

Col. C. C. Slaughter having met Col. Goodnight at Fort Worth, Texas, at the Worth Hotel, on the 10th day of February, 1897, informed him that he had bought the Hereford herd of cattle, bred and raised by him, and in connection with same Col. Slaughter asked Col. Goodnight the following questions: Question---Mr. Goodnight, as I own these cattle now, and you raised them, I wish you to give me a full description as you can remember of them, beginning with the first purchase and following them down to the date you parted with them?

Answer----- Commenced the herd in 1874, in Pueblo County Colorado, with 40 cows, thoroughbreds and high grades, having bred them to high pedigreed bull. In 1876 I moved them into what is known as the Palo Duro Canyon, in the Panhandle of Texas. On 1877 I sold this herd of cattle to the firm of Adair and Goodnight, numbering at this time about 200 head, of which I (Goodnight) was manager of said company, and lived on the Ranch in Palo Duro Canyon, Mr. Adair living in England. This firm owned other cattle known as the J. A. brand or herd. This herd was known as the J J (thoroughbred herd) on left side and hip, and was kept entirely separate from the other herd as well as all other cattle. The first barb wire that was ever taken to that part of the country was to build a fence around these cattle. These cattle were run in this enclosure, as above stated, until the year 1888 when the partnership firm of Adair and Goodnight was dissolved by mutual consent; then this herd of cattle was divided between Mrs. Adair and myself (Goodnight), Mr. Adair having died prior to that time, Mrs. Adair receiving 2/3 of this herd of cattle known as the Adair and Goodnight thoroughbred herd, branded J .J. and I (Goodnight) receiving 1/3 as my share. I (Goodnight) put a small cross on the J J's thereby forming what is known as the J J, the only difference in the brands being the cross put on each J J, thus enabling me to know mine from Mrs. Adairs.

The number of cattle coming to me (Goodnight) as my share of this herd was about 2500 head, but I being anxious to make the best herd of cattle in the State of Texas, selected from the 2500 head, 1300 head and shipped the balance 1200 head to market. Thereby making the 1300 head of topped J J herd much better than the J J herd owned by Mrs. Adair, as I had cut my part of the herd down nearly half and of course only selected the best to keep as breeding cows, and I was breeding for quality and not quantity. Mr. Goodnight did you move this herd from the Adair and Goodnight ranch, if so, where did you put them?

Answer----I moved them from the Adair and Goodnight Palo Duro Canyon ranch to what is known as the Buffalo ranch east of Goodnight Station on the Ft Worth and Denver Railroad, the place I now live at, and put them under a six barbed wire fence and run them there entirely by themselves until I sold them to John Scharbauer on July 1st. 1895 Question-----Mr Goodnight did you keep the entire increase of this herd of cattle, or did you sell or spay some of the sorriest of them?

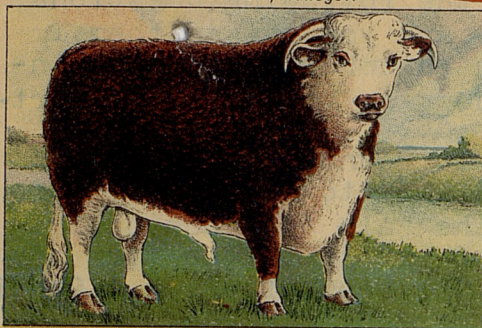
Answer----I did both, I culled them every year keeping the best.

Question---How many were there of these cattle when you sold them to Mr. Scharbauer in 1895? Answer--Between 1300 and 1400 head.

Question--Then Mr Goodnight you did not have many more, if any more than you started with after the division of the Adair and Goodnight herd?

