our lands. Write these people the best letter you can get up at once and if they approve, wire me as soon as you hear from them. If our President is at the office have him call up the Coke Co man at Waco and talk over the phone and impress on him the necessity of killing dogs on their leagues, also the Cameron Mngr the same-Bob can do this in an impressive manner, and if he can talk them to doing this it will be a saving to us and also to them. John will try the outfit on the horse pasture Thursday. So as to get things running, and move Thursday night to the southeast corner of Hdqtr pasture and start on that pasture Friday. I leave here Friday morning to join him with one and probably two men. He will phone how many men he is short tomorrow. I came over to get Craig letter about bulls, as I learned in Lubbock he had written me at Roswell about bulls, was away from home when I wired at Dallas, got his letter and wired him, could deliver 30 head Mch. 1st. Lubbock, same as he got before at same price, and got wire ~~last night~~ today saying proposition accepted, so will have to take another man or two to deliver them, out with me,



C.C.S.C.CO. #2.

also a couple of Sugar or flour scoops, which the merchants we trade with here gave me, could not get them at Lubbock, this will be the thing to dip the poison from the Mixer to the Morrals, also a dozen more moral. I think I have every thing now that they need to start with. Have tried to get the best material, so it will last until we get through. Ground here white with snow this morning and snowed up to 11 oclock, but this afternoon sun came up and set clear, not very cold here, got phone from Lubbock after supper, said snowed about 4 inches over there today, but wind came up and drifted it up in drifts and where there was short grass it blew off and showed the grass. Phoned White and he said he would call up Yellowhouse and if he got them would phone me, but have not heard from him yet so suppose he did not get them. Would appreciate it if you would have your Stenographer to copy my last letter to you that I wrote on train from LaMesa and send it to me (the copy) so I can put in my file Doctor Veal and Minnie, Cahoon and wife, in car with them, ran over a boy turning a corner, saturday eve, Doc driving, ran over the boys Stomach, picked him up and blood run out of his nose and mouth and ears, carried him to Hospital thinking he was seriously injured. I got to ranch at about dark saturday night and called up my wife to know whether there was any telegrams from Craig, just an hour or two after the accident, and she phoned they were awfully uneasy about the life of the boy, so I got up next morning and hurried in, so as to be of any assistance I could to Doc and Minnie, for fear they might get up something like Criminal negligence, as he is Mayor, and has a beautiful big car, and some of the rabble are jealous of him. I intended waiting over Ranch sunday and come in monday, caught the train about 3 minutes before it left. Doc and Minnie sat up all night at Hospital with him, and my wife had them come to our house so as to keep neighbors from talking to them about the accident. Fortunately the boy is doing fine and is now considered out of danger of peritonitis, and no complication of any kind, which is beautiful. I wired mother just as soon as I could be assured that he would live, so you all could get the news also to keep Father from worrying. Have had fine weather on the ranch and the warm days and the season in the ground is making grass start, the cattle I saw are looking fairly well for this time of year, with exception of a few, and unless we have some hard weather in march, I cant see but what we ought to come out without any big loss, out of the poor cows feeding at White face boy said he had only lost 3 so far. More anon, good night. Yours respectfully,

Geo. M. Slaughter

P.S.

Be Sure + have Bob Phone these parties about "Wags" - if he is not there have C. or W. to phone as we do not want to pay for Surveying their lands out.



Roswell.N.M. 2/21/12.

Judge W.B.Slaughter,  
Pueblo, Colo.

Dear Uncle:-

On my arrival at home from the 3/4 Century birth of my old

Dad, and we certainly spent a very pleasant day-John and Belle were to have been over, but I think on account of a backset to Louie, they could get over. I have a beautiful letter from Capt. Bujac, who paid the eulogy + to Sam Houston, and next day made our welcome address. I think you asked him last year for a talk at Dalhart, but he was laid up with a broken limb, and could not attend-This year he is right side up with care and is in "running trim" and says, if the program is made up alright, but says he promised the Slaughter tribe, that anytime they called on him "he w would be there with both fore feet". I am desirous that he be put on the executive board this year for his section of the country. I enclose his letter and you may return it to me the next time you write, or take it to El Paso with you and you can hand it to me as I wish to keep it in my files-Wish you would write Harrell, to place him somewhere to represent the Executive committee or the best position he can give him-He is capable and if we keep him from too much "Ta-kee-ly" he is alright on any subject we may give him. Bear in mind anything that we wish to put before the meeting, he will represent us-I know him. Yes, I intend to catch the train that the bunch goes down on-more than likely at Vaughn.

Leave here saturday, if the gang goes down that day.

Doc and Minnie have a beautiful Pierce, but as he was driving around town ran over a boy, but he is getting along nicely, and think will be out in a few days. Hoping to see you soon, and with much love to you and yours from we'uns over here,

I am very truly your Nevy,

P.S.

Dont think I will take the 2200# steer, as he is soft yet and there is no show given. I think he is the best that I ever saw for a range animal-Let me hear from you.

*Geo. W. Slaughter*



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Roswell, N.M. 2/30/12.

Dear Company:-

I have just returned from the spending a week on the ranch while there, I witnessed one of the worst Blizzards I ever saw. It started raining saturday night, rained slowly nearly all night, and next morning turned into snow, the largest flakes I ever saw, then a 60 mile wind came up and filled the air with fine snow and ice, you could not see at all. Twitchells men were camped close by and it tore up his tent, and they came to the house, I sent one of his men out to the shed to get some coal and he got lost getting back. The snow covered the ground, but the high wind came up and blowed it up in drifts against bushes and any holes or ruts, where it banked up. I sent all the men next day to south side of fences to skin any weak ones that fell down, they only found 8 dead ones. The last storm, 5 days before 25 head of cows out of the poor bunch that were being fed turned up their toes. So far I think we have lost something like about 60 head. It looks as though it is getting late enough now not to have any long storms, the grass is trying awful hard to come up and if we could only get some sunshine warm days we would have grass. I had promised to meet Craig sunday to come out and see 50 bulls, but it was impossible to drive sunday, so monday morning it took about 5 men to get the little Flanders to start, the night before in putting it in the Garage I lifted up the hood on one side to turn the water off the water wheel and left the hood up, and that fine snow and high wind had driven through the roof and the fine snow had packed around the engine, carburetor and magneto and wires were damp, we finally got her started and we bucked snow in the ruts nearly all the way to Lubbock from 11 A.M. until 8 P.M. I was awfully well pleased with the little Flanders, of course it was hard on the new car to punish it, but it had to be done, and I sure gave it a severe test, an old car with busted engine, was left at the ranch last year and I found some chains in it and cut them to fit the Flanders. Started the Prairie dog out fit wednesday morning. Twitchell is working alright to get in the corners and is finding most of them in the hard ground, but where they fell in sand I dont think will ever trace them. Well brought Craig to Ranch Monday night and Tuesday morning sold him 30 bulls, coming 2 yrs, just like the ones sold him Xmas, he said that if we would furnish him a horse he would go with them, so did so and gave him one man, and he said his train did not run sunday, so he wanted to wait until monday to ship them, so he gave me his check and I enclose same. If they are not turned down by Inspector they will be alright, but if they do not pass or one of the bulls give out then we will have to refund Mr. Craig. I leave here tomorrow for the convention at El Paso, and will try to get in touch with the cattle trade, and prices. If we do not have too much hard weather during this month our loss will be light.

yours truly,

*Wm. H. Hargrave*



Roswell.N.M.3/1/12.

Dear Company:-

Mr.Ogelvie Sec'y Pioneer Ditch Co,tells me today that he has not heard a word from Order #1449-Have you never received it?. Please look it up and if you have never received same,I will make him a duplicate.I enclose contract signed by Stone (for garden). Also enclose my check for my a/c at the farm.I took off the Turkey I think this is the only one that I ever got,while the rest of the stool holders got from one to two every year.You will notice that I am charged with 2 box apples 10/24/10 and 2 box apples 10/26/10-Now one of these boxes was atken to the men at Bovina while shipping or to the Ranch,I do not know which.We have never had 4 boxes apples in 4 days at the house, would not have room to store them.I am quite sure that this is the way it was done-Ofcourse if the Company does not want to treat the men to a box of apples once in awhile let me know and I will treat them myself. So if you cannot stand this 2.00 I will pay it.I received a letter some few days ago from ~~Mr.Oliver~~ Mr.DeOlivero,(Ithink this is his name)Inspector at Bovina ,claiming he never received his check for Insrecting the thy S steers sold last fall to Geo Thies-I am quite sure that I gave him an order for same-Look at my last years order book and see whether I did or not.Please look this up and let me know about it.These are the only ~~that~~ ones that I have heard any complaint about.Weihed the Big steer to day -He weighed 2120#-making a gain of 120# in 3 weeks.40# per week is not bad.had his picture struck today and will send you one as soon as developed.Took Godair and Delmont to see him today and they say he is the best they ever saw,in fact every one that has seen him say the same thing

Yours truly,

Geo. M. Slane



3/1/12.

Standard Folding Typewriter Co,  
Groton,  
N.Y.

Gentlemen:-

I saw a gentlemen the other day using one of your folding Typewriters on the train, and was very much taken with it. I wish you to send me one in leather case. You may send it to my Bank and draw on me through the Bank, as I do not want to pay C.O.D. charges. My son wishes to take the agency for it, and if you wish an agent I think he would be able to sell a few in this part of the country. He is a school boy 14 yrs old and wishes to make a little commission for himself. I want the folding typewriter to carry with me.

yours very truly,

*Geo. M. Slaughter*



Roswell.N.M.3/11/12.

Dear Company:-

I got back from El Paso, where I attended the meeting of the Panhandle and Southwestern Ass'n. It seems that the trading was rather slow as the cattle in the upper Panhandle have wintered badly and I think the grazers in Kansas are afraid that they will not ship early and the Bankers have cautioned them to wait and see whether they will be in condition to ship to grass without too much loss. There was some trading in the southwest cattle where they wintered well and the prices are being held up pretty well. Bob was there for two days, when he got a message that Joiner was in dangerous condition and he got a surgeon and started to him. I see by the papers he died, too bad, John was a good man and Bob will miss him in business. I have not learned the particulars, but from what I can learn he got a scratch and never thought anything of it and it went into blood poison. It is a hard blow on his hard working little wife. I left the next night went over to Albuquerque to try and get our brand recorded, finally got the brand recorded for cattle only, as horse brand was recorded, but think will be able to get that after awhile. Had the thigh S recorded on either or both thighs. Was unable to do it by correspondence. I enclose certificate. I also enclose another check for apples. Sorry bulls were turned down, but it could not be helped, we thought they would pass. Hope to get them through yet, but will be put to a little expense in feed and dipping. Will leave for Ranch tomorrow morning and then to Lubbock to see about bulls. Phone from John tonight says weather been bad since the 1st. Some cows looking bad. In regard to the Check to Pioneer Ditch Co, I have not seen the Sec'y since I got back from El Paso, but will inquire about it when I get back from Ranch. Will write DeOlivero and see if he has gotten his check yet. Have several inquiries out for bulls and have asked that they write me at Dallas, so if any mail comes there for me hold it. Am to meet Judge Nelson at Ft Worth Convention about seeing his bulls just after the convention. Hoping to see you all soon, I am

very truly yours,

George.



