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CHAMPION OMAHA EXPOSITION, 1898.

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better buy it; think it is worth the money. Oxsheer has always tried to sell it to me at \$2.00. Have not heard anything further from the Court of Appeals on ^{Maverick} ~~Coke~~ county. The Hayden suit is running; and all seem to be surprised that I am out. I think they have a good jury. And unless the Doctor has somebody in to hang it, they are likely to get a verdict of not guilty; as they have accumulated a great deal of evidence on the Houston convention that we never had before. There was a man who took it down for himself and has written it out and sworn to it; and it shows the Doctor up in bad shape.

Don't know that I have anything more to say to you now. Hope you will get through with your Farrington cattle all right. I saw Oxsheer and told him that I did not want his pasture at present. He offered to winter 3,000 cattle at one dollar per head. When you get through, write me fully all about everything.

Your father,

CC Slaughter

C O P Y

Sept. 24, 1902.

Mr. Geo.W. Campbell,

Kansas City, Mo.

My dear Sir and Friend:

I have just received your favor of the 2nd, and hasten to reply.

I am very glad that you show such appreciation of what I had to say in regard to your integrity and stability of character, and you are right in believing that my expressions came from the heart. Like you, I revere a good name above all things; and I am sure that your family will be proud of the reputation and character which you will leave them.

In regard to my exhibiting eight car-loads of grass-fed "Long S" cattle at the American Royal, I desire to say that, taking the matter of advertisement, ability to handle the shipment at the show, and exceptional advantages to make public anything that the shipment may gain in the way of price or premium, I am pretty well satisfied that Clay, Robinson & Co. cannot be equaled among the commission firms of your city. At the same time I entirely agree with you that neither Clay, Robinson & Co. nor any other firm in Kansas City has any advantage over Campbell, Hunt & Adams in the matter of handling cattle in the yards for market and getting every dollar that it is possible to get for them when sold. I don't believe that anyone knows better than you how to classify and arrange cattle in order to get the most for them out of the buyers. Of course, if I should send this shipment to Clay, Robinson & Co. for exhibition at the American Royal and they should satisfy me in the way they handle the bunch, I would naturally expect to divide my business in the future and allow them to handle some of my cattle when shipping. You certainly have a feather in your cap that no one can take away from

you for a long while, and that is that you have sold the best car-load and highest priced cattle ever seen in the Kansas City stock yards. Although I have decided to send the cattle to Clay, Robinson & Co., I still expect you, as a friend of mine and as a salesman of "Long S" cattle, to look out for the shipment and see that Clay, Robinson & Co. do the proper thing in giving my cattle as fine a location as possible at the exhibition. Do not suppose from this that I have lost any confidence in you or that I am going to take my business away from you, because such is not the case. So long as you treat me fairly, as you have done in the past, I will of course naturally desire to let you sell my cattle. I will in all likelihood however, as I have said before, divide my business between you and Clay, Robinson & Co.

I notice what you have to say in regard to the market for cows this fall, and as usual our ideas agree to a great extent. I think the average of my cattle will weigh about 800 to 850 and bring between \$2.75 and three cents. Of course, I will have some cows that will weigh more than that and bring a better price, while I will doubtless market some that will weigh not quite up to 800 and will bring possibly \$2.50. The average, however, ought to bring \$2.75 to \$2.80. Of course, on account of the great curtailment of range in West Texas on account of the decision of the Supreme Court in the case of Ketner vs. Rogan and Slaughter, I expect there will be an immense number of cows shipped to the markets this fall and the early part of this winter, and this will naturally have its effect upon the market.

I will be very glad if you will keep me posted from now on to the middle of December in regard to the cow market.

Trusting that you will live to see the day when you will sell "Long S" steers at \$10.00 per 100 pounds on the Kansas City market, I beg to remain

Very truly your friend,

CAMPBELL, HUNT & ADAMS.

Kansas City, Mo., 9/16/1902.

Sold for Col. C. C. Slaughter.

Purchaser.--Cattle.--Weight.--Price.--Amount.-- Total.

S & T.	17	21530	\$8.75	\$1883.87	
"	16	23770	8.00	1901.60	
	33	45300			\$3785.47
					85.12
			Net Proceeds-----		\$3700.35

Weight of 2's at Council Grove.

The "model" steer, Puck,	1400	
1	1300	
1 - white face -	1570	- weighed 430 when begun feeding.
1 - short horn -	1500	- " 430 " " "
1 -	1300	
1 -	1140	
1 -	1320	
1 -	1320	
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1 -	1310	
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1 -	1300	
2 -	2500	
1 -	1310	
1 -	1240	
17	22350	= average 1314.

The fattest steer was a white face roan.

Frank H. Worrie

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Weight of 3's.

1 -	1470
1 -	1390
1 -	1700
1 -	1600
1 -	1500
2 -	3020
1 -	1530
1 -	1530
1 -	1500
2 -	2920
1 -	1500
1 -	1600
1 -	1650
1 -	1370
16	24280 = average 1517

Campbell says: "The two year old cattle were pronounced by all who saw them, as the best finished load of cattle that has been here this year, and the price they brought proves the buyer thought so, as they topped the market for this year, and for all time so far as I know, for a load of cattle, and I have been selling cattle here for more than 21 years, and they were the best load of cattle I ever sold, and brought the highest price, and a friend of mine told me this morning that I would never live to sell another load at the price these brought, which may be quite true."

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Porter Eurl	10
Buenaberry	10 ⁰⁰
Colisher	500
Amoritt	500
Rosenwald	500
Russell & Co	300
Joffe & Co	500
Dees Valley & Co	300
Pollerson	500
Grand & Co	500
C G Mills	500
J D Chas	500
Full & Co	300
Pine Co	300
H. C. Elrick	200



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Oct. 9, 1902.

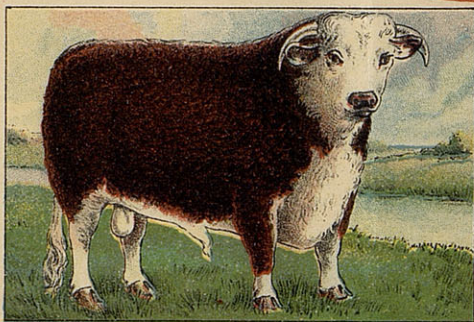
Mr. Geo. M. Slaughter,
Bovina, Tex.

Dear George:

I received your telegram to-day saying you would ship 13 cars of cows on Sunday, and wanted to know where and to whom to ship. I am writing you this letter in place of telegraphing you. I leave it entirely to your discretion where you ship. You know my idea would be to divide the cattle and send some to St. Jo. The others did very well on that line, they brought 5 cents more per hundred. But it is all right if you don't want to ship there. Do as you please. The cow market is reported off. I expect you have some fine cows. I don't know of anybody better capable of handling them than Campbell, Hunt & Adams. I would suggest that you send about half to St. Jo and half to them. However, it will be satisfactory to me if you send to others.

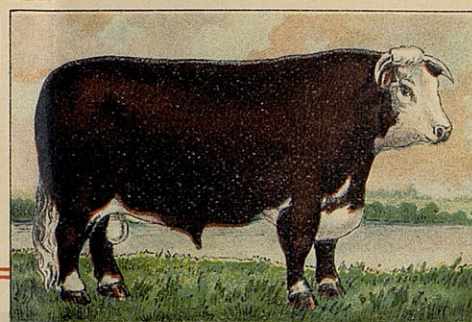
It seems to me that as you are a week late on these cattle, that you will be crowded to get the others that you want to ship for show in on time as they ought to be shipped anyway by the 20th. However, you are working at that.

Have just gotten a telegram from R. L. saying that his big



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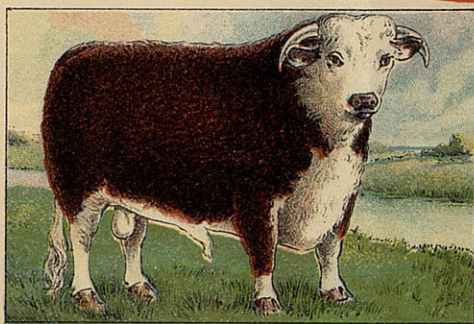
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show has come off on his land, and that everything is quiet, and he carried his points. Which I think is getting three sections out of four leased to him for from 3 to 10 years, the other section until the man wants it.

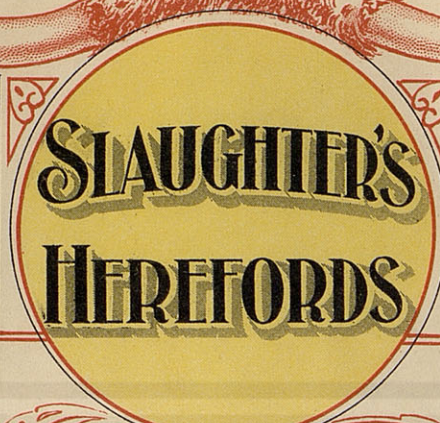
John Slaughter writes me that he has been all over my range down there and we have more grass, in his opinion, on three sections this year than we had on five last year.

I am rather now of the opinion that I will leave here about next Tuesday, the 14th; and if I do, will try to make it to Bovina by the 21st to go down with you to Kansas City. However, that is going to press me very hard. If you will let me know by letter where you will be, I will wire you about the time I will leave. I will have to drive through pretty lively as it will only give me about six days.

I wrote to Jack Alley to take you up 1200 two-year-old heifers and 600 or 800 yearling steers. He writes me back that his cattle are doing so well down there that he thinks I had better not move them, and move up something from Bob's. His argument is very good; but I have not countermanded the order yet, and probably won't untill I get there. He says the cattle are located very well, and if I bring up any from the lower ranch they will stay on the south side of the fence all winter



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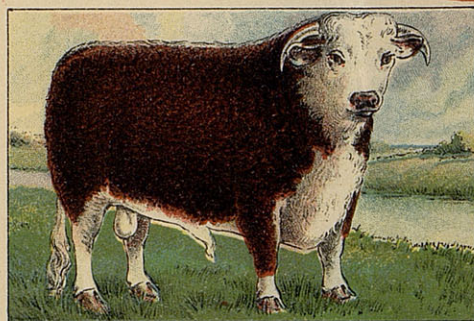
and would not do well. But, on the other hand, he has the cattle I want up there. I am rather undecided. In all probability I had better take 1,000 or 1200 cows, after weaning the calves, from Bob's up there; bob their tails so we will know them, and then ship them out if they do not have calves. I hate to move those young cattle when they are so well located.