Answer---No, the reason is that I was cutting them down to quality instead of quantity, and Col Slaughter, you will have to learn to breed for constitution and the animal as well as the pedigree. Question---Mr. Goodnight you say that you made some purchase of females during each year, will you tell me what purchases you made after 1878? Answer--Our firm finding that the thorough bred herd was not large enough to raise Bulls for our entire herd we purchased in 1882 by making a contract with O. H. Nelson, of Burlingame Kansas, 150 Registered Short horn heifers one and two years old, which he delivered in Dodge City in April 1882, which I drove home and put in the Palo duro Canyon and put them in the original J. J. herd. In the spring of 1883 we purchased again of O. H. Nelson about 300 cows and about 150 calves. These cows were registered short horns and herefords, the best I could buy in Kansas, Missouri and Illinois, without buying the show cattle.

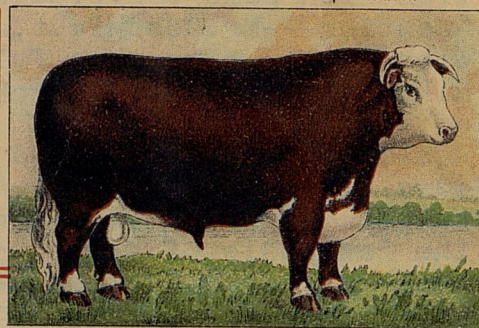
GEO. M. SLAUGHTER, Manager.



SIR BREDWELL, 63685
CHAMPION OMAHA EXPOSITION, 1898.

RANGE BULLS FOR SALE
SINGLE OR CAR LOTS.

HARRY W. HAMILTON, Foreman.



ANCIENT BRITON, 55749
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We paid for these cattle \$75.00 per head, counting everything that walk, and they were delivered in August at the Palo Duro Ranch and were put in the original J J herd. Question --- You have told me about the females of this herd, now will you tell me of the Male side of this herd?

Answer----I bred this herd of cattle to strictly registered Shorthorn bulls until 1883. Question---Mr Goodnight after 1883 what did you breed to Answer--- After 1883 I bred to imported Registered Hereford bulls of the very best quality that I could purchase.

Question---Then you had bred this herd to imported registered Bulls for a period of 12 years?

Answer---In other words I mean to say that from 1883 to 1895 I bred to to the very best Bulls that I could procure, Changing the Bulls every two years.

Question--Then Mr. Goodnight, do you think this herd of J J cattle are subject or rather ought to be subject to registration?

Answer---Every one of them ought to be are entitled to registration as I watched and selected only the best, or individual animals to propagate from believing in the survival of the fittest. Question---Then Mr Goodnight what is our opinion of this J J herd of cattle.

Answer---Col Slaughter, I firmly believe that as a cattle breeder, and one who has studied this subject of breeding for more than a quarter of a century that this herd of cattle taking them for vitality, for form, color and beef making, or rather range purposes for raising beef, that they are the best herd of cattle now in the round world, and I have given you a statement of facts that I am willing to be qualified to at any time.

Question---Col Goodnight you spoke to me about the pedigrees?

Answer---Yes, I had all the pedigrees of the animals used in this herd from every leading strain in America and Europe. They were filed in the office of the JA ranch, and some two years ago the office was burned and everything in it was lost. I have a few left in my possession, the purchases of the animals after the division of the herd as above spoken of which I will mail you after reaching home.

Hoping this explanation will be satisfactory,

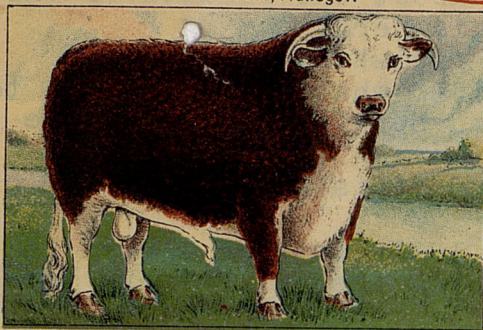
I remain,

your friend,

(Signed)

C. Goodnight.

GEO. M. SLAUGHTER, Manager.