Roswell.N.M. 3/11/12.

Standard Typewriter Co,  
Groton,Ny,

Gentlemen:-

Yours 5th.before me,and as I am leaving for a few days  
visit to the cattle ranch in Texas,will not be able to get you N.Y.  
exchange,but on my return in a few days will send you \$50.00 in ex.  
I wish one of the first new machines you get out.My son was much pleased  
with the agency,and I think he will be able to sell quite a few of them,  
if they work like I think they will.Hoping you will express me one of  
the first of your newmodels,

I am very truly,

Geo. M. Slaughter



GEO. M. SLAUGHTER, GENL. MGR.  
E. DICK SLAUGHTER, AUDITOR.

C. C. SLAUGHTER, JR., SECY.  
ALEX. A. SLAUGHTER, TREAS.



# C. C. SLAUGHTER CATTLE CO.

INCORPORATED JANUARY 30, 1902

DALLAS TEXAS. 4/27/12.

C. C. Slaughter Cattle Co,  
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Company:-

I enclose One Draft on Verner-Kelly Live Stock Com. Co for	
(with Exchange) <del>See</del> Signed E. M. Ladd for.	*23458.81 23458.81
One on Citizens Nat Bnk, Emporia Kan, signed by Chas Jones for	14693.15
One on Emporia Nat. Bnk signed by Evan Roberts for	6532.32
All three of these checks are payable to Geo Theis Jr and	
endorsed by Geo. Theis Jr, to C. C. Slaughter Cattle Co,	
1041 Steers (299 Longs and 742 Thy \$ steers.	Total 44684.48
I figure that the Company will pay Col. Slaughter	13754.00
C. C. S. C. Co. 742 Strs. Pas & Int. on 1041 Strs.	30930.48.
	<u>44684.48.</u>

The steers were delivered in good shape and penned and loaded as nice and quiet as any bunch that ever went in the yards and the people that received them expressed themselves as loud in their appreciation of the cattle, condition and the way they were handled, which is a satisfaction to all parties concerned. Geo. Theis was down to see them loaded and acknowledged that he made a bad mistake in disposing of them and buying other cattle, and insisted that I let him look at the steers we have for this year before we priced them to any one else. In fact is ready and willing to contract them now, provided we could agree on price. I told him we were not ready to contract now as we had never talked it over. He wanted to know if we would take same price as last fall I told him no that we would want more money as the young steers had wintered well, were well grown, and ought to be better bred and the conditions were fine for them to grow well. That if he would come down and look at them early we would talk trade, but that there were several parties that wanted to do the same thing etc. I accepted these checks and drafts all with (Exchange all endorsed by Geo. Theis Jr. payable to the C. C. S. C. Co, which I hope will be satisfactory to the Co, wish you would please notify me when they are paid. I send Asbury and One man to Roswell to get the saddle horses from the farm and take back to the Ranch, and the other boys will take the outfit back to the Ranch and will immediately go to work over the Range picking out the scabby cattle and take them to the dip and dipping them double, so as to make use of the Dip we now have in the dip from these steers. I do not think it advisable to dip only those that are showing Itch now for the reason that we would dogie lots of calves and lose the calves that would not claim their motheres on a/c of the Tob. smell. Could dip all the steers and believe that would be a good idea. Please let me know if you acquiesce in my ideas. Grass is growing nicely and all loss should be over.

With best wishes I am very truly,

*Geo. M. Slaughter*



Roswell. N.M. 5/18/12.

C.C.Slaughter Cattle Co,  
Dallas, Texas.

Gentlemen:-

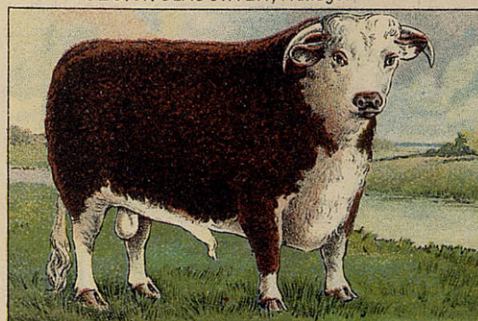
Just arrived last night from Mo. and Kans. where I received the bulls and will leave tomorrow morning for ranch and Lubbock to receive them at this end. I enclose rendition of lands here, and will have Portal's rendition on my way back from ranch as tomorrow is Sunday. Will also attend to looking up rendition at Lubbock. I enclose letter which explains itself. We have been losing wire and posts off the 1360 acres south and people would tear down the fences for a road, which runs through the center of this pasture. We employed a girl that lives at the corner to see if we could not stop this travel and stealing, she claimed she would watch it, and while she rode things were a little better, but she struck for more money and we let her go, and Lee is trying to ride it about twice a week. I surmise this conscience letter is a/c of the girl watching things. I endorse the post check and await your instructions about it. Telephone from Lemond this forenoon says that have good rains and some surface water on the North side, did not get much rain at Zavalla, only for grass. Has dipped some 800 head first time and will repeat in 10 days. sold 20 bulls which will be delivered between 1st. and 10th. to Barton, I think I wrote you about this deal. These 20 are the rest of our two year old own raising, and the cuts out of the bulls we sold Craig. We cannot use them on a/c being too closely connected with our cows. Yes Bulls are hard to get and awful high. Cost more than expected, but the best are the only kind for us to use, we have not purchased too many. Think we can make out for this year, and hope to sell some more of our raising so as to replenish some next year. Will write you fully when see ranch and give you an idea of how things look. Am quite sure that the rain will put things in fine shape and will also be a help to the little farming we are trying to do. I am doing the best I know how with the Ranch, and that is all a wooden man can do.

Yours very truly,

*J. M. Slaughter*



GEO. M. SLAUGHTER, Manager.



# SLAUGHTER'S HEREFORDS

HARRY W. HAMILTON, Foreman.



**SIR BREDWELL, 63685**  
CHAMPION OMAHA EXPOSITION, 1898.

**ANCIENT BRITON, 55749**  
WORLD'S FAIR CHAMPION, 1893.

RANGE BULLS FOR SALE  
SINGLE OR CAR LOTS.

**C.C. Slaughter Cattle Co.,**  
Dallas, Texas.

Gentlemen:-

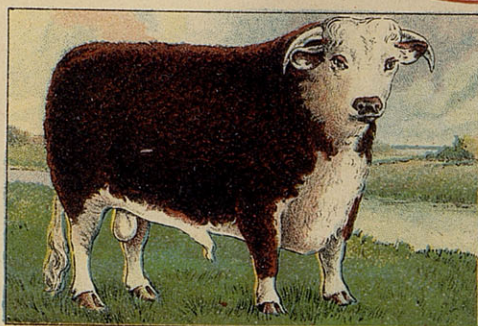
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Roswell, N.M. 5/29/12.

*Roswell, N.M.*

POLAND CHINA HOGS.  
BARRED PLYMOUTH ROCK CHICKENS.

Just in from the Ranch, got the bulls that we bought to the ranch, carried them to Zavalla camp, where we had small pasture to keep them in, until ready to turn them out, but a/c Zavalla getting dry, sent 2 men down there to move them to little east pasture at whiteface camp, where we had a small rain and the grass is fresh and green. Carried Inspector out and dipped the 20 head that we sold to Joe Barton, and am expecting him to come by the ranch in a few days to receive them. Sold these for 50.00 per head, as they were some cutbacks out of the ones we sold to Craig, but from now on want to get 60.00 per head if possible, as bulls are worth more money and are very scarce, of course will not turn down 50.00, if can't do better for the surplus we have. I saw the Tax Assessor of Lubbock Co, and rendered for Taxes 7000 cattle and 80 horses and mules. This is about what others are rendering, of course the Saddle horses were at Roswell on the 1st. of Jan. I did not render them at Roswell, as we have been paying in Texas and N.M. both last year and I thought it would be right to let them pass this year on that a/c I talked with assistant Assessor here when rendering and we thought this would be right, but of course they can assess us here on the saddle horses, but am taking chances, and if they do will put in a claim for last year. I enclose copy of rendition at Portales or rather the land we own in Roosevelt Co, lands. We have had some very good rains on most of the pastures, but S.E. is getting pretty dry, are having some high winds which dries out the grass very fast. Cattle are doing as nicely as can be expected. Came in to get some men to fill outfit out to gather the yearlings, which will start the 1st. of June to gather them, which will take some 10 days, will want to do them and put in separate pastures. It looks as though we are going to have a fine calf crop, never saw them show up as well and all seem to be good healthy strong fellows. Will stay here a couple of days and try to get correspondence up and then go back and see the boys start to wean and then run down to Lubbock and take train for La Mesa to get bulls that bought from Bob. Have several calls for bulls, and am anxious to let some of our own raising go, only keeping enough to fill out our own needs. Will keep a few extras so as to be sure to have plenty. Saw a cow dead yesterday morning close to Hdqtrs, she had a big fine calf, some 3 weeks old, was in good shape, took John and man that is riding down to where she was and we opened her, and took diagnosis, and came to conclusion that she died from colic, as the grass in the Paunch was so extended with grass that was not digested, had John and man go back to where she was last night and get her calf and take to lot and put calf on a milk cow to raise, Man said he found one two or 3 days ago dead that looked same way. Will try to keep you posted. Yours truly.





**SIR BREDWELL, 63685**  
CHAMPION OMAHA EXPOSITION, 1898.

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**ANCIENT BRITON, 55749**  
WORLD'S FAIR CHAMPION, 1893.

C.C. Slaughter Cattle Co., 5/29/12.  
Dallas, Texas.