Jack got most of his land on good, easy terms for a year or two.

From the way things look now, unless we have a hard ^{wet} winter we are going to be able to take care of our cattle, I believe, as I still intend to ship as many cows as will possibly do off of the lower ranch. And I suppose you will carry in some more cows with your train that you want to show, and I think that will be the last that I will have you to take. Make up your train with the fattest cows; nothing will bring any money unless it is very fat, I think.

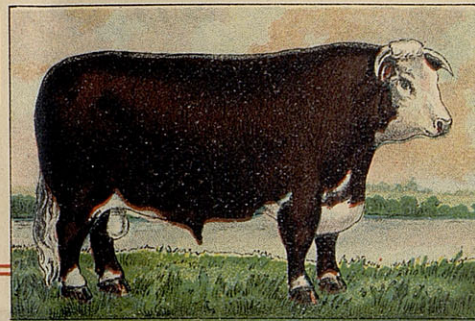
I bought the Exchange building by the side of me, and am now offered a profit of about \$19,000, which I have so far refused; do not know whether I will take it or not.

So you see everything is moving on as well, and better than I expected. In all probability we won't be hurt as bad on the land question as I thought. I settled with W. B. Slaughter the other day.



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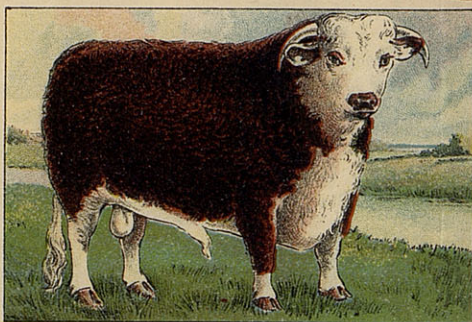
Sold him the ranch for \$30,000. He has paid in about \$3800.00 in cash, and has sold about \$8800.00 worth of cattle and horses, and has them well secured. I think he will pay up the \$30,000.00, and then he will own the balance of what he has up there. I ~~thought~~ that was best after all. We are working away, and I am forcing Dick down to his books. I give him until the 1st of November to get matters straightened up, and if he does not do it, I am going to let him go and get somebody else. I want to be with you at Kansas City, think we will have a good time. Write me when you ship the cattle what you think about them and everything.

Old man Rice is here, and Booty telegraphs he will be here to-morrow, and I am going to try to untangle and settle the old Running Water Twonsite Company the best I can. Really, it is in a bad shape, and I don't know what to do about it but will do the best I can.

The Fair is running fairly well. The town is growing very fast, I fear almost too fast. The people, like the balance of the United States, are going at a high rate of speed, and I really fear a break-down, but when it will come I do not know. I do not want to be left to hold the sack when it does come.

Go right ahead and ship your cattle; just do the best you can, and every thing will be all right with me.

Your father,



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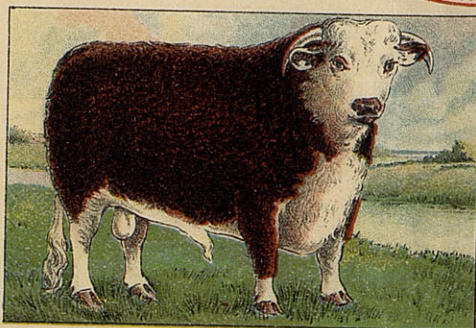
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Oct. 16, 1902.

Mr. G. M. Slaughter,
Bovina, Tex.

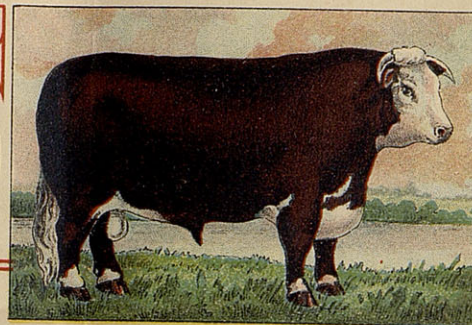
Dear George:-

I received your letter with enclosures - checks to the amount of \$3150.00 - a day or two ago. I now write you and send it to Bovina for fear you will not get it if sent to other places. Suppose you will be there shipping your cattle Saturday and Sunday. I had made arrangements to go out to Bob's and start to the ranch last Tuesday. But on figuring up the time, I found I could not make it through to Bob's, without too much haste, in time for you to leave for Kansas City, etc. So I have concluded to leave here about Sunday night and have Bob meet me at Stanton ~~xxxxxx~~ Monday morning, the 20th, and take my time and go through the ranches and meet you about the night of the 28th at Zavalla, or I will stay there until you come. This will give you ample time to get through I think, as you will leave Kansas City about the night of the 25th, the last day of the Show - that will give you three days and nights to get down there. I don't want to go over your ranch without your company. I have a great many things that I might suggest to you as wenwent along. My idea is, if we can leave Zavalla the 29th we can



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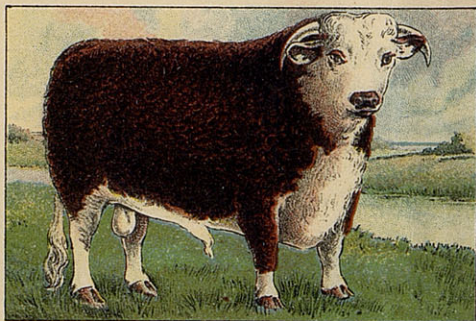
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look through the C. C. S. Co. Ranch and get through to Running Water by the 3rd of November and look over the cattle there the 4th, and take the train at Herefore the evening of the 5th so I can go to the Baptist Convention which meets at Waco on the 7th. If I don't meet you at Zavalla, I will probably drive up to Slaughter, and may be there on the morning of the 29th. That will give you time I think to meet me. I either had to give up the trip to the ranch now and wait until after the Cattle Show at Kansas City, or go out now and get through with the Baptist Convention, which I would like to attend. So I concluded to give up the Kansas City trip and get through with Bob by the time you got back.

I hope you will have good success with your show cattle. The only thing that I think you would stand a chance of loss would be on your yearlings and two-year-old heifers.

Billy Anderson was down the other day, and he says that I agreed to give him 50 cents per head for selling those cattle, or words to that effect. I did not reply. I would say that I did not tell him to sell the cattle in June and wait until November to do it. I really don't remember telling him that I would give him 50 cents a head; I might have



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done so, if I did I meant right away. So you can pay him 25 cents - that is the customary price anyway - and charge him the balance for grazing. Give him a quarter and take out your expenses.

This leaves us all well and hope will find you the same.

Your father,

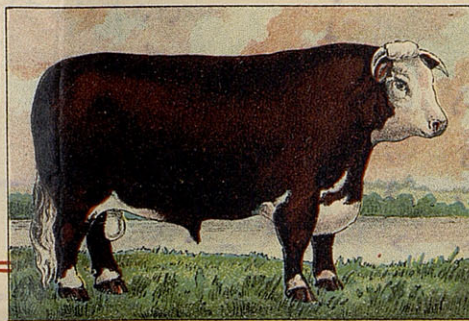
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Oct. 20, 1902.

Mr. Geo. M. Slaughter,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Brother:

In your letter written Oct. 8, and addressed to father, you said to have me order you some chloro naphtholeum. In reading this letter to father I asked him how much I should order and if I should write to Richards & Comstock and get their price, etc. He put the matter off; and I spoke to him about a week afterwards about it, but he said you could order it as well as I could, and said that the agent for the "dip" had been out there at Roswell and had seen you and was prepared to give all the details, closest price, etc. Now in your letter to me of the 14th you asked me to add 100 gallons to your order for Phelps White. Now I have never ordered this chloro naphtholeum for you on account of father putting the matter off and not seeming to be desirous of having it ordered. I have to-day written to Richards & Comstock, General Agents for chloro naphtholeum, at Ellsworth, Neb., and have asked them to quote the best price by the barrel for the dip delivered at Portales. And just as soon as you get this, I would be glad if you would write me and let me know how much to order. I am sorry that this matter has not been

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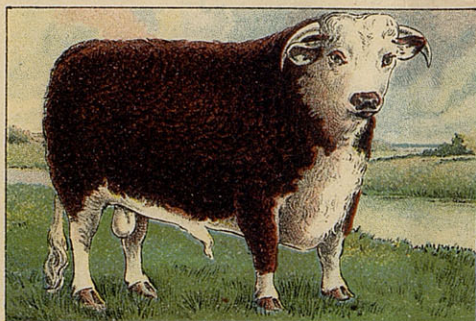
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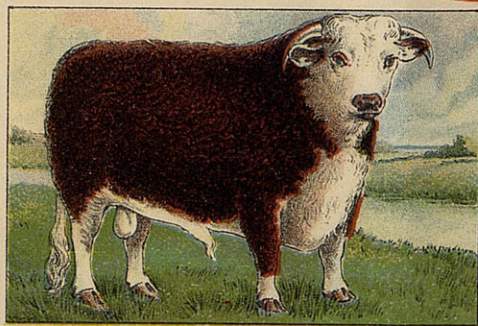
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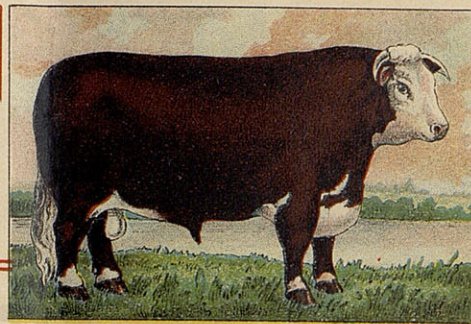
attended to before now; but, as I said, I called father's attention to it twice, and he did not seem in the mood to order it either time.