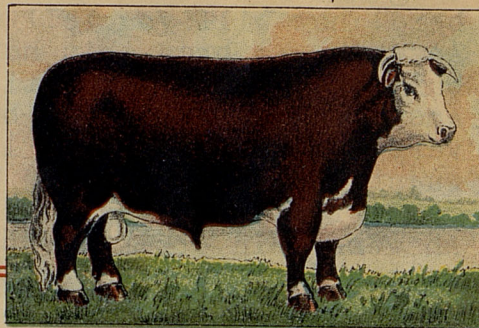


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Geo. M. Slaughtes speech
returning as president of the
Panhandle Stockmans Assc.

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Ladies and Gentlemen;

and All Members of the Panhandle Stockmen's Association:-

After my congratulations to the Association on account of our steady growth during the last year and upon the full and very representative attendance at the annual convention, there remains but little for me as President, to touch upon.

I am supposed to suggest anything that appeals to me as being for the good of the order, or that appears to menance our common interests. In this connection I have been to considerable trouble to collect the experiences of the stockmen who have dipped their cattle for Eronia and mites, and I find that it bears out my own experience and observation that it is a good investment and I wish to urge every member of the Association to promptly dip his cattle when ever the presence of these pests is apparent, and not wait to be forced to do so, as a condition precedent to shipping. The advantage to the cattle far more than repays the cost, to say nothing of the probability that a concert of action will soon eradicate these pests entirely.

The possibility of any damage resulting from the decrease or removal of the duties on Mexican cattle, I shall not discuss at length, because I regard the danger as remote, and one that could entail at most only a temporary disadvantage.

The great cry that went up in the East a short time ago about the high prices of meats resulted in a most laughable experiment,- a thirty days boycott of meat. The time

was too short- the only practical way would have been to join the vegetarian cranks for life and change the present ratio of supply and demand.

I am not saying that the market may not be cornered just a little bit by our packing house friends now and then, but the consuming public may as well make up it's mind to quit meat or pay the price of it's legitimate production. The American Public got the benefit of the free grass of the South and West for many years in the shape of cheap meats. In fact, "Old Brindle" was about the last to wake up and catch step in the universal march to higher values. The meat price in the future will be based on a fair return for the money invested in the herds and the lands that keep them, plus the outlay for labor.

That reminds me- the Amarillo packing house is now complete. Let us boost it! Amarillo has always been a cowman's town. Sanborn founded it and the cowmen fed it in its infancy. For a long time it looked problematical whether it would ever be more than a good cattle shipping point, but some years ago my Honored father, Col. C. C. Slaughter, in the hearing of many of you, predicted that there would be one great inland city somewhere in the Panhandle, and it looks today like the prediction was coming true and its name was Amarillo. Of course, I don't make a specialty of talking about this to Bill Slaughter, for he thinks the head of navigation is at Dalhart.

Really, friends, doesn't it seem a wonderful change? We all recall the long rows of shacks of years ago, and about every other one a booze joint or a restaurant. The standard meal was ham and eggs, with coffee for a drink at meals; any drink whatever except water. These are memories, but we can't afford to indulge them on the streets today, for fear an auto or trolley car catches us dreaming.

By the way, some of you thought I was enticing you a long way from home when I asked you to come down and enjoy the hospitality of Roswell, the Pearl of the Pecos Valley, but now I see we have a warm invitation to go over to the Pass City-Chicago next!