Gentlemen:-

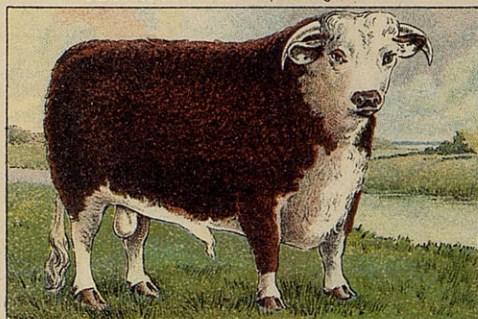
Am trying to get bids on new dipping Vat, have one bid in for 200.00 and we place the gravel and sand on the site, but will get bids from another firm here today, and will get one from Portales tomorrow, and will get Lubbock cement men to bid as soon as I get down there, which will be about the 2nd. Am fearful we will have to put our temas to hauling gravel and sand some 20 miles, this will be expensive, but it will be the safe way, you know we have no rock or sharp sand in the pasture-Will go to Canyon on north side of the Old Oxsheer ranch and see if we cannot get it there, if not will have to haul from the Yellow house, which is 22 miles, but am quite sure can find it in the Canyon I mention. I wish you would call up the Foundry there and see what they will charge for a Grate for the Boiler we have, which is 24" Diameter (circular) made in two pieces. If we can get this grate reasonable, we can make the old boiler do for years, by putting in new Flues, and we have the Crimper to put them in with and our windmill man can put them in as well as boiler maker, and by putting on new smoke stake collar, it will be as good as any. Wind Mill man can put in flue inside of 2 hours anytime it blows out. So please ask the Foundry what they will charge for grate as above state and let me hear from you as soon as you get the information. Please call up the men there and see what they can pay for Hay. You have one in the Slaughter Building, A. S. Lewis, Room 412. I understand the Ditch (Pioneer) is having trouble with a party taking most of the water, and will stop and go out and call the Directory together, and see if we cannot adjust it. These uncalled for troubles break out every once in awhile, but as court is in session, think will be able to correct it. Have letter from Theis about the 3 steers I wrote you about, and he says he will remit for Spring prices in place of last fall prices, learned from the Inspector there were 2 company and one long S, so will attend to that at once. Hope you boys will run out while the Col. is on the ranch and take a look over the ranch. The Ranch needs all the attention that I can pay it at this time to arrange to get everything in shape for fall and winter. Have 2 or 3 men that want to be first to look at steers as soon as we think they will show best and if there is a good corn crop made, we ought to get a fancy price for them, think we better hold stiff as long as we can, and especially when the prospects look good for feeders.

Yours truly,

*Geo. M. Slaughter*  
*Mngt.*



GEO. M. SLAUGHTER, Manager.



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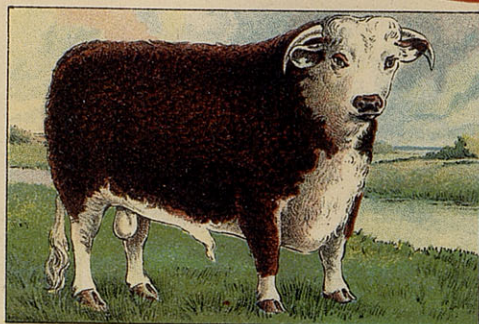
Gentlemen:-

Sometime ago, the office reported on some Windmills, piping, Tower lumber etc. had been placed with Kemp Lumber Co, a few days ago Lemond sent a 4 mule team to get the piping, and when the team got to Portales. N.M. yesterday, he said that the Kemp Lumber Co, agent, said they had no pipe, that C.C. Jr. had written him to cut out the piping, and I did not want the expense of the wagon and man, with 4 mules to go back empty handed so ordered the Pipe out of here, also Two wagon sheets to protect the cement for Vat while we are hauling same, got one big 12 pz sheet and one small one, as could not find but one large sheet. We had to have these sheets as we expect to haul with 2 4 mule teams, which will haul about 12000 at a trip and if it should rain on the cement it would ruin it. I also ordered some 500 laths to use in surveying or rather running the lines around the surveys to see if we have our lands in our enclosure. Have been hunting off and on for sharp sand for a month and day before yesterday found a dandy bunch of it, about 18 miles from Ranch in good ground, and no sand to haul it over to Ranch, found good rock in 3 miles of where we were going to put the Vat. Whit promised the sand at his place, which is about 24 miles, sent wagons over and got one load, and Whites Father-in-law, who put in his vat, said we could not get any more at that pit, but we could prospect anywhere about the place, but if I would give him the job of putting in the Vat he would place it on top of ground for us, the boys reported that Whites Vat was cracked, and so I got busy to find sand closer, and did and a better grade than Whites and some 6 or 7 miles closer to where we are putting it in. Am getting prices now on Portland cement, by the car, I understand that 64 bbls, or 320 sacks is a minimum car in Texas. We will need about that much, now I wish you would see at once the Trinity cement Co, or the Texas Portland Co, both are at Dallas, and see what they can place a minimum car F.O.B. Lubbock for us I understand they will give us 10cts prsk, for the emptys. You can phone the Managers to come to see you and figure with them, I am figuring with Kansas cement factories, tell them this is cash on arrival, provided they guarantee their cement. after they give best price ask them discount off for cash, and let me know what they say as soon as you can write me. I will be here 4 or 5 days and would like to hear from you about this before I leave for Ranch as we want to order in time to have it arrive at Lubbock about the 11th. we are now hauling the sand and expect to be ready with team to commence hauling about that time. have not been to farm yet, but hope to be able to look it over this eve or tomorrow. all well here - hope find you all the same,

yours truly,

*Geo. M. Slaughter*





**SIR BREDWELL, 63685**  
CHAMPION OMAHA EXPOSITION, 1898.

## SLAUGHTER'S HEREFORDS



**ANCIENT BRITON, 55749**  
WORLD'S FAIR CHAMPION, 1893.

Roswell, N. M., 8/1/12.

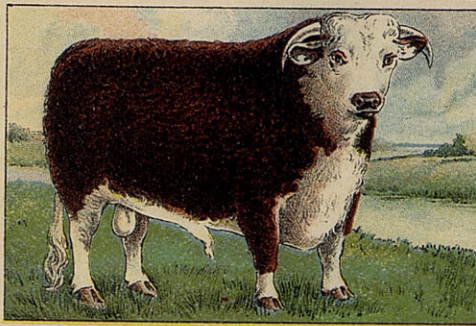
C. C. Slaughter Cattle Co,  
Dallas, Texas.

Gentlemen-

*Dallas Texas*  
In reply to your Mr. A. A. Slaughter's letter of 7/29/12, I beg to say that in regard to the fright on Gasoline Engine, that while I was in the Court House, being tried on breaking Quarantine law, Lemond Reported he had wagon at Depot to unload Engine, and they would not let him have engine without the cash for freight, your Pres. ordered him to draw his check and get the legal tender and pay Agt, and then draw Ranch order to Cover same. I did not have B/# with me at the time, but it is before me, and I will immediately take up this freight matter with Agt. enclosing the bill made by the Texas Machinery Co at Dallas, showing that they were to prepay the freight and as soon as get it back will enclose R.D. to cover the account. Have not heard from the Kans. cement Co as yet, but hope to hear today. will advise as soon as I hear from them. In regard to inquiry in your letter of the 11th of July asking about Spikes and Sons account for groceries-Lemond made the order out to Radford Grocery Co, according to arrangements previously made, and the freighter could not get goods, and got balled up, on a/c of merchants fighting Radford about this a/c, and finally went to Spikes and loaded the Groceries as the ranch was without grub and we had a big outfit at work. John Lemond and I went in to Lubbock next day and met Freightier out some 15 miles on Sunday on his way to Ranch, and as this mistake was done we thought best to let it go, went over to Radford and explained matters and from now on will be alright. This was their first order filled and was not thoroughly understood by Radford. No, I have not heard from Dick had message from Mother at Salt Lake saying getting on fine and Col, feeling better than he has at anytime since leaving home. Let me hear from you when you can spare the time.

Your bro,  
George.





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C.C. Slaughter Cattle Co,  
Dallas, Texas.

My Dear Company:-

Your Mr. A.A. Slaughter's letter of Aug. 2nd. enclosing a/c of Texas Machinery and Supply Co, Dallas, Texas, for one 4HP Gas Engine on wood beam Base, complete with walking beam.

#94043. F.O.B. Lubbock Texas.

For which I enclose Ranch order #1060 attached to above account, which I hope will cover same.

We had a nice rain here last night, I had arranged to go to Texas Ranch, but phoned to Clovis and Portales asking about rain, and the Telephone people replied that big rain at Clovis, not quite so heavy at Portales, as I came down to take train Phelps White had just come in from Brownfield last night and said yesterday it looked like we were getting a big rain in the direction of Ranch, so after learning these reports I concluded to wait over until tomorrow as thought could make better time and not punish the little car. In regard to the cement will say your price from Dallas is the best I have, but don't think I can use over 200 sacks, am trying to get a neighbor to take the balance of car at cost to us, and if so would be glad you to phone the Company asking them how long it will take for car to get to Portales, by them rushing and keep tracing car and wire me at Lubbock just as soon as you can, so I can decide whether to order car or not. Now I suggest that if we make this deal that you have them order car Billed to "Valley Fruit and Storage Co, and send bill of same to them at Roswell, care Geo. M. Slaughter Lubbock Texas, and send account to Valley fruit and Storage Co, Roswell, N.M. Care American National Bank, and I will pay the Storage Co, draft, and they will send Dallas Exchange, This will keep down any trouble as the charter of "V.F. & S. Co," charter calls for anything in this line., and I am V.P. of this Co, and have made arrangements in case we order car. If cannot get the Neighbor to handle part of car, I can make the Lumber people cut their price on Cement for us. So don't forget to wire me at Lubbock immediately, about the time it will take to deliver there. I saw White this morning about the Telephone line, and he is moving his individual part of same to The New R.R. which runs through his ranch. and expect will pay him 250.00 for his interest in the partnership line if so will give him a sight draft with Bill attached, using the old form of Draft, so Bank can cash it here, also there is a small account due Clay Robinson Co, Kansas City for shipment of Bulls from Harris Mo, to K.C. and for man to come down with bulls as shipper to take care of them This account was not exactly right when it came and hence the delay, will send them and old Sight draft with a/c okd attached, as soon as I can get to Lubbock and see B/L. Hope to find rain on Ranch, will write or wire you at Lubbock.

from

Geo. M. Slaughter

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Roswell, N.M. 11/6/12.

Dear C.C.

As we had to stop dipping yesterday to get the steers, and had been away 9 days without my mail I ran in and will go back tomorrow, got your telegram adressed to Lemonds, which came out from Lubbock a day or two ago. We purchased from Kirkland and Clements, their crop of Maize, which they think will run 30 or 40 tons at 9.00 per ton delivered at Ranch. It would cost us at least 3.00 to haul it. John and I think this will run us with what we have raised. Will take the Inspector to Lubbock Friday morning and back Friday night and while there will buy the cake. In regard to the Insurance Policies, they were cancelled as fast as the hay was sold and we have credit for them with Daughtry Agt here and I wrote the office sometime ago to forward them to me or to Daughtry, so he can send them to his company cancelled when he will issue us check for rebate, but I saw him today and he said he had never received them. So please forward to him at once all the Policys (except the hay in barns and the Brns and houses or better I will drop him a note to night to send you the number of policies that we have cancelled, so you can send them direct to him and he will remit you the rebate due on them. We are getting along as well as we can with the dipping. We dipped the cattle in the south side, and then had the yearlings brought up from Lavalla and dipped them again, as we had lost some 30 head by black leg, thought it best to dip them again and change their range by putting them in the south side. Have not lost any in the last two weeks and hope it has run its course. We dipped the bulls out of south pasture holding them 2 minutes and also the old bulls that I sold, and will run them through again in ten days holding them 2 minutes again, and we will then have them clean. We managed to get a very fair outfit, but dont how long they will stay. We will work the cows for market and start them 11 th. Have about 500 in bull pasture, beside the creepies, and will let the Dr. cut out all that show scab, and then will trim them down to about 300 oldest cows, and what creepies that will pass inspection. Of course will cut the cut back the youngest of the dry cows, most of them will be fine, and should bring good money. The steer man was out the other day and said a few days would not worry him, so will try to get the steers away from ranch about the 17th. and will take 4 days to take them to R.R. and ship. Some of them will have to be double dipped as the old scab still shows, they were dipped in July, and all that showed scab were double dipped by the state Inspector Riley, but this Inspector wants all that shows any old scars dipped over 2nd. time and as I did not know how many he would cut back arranged to hold until we could get them all off, except the 10<sup>th</sup>. We are working early and late to get through with the whole herd before we go to R.R., so as to leave the herd clean, and can then let men off after shipping. Will meet Bull man 12 th at Portales to pass on bulls. if you write me next few days. Lubbock care Red cross and freight wagon



Lubbock Tex.. 11/8/12.