Father and C. C. left last night for Stanton, where they will arrive this morning. They will camp to-night at Sulphur; to-morrow they will be at the River Wells near head of river with branding outfit; Sunday night, the 22nd, they will camp at Indian Canyon; Thursday, Friday and Saturday they will be at Tahoka Lake; Sunday, the 26th, they will camp somewhere in the N. U. N. Range; Monday night, Oct. 27th, they will be at Zavalla; Tuesday they will be at Slaughter; Wednesday, Oct. 29th, they will very likely be at Boyd's; Thursday, Oct. 30th, they will very likely be at Rogers' camp (new Ancient Briton); Friday, Oct. 31st, they will camp at or near the sod-house headquarters of the Capital Syndicate; Saturday, Nov. 1st, they will reach Running Water, and be there the 2nd and 3rd; on the 4th they expect to pull for the railroad, and will likely camp at Dimitt; Nov. 5th they will be at Hereford and will leave that day for home; Nov. 6th they will reach home. Father will stay here one day, Nov. 7th, and will leave for the Baptist Convention at Waco the 8th. When he left here he said he was very anxious to have you with him when he went over the C. C. Slaughter Cattle Company Ranch and Running Water Ranch. Of course, he may vary a day or so from the above program, but



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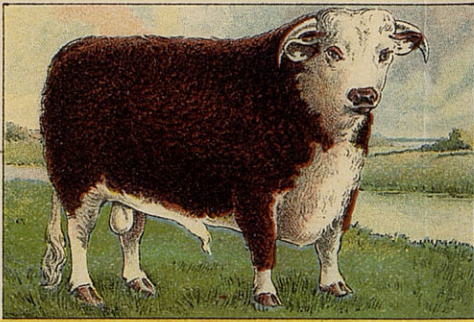
this is about his itinerary.

I hope you will have great success with your exhibition cattle, and I hope that you will be able to sell them for a good price. I will appreciate it if you will with-hold \$250.00 from Anderson's commission for me when you settle with him. Everybody is well here.

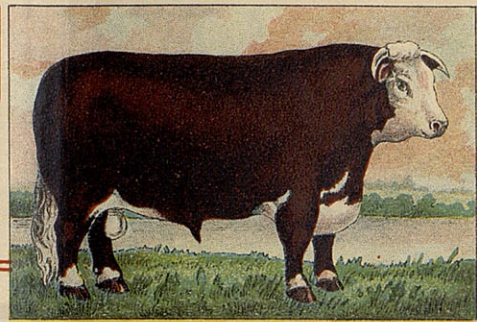
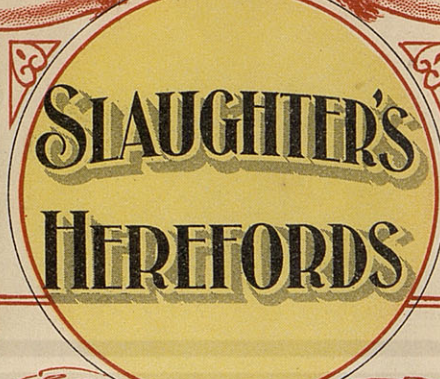
With best wishes and kindest regards,

Your brother,

E. Dick Slaughter.



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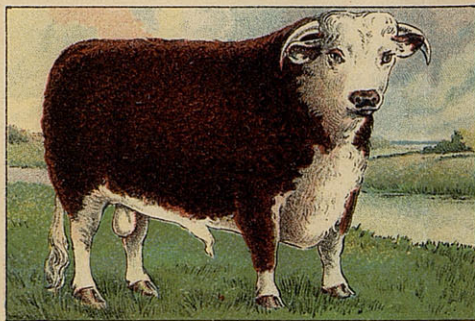
Nov. 6, 1902.

Mr. George M. Slaughter,
Roswell, N. M.

Dear Brother:-

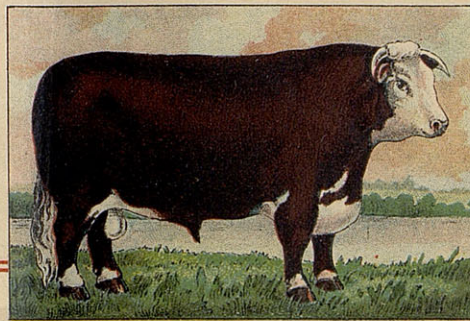
I beg to enclose herewith a copy of a letter which I have this day sent to Richards & Comstock. I would have ordered this when you first wrote about two weeks ago, but you failed to tell me how much to order; and when I brought the matter to the attention of father, he waved me aside and said he would attend to that later. You will notice that father has written them that upon receipt of the goods at Portales you will send them a draft to cover. Please do this as soon as the dip is delivered at Portales.

Everybody is well at home. I would very much appreciate it if you would protect me to the amount of \$250.00 in your settlement with Billy Anderson, as you said you would in a former letter to me. I can not make out a statement in regard to the C. C. Slaughter Cattle Company until you send me a full itemized statement of the number and value of everything on the Hockley and Cochran County Ranch on the 1st day of February, as well as a statement of what you have shipped off since that



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time, the amount of money the cattle you sold brought, and the number of cattle and horses, etc., that you have added to the Company's property since Feb. 1st.

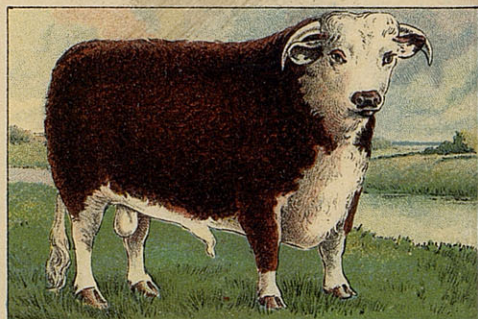
Trusting you will attend to this at your earliest convenience,
I beg to remain

Your brother,

Edrick

I have a statement of no. cattle
sold & amount of money they brought
since last Feb. 1. - But I would
be very glad if you would
send me your statement. so I
can see if mine is correct.

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Nov. 29, 1902.

Mr. Geo. M. Slaughter,
Roswell, N. M.

Dear George:

Your money for the steers came in all right in good time. I think they were very well sold. Our cows from the lower ranch are selling low: \$2.60 to \$2.80, netting us \$17 to \$18 per head. Have shipped out about 1600 head. Suppose Bob will ship about 400 to-day again. Don't think I will ship as heavy as I first thought I would; will stop at about 3,000 probably.

I enclose you a letter from Portales, which explains itself. Have not written the man at all.

The Hayden trial is over. The jury returned a verdict against some 15 of the defendants for \$15,000. They are appealing it. They turned loose Truett, Wootan, Freeman and Robinson.

We are having a rainy time here. Railroads are running cattle very slow, they say on account of wet roads. Mama wrotetto Harry to send her some turkeys and some eggs I believe, which I hope he will do. The roads are almost impassable in the country and farmers can't get them in, so they are scarce.

G. M. Slaughter

W. H. Thomas, President.

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Dallas, Texas, Dec. 4, 1900.

Geo. M. Slaughter,

Roswell, N. M.

Dear Sir:--

Yours of the 29th at hand. Contents carefully noted.

You say you have written 5 or 6 letters and have received no answer. Please look at your letter file and ascertain thereby if you are not mistaken. No such number of letters has reached this Office. We have received only three letters, dated Nov. 11, 12, and 15th, from you, and they were all about the same subject matter. I received a telegram and answered it, and have tried to reply to all your letters by one. I say this because I don't want you to think I neglect your correspondence.

In your telegram you said you could buy corn at 95 ¢. You now say you bought at 1.00, but that is alright, as you gave good reasons. Of course you must manage about buying corn etc. the best you can. I hardly think Cottonseed is good for the calves on the farm, but it is fine out on the range. ---By the way, I gave an order yesterday for 5 barrels (of 200# each) at 20.00 per barrel, of ACME FOOD, to be delivered at Portales, N. M., consigned to C. C. S. in care of G. M. S., and same quantity, 1000#, to Roswell. I ordered this as a trial. It is ground to a meal from 17 varieties of roots, , barks and herbs, containing Rhubarb, Blood-root, etc. It is highly recommended by great breeders. It is simply a condition powder. It may work off the itch, and

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should keep the stock in healthy growing condition. It should be fed at a ratio of two or three parts salt, and one of Acme Food. I suppose the full directions will come in each barrel. It may prove to be valuable, and you must give it a fair test. It cost me \$200.00.

I note what you say about going to Runningwater, and I dont see any particular necessity for your going there. I have another inquiry from a prty by the name of Cash. He is from Dimmitt, and wants to buy 18 or 20 sections in Block 0 2 and 0 5, which I find to be in the Southwest corner of the pasture, marked "sand-hills", and shall write him that I dont care to dispose of that now, but will sell him 25 or 30 sections, mostly in a solid body in the Northwest corner, at \$2.00, 1/2 cash, balance on time. By the way I think we had better fence that solid land up there, and put a well on it.

That is alright about Brookes, as you have to back up your local paper.

You can do as you please about the corn. Dont think it a good idea to hold over the corn..

I notice you say you found 6 acres north of the river. It is alright about fencing, as you must do as you think best. You say you sent me a boot measure in duthch for the boys boots, but no measure came in the letter. What is the matter with you anyhow. Now Santa

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I should be fed
at a ratio of two or three parts salt, and one of Home Food. I suppose
the mixture will come in each barrel. It may prove to be val-
uable, and you must give it a fair test. It costs me \$200.00.
I note what you say about going to Runningwater, and I don't
see any particular necessity for your going there. I have another in-
quiry from a party by the name of Gash. He is from Dimmitt, and wants to
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Claus is in a bad fix. Both Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus have ~~asked~~ asked for this measure, and we have received nothing yet. Be sure to send the measure this time, and at once. Sorry to hear you have small pox. Glad the Boy is vaccinated. You say you have a letter from Lower. I have one too. He says he has lost two head from blackleg, a steer calf, and a yearling bull.