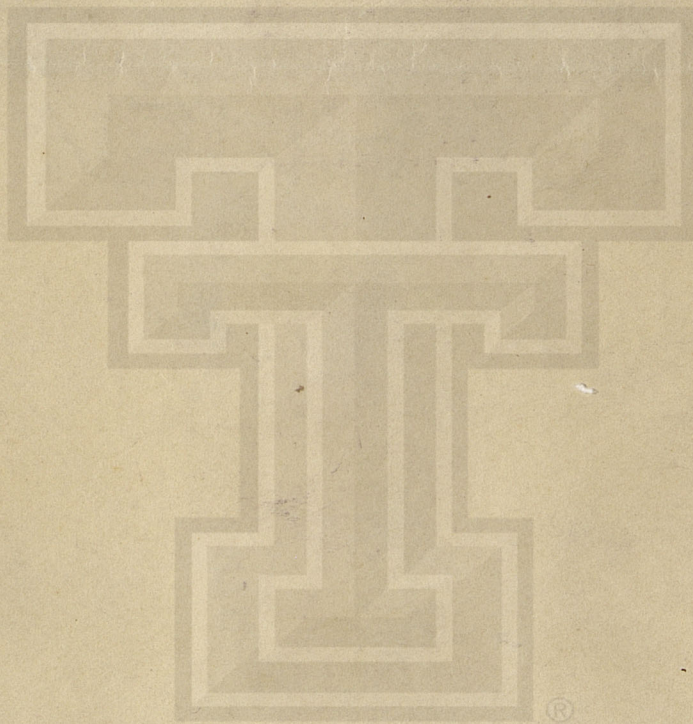
As you all know, this ends my second year as President of the Association, and I am not a candidate for re-election. In retiring I am moved with deep gratitude at the recollection of the faithfulness with which the Executive Committee has stood by me with their counsel and friendship and loyal support. If my incumbency shows anything of merit or success, it is due to them. From the bottom of my heart I thank them.

I feel grateful to each and every member of this Association and in saying goodbye officially, I want to urge on them the importance of standing squarely together and sticking by this organization. That is one lesson that the trend of events is teaching, perhaps, more forcibly than any other.

I shall work in the future as zealously as in the past and even were I to retire from the cattle business I shall

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always keep a round up of 25 cows, for the sole privilege of being a member of the Association. My friends, from a grateful heart, again, I thank you!



Goodnight ~~JS~~ JS + FF

Commenced Herd in 1874

Thorough buds + Hig Grades.

1877 - 1300 Cows.

1882-150 registered Short horn ~~Bulls~~.

Heifers

1883-300 Cows. Short horn +

Herefords. @ 75⁰⁰ per head.

Bulls.

Bred Short-horn Bulls till 1883

after 1883 Bred Registered Hereford
Bulls.

Col. C. C., Bought Herd in 1897

Geo. M. Slaughter on the condition of C. C. Slaughter Cattle Ranch for the year 1905.

I wish first to state that on a/c of the Rough winter we had last winter that we ought to be thankful that we have any cattle left- The winter of 1905 was the coldest winter your manager ever saw- Some 30 below zero at one time, and I wish to state it told on the cattle and will leave its print on the young cattle for sometime. The summer of 1904 was dry and the cattle had short grass to start into the winter on and then the cold severe winter of 1904 and 05, will long be remembered not only by the Slaughters but all the Pan-handle ranchers. From what I could see in the spring and all the information I could gather from our men, that our loss would not run over 2 1/2% on the Company ranch. Your President and myself figured last year on the outlook and came to the conclusion we better cut the cattle down in numbers and while it was like drawing eye-teeth to see nice young cows going to the shambles and not bringing but very little per head and I am now convinced it was the best move we could have made- Another item I wish to call your attention to, right here,

is that when your President was looking over this land sometime ago in view of purchasing it- Your manager and two more of its members were with him- Your President called our attention to the fact that the day would come when we would appreciate the sand that was on this ranch- While your Manager and the other two members of the company argued that there was too much sand, he stood out alone and bought this ranch and the winter of 04 and 05 has converted not only your manager, but the foreman and all the oldtime cowpunchers on the ranch. In comparing this ranch with one of her neighbors on the north and adjoining this property who has nearly all hard land and about the same number of cattle and acres, his loss was about 7500 head where ours was only about 450. My honest opinion is that it was caused largely by the sandy land on our ranch. I wish to state right here that I am honest when I say, that of all the ranches that I know of, I believe this corporation owns today the best ranch, according to its size and the best improved- Your improvements are all made of the best material that money could buy and have been kept up in very good shape regardless of expense, and they have been very expensive, but we have something to show for it, and if you will visit I will prove what I say- Your company has not spent very much for improvements this year, not there is need for improvement, but we were blessed with early rains and lots of it, and on a/c of the cattle business not paying I thought we would hold up a little on improvements for the reason I did not want to be called on to ship a lot of well-bred young cows to pay for it- We were ~~in~~ fortunate in getting two wells down on the west where we have spent a good deal of hard money for dry holes- We also tried a dry tank last winter and were lucky in getting it filled and it has water now that will last nearly all winter and is out in the dry strip where we have never been able to get a well- We have only bought two wind-mills this year and a car-load of 21 steel bottomless tubs 25 foot diameter for 1050.00 F. O. B. the rail-road. I have been worried about what to get for troughs to water the cattle for sometime- while our troughs that were put in when we first got the ranch were of the best Cypress and was the best we could get, I notice that they will all have to be worked over a little- Cypress is now so high and it is almost impossible to get 12" any more that I am satisfied that the steel bottomless is the