Dear C.C.

I enclose Draft ~~for \$55.80~~ of John R. Good, on Farmers State Bank, for \$55.80-Closed deal today with Lubbock Grain and Coal Co, for 30 tons cake to be delivered to our wagons when called for. We agreed that he order one Dec. 1st. and one car Jan. 1st., that when the Car Comes we pay <sup>they</sup> for the car, but in the meantime if we want to haul any cake that he will furnish and replace themselves out of our car. This will be fine arrangement for us, and will insure us in not getting cake when we have our wagons in. Davison, last year claims we did not pay him for one bill, but I cannot tell about this until I come down and check up his a/c with us, besides we have a claim against him for not loading our wagons as agreed, so the only thing I can do is to check him up with your books, and then take our damages. We have everything dipped now except the Headquarter pasture. The outfit is as cutting out the ones that were painted as they went through, that were scabby. Will start cows to R.R. Monday, so as to get them in K.C. on Tuesday market, which is considered the best day. I had to bring the Dr. in today to attend some important business, will leave for ranch tomorrow, and finish as fast we can, we are doing good work on the dipping and the Dr. is very careful not to let any thing pass that needs 2nd dipping. This is about all that I can say now, will keep you posted as to how we are getting along. We are keeping a count of everything that goes through the chute. I ordered sometime ago an automatic counter and we are registering every thing that goes through the chute. We think will get about 1400 to 1500 steers off, but will let you know about numbers as soon as we can. The Dr. is keeping tally also. Think will ship cows next Friday at Bovina.

Your bro,  
Geo.



Lubbock, Texas. 11/9/12.

C.C. Slaughter Cattle Co.,  
Dallas, Texas.

Gentlemen:-

We have about 100 range mares and filleys on the Ranch-I think i well enough to sell some of them or rather cut them down. Say sell about 40 to 50 head. They are getting very fat and I beleive I can dispose of them worth the money-Ofcourse they are wild unbroken wares, and possibly would be classed as broom tails-There is some awful nice looking ones in the bunch, as they are fat. I have been making some inquiries in regard to seeing about a market for them. John and I thought we could 50.00 or better for them, maybe more. I cannot show them until after 21st. as will be too busy with dipping a shipping, but have a man that wishea to see them. If you think best I could show them, and if could not sell what I thought they were worth, could carry them to Roswell with the horses and sell them to farmers over there. They ar in fine shape now, but we dont know what the spring will bring forth, and if it should be a wet one, loco might show up and they would be poor property. At present they are paying as much as anything for cow horses, but if we had enough to raise say some 10 to 15 young horse a year, it would be enough to keep up our saddle horse. Now we have some old horses that should be sold af after they have some flesh on them, and let the young horses that we broke this year take their places. Please let me know what you think about this as I will try to make the best sale I can. I do not know where Bob is, but if he should drop in there, be sure and tell him not to sell the 160 at Portales nor the 1360 gamma pasture until he advises with me-The 160 at Portales is sold, but there is some little matter about a road of to be determined-Have it surveyed, and think will have the road business cleared in a few days. Had a blue print made of the 1360 and it surveyed out 1382 and a fraction acres. Have a man trying to form a stock company to handle in small fraction and they advised me that they were about to be able to sell the stock-Will know by the 20th. or 25th at the latest. They have been working on this for 3 months and like a few shares yet of making it, but when I was at Roswell other day, they thought they would be able to sell the balance of the stock by 20 to 25th at the outside. I told them that I did not think the Company would allow me to hold it open longer than 25th. of this month at the outside limit and they are making every effort to close. Write me at Portales if you can, so as it will reach Portales by the 12th. as I will be there the day after Bull man. Will be at Bovina 15th. to ship cows-Will be at Portales 16th again to meet Steer man. If you should write either place mark hold up called for, so they will not send to Roswell.

Yours respectfully,

Geo. M. Slaughter



Roswell.N.M. 11/22/12.

C.C.Slaughter Jr, Sec'y,  
Dallas,Texas.

Dear C,

I enclose letter and account sale and the proceeds of 513 cows, and one Big Jaw cow, which is held up for inspection and if she passes they will remit later for same. These cows were old and were beginning to get on the shelly order, or rather would have been shelly by the time they were caught dry again. There were some of the Whitefaces that were awful good, but over 8 yrs old. Then we had a few that were beginning to show Creeps a little and on the whole I think sold very well. I don't know why the Commission house sent the Draft to me here I instructed them sometime ago at the Royal to send original Sales a/c and proceeds to Dallas, and send me a copy of the sales, they must have had a new man in office or were busy and never thought. The draft for \$5.65 on May 1st. Nat Memphis Tex, is for some cattle dipped for Mr. Gist, who is a neighbor on our north, and he brought his cattle down and run them through dip just after we had finished. The Check I sent you sometime ago of John Good was for dipping some of his cattle. You asked about this check in letter sometime ago. We do not make a habit of dipping other peoples cattle except our neighbors. We are through dipping except a bunch of about 600 which will have to be held 10 days for 2nd. Dipping. which will be the 30th. Instant. We all think it has been the best dipped bunch we have ever done and I hope it will clean them up for all time to come, as it is an awful mean job to dip the whole herd. We started 1550 steers to Bovina counting them on the north fence as they came out of the Pasture about 4.PM yesterday afternoon., also 100 bulls which were in bull pasture, the old bulls sold to Cozart. Expect the herd in to Bovina Sunday night and will try to ship steers Monday and the bulls Tuesday.

We will leave here Sunday morning for Bovina to be on hand Monday morning to ship them. John will start the Grader on the west to scrape fire guards, and I instructed him to make it wide on the west as that is the most danger as our heavy winds come from the South west. Will then put cross guards through the pastures. We have worked under disadvantages as we have been shorthanded most of the time. I think every thing is in very fair shape to go into the winter, and if set fireguards scraped out good before a fire will feel safer.

Yours truly,

C.C. Slaughter



2-6-13

Dear C.A.:-

I came in here yesterday, and at ~~Amherst~~ met an old friend J. T. Morrison Mgr. Flint Walling Mill Co. of Randolphville Ind. They manufacture the "Leader Mill", which is interchangeable in all ports with the Eclipse in every port, even so far as to have some numbers at the different ports. I purchased 2 16 foot Mills from him when I was in the W.P. Lewis Hardware Co. of Roswell of which I was a Director, these Mills are on the Ranch yet running along side of the Eclipse. In fact I think the paint on their Mills is much better and the wheels have an extra band which makes them much stronger. Morrison is a Skinner, a gentleman and a good Indian. He is going to Brainerd to see Hardware Convention and I have asked him to call on you at the office and I wish you best to Allen to meet him & show him all the courtesies you can. He will stop at the "Adolphus" Look out for him.



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and by Sule & meet him. If you should be  
out of office when he comes & leave his car  
for Sule's house. I want to meet him &  
show him so an attention. I put it up to him  
that these people had just bought 10 goat  
mills & when he wanted to sell them would be  
as order to look in a concrete house to see the  
local fight & then never get some profits  
any the land them in the land. So he has been  
told me that he would let us know the whole  
piece on his side. I told him he would likely  
get just what, but he says he will take care  
of that when it comes up. He has a very  
deep quiet about this. I have promised him  
not to tell out side the forces he has started  
and to leave anyone to load out the car  
to Ranch & say nothing & let the other  
type it up themselves & he would stand  
the fight himself & not blame any one  
aiding or being up it any. I think he is  
making out of the kind of deal as  
you would as it does not cut any figure  
Either way & as you would be in the middle



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you will have them to send in your  
trip or load - will make them come through  
on your day of your trip - Edwoods P. O. is  
still running - Saw Hewitt the man that  
bought the horse of the same P. O. still running  
Saw him also in my store you want to get in  
formation on Ranch. After Hewitt, he has  
a Cor. and will come in later on any important  
items at once. The same other Cor. of  
Champs over Ranch P. O. from February to  
Edwards, another man & Bradstreet  
at once, or if you can make any store  
Road. General merchandise, which  
will protect you in anything you  
wish to buy. Starting a little this morn-  
ing - Haggardham in from Ranch  
Saw westerns good all the Colorado  
last night. Saw about well. The Cor.  
front with three machines to day. I  
have poison to take to see if I can  
more after coming from Ranch.  
Yours Truly, George



2/15/13.

Dear C.C.:—

Got back from the Ranch night before last, and have been so busy answering correspondence, have only got to where I could write you fully. The day I went to Ranch broke down at the West whiteface gate about sundown or dark, and it was snowing and had to hoof it 5 miles, so drained the car and went back after it next morning with wagon. Had about 2 1/2 inch snow which is very good, but would like to have seen it about 6". The cattle are looking as well as I expected to see them, and should go through in good shape if we can have any moisture in way of snow or rain. The Prairie Dog boys were out at work while the snow was on the ground, I did not get to see them but went to the wagon and turned over the poison I took them down from Amarillo, and passed over a good deal of the ground they had poison and saw very few live dogs. They were in the Whiteface pasture, between Prairie Dog and Silver Lake Mills, they did not poison the old white face pasyure last year, so when they get to the east line of Greer Co lands they will pull down to east side of Dunlap wells and work from there to the old dipping Vat wells, and then will be over the ground they failed to work last year. I instructed John to tell them to go over our line about a 1/4 mile, and not poison lands that we had rented. As I went through Amarillo went to the Wholesale druggist and bought our poison as you will see for ~~###~~ 9.00 per #, which is a saving of 1.50 per pound. Learned of a well driller in New Mex that lived near the line that would drill our wells for ~~75c~~ for 1st. 100' - ~~1.00~~ for next 100' and would drill a straight hole or no pay. John and I started over there in the snow in ~~my~~ car to see him, but found we could not make it to where he lived in the sand, so sent him word to come over and go to work. We selected a place for 1st wells, by tying a rag on the wheel of buggy and John drove as straight as he could west from the ranch and I took a counter and counted the wheels and as Ranch is about 1/4 mile east of the East line of Knox Co league, which would make it about 3 miles to the west line of Knox Co lands, so counted up about 2 1/4 miles from the mills at Headquarters. Told John to commence feeding the Bulls in Bull pasture about the 1st. 1# cake, they have finest kind of grass in that pasture, and plenty of it, but thought it better to give them a little cake to make them strong. The grass looks good to me and there is plenty grass for all the cattle we have. The old "dug out that we had been using for store room, on examining found it to be rotten on the walls, and roof had bowed ~~the~~ roof comb, so had old wind mill man to make an order for a frame building to put over the Dugout and make a cellar out of Dugout, and put it up as soon as he could do so—Then to start teams to hauling in the Telephone wire and posts and then to haul the sand for cement corners and let the old wind mill man make them inside of shop. The creepy cows that we put on feed last Dec. are looking fine and are getting over the creeps, in fact you can hardly find any creeps amongst them.