We have had a time getting the correct number of cattle you sent to Lower. Lower reports 3 cars received, containing,

50 bull calves,

48 steer calves,

9 yearling and two-year-old steers.

25 " " " bulls, a total number of 132 head.

You reported 148 or 149.....Have written to feed the two year old bulls and to feed the calves to the top-notch. Also wrote him to cut all bull calves except 5 head. He says he can't identify the "Little Briton". If you sent him one, write him how to identify it.

I think it a good idea to separate the heifer and bull calves, for if you don't you will have a lot of calves.

I did not get a letter from J. R. Charles about the Surratt land. I can buy that land pretty cheap. If you can sell the Randall and Armstrong, and throw in the Sherman at its cost, 3 ¢ per acre, you may make the price \$1.40, 1/2 cash, and balance on 10 years at 5 %.

It is alright if you can sell your bull yearlings at \$60.00 for the whole bunch of 150 head.

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I still hope you and little George can run down for a day or two at least during Christmas.

Lower has a car-load of steers on the Fat Stock Show to-day weight, 1864# average for the 15 head at home. I did not go. If we get mention at Chicago Fat Stock show it will be a feather in our caps. The full-blood Gillett weighed over \$2050#.

Penny eat dinner with me yesterday and says he is through with Oxsheer, and says he is going to see you. I dont know but what it would be a good idea to have Penny look over the ranch for you this winter and keep yourself out of the cold. He would be a good man to oversee. Oxsheer put Epley up there to look after things and told Penny he could stay under Epley at the same wages, and he quit. He is likely to want to go to Lubbock too often.

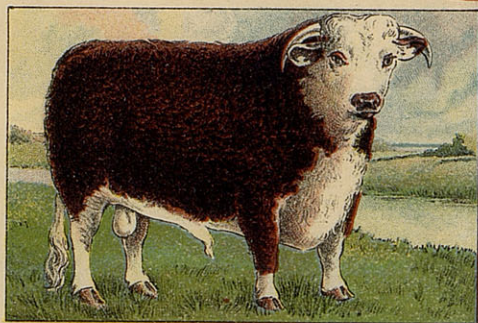
I dont know of anything more I can say right now. Write often and you will be answered.

With much love, I am,

your father,

C. C. Slaughter,

per E. D. S.



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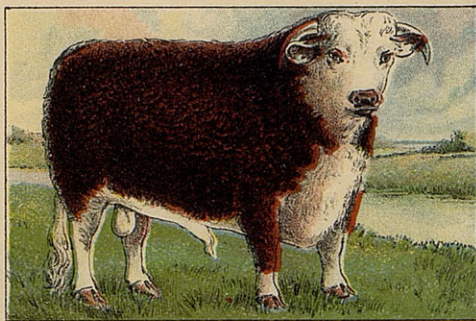
Dec. 10, 1902.

Mr. G. M. Slaughter,
Roswell, N. M.

Dear George:

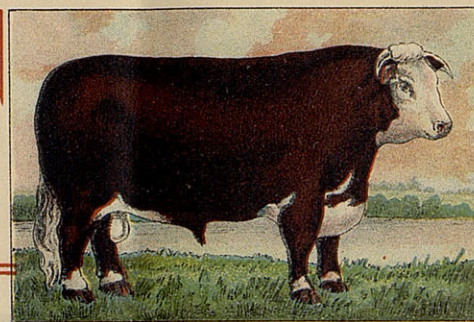
Your long, interesting letter of recent date has been received. It was not answered sooner because I really had no suggestions to offer.

If you take any steers over to Roswell to feed, I think you run a very great risk of getting anything for your feed. After you pay the freight on them down to Roswell and put your feed on them, then freight on them to Kansas and pay your pasturage, you would have to get a very good price to leave anything for the steers. However, you do just as you please about it, and if you make a mistake you know then how you made it. My idea was to let the cut-backs run on the range till they get aged, and then ship them on the market. However, we might move them on the Kansas range this spring and sell them in the summer. It is not my idea to put much money on cut-backs, but let them grow out till they get aged and slip them in with others on account of heft by age, as they will take them when they are heavy. It will do them lots of good: some of them will come out, there are always some that will not come out; and it is poor policy in my judgment to put expense on



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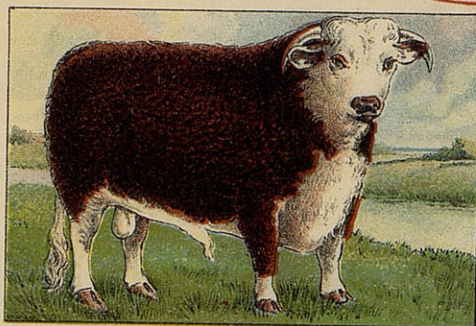
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sorry cattle. From what you say I think your ranch will go through all right, barring accidents which you have no control over.

I have been shipping a good many cows from the lower ranch. The last shipment brought \$16.65, and I think after one more train I will stop. I have sent about 400 bulls to Jefferson, Texas, to feed. Hope to get some money out of them.

I have bought two-thirds of a league of the Hardeman County school land at \$1.50 per acre cash. The man is here to-day with the deed; but we are still waiting for more records of the orders of the Commissioners' Court. I guess it is all right: we want to be very careful. I have put the money up in the American National Bank to pay for it when they can furnish a deed. The deed is here, but Wright wants certified copies of the orders of the Commissioners' Court of Hardeman County authorizing the disposal of this land.

I am just starting the improvements on my building this morning: they are now cutting a door between the buildings. I intend adding two stories to my building and run it up even with the other one, and call it Slaughter Building. Think it is a risk, but I believe I can make it pay fair interest, and call it a good investment. I am going to put about \$110,000 cash in the two buildings; and I believe it is worth



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\$150,000, I believe I can make it pay 6% on that amount. This I will have to try at least, and will finally know in a year what I can do.

We have had some three weeks of about the murkiest, rainiest, muddiest, meanest weather that I ever saw in Dallas, considering the length of time. Hope we will have some sunshine now. I want to get this building in shape before freezing time. I have contracted with the heating man to heat both buildings for \$3500.00, and have paid out \$2500.00 for a new elevator. With this, I now have in the two buildings \$98,000.00.

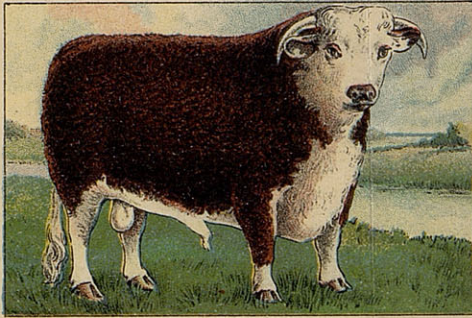
I will need a car-load of alfalfa hay as soon as you can send it to me.

This leaves us all fairly well, and hope will find you and yours enjoying good health.

Your father,

C. Slaughter

R. L. SLAUGHTER, Manager.



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THE LONG S RANCH.

HIGH GRADE SHORT HORN
AND HEREFORD CATTLE.

Midland, Tex. Jan 21st. 1903.

Mr. Geo. Slaughter

A copy of C.C.S. letter

Dear Father

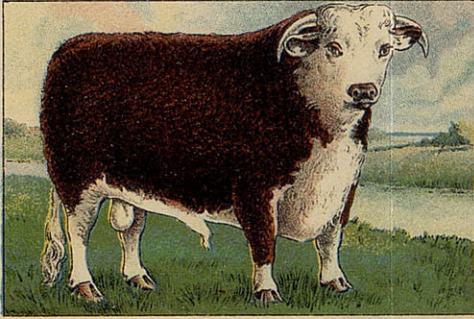
The weather out here has been bad, wet and cold, but it seems the cattle hold their own pretty well. But as I said before they are not in as good shape as they ought to be.

I want to make you report on what I did with my stock horses; The boys brought them down to Mustang, as that was the only place we had where we had smooth wire pens, cutting shute and small pasture to keep them seperated in.

I picked out 140 head of the young stuff, yearlings up, to keep also two studs and the Jack; then sent to Roswell 122 head mares and two studs, branded all of these, on each hip and cropped off the left ear, so they would be no trouble to find in those big round ups, and no one will be likely to steal them as they will be so noted on their ear mark; also sent those old horses that Jack Alley cut out in the Breaks pasture, as they were to poor to use. Also sent the Coach horse Dell with them so as to keep your team together for Spring. Told them to ride my bay Charlie horse back.

I branded out 20 mule colts, how is that for a \$100.00 range Jack Also branded 40 horse colts, and 45 mare colts, I am keeping all the colts

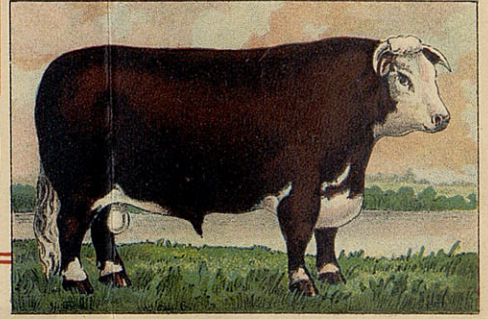
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I then altered 44 coming 2 yr, old horse colts, 4 of which have died, and I have 20 that I altered last year, this gives me 60 colts to break, and I left them in My horse pasture, will begin breaking them soon, and never let them go with stock horses, which I put back in Klondike pasture. these colts wont come in untill 04, but they will save buying horses.

I may buy one now and then but wont need many.

Next fall I want to ship a car of mares to market and each year ship out enough to keep the stock horses at about 100 head, and not let them get so thick any more.

I will send Geo. a copy of this so that he will know what I have done.

Sent Belcher and Smyth with the Roswell horses, and told them to go by Slaughter Cattle Co. Ranch, as Geo. might have some stuff going over, if they dont hear from him they will take the bunch to the Roswell Farm,

Respt. Your Son

R. L. Slaughter

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G. M. Slaughter,

Roswell, N.M.