that I could find in the market. ~~and while~~ We have one that was
 at in as an experiment about two years ago and it has stood the test
 st well and hence purchased these troughs after trying one for two
 years-You have now on this ranch, some ~~SIX~~ camp houses, not very hand
 some, nor very comodius, but comfortable, provided too many sweaters
 do not stop for the night at one place. Each one of these houses have
 a farm fenced off near it, so by planting Corn, Kaffir, and Maize corn
 your company has not nor will they have to buy any grain for this
 winter. When you think about buying corn at the rail-road at ~~1.25~~ 1.25
 per 100# and then paying 35¢ per 100# to deliver it to the ranch, you
 will appreciate the raising of feed on the ranch-While it is costly
 to put in these farms, it seems that the People of the crowded east
 have all at once and with one accord taken the advice of Horace Gree
 ly and have come west to buy themselves a piece of land, and any one
 living along the line of the Pea Vine will tell you they never saw
 the like of people that come down ~~to~~ every excursion day and a large
 per-cent do not leave without being a land holder-The old cowboy
 says they are penny wise and pound foolish, but the old cowboy is in
 the rut and cannot turn out and the first thing they know they will
 be 2nd dish water at some little hotel or a chamber maid in a livery
 stable-It looks like the cattle business is done for, ~~but if you will~~
~~notice the papers~~ and will have to close its doors or go into the ha
 nds of a receiver-They have an awful load to tote, and those who have
 not been fortunate enough to have a captain at the wheel, who was
 farsighted enough to have placed some of the cattle into an office
 buildings, and Real Estate in a growing City and some good loans well
 secured and bringing in a 10% dividend, would not only be in the red
 but would have had to sacrifice a lot of western realestate, that is
 just in its infacy, or gone into the hands of a receiver-I will cite
 you to our next door neighbor, who has lately passed over the divide,
 who left his heirs some 160000 acres of as pretty land as you will
 find anywhere, which was sacrificed by selling the south 1/2 which was
 was the cream, at 2.25 per acre and then had to pay a commission of
 probably 25¢ per acre-You do not have to hunt these cases they are
 at your very door-While this Company has not paid any dividends yet
 in Dollars that could be spent on some gewgaw, its Capitan has done
 more than we give him credit for and the day is not far distant whe
 n we cannot shut our eyes to ~~this~~ the investments made in the nick
 of time-He has had lots to worry his weighty brain, The Beef combine
 clutching at his throat, The Rail-Roads following in the dark with a
 Knife up his sleeve, The Quack Doctors preaching that Beef is a dead
 ly poison and is the direct cause of Brights, Apendicitis, Insomnia,
 Lumbago, Rheumatism, and paralisia and a thosand other diseases I cant
 think and couldnt pronounce their names if could think of them, Now
 to Clap the Climax the Commission Man has turned on us and has struck
 ck for higer wages, ~~not satisfied with~~ and now want to Skin us and
 sell our hides for they have gone sky-ward-Some few cowmen had sense
 enough to go out of the business before the tumble came, and invest
 ed in the wooly dogie that says ba-ba-a-a, and he has a nice Bank
 account and when he meets his cowpuncher friend he is wearing a
 long sack, baggy trousers, smoking two fca Quarter and looks the other
 way while passing by. Pick up the papers every day or two you see whe
 re Dendinger has bought all of the west of the Pecos and the largest
 herd of cattle, talk with him and he says he is going to ship out the
 the cattle and go into the sheep business-We know he could not get
 the money to buy this big out fit-Directly Swifts Manager comes over
 and goes and looks over the ranch with Den-# Get Wise-Big # is look
 ing to the future-The ~~Bell Ranch~~ Halsell Ranch on the line of N.M
 and between the Bell and the X. I. T. ~~Swiftsman~~ Sold to Mr Smith catb
 le and horses, swifts manager again looking over Smiths purchase.
 Next Paper comes out Jones has bought the # Frank Rockefeller Ranch
 neighborhood of this company, look for next paper and you will see
 Swifts manager going out to look at it for Jones. Look wise-
 If this keeps up and when they get enough ranches to control the
 Range business-The Doctors will find out that the Cure alls is Beef
 Then who ever has any cattle left(and ~~there will be~~ numbers will no
 not be legion) will have a hot time in the old town- ~~Remedy~~ Prescript
 ion-Be patient, economical, and attend strictly to busness-Forget about
 wanting to ride in automobiles or going to the old country-Saty at
 home ride a 25.00 pony and when you cant be satisfied without a trip
 com to Roswe and dr some alkili water and Irrigate.