C.C #2.

The man feeding told me had only lost 2 head., am quite sure by summer that you cannot tell them from the cows that have never had creeps. Forgot to mention that when we go to work on the store house, will move everything out and put in westroom next to office, and then move the roof of old Dug out put it on west side of the Garage joining it and make a room for the Gasoline engine. I intended to come to Portales, but the snow was deeper over in Mex, and as I wanted to see Twitchell about finding the corners, and see Armour and Co about their accounts, and get more strychnine, I managed to get back to Lubbock, by stopping every 3 or 4 miles and make tie up the spring and had it welded. Saw Armour and Co, and found out they had never received a Ranch order, or pay for their meat, and the only thing we could figure out was that their Agt. Davidson had placed these to his own credit. They were very nice about it and said they would take it up with the office and trace where the "bug" was. They did not have a # of strychnine in the town, so had them to order by wire and have some sent straight from St. Louis to us at Lubbock, which ought to arrive on time. Called up Twitchell and had him come to hotel and take Dinner with me and he told me he had written you about the maps for office and myself, gave me all the information he could and promised to try to loan me a needle to find corners with. I do not want to go to the expense of hiring another surveyor to find the corners and am satisfied that I can get an Instrument and find them myself. He has an old one that he had loaned out and promised to let me have it as soon as he could get it home. Hope that the coal and grain Co, will not bother you any more about getting you balled up. Now I want to call your attention about R. Orders, in this way, John will have to wait for the bill of cake and salt to come to Ranch, before he can know what these people are doing and check up the price, and then send it back by freighter-As it is he cannot keep up about the prices of things. Then again he cannot tell how much the freighter can carry, for instance the roads should get sloppy near Lubbock and not at the ranch, and if they are dry he can haul more. If he signs up a blanket Ranch order, he has no carbon of what was brought out and what they had charged. Another thing about Ranch orders that is bothering him, when you make him send in his book when finished, he has no record, in case man claims he did not get pay and when he wishes to compare prices of a month before. It seems you have the order Numbers on your weekly report and could take it up with John when anything of this kind should come up, I suggest that he be allowed to keep the carbons of his order books at least a 1/4 before turning them in. When you stop to think about it, it balls him up not to have the carbon for reference and record. He could report on his weekly report when the book was used up, and give notice and number of book used. Will get report in as soon as I can reach it. Telegram from Dr. V saying he and Bob and their families in tomorrow night here. Will have Bob sign deed and send it back to you for signature. and then you can send to 1st. National at Portales or to my Bank and have them hold in escrow until terms are complied with. We have had a very open winter and stock are doing well, and if we can have some moisture should have early grass.

Your bro,

George.



2/16/13.

Dear C.C.

Your letter of 2/13/13. received also C.C. Slaughter Check #245 for 18.10 to my order. As you say to close The C.C.S. Books. I respectfully return same. I also return a copy of the Auditors made for me last year, which shows there should be a balance of 68.10, how it has been reduced & since I have not been advised. I wish to state that I over looked one months salary, not drawing it, I was never notified that there was anything to my credit on the Books of C.C. Slaughter, while being employed by him, nor that I owed him anything, until last spring I think about ~~Jan. 20th or 21st~~ Feb when going into the office I was informed by the Auditor that there was 68.10 due me on Col. S. books-I said no there must be some mistake. He proceeded to show me that One months salary had been held out on me and that some one had charged me with 3 items, 2 of which I had drawn, 6463 on C.C. Slaughter (a/c Running water Ranch) for donation of Sunday school Books to Olton .S.S. You will notice I certified that this was correct on the lower left hand corner of same, and signed as Manager (Now would you or any other Book-Keepr think this was personal, or for a/c expressed) Now this town of Olton had just been built or rather church, and only a very few had picked themselves to do this and as C.C.S. had a section adjoining this town, the people felt as he should do something towards this expense, so called on me as Mngr. of this Ranch to donate the 36 song books-I did so in the name of the man who I drew on-(now it looks to me that I would not be GIVING for this church personally, as my home church needs all I can give. Will state herethat the next sunday ~~after~~ books arrived; COL and Mrs. S and I attended this Church and were thanked by the people for this donation, but that does not count anything for the Book-Keeper was not asked whether I could do this- I told the Col. what I had done before going to the church, which he thought was alright, but Mr Wright did not think so so I must have this taken out of my salary. The next a/c is for C.C.S. Cattle company. 1906 Oct. 13th day, Donohoo Mct1 Co, in full settlement of a/c. 69.45 of which a/c 21.10 the Bookkeeper charged to me. Now if this a/c was mixed, why was it not sent back to me for correction. I certainly would tell a story for a little paltry 21.10. Now I dont claim that I do not make mistakes (on the contrary I acknowledge I make them, but not purposely) The next was made on or about Oct. 16-1908, but was not charged until Dec. 28th. 1908. (why it was held about 2 months and 15 ~~days~~ days before making entry I know not of) for 200.00 (For amount used out of sales of cattle) at Now when this sales account came to the office it seems to me to have been the proper thing to call my attention to this and asked for explanation. Father had been out to the Farm at Roswell before this, and in look over the Pierce place, we concluded to put some 80 acres in the S<sup>W</sup> corner of this land-I told the Col. I was too busy with Ranch to superintend the buying and planting of these trees and he said have Dr. Veal to do this. Veal and I got



C.C. #2.

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P.S.  
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mailed yesterday, where I  
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3/18/18.

Mr. J. S. Touchstone,  
Marshfield, Mo,

Dear Sir:-

Since writing you about 3 hours ago, a man by name of Phillips came in from the mountains with about 1100 goats and had sold 100 yearlings to the butcher, and said that he would shear tomorrow or next day, that he will hold them until Saturday night for 2.25 per head. From the information I can get from best authority this is the best you can do, and also you are fortunate in getting this number priced. They are very scarce and hard to get. He tells me that there are 600 Nannies under 6 yrs and about 400 yearlings about 1/2 castrated and the other 1/2 females. Wire me on receipt of this letter whether you want to see them or not or wire my Bank to close deal for you. If you want goats I am sure this is a good deal, but I am not a judge of goats and know nothing about them, but have a good friend that is in the sheep business here that is a sheep man, but use to deal in goats. Now you will have to act quick if you want these and you better wire me on receipt of this letter,

Yours very truly,

*John M. Slaughter*



Roswell, N.M. 3/13/13.

Mr. C.C. Slaughter Jr.,  
Dallas, Texas.

Dear C.C.:—

I arrived home right before last, came through in my new car. It rained all the way from Plainview over on us. Had a fine Convention. The best representative crowd we have ever had. Strong inquiries for steers, but no one wanted to look at them at present, so did not make an offer or price them, as it seems Kansas men wanted to get prices and then go to El Paso and get the prices of steers over in that country, so they could compare with Pan Handle prices. I had two men on the Strip and as I expected Bob up there, did not dicker with them. Left Amarillo Friday morning and drove to Plainview and stayed all night and down to Lubbock Saturday about 2 P.M. it commenced to rain on us about 1/2 way between Plainview and Lubbock and continued to rain all day. I spent nearly all the afternoon in trying to get Assessor, so as to render the cattle and horses and mules, and finally got him. I did not get down to Lubbock Coal and grain co., and as I wanted to see the freighters before going over with them, and would have to lay over Sunday I did not get to see them. Huddleston was over in New Mex with his teams getting the Telephone and November was quitting his job. Now I understand about the Cake, after getting your last letter and looking over theirs to you. I bought 2 cars cake of 15 tons each in Dec. 1912. (thinking this would be about all that we would need at 27.50. Then when I was at Lubbock in Feb. I purchased an other car of cake at same price and asked them to notify you when this 3d. car was used up. This 3d. car they wanted 28.00 for, but agreed to let us have this car as the same as the ones we had contracted for, as they had bought this early in the fall and still had it. So you will have to pay 28.00 for the cake we use over the 3 cars, of 15 ton each, or 45 tons. The other bills are O.K., and by the freighters and we will have to pay them. I am writing them to today that the trouble was that I did not know that the 3d. car had been used up and had balled you up on account of replying to you that they had agreed to put up the other cake at 27.50 per ton. Rained on me all the way to Ranch. Cattle are looking fairly well, and so far the loss has been the lightest we have had for years and I cannot see but what conditions are fine and hope to come through the winter with a nominal loss. I believe we better still feed cake to them until about the 1st. unless we have enough moisture to bring grass and fold it up. I am returning on the Lubbock Coal and grain accounts and you will please issue checks to them to cover. I think they will keep things straight down there now at grain co., I will write you more fully tomorrow as I am tryin' to get up with letters that have accumulated while away. Will also get my report up today. Please settle with these people at once. Allie and I wish to thank you and Lima for the delightful week we spent with you.



Roswell, N.M. 3/14/13.  
3/14/13.

C.C. Slaughter Jr.,  
Dallas, Tex.

Dear C.C.-

I wish you to send the Fire Insurance Policies to me covered Baled hay in Barns on the Farm. I have notified the the Agents to cancel on March 1st. but they cannot get refund until the Policies are in their hands. Please look this up and send to me at once so that we can get refund. I enclose letter I wrote the Lubbock Coal and Grain Co at Lubbock, it is rather a warm number, but never the less true. I am certainly glad to know that we have our own store which is now about complete. The old Wind Mill man put it up and has done a good job, and while he made a mistake in the size, Making it about 20 X 24 it is alright and we will need it all as he cut off the back part for bacon. I wanted about 16 X 18, but he made a mistake in measurement and got it larger I am now glad of it, as both meat house and Groceries can be taken care of under one roof and it will be cheaper than the small one under a carpenter and he has done just as nice a job as any carpenter and does not get carpenters wages. I have been bothered terribly since I came home about someone Cutting our fence on both sides of our 1360 acres Gramma Pasture. They cut it the day I got home and I had Lee Cannon to send some men out and fix it up and the next night they not only cut it again, but chopped the posts off also at the top of the ground. I called on the Sheriff for help yesterday, but as he gave me no relief I had him to deputize one of our farm boys and he rode the fence all last night with orders to bring man in and turn over to sheriff. I am going to catch this man and prosecute to the full extent of the law. You remember the County Commissioner took this up with the Directory and have never had a reply, at that time I refused to allow the road, but now I want to say that I think it would help us sell the land, and I believe we can take one wire of the fence and make a lane through it and by putting in small pipe say 1 1/2 inch we can run water in each pasture as I believe the well will be nearly in the Lane if you will call a meeting of the Board and allow me I believe I can make the County Commissioners help us to do this. I mean pay some toward it. Bob took his horses away from Farm day before yesterday, and Higginbotham a few days before. Will make out bill and present to Bob at El Paso and he can collect from Higginbotham. Lee has the trees about all repaired in the skips or dead ones in the orchards. Will take up matter with Wright about the swap in the little peices of land as soon as can see parties. Dr Veal and I expect to drive to El Paso starting Sunday morning if we do not hear about roads being too bad. Bob will come around on train. I have been awful busy with mail and this fence cutting affair

The cattle Ranch is alright so far and looks good to your bro,  
George.