Will want fifteen hundred one year heifers your brand arrange to deliver
with steers answer helena. J.M. Boardman.

*Boardman wishes he wants
1500 yr Hfs delivered with
steers - wire me im-
mediately - Expect you
meet me / partakes Saturday
Geo. M. Slaughter*

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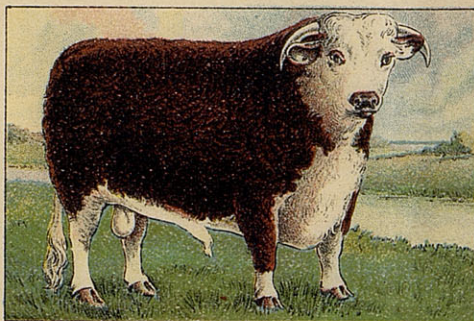
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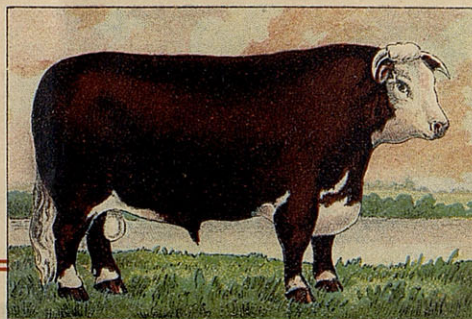
Heifers not less than fifteen dollars meet you Portales Sunday.

C.C. Slaughter.



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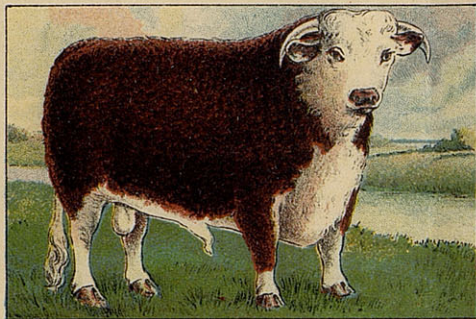
Feb. 18, 1903.

Mr. G. M. Slaughter,
Roswell, N. M.

Dear Son:-

I have your letter of the 13th with enclosures.

I note what you say in regard to getting the old bulls straightened out and tracing out the brands and identifying them. I think it is a very good step in the right direction: it may not look as though it was worth much, but I am sure it is. I also note what you say in regard to your young cattle, having them well branded so as to identify them. This must be done. And I also note that "New Era" really failed to be registered. I am sorry, indeed, of this. The only way that I see how it was done is that we failed to show the transfer of his mother in time. We transferred her mother, but I suppose we failed to transfer the heifer. Thomas says he wrote to me and sent me the transfer. I am satisfied he is mistaken: no transfer for the young cow ever came to the office. My opinion is, that all this came up about the time of the Sotham row; Thomas was pretty well "balled" up. I have a copy of a letter written him stating that the cow "Bonny" was mine and that it was her calf that I wanted registered; and sent him ten dollars to register Bredwell's Maid and Bredwell's New Era. He kept the money, but only registered one.



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June 1, 1903.

G. M. Slaughter,

(Roswell, N. M.) Hereford, Tex.

Dear George:—

I arrived home yesterday (Sunday) morning, and had a fine trip. I cut John's yearlings, and they are very good and in fine fix. Our yearlings are fine: in fact, all the cattle below Lubbock are in splendid shape. I met Bob and the Outfit at Rattlesnake. Hank took sick, and I came to Big Springs Saturday, the 30th, and took the train for home. We have a few Twos in J. B. S. Herd. Boyd's yearlings are only fair for size, but otherwise they are good.

Tell Ed Green to go to Jack's as soon as he possibly can. Joyner will have a herd of yearlings for him as soon as he can get there. Bob says he will send a man or two to Zavalla after the bulls. He wants 200 to 250. So Ed Green can come direct to Jack's after the yearlings, and the sooner he gets there the better. I told Joyner to take the yearling herd up to the Salt Wells and hold them there one day. They will get there about the 7th. They think they will deliver to Jack's pasture about 4000. They had 2700 already in Indian Canyon, and about 700 gathered at Rattlesnake. They will get

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nearly 1000 there, so I told him to take all to Tahoka Lake. I left Hank at Ft. Worth, and I guess he is with you ere ~~xxxx~~ you receive this. Wire me how you are getting along after you are done shipping. Don't fail to examine the Howard Cattle. This leaves all well.

I enclose Certificate of entry of "SIR BREDWELL'S NEW ERA". No. 162036, and Bonny No. 87083. Please acknowledge receipt of these two certificates of entry, so I will know that you receive them.

With much love from all of us to you and yours,

I am,

your father,

CC Slaughter

G. M. S. S.

Wrote me how you are getting along after you are done shipping. Don't
Hank at Ft. Worth, and I guess he is with you. When you receive this.
nearly 1000 there, so I told him to take all to Hawks Lake. I left

fail to examine the Howard cattle. This leaves all well.
I enclose Certificate of entry of "W. B. BREDWELL'S NEW ERA".
No. 188038, and Benny No. 87083. Please acknowledge receipt of these
two certificates of entry, so I will know that you receive them.

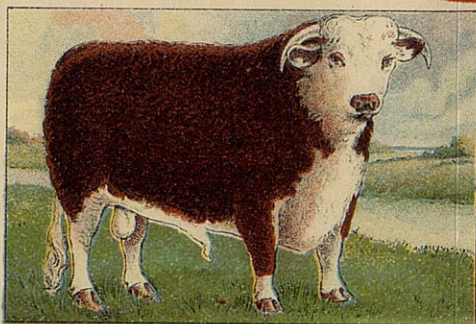
With much love from all of us to you and yours,

I am,

W. B. Bredwell

W

your father



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Geo. M. Slaughter,
Roswell, N. M.

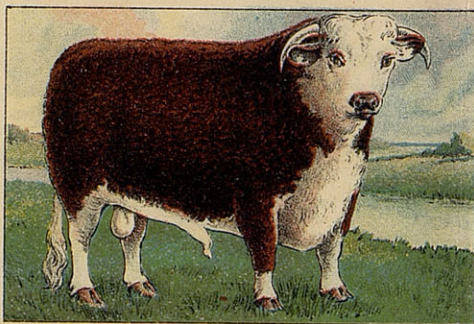
Dear George:—

Mr. Coffman was at my house yesterday evening with Billy Anderson and Chas. Goodnight. I had a short talk with him. He says his wife is with him, and that they are going out to see you about the calves, etc. He is going to make a hard pull for the championship at St. Louis. Says if he loses the premium, he will be a great loser. I told him that whatever you and he agreed to about the calves would be satisfactory to me. From his talk, I think he is almost wanting us to give him the calves. I think you can afford to give him 15 choice calves out of the 50, if he can take the premium, and sell him the others low: or, you might let him have them, binding him to feed out and give us 1/2 the profit, or something of this kind. Of course, the premium would be very valuable indeed to us in our business, and we can afford to be liberal with him. Whatever you do will be allright with me. You can't afford to be tight with him, as he is evidently sparing no labor or expense to win the premium for the Long S brand. He says Black, who is feeding the J. A. calves, acknowledges the superiority of the "S" calves.

Nothing more at present.

Your father,

G. C. Slaughter



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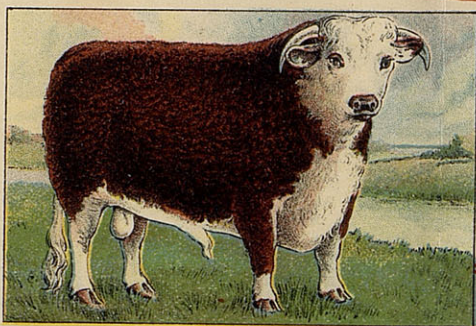
Dallas, Texas, August 25, 1903.

My Dear George,-

Your letter of the 17th was received contents carefully noted, in which you say for me to write you fully about matters etc. After thinking, calculating, trying to follow the trend of events, I am still undecided as to the best course to pursue. From all I can gather from different reports it is almost suicidal to put cattle on the market, and still it looks just as fatal to the cattle to hold them on the range where they will die for the want of feed the coming winter. I do not know which way to turn for the best results. The time for rains to make winter grass is fast passing away.

The fire-bugs are still at work on the range. Both Bob and Jack are all ready badly hurt by fire. They have had no rain for the past three months. Their cattle not fat. I had Bob to ship thirteen cars containing 365 head of dry cows. They sold in St. Louis for \$2.35 average weight 778. They netted \$13.50 per head. I instructed him to try it again for we had better have this than nothing. Bob's calf branding is very light his last report 3000 head.

In the management of the disposition of cattle I shall be governed to a great extent by the rain. If it comes early enough to make the grass good will hold the cattle late, as they will weigh better



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then than any other time. I think you had better ship out our dry cows as we are very liable to get over stocked with cows.

I had a letter from L.R. Wright of Emporia Kansas asking about feeders. I answered him that I could put him up two hundred four year old at hereford for \$35.00 any time up to October 10. Also stated that I had 500 hundred three year old near Emporia which I would sell for \$35.00 with 20% cut. I expect I put the price a little high. Do not know what he will do.

We finally got service on DeVitt, and I expect we will get the injunction dissolved, suppose you have heard about it before now.

The weather here has been very pleasant and we have not suffered.

The office is nearly done, and is renting reasonably well.

The repairs on my home is moving along rather slow, though we expect to finish up soon.

Bankers are not making any loans now. Money seems to be scarce and rather difficult to get can't understand the cause of this.

With love to you and yours I am

Your devoted father,

C. C. Slaughter.

J. B. Wilson, President.

No. 3132.