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308.566 acres

This Company owns today One of the best improved Ranches in the great Panhandle of Texas. Composed of ~~310000~~ 310000 acres of land, fenced and crossed fenced, ~~and leased to this company~~ and has contracts for deeds to 230256 acres of land-361227 acres of which we own in fee simple-Some ~~45000~~ 45000 acres is leased, and this Ranch is watered by 44 wind mills and one surface tank, which is divided into 24 watering places-Three watering places have 3 mills at each tank-Two watering places have One mill at each tank and 18 watering places have 2 mills at each tank-The pasture is cut up into 11 pastures-of which the largest is in grade ~~past~~ Ranch and is as follows North pasture has about 3300 young cows that were bred principally to Durham bulls. The South Pasture has about 4200 cows that were bred to White face bulls-The Dipping pasture after being used for dipping all of the Purebred herd ~~or~~ and all the Yearlings of the Zavalla pasture, is now empty and our idea is to work out the calves away from the cows through a cutting chute sometime about the 10 of Feb and place them in this pasture and the Gourdvine and after they are thoroughly weaned to place the overplus in the Zavalla pasture-5250 calves were branded this year against 2250 last year-Gourdvine pasture had about 800 steers (3 and 4 yr olds) grazing for some 2 months and on account of the Loco Your Manager thought it better to let them go down to R.L. Slaughter on the Long S ranch, where the other 3 and 4 yr old steers are that belong to that Ranch and they will all be together and I thought ours would bring more money by being wintered off the Loco-So this pasture has been empty since about the 10th of Dec. and will now be saved for the weaning of calves in Feb. The Zavalla Pasture oh only has about 1400 yearlings on about 34000 acres, but will be held to assist in taking care of calves-Silver Lake and Southwest pasture are the two large pastures in the Whiteface or Pure bred ranch and are thrown together for this winter, that is the cross fence is tied down so cattle can go to and from each pasture-The Two little pastures are now grazing some 625 heifer calves out of this herd and some 575 steer calves out of this herd, This year we only saved with their commission 125 calves, and steered the others-This Ranch has about 2700 head of cattle not counting the calves, which were mentioned above-The Bull pasture has on it about 400 white face bulls and the The saddle horses and mules -About 100 horses and about 16 mules.

which is about 60¢ts pr acre on the whole.