Roswell.N.M. 3/24/13.

C.C.Slaughter Jr,  
Dallas,Texas.

Dear C.C.-

I am returning the Deed to Lot in Littlefield,I received as I was getting ready to go to EL Paso and carried it over there to show it to Bob,we both looked it over and have decided that the provisions will not hurt us,and that if we want a warehouse there that we will have to go according to the people that want to run their town. Would be glad that you draw draft and send to them at your earliest convenience.Am busy trying to get up with correspondence-Will have Jenkins Castrate colts tomorrow,so they will be well enough to travel as soon as as can get Asbury from ranch to take them back.Will want to take out about 25 head of old and horses that are too large for cow horses and let them stay on farm so as to get fat for the market.About a car load. Please take action with Directory at once and forward their deliberation to me here.We can spare a carload alright and I think now their will be some inquiry for that kind of stuff.Lee and I are trying to close deal on the Salt Grass pasture with parties here today,but have not closed yet.Some trading done at El Paso,and they are still holding for high prices ,have a few men that are nibbling for steers and the 300 heifers Will keep you posted as to prospects-So far they are looking at cheaper stuff,but am sure that they will come around,when they find out that there will be very little difference in the common bred stuff and the better bred ones in the Panhandle.We are having some awful hard march winds,which is drying out the soil.Am hoping for a good rain now. will go to ranch as soon as can straighten a few tangles here.

Yourbro,

George.



3/25/13.

S.P. Robbins and Co,  
Lubbock,  
Texas.

Gentlemen:-

Just received your Automobile Policy written from me, and I am returning same, and would be pleased that you cancel same, on a/c of demanding that I drive the car where your company wants me to and not where I please. I took out yesterday with a good company that will let me drive where I want to either in U.S. or abroad. I drove it over into old Mexico the other day and under your Policy if it had burned up I could not have collected for it. My understanding that it is customary if policy does not suit that it could be cancelled under 30 day clause, but if this is not the case, cancel and send me bill for the time you carried it. I took out 2000.00 in the Queen yesterday 24th. day of March. 1913. Please let me hear from you at your earliest convenience. Thanking you for your kindness in sending policy I am very truly,



Chalmers Motor Co,  
El Paso,  
Texas.

3/26/13.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed please find my check to cover account. I wish to thank you for the cortecous treatment received at your hands while visiting your city during the Cattlemens Convention. I am certainly charmed with Chalmers, but not so much with the springs that were broken on good roads. I wish you to send me a goose neck spring for the left hand rear Goose neck, as it is it makes the top when down one side lower than the other. The young man that put it on said it was heavier than the one I had on, I beleive he called it the 40 spring. The Goose neck is higher and that makes the car look higher on that side. Please do this at once and I will have it put on ~~to~~ so that it will be level from the back of car. I had two men that were favorably impressed with the car, but have jumped on me about the springs breaking-I told them if they wanted the car I w would guarantee that the company would replace them for a year. Will you back me in this guarantee? My wife and boy are equally as well pleased as myself with the car. Thanking you again for your courteous treatment while in your city, I am very truly.



3/26/13.

Chalmers Motor Co,  
Detroit, Mich.

Gentlemen:-

I purchased one of your Model 18 6 Cylinder Cars, and I like the car very much. I drove it from Lubbock to Amarillo, Tex, and then to Roswell. In coming over the Auto Road from Amarillo, Tex. I broke a rear spring where it turns around the front hanger and had Backsmith weld it and he says that there was a flaw in it. Now this was not a bad place at all when the spring broke. I then started to El Paso, with some 12 cars ahead of me, and before I got out of City another rear spring broke at G Gooseneck. This was in the city limits and cars run over it every day, and I cannot see what was the matter. These are facts. I am in love with the car so far, and a good many prospective buyers are watching it, but are leary of the springs. Could it be possible that the rear leaves were too hard-I have been driving an Overland over these same places for 2 # years and have never broken a spring. I merely call your attention to this. I drove the car to El Paso with the broken spring and followed a Pierce Arrow and believe me I was in the push all the way. I would be pleased to hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,



3/31/13.

Mr. Sam B. Vaughn,  
Amarillo,  
Tex.

Friend Sam:-

Please find my check enclosed for 2.20 for gasoline in my Model 18 Chalmers. I am not sending you for Storage for 4 days, while attending your Cattlemen's Convention. I thought you did not notice this, for the car was used for demonstration for the Chalmers Co., and if you are still the Agent I knew you did not want me to pay storage, but if you wish to charge storage, ~~send~~ Send me bill for same and I will remit. I wish to thank you and your Garage for the Courtesies extended my while in your city on the occasion of the Convention, and wish to assure you if you should my town that I will be glad to show you the city.

Your friend,

*Geo. M. Blaylock*



Roswell.N.M. 4/2/13.

Judge G.G.Wright,  
Dallas,  
Texas.

Dear Dad:-

I am enclosing ,per your request, Three Blank Warranty New-Mexico form of deeds-I talked with Gessert and Sanders today and he s says there will be 10 transfers in the Company Abstract and that it will cost about 6.00 to make the abstract todate.It seems Hagerman Mortgaged the property befor he deeded it to Col.S.I saw Mr.E.C.White the man that is buying this little piece and told him we could make h the sale and he could make sale to us.He was in today,but I did not a get to see him about making abstract to his piece.Please let me hear from you about this.I will have White to call me up the first time he is in town.Will leave word for him to call me tomorrow morning and will then tell him to go ahead and get abstract up for us on his property.We are losing a few cows on account of cold nights and high winds.These high winds drive all the moisture out of theground and the sand blowing against the tender grass that is trying to come cuts it off or wilts it so that it will not grow.  
It is looking rain here today and if we can get a rain will be alright.  
All well here and hope this will find you all well.

Your bro.

George.







4/17/13.

Mr. James Mc Kim,  
Two Republics Garage,  
El Paso, Tex.

Friend Jim:-

I received the Rifle alright, many thanks.  
When we left your Garage during the Convention, Foster left my over  
coat and brought an old one through mistake. I did not miss my coat un  
til after we got home. The old over coat that came back in my car ~~staid~~ staid  
around the place here for several days and I saw Foster and said to him  
you better come up and get your coat and he said it was not his  
that he thought it was mine. I was going through El Paso and carried it  
it with me to return to you, but my train was late and I sent it up by  
my Uncle and told him to send it you. I hope you got it. It was worn out  
but as it was brought away through mistake I wanted to correct it.  
You may send mine if you have it there. My overcoat is a light weight  
dark gray with small pin stripes.

Yours very truly,

*Samuel S. Slaughter*



Chalmers Auto Co,  
El Paso,  
Texas.

4/17/13.

Gentlemen:-

I passed through your city last week and sent you the "Shield" you ordered sometime ago for me. It would not fit and the corner was broken when I received it at Express office. I wish you to order the left rear spring shield for Chalmers six model 18 and have it sent to me. I received the Rear Goose neck spring from K.C. which is alright. Thinking you for prompt attention to the little extras,

I am very truly,

*Geo. M. Shingleton*



4/17/13.

Mr. W.D. Twitchell,  
Amarillo,  
Tex.

Dear Sir:-

I received the blue print and I think it will make a dandy map when we get the other mills and fences on it. I wish you would try to meet me about next Tuesday at Portales and go out with me and locate some fwe corners and show us how to put in the cement corners. If you can bring your instrument to find these corners and meet me at Portales say Tuesday-We can run out tuesday night to Ranch and work Wednesday and I think can get you back to R.R. Thursday Please write me to morrow here.

Yours very truly,



4/17/13.

Mr. C. C. Leach,  
Portales, N. M.  
Friend Leach,

Will you kindly have assessor to fill out the description of the land we own at and near Portales. The land adjoining town and the old spillers place and what you think they are worth for taxation. I passed through your town Sunday but just in time to catch train.

Thanking you,

I am as ever your friend,



4/17/13.

Mr.C.C.Slaughter Jr.Pres.  
Cash Auto Co  
Dallas,  
Texas.

Dear C.

I am tied up this week,as Foreman of Grand Jury here,and we have lots to do,will hold Night Session to night.Just as soon as I can get off will go to Ranch-Have made arrangements with Twitchell to go out with me and commence looking after the Cement corners.Have received the blue print of the Map of Ranch,and as soon as I can correct it he will get out a nice one.

I wish you to send me,

One full sett of Truefault Shock Absorbers for Chalmers SIX. (Roswell)  
One best Klaxton horn for Chalmers Six. (

Two 30 X3 1/2 Cases(anything except Diamond)to me at Lubbock.

We are having nice warm days,which will be a good thing for Cows that are trying trying to bring calves.

Your bro,  
George.



4/20/13.

Mr. Joe Addington,  
Portales,  
N.M.

Friend Joe:-

I am writing you to call your attention that your note will be due the 25th. of this month, and as I have just bought 1/4 int. in a 300000. acre ranch in old Mexico, together with about 10000 cattle, it would help me out to have you meet it promptly, but later on if I can be of assistance to you in accomodating you, rest assured I will do so. Please make your arrangements to meet this promptly, for just at present am needing what money is due me, as we are arranging to ship out the Mexican steers, and with war tax and duty it will take cash to get them out, but after we get them to market will lighten us up. If I did not need this money would be glad to let you have it as long as you wanted it. I have my new car now and have a good second hand overland for sale or trade, and if you can trade it off for property will allow you the usual commission. How is your car doing? Please let me hear from you by return mail. Had fine rain here last night with best wishes, and if your Co, is called to Mex. anytime, remember to make your self at home on our ranch. Your friend,



4/20/13.

Mr. W. I. Hudson,  
Amarillo,  
Texas.

Friend Hudson:-

Please check up the following order and see what the w

weights are

6-16' Leader Mills complete-

1500' of 3" black pipe

200' of 2" black pipe

1500' of 1 3/8 sucker rod

8 3" best Cylinders.

12 3" elbows

6 4" "

6 2" "

200 extra slats for 16' Leader Mills.

72 Big vane or tail slats for 16' Leader Mills

6 extra arms " " " "

6 " Braces for wheel arms" " "

2 kegs assorted machine bolts " " "

6 extra upper Pittmans " " "

6 " Lower " " "

12# D 42 small sheave " " "

6# D 16 L sheave stand " " "

6# Guide knuckles " " "

13 Doz. 5/8 X 10 machine bolts.

6 " 5/8 X 7 " "

6 Long out gear chains 3/16 X 10' 3"

6 short " " 3/16 X 5' 9"

If you will let me know the weights at once I will add enough to ord  
order to make up the carload. I would like these articles ordered at o  
once as we are needing these now.