E. J. Gannon, Cashier.

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Dallas, Texas, Aug 26th 1903

My Dear George your rather blue letter of the 24th to hand contents carefully noted. This water question is and always will be in the summer months at least a distressing vexing problem. The wind seems to lie down you just about the time you need the most water. I can't think of any way to solve this matter except to put down more wells and make more tanks and probly get you some Horse power in case of necessity this however is future consideration. I approve of your moving the fence as I always thought you had more water in the Slaughter pasture than in proportion to your other pastures. I feel sure we will eventually get the Edwards County school land if Wright the Inj dissolved and we get possession I think that will about end the litigation. Things look gloomy at present. Bob writes he has had another fire. Coming to the whole matter on the Cattle question it now depends on rain so that in the next 3 weeks if it don't come then I don't know what to do.

J. B. Wilson, President.

No. 3132.

E. J. Gannon, Cashier.

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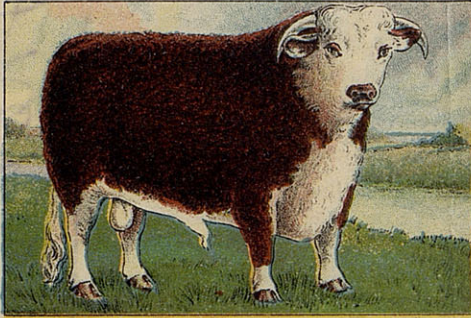
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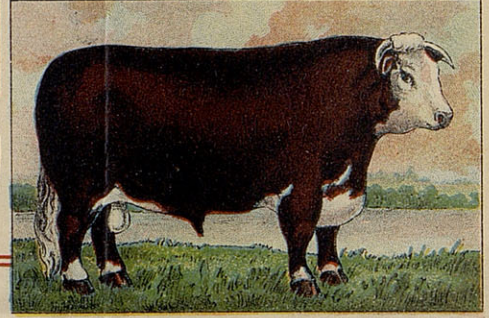
I wrote you yesterday giving my views in brief on these subjects

We are surely up against one of the hardest propositions just now that has ever confronted me. But I suppose we will get through with it some how or other. I have not been near so anxious about your cattle as I have about Bobs & Jacks. Glad to hear Ed Green is in good shape he has more range to the head than any of you & more permanent water with a better prospect to get fed to them in case of a sore need than any of you. There is one encouraging thing in it all we are pretty good shape if a loss should ~~occur~~ occur at the same time I wish to avoid a serious loss if possible might leave to night for Lubbock and I think if you can you would do well to drop down to Lubbock about the 30th & bring Boyd with you. This leave all well weather beautiful
Your affectionate Father O. Slaughter



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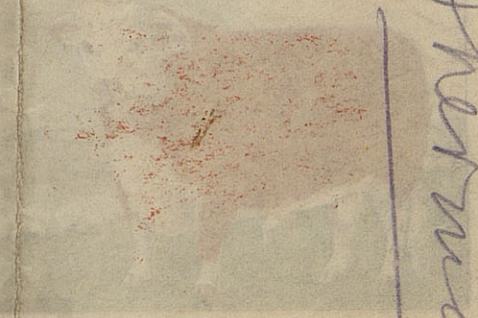
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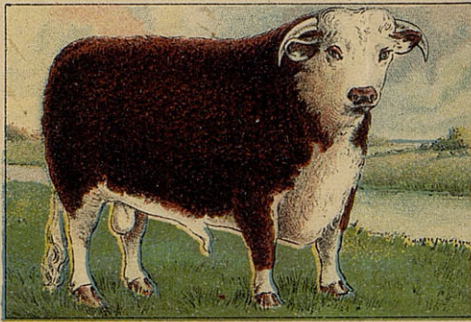
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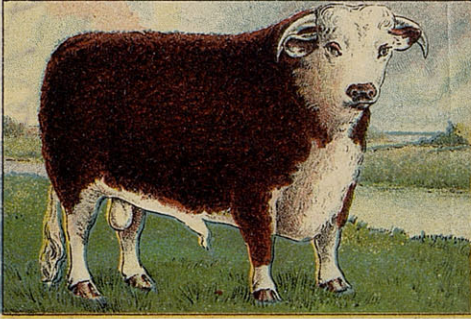


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Dallas, Texas. January 26, 1904.

My Dear George,--

Yours of the 22nd is now before me. Yes we are having quite a time with the Edwards County school land. We immediately saw that the Judge had his eye on us, and wanted to make a fine on us for breaking his injunction. We saw further that he would not hold the injunction good anyway, and a proposition was made by which they got the ranch, and we were to pull off, and they would dismiss the contempt proceeding. This the Judge did not want to do, but finally agreed to. We let them have the ranch, and it is to be tried on its merits of title on the 18th of February here. Of course, I do not know what the Judge will do, but I fear he will give them the land, if he possibly can. It then comes up in the District Court at Lubbock on the 1st of April for trial on its merits as to who owns the land, and I think we will gain it there. My final conclusion is, that it will be the State of Texas vs the United States; that is, if the U. S. Court holds that it is the Mallet Land & Cattle Company's land they will put them in possession, and if the State holds that it is our land they will attempt to put us in possession. What the outcome will be I do not know, but I think we will get the land. I note you have sold four old chuck wagon mules and



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two others for Four Hundred and Fifty Dollars, making Seventy-five Dollars around. I think that is a very fair price, and you can keep the money there, instead of sending it here, and we will charge it up against you here. About your letter from Sotham I do not know what to say about pricing calves to him. Yes I think it would be a good idea to take out such bulls, as you think are not up to the standard and castrate them, making them steers. I would not want to take less than \$25.00 for them after they are castrated and dehorned. I note you have a letter from Carver. He also wrote me he wanted you to go with him to the ranch. Of course, if you get a chance and think you can spare the time, I do not think there is any thing wrong in your going with him. In regard to your going into the town Site Company, I would say I would not want you to put in any more than your labor. I believe you would make good money out of it. They did not pay my note of Five Thousand Dollars. I mean the company did not, but say they will pay it on the 1st of Feb., which will be, alright, and I think they will pay it. I am glad to see that Green is getting along so nicely. Bob says his cattle are wintering nicely. We had quite a storm here yesterday afternoon. The wind blew considerably hard and it turned pretty cold. I expect it was more severe out west, but this morning is bright and the sun is warming things up, and I think the blizzard is about over. My eyes are holding up well, and I think I am going to get out of it without a loss to my sight. My cough is also much better. Mamma had a little spell of the grippe, but is getting better. Dick says his baby is a little sick, but I hope nothing serious, I have a letter now and then in regard to steers in the spring. I wrote to Mr. Green of N. Dakota that I asked \$22.50 for two year old, and would sell him the U S yearlings at \$17. Nothing like holding up pretty strong. From all I can learn the weather has been

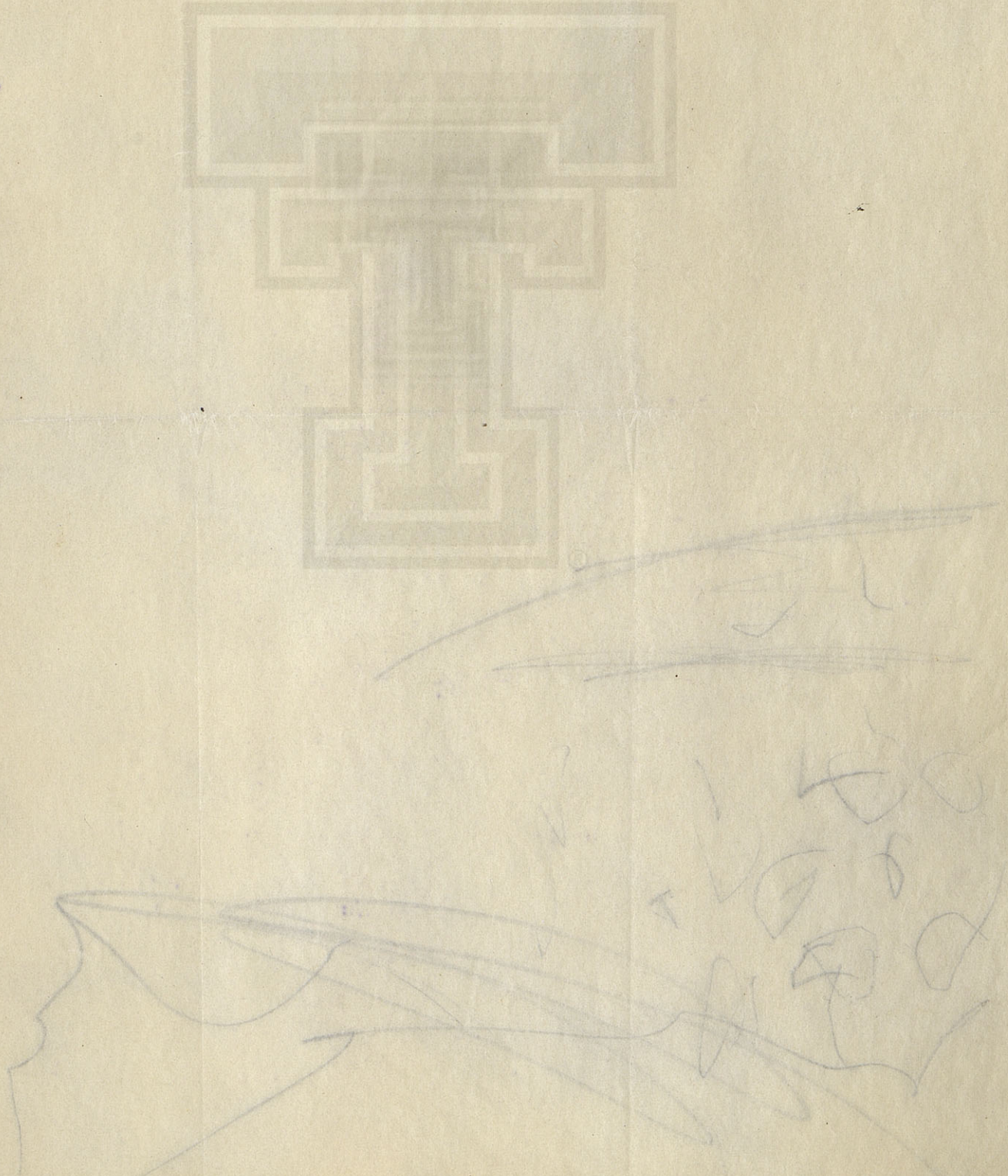
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fine on the cattle. Very few storms but it has been cold. With lots
of love to you and yours, I am,

Your father,

C. C. Slaughter.

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Helena Montana, Feby. 22nd, 1904.