C. C. Slaughter owes 160936.00 on this ~~Ran~~ Companys land, of which he is paying 5% interest pr Annum on this debt. which is about 8000.00 per annum, C. C. Slaughter is paying about 2000.00 for leased land in this pasture and about 800 Taxes. It costs about 10000.00 per annum to Run this ranch of course this does include improvements-It takes ~~9 men~~ 9 men to run this Ranch-4 camp men, 2 windmill men-Two Roustabouts and one foreman- This company has about 17000 cattle on it now, and about 2000 cattle (1200 at Run. Water Ranch and 800 at ~~Bobs~~ Long S ranch. This Company owns 1000 acres of Irrigated land that is under ditches and in alfalfa, 1360 acres 6 miles south at Roswell that is a dry lands now, but might come in the next 2 or 3 yrs under the Gov. ditch that is now being completed, 450 acres that can be irrigated by Artesian wells anytime we want to bring the wells in or rather when we want to expend the money on drilling these wells. This makes about 2810 acres in cahes County near Roswell. We shipped some 10 cars of hay this year at 7.00 baled F.O.B. the cars-On a/c of so much rain in the valley this year which was good for our interests in the Panhandle in the way of Grass was very detrimental to the alfa interests, losing a great deal of hay before it could be cured-I would advise that we build a hay barn on account of the rain-We have about 2500 ton of hay on this farm, and are wintering for the Ranch about 146 durham bulls, Reg. about 65 reg white face bulls, and 125 white face ~~calves~~ Bull calves. 100 head of high grade cows and about 36 Reg white face cattle-Some 40 colts, some 20 large mares, one Jack, one stallion, and about 40 head of Horses and mules-We have plowed up the south side of 2nd st 100 acres that was in alfalfa and partly in but there was too much salt grass in it to be good and we are manuring it-The City of Roswell is trying to make a tax on our ditches which if they do will work an expense on us. I believe this will be a valuable piece of property if we ever get another R.R. We own adjoin the town of Portales 160 acres of pretty land which is worth about 2500.00 and 160 some 4 miles below the Portales spring which is a hay meadow and was cut on shares and baled and is stacked, our part, in portales and will be sold later.

A Typewritten Photograph your holdings (as I see it)

Before leaving N.M., I ~~liked~~ came very near forgetting to mention one little item, that is small now, but I think will grow like western lands in the future. Your Company has made History on one little Yearling in the Fat Stock Shows of the east. Never before in the ~~c~~ the history of the past has there been any Range man, Not ~~expectin~~ excepting Col Goodnight (Who gets credit for all the improvements in the upbuilding of Texas cattle) who has the nerve to breed, raise, graze and finish, in the south west and enter him in the eastern show in competition with all comers from any where in U.S. and Canada. He Took 3d Premium, which I think is a big feather for the Slaughter cattle, any one that does not appreciate 3d premium and think it does not amount to much, has never attended the fat stock shows and seen some of the finest cattle he ever saw come out of there with out ever being mentioned - This animal, Alfalfa Peach, by name, was a son of Bredwell and out of a grade durham cow, being a brockle face, was only a year old and weighed 1720 #, which was not a bad yearling, and sold gross for 105.75 - Mark what I tell you this will be noticed by the thinking feeder of the older States and favorably commented on. Your company has not failed to contribute in a weak way to the Car lot part of these mammoth fat stock shows has always come off with flying colors - She has the record ~~on~~ at Kansas City today that has never been equalled in the history of Kansas City yards, and all of the old time commission men say that they never expect to live to see it equalled in their life time - They brought 8.75 pr 100# and were only 2 yrs old, weighed 1400 and nett 108.00 per head. They had the thy s on them. In my humble opinion, based on the way the country is filling up with new people, good well bred stockers are going to be in good strong demand, and if the winter, fire or the loco does not hit them too hard, we are going to have them and will be ready to ~~pat~~ play ball, when that time comes. I wish here to acknowledge that I have done lots of things that I ought not to have done and left a great many things undone that I should have done, but like every one that makes mistakes I am ready to promise to look closer than ever to the business - I can do that and then not hurt myself any. Thanking each and every member of this company for bearing with me in my numerous short comings in the past and for listening to this rattle brained essay - I Thank You.

Retrospection of the cow business -

Past, Present and future of the cattle business.