Your friend,

Geo. W. Slaughter Mgr.



4/22/13.

Sweeper -Vac.Cp,  
Wichita, Kan.

Gentlemen:-

My wife wishes a "Sweeper-Vac for carpets" #53050.

4/3/13.

As you have no agent here, I enclose X.C. Exchange for 12.50, for which please send at your earliest convenience. If this amt does not cover, I will remit the balance, and if it is too much you can remit me.

Dear C.C.:-

very truly,

I was very muchly surprised that THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, should meet and turn down, or not allow money that I have paid out for the Company out of my own pocket, and carried for two years. Which includes Traveling expenses and purchasing of a registered box or boat for the farm. You know that I cannot stand this kind of treatment. Also that you meet and refuse to assist in carrying on the business of your Cattle Raisers Association-If this association is not worth anything to the Company, we should immediately withdraw from same, or do our part to help take care of it. The Executive Committee had to do this or make every member GIVE IN FULL REDEMPTION OF THEIR cattle or raise the tax on them, otherwise the Association could not do business. We are only rendering 5000 cattle to the Association, and others are doing the same thing. Every member that owned 3000 cattle or more put in the 200.00 amount. Now you know that we could not afford to refuse to do our part. This would be measly. I shall draw Ranch order for same if they send me the account, and if the Company turns it down will make my individual check for same. You are going to force me to bring suit for expenses for 1911 and 1912. I dislike to do this, but if you force me to do so, it will be only alternative. You must remember that this Company did lots of business and improvements during these two years and required a good deal of moving around. Now I have served you faithfully and well these two years and kept my expenses down to a minimum for the amount of work done. During this time we took two inventories of the Ranch, and repaired old vats for dipping some 4 times also hunting sand and gravel and looking up men to build same a new one, and then dipping the cattle twice in one year, also the redipping of steers sold, the showing of cattle to 5 or 6 different people, the selling of bulls in small bunches, which is costly, but we got good pay for them. It seems that you are not satisfied with a man neglecting his own business for the last ten years to try to build a ranch, but now you wish to draw your manager down to a level of a hand



Roswell, N.M. 4/27/13.

Judge G.G. Wright,  
613 Slaughter Building,  
Dallas, Tex.

Dear Bud:-

I got home last night from the Ranch, where I had Twitchell to show me how to find the corners of our lands. We had no trouble in finding them with a needle. I had him to show me the line to run on and I did the work and we took a buggy wheel and ran right on to them. I only kept him one day, as he charges 10.00 per day and expenses, and as he had bought an extra Machine, a small one with only Jacob Staff, and does not need it for sometime. He left the machine with me so that I can find the others at sometime when the boys are not so busy. I believe that I can take two men with me and find them all in a short time. I saw White last week and told him to get up his abstract to his piece of land that he wished to trade with us, and he said he would, will hunt him up tomorrow and as soon as he gets his abstract in shape will forward it to you. C.C. has the plot of ground that we wish to trade him. Will have surveyor to give field notes of both pieces, so you will know all about it. I enclose note for 10,000.00 duly signed, on or before 12 months, which I hope is satisfactory. Now as you know that I have never seen this property, but Bob is wild over it, and Bill was rather conservative over it, and of course I was also, but after we traded Bill said that it was the best grassed and water ranch he ever saw, and from their description, if the water is lasting, Cows should never die only with old age. My idea is to sell all steer cattle and old cows, and fill it to the brim with she cattle and take calves away at weaning time and send them to Lower California and put them on the alfalfa fields where the alfalfa grazing and hay is cheap, and drift them up to California and sell them to feeders. Take what old cows there are every year with these calves and fatten them on alfalfa and sell to market in Angelus or take 1/2 of the calves that way and the other 1/2 to Kansas in October and put them on the wheat fields for awhile and as soon as they begin to "puff up" on the wheat to sell them to feeders. By this arrangement it will be quick money and will not have too much expense in raising the calf. I see they are raising H--- in Sonora with cows for war tax, but as we haven't received the cattle yet, it will be the loss of Woodward, but it looks like this cannot last always. If Sonora get Independence and be attached to Arizona-I would be in favor to let the U.S.S Co take it over and raise calves for the Texas Ranch, and make it a cow ranch and take the steer calves to Co ranch, and make a purely steer ranch of the Texas Ranch and breed them down there. This would be the proper dope, and would be the smoothest thing that I know of. I believe

that we will make good money when we get things settled over there, but how long that will be-Dont know. Eloise has mumps. all well otherwise.



Roswell. N. M. 4/21/13.

Dear C.C.:—

I got back from the Ranch Saturday night. Have been trying to catch Twitchell idle enough to go out with me to find the corners in the North pasture, so I could be sure to get a well down next to Cameron and know that we had it on our land and at last got him to meet me last Thursday and we went out and found the corners. I was sure if I had an instrument I could find them myself, so he happened to catch a light one in a pawn shop in Amarillo with only Jacob staff which makes it light enough to carry in a buggy or even horse back, and after he showed me how to run it, I did the work under his eye and we tied a flat on the buggy wheel and had no trouble in finding them in place of putting two wells as we agreed on west of the ranch on Knox Co., after getting the first one and found that it tested 25 gals per minute, which is an awful strong well, that it was throwing enough water to fill a tank, and as we needed more water at Camp Slaughter, and we were unable to get Twitchell to find corner next to Cameron land, and did not want to let the Driller get away from us, put him down at Slaughter to drill another well, and the prospects are now that he is going to be lucky enough to strike a good big well. We have two wells there already, but they are weak ones. We drilled there some 3 years ago a well, but it was no good and could not use it. So this well will keep us being short on water down there. The Valentine wells are beginning to bring more water than ever, last year they were weak, but are improving. So think that the Machine will be able to get the Jeff Davis wells this week. I showed John about where to put this well, it is possible that we will get a good well there, and will need only one well, but if it does not show more than 20 gals to the minute it will take two, but we are expecting to get plenty water, as it is in line with the Lo bo hill well and whiteface well, which affords as much water as the double wells on other parts of the ranch. We had a fine grass rain, by that I mean that there was no surface water out, as it came slow and grass is showing fine in the sandy land, but the nights are still cool, and does not grow so fast on the hard land. We are very thankful for this rain, and if we had not of gotten it, would have lost several more cows, as this is the critical time, as they are heavy with calf, I never saw better prospects for a good calf crop, and with this rain we should save nearly all of them as the green grass will put them strong and cows will afford plenty of nourishment. We started the plows to work while the season is in the ground and will push them for all the teams will stand. With all the careful dipping we did last year we are finding some 50 head with Scab, and as soon as we can will have to go over the ranch and pick up the ones that are showing the scab, and dip them.



3/2/13.

Dear C.C.:--

Yours to hand last night in regard to the Windmills and Pipe and windmill repairs. I beg to state that I made arrangements with Flint and Walling Mfg Co, through their traveling salesman, Mr. J.T. Morrison, to buy a car of goods wholesale. Flint and Walling Co, Kendalville Indiana, who are the mfgs of these mills.

He gave me prices as follows.

16' Leader mills \$5.50-Wt:1550 each, Frt. 1.00 per 100# F.O.B. Lubbock. Minimum Car 24000#. Can ship anything in this car in the water line, Pipe, Bolts, Nuts etc.

All repairs are interchangeable with Eclipse mills and have the same numbers. All repairs are 50% off list price.

2 3/4 Cylinders, all brass (2 3/4 X30") Wt 25# Price 8.20 for 3" Pipe.

3 3/4 " " " (3 3/4 X30") " 50# " 14.00 " 4" "

1 5/8 Succor Rod price per 100' 4.22, Wt 100# per 100'

1 7/8 " " " " " 7.30 " 150# " "

3-Inch Blk. pipe standard threads Wt per 100ft 1025# Price 15.72 Pr 100'

4- " " " " " " 100ft 1500# " 23.27 " "

5 5/8 Casing (couplings) " " 100' 1045# " 34.65 " "

Wheels weigh crated 200#, Bolts and Nuts by Kegs.

These prices are nett 60 days, 2% off for cash. Windmills Nett 4 months J.T. Morrison traveling salesman. Local man W.T. Hudson Amarillo, who will come or meet me and check over the order for carload, and see that everything is in shape and all O.K. before ordering.

I priced stuff at the western wind mill co, at Lubbock as follows.

2" Blk Pipe per 100' 16.00

3" Blk " " " 35.00

4" " " " " 45.00

5 5/8 casing " " 70.00

16' Eclipse Mills Complete 125.00 each.

I wrote Mr. Hudson at Amarillo and sent a list of the requisition and he replied that it would take about one more mill to make up the 24000 pounds are car load or about 100' of piping. I believe we can sell the 100 feet of piping soon to neighbors at Lubbock prices.

Mr. Hudson at Amarillo is waiting to send the order in, and would be glad that the Board would allow this at once. I am quite sure that this is a big saving to us.

I enclose Mr. Hudson letter, also letter from Flint, Walling Co,

I cannot lay my hands on Hudson letter now.

I think this is one of biggest savings we have had, because Windmills and Hardware there is a big profit.

Your bro,  
George.



C.C.S. Jr. #2.

The work is pretty well up, considering the dry spring we have had, and weak cows to help and feed and water which took nearly all the force for some three weeks. We have nearly all the Telephone wire and posts down with exception of some 12 miles near Portales, and parties want to keep that and turn us new wire and posts at Littlefield for this part of the line, and as it would cost us to take same down and would be 50 miles from ranch to haul, and these people would have to haul out the material to build and be out of the use of the phone during that time, I told them if they would put this material at Littlefield it would suit us just as well. The R.R. is some 20 miles out from Lubbock towards Littlefield and they are laying 1/2 mile per day, but are having trouble about keeping men, but ought to be in Littlefield by June 1st. I talked the matter over with Twitchell about putting in cement corners and while at Amarillo Convention he thought it would be a good idea put them down as I wrote you, putting them over the iron pipes, that making hole in the cement blocks so as to slip them over the pipes, after studying it over he believes now that it would be best to put them 2 feet south of each corner and mark on the cement stones 2' S. He thinks in case of any question that we ought not to interfere with the original markings. He ought to be best judge of these things and I am letting him dictate how to do this. He likes the idea of a furrow being plowed to the corners, as it will show where the furrows would cross, if extended would strike the iron pipe, and would locate the corner if iron pipe was gone. Want to go back next week and see what the farmers have done, and lay off other work that is needed. Will you would send me the contract about bulls with Mrs. Joyner, so that I will know when to go down to receive them, as I do not remember the date. Please take up the matter of towers with the lumber men at an early date as possible, for as soon as can spare teams from plowing will want to haul them. Would be pleased to have you reconsider with the Board, about the pledge of 200.00 to the Panhandle assn, we cannot afford to not pay this, as all the members that have over 1000 cattle are giving this amount and we are not paying on full rendition or anything like it. About the "Big steer" I do not know what to recommend, of course it is worth a good deal to us to have this steer showed all over the country; but when we sold him we took off some 350.00 and I am writing the man that has charge of him, on this line - he knows nothing of this, but in selling the steer I talked that we would take off this much a/c of him advertising and agreeing to show him at all the shows. What do you all think about helping him advertise the steer? I think by showing him that we knocked off the 350.00, that we have done the fair thing. White is getting his abstract of the piece of land that we were to trade, and will send it in for our atty to look over as soon as as he can get it up. Have been trying to catch the Govmt sprayer man so as to get his done on spray for our orchards, but every body is after him. Everything is looking good



5/3/13.