Col. S. C. Slaughter,
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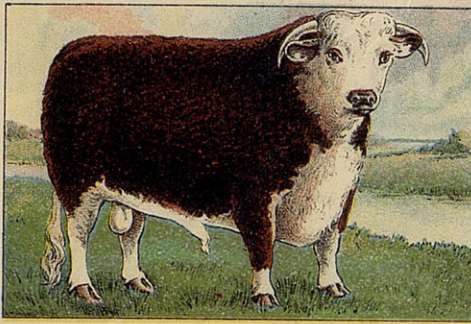
My Dear Colonel,--

I want to write you a few lines in order to get your opinion on the general condition of the cattle in the Panhandle of Texas, also your views in a general way as to about the prices Texas Cattlemen will hold their two year steers at this spring. All Northwestern range men, and feeders in the Middle States, have been heavy losers on the past beef markets, adding the losses of last winter to the market loss of the past year, makes the steers bought in the past two years look very high priced. I know that no range man will care to touch any new steers unless they can buy them on a basis of last years and present beef markets. I know that you are too fair minded a man not to write the market changes in a fair impartial light and meet them as they come. You have been through all the ups and downs of a life time in the cattle business. We have been doing business with you when everything was up, and we are wondering if you are going to meet us in the same spirit when everything is down, and sell us your steers at a price that will enable us to buy them, and see our way clear to continue the very pleasant business relations that have always existed between us. I told Mr. Kohrs that no man in Texas was more abreast of the times than you are, and no man more in touch or sympathy with his fellow cattlemen and their surroundings than you, and that you fully understood the situation both of the seller and the buyer's stand point. With this appreciation of your opinions, I am asking for a candid expression of your views in regard to the Texas possibilities. Unless the Texas cattle ^{raisers} ~~men~~ fully comprehend the present

situation and is willing to meet the issue, there would be no use in ourselves or any other Northwestern range men going to the expense of attending your Fort Worth meeting. It would be fruitless of results and a waste of time. I am satisfied that some owners are going to offer their steers very much below last years prices, in fact we have been offered some steers on the right basis of present beef values, and they guarantee them to be as good as your S cattle. Our cattle are wintering well, and should be better when ready for market then they were last March, but it is costing us a lot of money in the was extra cost for Indian grass to carry them over. Mr. Kohrs has not been extra well this fall and winter, and if I go to your Ft. Worth meeting I am waiting to induce him to go with me, but as I said before the presence of either one of us will depend upon the condition as you outline them to us. I am hoping for your early reply. Mr. Kohrs joins me in very kindest regards to you and family I am,

Very sincerely yours,

J. M. Boarman.



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Dallas, Texas. March 1st, 1904.

My Dear George,--

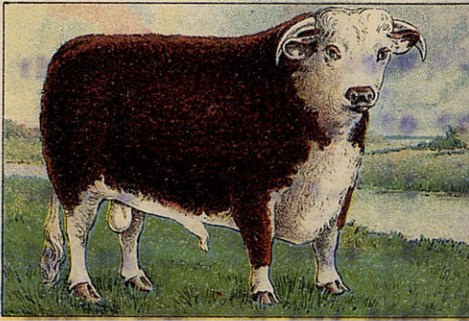
I enclose you herewith a copy of Boardman's last letter, which explains itself. He will have to dig pretty hard if he buys our cattle. I would not be surprised if we would not have to take off twenty per cent (20%), giving us about \$18.00. I also send you a copy of my reply to keep you posted on the matter. You speak of going to Kansas on the 4th. Yes, I think you had better go, and that will not give you too much time to get to the Convention. I expect it would be best to ship our three year olds to Kansas, and put them on the market. They may bring us \$20.00. I do not think we can get any more, as they are cut backs. I am going to do my best to sell to Boardman, if he comes. He will wire if he is coming. I am getting along fairly well with my insomnia, although I had an off night last night, but the preceeding four nights I slept well. I still think I had better go to Hot Springs or Mineral Wells. Do not know which is the best, but rather think Hot Springs is. I am standing it very well. All reports from the S ranch are very good, in regard to our cattle. Ed Dela is getting well. The Judge in the Edwards County case has held it up, and will take it to Ft. Worth or Abeline. ^{to hear the argument.} Wright is in Big Springs attending to Bob's

Buffalo case. Coke County case is affirmed. I do not think there is much in it. It will have to go to the Supreme Court where they all go at last. The family are all well now, I believe, and I hope this will find yours the same, and as you have this letter from Boardman and its reply, will say good-bye for the present.

Your father,

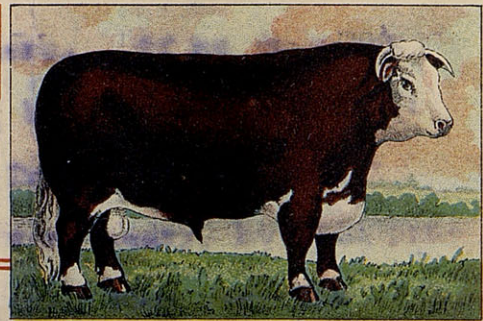
C. Slaughter

P.S. be carefull with this
as it is personal to you
Yours Father



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Dallas, Texas April 2nd, 1904.

Dear George,--

I returned yesterday from a very pleasant trip to Hot Springs. I took fourteen baths, slept well all the time, except one night, and lost myself then about five o'clock. Dr. Veal and Minnie were with us, and we played one hundred and one games of whist. They held the odd game. I think the baths helped mamma, as well as myself. I received your lease contract for the Sherman land, and suppose you gave them a check for the amount. We are running pretty low on money now, but I guess that our credit is good. Bob bought two sections of the Andrew land for Five Hundred Dollars, Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars per section. I do not know whether it cost him any more or not. He bought it through Graves. He gave Graves a check for Eighty-four Dollars, and I suppose that is about the cost of it. They say it is pretty dry there, but the cattle are standing it well. Rufe Slaughter says Rattle Snake tank is dry. Do not know how much longer we can stand it. They say the cattle are looking better than usual. I enclose you a letter from Boardman, dated March 29th, from St. Paul, and also some clippings he sent me, all of which explain themselves, and if things are as bad as he reports, I do not expect he will want to buy any cattle when he gets home, although I

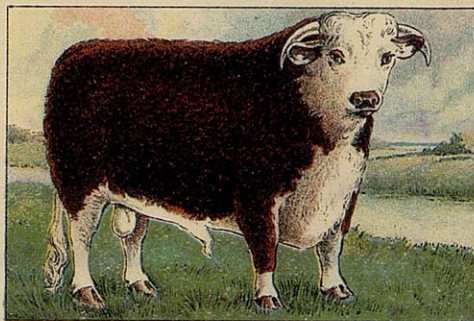
think this heavy snow will make fine grass up there. If he does not buy, I am inclined to try to pasture our cattle, but he will, no doubt, want a big price. I saw Franklin of Deadwood, Dakota, while in Hot Springs. He says that unless their losses are very heavy, he will probably want to buy some cattle, but wants to get them down very low. I suppose by this time you are trying to round up your threes for Kansas, which is right. Get them off on time. The cattle business seems to be in a bad shape. I think, as you have two and three fourth Leagues of the Sherman County school land, that you ought to make another attempt to get a well on our land near the Sherman line. You might find water north of where you were trying, and if you should, it would be very cheap grazing. However, that is all left with you. Things are running along smoothly here now, and I am looking and waiting for developments. I have not yet lost faith and hopes in the sale to Boardman, however, if the losses are as great as they say, they will be very much discouraged, and may fail to buy. I am satisfied we will have to give up the Tahoka ranch this year. We cannot do any more good there, and I presume I will have to make a trade with old Jack, and sell him our two and one-half sections of land and the cattle, on time. Do not know what else to do. I do not know whether Wright has written you or not. Judge Meek served an injunction on us, stopping us from carrying on the suit at Lubbock of the Edwards County school land. We will make a motion to dissolve the injunction. I feel that Meeks has overdone the thing, in stopping the suit, which was going on before he got hold of it, however, we have to stop when Uncle Sam says so. Cannot say what the outcome will be. Do not suppose we can make any calculation on that grass this year. If we do not sell our twos, I think we had better try to get the White Deer pasture, but I understand that Fred Horsbrough is out of his position and some one else

has it, however, that is for further consideration. You want to keep an eye on old man Howard, as we must have the interest on our money, if we can possibly get it. Cannot wait any longer. We have had nice rains here and east of here, but little west, as yet, if any, and in our region none. All of the family are well, and I hope yours are getting along all right. Nothing further at present.

Your father,

C. C. Slaughter,

Dict. C.C.S.



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Dallas, Texas April 18, 1904.

Dear George,--

Yours of the 4th and 13th received, and contents noted.

I am sorry indeed that you have had no rain, but it is not the time of year for you to have it, and I hope it will come yet at its proper time.

I am also sorry you are having trouble with your cattle for Kansas.

I suppose that if you get them off by the 24th, it will do very well, but I would certainly rush them off as soon as possible, as they will not do any good if they do not get to eat the Kansas grass by the first of May.

Have not heard any more from Boardman. I sent you his last letters.

He did not say what he would do. Tharp Andrews was here the other day, and thinks he can sell our cattle to Keeline. I have made him a pro-

position to hold good until the 20th, selling them at \$18.00 with 20% cut back or \$17.50 with 10% cut back. I think the chances are fair to

sell him some cattle, but I would rather trade with Boardman. This is as low as I offered them to Boardman, but is not quite as low as you

offered them. We have had good rains here, and everything is prospering.