The past, and it is the Long past, in the cattle business was a MOLLIE GIBSON, compared to the present, ~~While the future~~, and I wish here to say that the man that does not own his land on his ranch, there is no present, He has to use Corn Cobs, he cannot afford anything else. And as I have intimated above the only reason your manager would have the nerve to attempt to read you a report, is a/c of the Land business backing up the weakness of the cattle market. Other wise I would have been like my youngest Sister, I would have been so timid, that I would have all at once had a severe headache and would have gone to bed. While a Future, if there is a future, is only to those who have not played in the Back yards of McCall, McCurdy, Depew or any others of the old line companies or has not dined with Bill Laws or frenzied financiers, but a ray of light is only to those who have been wise enough to purchase some of the western arid lands before the rush. ~~THE~~ To those who have invested ~~the present~~ inlands the present does not look so gloomy, and this is the only way could now breathe and have their existence - Going back, about the time this company was being brought into existence, The Knowing ones Said it was too bad that Old Man Slaughter, in his old age, should throw all his money away on the refuse lands of the Panhandle, and it was a pity that he did not have a son that had sense enough to see it and admonish ~~the old man~~ him before it was everlastingly too late. After he had made a purchase of some 300000 acres, in Hockly and Cochran Counties, the Know alls got together and commenced saying wasn't he wise. They always Knew that old Man LUM Slaughter was a financier. Look at the Running Water Lands, 80000 acres that he has refused 5.50 per acre whole sale - The old saw, Like Father Like son, One son saw what his Father had done and he is known as the Young Land Grabber of the west. If the membership of this company could look through glasses - They would see innumerable reasons for Thanksgiving.

THE C. C. SLAUGHTER CATTLE COMPANY.

The C. C. Slaughter Cattle Company, of which George M. Slaughter of Roswell is general manager, was incorporated under the laws of Texas. In 1899 Mr. Slaughter came to the territory and bought one thousand acres of farm lands a mile and a half east of Roswell then devoted to the raising of alfalfa and fruit. He put upon the ranch a herd of registered Hereford cattle headed by the famous Sir Bred^Wwell, No. 63, 685, champion of the Omaha Exposition of 1898; also the imported Ancient Briton, No. 55, 749, World's Fair champion in 1893. He also had some twenty-four blue ribbon cows topped out of the best herds in the United States, including Viola II, valued at fourteen hundred dollars, and none of the cows cost less than five hundred dollars. The herd is now increased to forty head and is headed by the bull Columbus Slaughter, son of the famous Sir Bred^Wwell. The bulls produced here are taken to Texas and put on high grade Hereford cows and bulls from this increase are used for the grading of Texas herds. Upon this one thousand acre farm there are produced annually some forty-five hundred tons of alfalfa, which is used to winter six hundred bulls, which are in service on Texas ranches. The company also has about twenty-thousand cattle in range in Texas. The saddle horses used on the four hundred thousand acre ranch located fifteen miles east of the New Mexico line, are brought here and wintered on the ranch and are taken back to Texas in the spring. Upon this farm ^{near} ~~xxx~~ Roswell there is also sixty acres in a commercial apple orchard, one half of the apples being Ben Davis and the other half Missouri pippins ~~and~~ they bear in the year 1906 for the first time.

The farm is irrigated by three ditches out of North Spring river and is all under irrigation. The company also has five hundred acres on South Spring river adjoining the famous Hageman orchard. The Slaughter Company likewise owns

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thirteen hundred and six acres six miles south of Roswell fenced and watered and just outside the original district of the Hando project but will eventually be in the Hando reservoir district. In addition there is one hundred and sixty acres adjoining the town of Portales and one hundred and sixty acres under the Portales spring which is sub-irrigated and is used for a hay meadow. All of the interests of this company in the territory are managed by George M. Slaughter, who makes his residence in Roswell and who is prominent and influential in business affairs. He is president of the American National Bank at Roswell, has extensive city interests and is individually interested in alfalfa lands comprising two hundred and forty acres.