Mrs. Ethel Joyner,  
La Mesa,  
Texas.

My Dear Mrs. Joyner :-

I am making my arrangements to get over your way in a few days to receive the bulls as per contract. Think I can get there about 9th. I hope this will be alright with you and Hardy.

With best wishes for your success in the Hereford cattle,

I am yours very sincerely,

*Geo. W. Joyner*



5/3/13.

Judge G.G. Wright,  
Dallas,  
Texas.

Dear Bud:-

I am sending you by today's mail, abstract to lots 43 and 44, Eastview subdivision of the North 1/2 of the North 1/2 of Section 34, Twp. 10 S. Range 24 East, Chaves Co N.M. situated on the south side of North spring river. This is the land that we are trading for, and I am sending you the field notes of the land in lots 44 & 45 which is on the North side of River. I wish you to look over this abstract, and I will have Abstract made of the part of ours on the North side for him to look over. Now we have left on the North side 1.49 Acres. E.C. White owns Lots 43-44-45. We have 1.49 acres that lies on the south of Lots 46 & 47, which is on the North side of River, which is all the land we own on the north side after making this trade. I am quite sure that I can sell to the parties that own 46 and 47, but did not want to say anything about this until after I made this trade. I am sending you a pencil sketch of our land on the north side that that we wish to trade White also the land on the south of River that we are trading for that now belongs to White. C.C. has a better sketch showing all the land we own on North side of river and I am sure that he can show it to you.

I wish to acknowledge Receipt of \$41966.67 which you placed to Cr of G.M. and R.L., for which please accept thanks. Letter from Bob says he got through alright and so far the War Tax levy has not been made on our Cattle, but cant tell when they will pay us a call. Ofcourse we will have to put up with some draw backs, by going in there at this time, but we will have to expect that, but if we ever get intermention or annexation, we will be in town with a pocket full of rocks, and will be on the ground floor to annex more land before others can get in. The old saying "nothing risked, nothing gained" is about the size of this investment at this time. The fruit is reported all O.K. and if we can get a good spray on our orchard it ought to have some apples. The cut look for apples are that they will be worth something. The Alfalfa is fine and we will start next week to cutting first crop, but I do not yet know what the 1st. cutting will bring, but suppose will get bids next week. We are having good old summer time now, even the nights are beginning to warm up, and if can get another Rain on ranch by 15th to 20th. the grass will show up fine. We are doing all the plowing that we can on cattle ranch while the moisture is in the ground. Eloise is over the Mumps, but Joe Dick is scared about taking them. All well at this end of the line and hope will find yours in good shape. You did not tell me to have Abstract made here, but I am sure that it will cost less here than down there.

Your bro. George.



5/3/13.

Mr. J. R. Wasson,  
Tucumcari,  
N.M.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of 4/19 inst. forwarded here to me from the office at Dallas. In reply will say that we have no Registered cows, but can put you up a nice bunch of 2 yr old heifers that have been bred up for 35 yrs. They are next to a reg. bunch and all dehornrd when calves. Can deliver in your country for 45.00 per head, would not sell them to anyone inside of a radius of 100 miles of our ranch in Hockley and Cochran counties. Have never sold any she stuff in the state before this, or offered any for sale, but think we can spare 300 this spring, which would be the neuclus of a good little herd, and the best are none to good these days. If you are interested would be pleased to show them anytime before 15th. July, after that would not sell them.

Yours very truly,

*George S. ...*



Roswell, N.M. 5/14/13.

Dear Bud:-

I enclose two letters which explain themselves. Now it seems to me rather hard to pay out 20.00 to get this money. I wish you would take this up at once with the American Exchange. You placed 40000.00 there and when we want to move 20000.00 of it to Colorado, to charge us 20.00 for this.

I have discounted one of the land notes that I sent you for collateral to my notes, and will send you release today to execute. I told this party that I would discount this note before we got the money from you and he has showed up and wanted to pay it off. Now Bud I would like to use this money or rather keep it for expenses on the Mexican ranch, rather than to credit my note with you, but if you think you are not amply secured on my notes with out this alright. Have a letter from Bob saying that he is making arrangements to receive the cattle on the ranch and brand them. So far the war has not held us up for war tax. Our atty at Douglas seems to think that they will not exact a war tax only on those who have been and still are in sympathy with the federals or Huerta. Of course we might have to pay tribute to roving bands of Colorados or bandits, if there are too many together when they come to take what they want in the way of horses or cattle, but when they do they better not travel with too few. Got a little scare the other day as a bunch of Colorados came into Moctezuma, and Bob says he never saw people get as frightened in his life, and I guess if the truth was told that warrior Bob wished he was somewhere else about that time, although he does not intimate such a thing. Eloise has been down with pneumonia for 6 days, commenced on her 7th Day-Yesterday her fever went down to 100, which is a very good sign. The doctor thinks that she will absorb it gradually and that she will not have a sudden crisis. She takes very little nourishment and looks like a skeleton, but seems bright during the day. She must have a wonderful constitution. The lower left lobe is solid, but we have kept it confined there, and if she does not get re-infected or relapse the doctor is very hopeful. Hope all are well with you and yours and with love from all out here,

I am your bro,

George.



5/3/13.

Dear Bob:-

Your letter from Moctezuma of 4/27 to hand-Am certainly glad to hear that the Bunch did not get our big steers-Glad to hear that you got through alright. Sorry Typewriter did not reach you. It left here 23d. and should have been in Douglas 24th. Sorry about it. I wired you at Big Springs that Woodward would not be in Douglas until May 1st. From the papers it looks like the State troops are going to Hermosillo and if this is the case they are liable to drop in us and clean up the Ranch. Now as to the branding of the cattle to tally same on a/c of the works, would it not be a good idea to either bob their tails or get a paint brush and mark them with a swipe of paint on the point of one shoulder-if State to bob their tails on a/c of flies, if you bob their tails just cut the quirl enough to notice that they have been tallied. We used paint last year for 2nd dipping and it lasted some 30 days or more. If you can get paint there, if not I suggest that you cut quirl, would not think of branding until after the warm weather, as we will own this brand anyway. I believe I would not bother about separating steers, until we get ready to take them to market, but run the fence across pasture and clean out all the cattle from one side of fence, and then run everything through chute and either clip tails or paint them and then throw in pasture, this will enable you to work with less men and you will be sure to clean up the cattle, after you tally them, you can then turn back into other pasture such cattle as you want. You are the best judge of this and I know that you will manage for the best and cheapest and most efficient way. We all understood that this years calf crop was not to be tallied. As we talked, you should be careful about getting the classification of different ages and sexes. Now as to buying cattle sold by the "confiscation" of neighbors cattle I dont think would be a good idea, as it would create trouble with our neighbors-In fact think we better go slow about buying cattle until things are in a more settled state. It seems from Bills letter to you, of which he sent me copy, that we will have to wait Dr. Melvins passing on the question as to inspection of that Altitude, whether they will have to be dipped or not. I think Bills idea about buying or leasing a section and fencing for places to stop in transit a good one and I think when you get through tallying, that you could do no better than have W-to go with you over the trail and select these places, and see what could be done. I am like you about getting the steers out of their to market as soon as possible, but we cannot start them until we have a thorough understanding with the B.A.I. of U.S., then after that is settled, study the conditions of the war, so as not be caught with a herd of steers to be confiscated by the Taxation. This we will have to take big chances on. We have at last got the amount of 41966.67 to Cr of G.I. and R.L. in our Bank-Am sending today to Mercantile Natl, Pueblo our 2/3 off our 2-15000.00 dollar notes, together with our 2/3 of 25 days interest. Wright is like an old maid about keeping the money as long as he could, and we will have to stand that. I placed yesterday to your personal a/c 1966.67, leaving the 40,000.00 to a/c of G.M. and R.L.-Now as to taking up the 1st Woodward note at Douglas National-I believe we better let that rest until you receive the cattle, as we do not know what this will develop, and I think it caution to pay a little "double Interest" until we know where we are at, ofcourse he holds our notes, but we have the money, and would be in better shape to fight if necessary.



R.L.S.#2.

I hope this will meet with your approval. Judge Richardson advises, and so does Bill, that we get a surveyor, as soon as possible and see what we have. I had it in mind to get Twitchell to go over with me and see what we have, but Richardson advises to get a Mexican Surveyor, but I think we would be better satisfied to have Twitchell to give us a run over and see what we are doing, with this in view, I had Twitchell out to the Ranch the other day and to find some corners, so as to put down some wells and in talking with him, he is anxious to help us out and I believe we could make nice arrangements with him, as he is about through Littlefield, and he is very anxious to see that country. I just mention this for you to study on, what do you think about this? I had Twitchell to loan me an instrument that he is not using with a job staff, and I run the lines under him to find corners and I had trouble, and as he charged 10.00 per day and expenses, I only kept him one day, but got him to leave machine with me, so that I could use it when the boys were idle. We have good grass rains, although it was low and did not put out any water, it put a good season in the ground and as cattle are getting plenty of grass, I stopped everything to plow while the moisture was in the ground. The ranch is looking fine, but I am here to tell you that it did not come any too soon. I think we have lost about 250 head of cows - I think this is very light considering the late dry spring. I put down a well on the Knox Co about 2 miles from the headquarters and got 25 gal per minute, so did not put down but one well, and as we were short at Slaughter, moved down there and when I was out the driller thought that prospects were good for a good well there. Surveyed out next to Cameron land and selected a good place to put a well down there, and we expect as good a well as Lobo Hill, if so will need only one well there. I understand that C.C. is going with Father and Mother east by way of Galveston and ship their cars and spend the summer east. Did you have a meeting while at Dallas, and did they tell you about turning down the Panhandle cattle raisers and also my expense a/c? I am going down there as soon as I look over the ranch again, and I do not know what I will do, but there is one thing sure they will have to come through for the hard cash that I have paid out for actual expenses and have been without interest on same. If I have to sue will add interest. Everything is looking lovely in this country, will go down to La Mesa in a few days to receive bulls from Mrs. J, and will run over and have a talk with R.L., and tell him anytime I can help him to call on me, and I will do all I can to help him. I am enclosing Dup. deposit slip to you. Anything I can do over this way do not hesitate to command me, with best wishes from Saunders and Basset at the bank, and with much love from my family, and hoping that you will not get any serious trouble over the Ranch or that Pet Horse, I am with best wishes

Your Bro,

George.



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