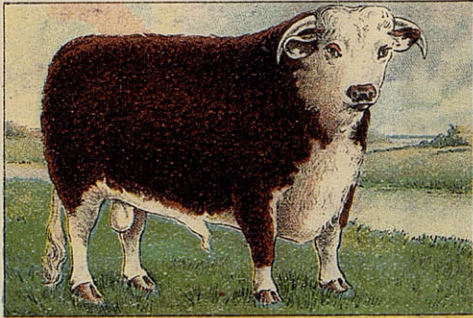
I wanted to go to Amarillo to the Panhandle Convention, but could not on account of some suits against the old Confederate Reunion and myself. The Court of Appeals has affirmed the decision of Morgan to the effect that

Scott had no case. The Cameron estate has taken their money on the ten thousand acres for last year and this year. I am doing fairly well, but am still troubled some with insomnia, however, I sleep late at night. I lost myself last night about three o'clock. Dr. Thruston says that I am inclined to take the jaundice, and has prescribed fresh apple cider for me. I may run up to Mineral Wells for a few days about Thursday. Keeline will write in the next few days. He wants to buy cattle, but wants them low. All the folks are well, and hope this will find you and yours the same.

Yoursfather,

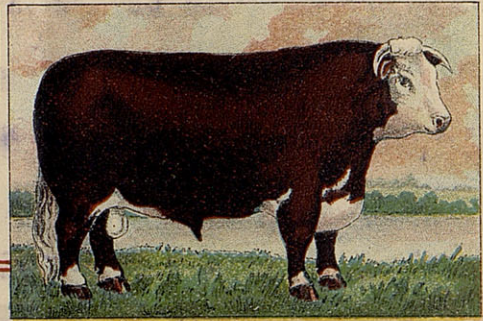
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Dallas, Texas, April 19, 1904.

Mr. J.W. Boardman, Mgr. Pioneer Cattle Co.,
Helena, Montana.

My Dear Sir:--

Yours of the 14th reached me this morning. I am truly sorry to read your predictions of your winter loss. I say predictions, because you say that you really have no report, as yet, as to how you stand on your range. I hope it will not be as bad as you think, but there is no doubt it will be bad. I know you feel very sore from the out look of the past on the range, and it will take great courage to put more money into cattle for that country, but you must remember that such storms, as you describe, are unusual, and are not liable to happen again for sometime, as lightning very seldom hits in the same place. This great depth of snow, which you describe, will undoubtedly make you some extra fine grass for what cattle you have left, and they ought to get in a very fine shape for market. This is about the only consolation of the situation, and do not you believe that it is now a good time to buy cattle when you can get them at such reduced prices, and regain your loss where you lost it? If you find your loss very great, and do not feel that you want to put money into more cattle, how would it suit you to run

my brand for me, as I believe now would be a good time to put cattle into Montana. If it be agreeable with your idea, suppose you make me a proposition to run my herd of this year in your range, for my account, and let me take the risk. However, this is only a suggestion. I hope that after an examination of all the facts, you will finally decide to buy them. Our cattle are doing very well. We have had some good grass rains, but not enough to put out much water. The cattle are thin as usual, but seem to be strong, and my men report that they are in a better condition than they were last year at this time. I have made no attempt to sell. Scott & Robison sold their hat steers to Stacey, of Montana, for Sixteen Dollars with ten per cent cut. I understand that several buyers from Montana have agents at Amarillo at the Panhandle Convention, looking after cattle interests. I did not go, as I was waiting to hear from you, and I feel from your letter that you have not yet fully decided what you will do. The cattle are waiting for you, and I would be glad if you could see your way clear to buy them. I went to Hot Springs, Arkansas, stayed there a couple of weeks, and slept well. Since I returned I have had some renewal of insomnia, but not so bad. Have not gone through one night entirely. George is shipping his three year olds to Kansas for summer range. He says they are in good shape. This leaves all well. Hoping to hear from you favorably soon, I am as ever,

Your friend,

Pioneer Cattle Company

Office of
General Managers

Helena, Montana, April 14th 1904

Col C. C. Slaughter
Dallas
Texas

My Dear Col

I returned home several days ago, but not as early as I expected when I left Texas, was detained longer in Chicago, and I also had to remain five days in St Paul.

Since getting home I have talked over with Mr Kohler the situation, and we have decided that we will do nothing in the way of new purchases of cattle until we have obtained some data on our winter losses.

Our losses have been very heavy, just what percentage we cannot now state but it has led into our last year's "dry" very extensively and also into the older stock to say nothing of the losses in the Ste Cattle and last year's calf crop. The snow fell very unexpectedly and all over the range fell to a depth exceeding two feet, it came from the North East with a high wind, causing great drifts, and in many places completely snowing stock under. It was one of the worst storms known in over 30 years and continued nearly 3 days.

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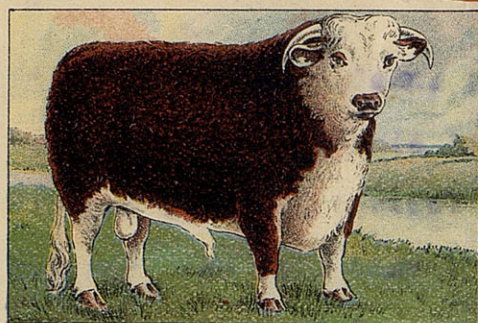
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sheep out of 30000 and in some instances some men
lost their entire herds of sheep. So you can imagine
something of the severity of the storm. The snow
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the break in the weather. It is only now that we
can begin to get acrossed over the range and as yet
we have had no reports from the round quarters.

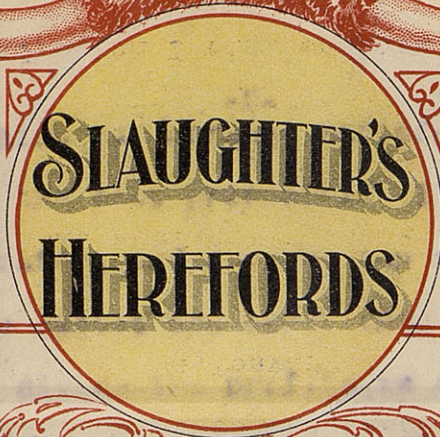
You can imagine about how we feel need
about how much courage it will require to put "good
money" into new cattle this spring. I wanted to phone
to hear from you and know if you have been getting rain
on your range. With kind regards to you all I am

Very truly yours

J. H. Boardman



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Dallas, Texas May 9th, 1904.

Mr. G. M. Slaughter,
Roswell, New Mexico.

Dear George,--

I have your two telegrams of Sunday week and Sunday, in regard to the rain on the Running Water Ranch. It is very encouraging indeed, and I presume you had better, as you stated, take the Cochran and Hockley County steers over there, and get them together. I expect I had better have Bob and Jack take their steers there, in order to get them all together. Of course it will crowd the ranch, but we must do something with them. They should be dipped immediately. It seems that Boardman is not going to buy. The last letter I had from him was dated the 23rd. He stated he was going to the ranch to see what his loss amounted to, and expected to go to Denver on the 3rd. He said if we got a chance to sell, not to wait on him. He refused to take them on our account. I asked him to take them on my own account, and make me a proposition, but he would not do that. I had hoped he would make an offer on them, but now I scarcely think he will. I have a proposition from Mr. I. P. Baker, a copy of which I will enclose you. Will also enclose a copy of Mr. Rosenbaum's letter. I wired Mr. Baker to-day as follows:

"If you can come down, think can arrange satisfactorily. Answer". It seems to me that this is the best proposition I have had. This man seems to own land and control water, and says he can put up four thousand ton of hay, and will take the cattle and carry them through with as little expense as possible, and divide the profits, we get no interest, and he charges nothing for his land. I do not know what he will say, whether he will come or not. I will let you know. Dickinson, as you can see on the map, is in North Dakota east of Glendive. It is a pretty fair country. By owning the water he can control a considerable ranch, and I am inclined to take him up. Will let him have about thirty-five hundred of the best we have, and send the balance to the Standard Company in Nebraska, and try to sell them there. We might get a sale, but if we do, will have to sell them very low. There are several parties talking of buying, but I know of but one who is liable to make us an offer, and that is Mr. Keeline. I think he would give about Sixteen Dollars. I offered them to him at Eighteen Dollars with twenty per cent cut or Seventeen and 50/100 Dollars with ten per cent cut back. He wants to buy some cattle, but like Boardman, wants them very low, and I am of the opinion that we had better trade with this other man, than to take less than Seventeen Dollars. Of course, we would have to pay our part of the shipping, which would be very heavy, and see them there, but the letter explains itself. This about the best thing I have on hand. Of course, I had rather sell, but I do not want to give them away. I prefer to take my chances. Keeline says he would not be in the market until the 20th of May, and would not take them at those prices. They want them at \$15.00 or \$16.00, and as I have said before, I do not want to give them away. If this man's ranch is as good as he says, I believe he can take care of the cattle, and I believe we can get them through, and get our money out of them for two years. The

lower ranch and Tahoka Lake Ranch have had considerable rain, probably not as much as they need. I suppose, from your letter to Dick, and your wire, that you have not had any rain on the C. C. S. Co. Ranch. It is pretty bad if you have not had any rain.. I have had reports that the Carver & Witherspoon Ranch has had rain, but nothing certain about it. If Baker comes down, and we make a trade, I will wire you. I think the parties who have been writing and wiring about the cattle are men who are trying to buy for this man Baker. I think he went to Chicago to borrow money from Rosenbaum to buy cattle, and Rosenbaum has told him he could buy ours or take them on shares. I depend very much on what Rosenbaum says about the man. I suppose he is all right. Of course, you will have to go and look at the ranch, if we trade, and if I can, I will go with you. The man will probably want to look at the cattle. We will put them in at about Nineteen (\$19.00) Dollars I think. We may not agree on that price. We will take his statement, and go and see if the ranch is as large as he says it is. I know some thing of the of the country. I have been at Dickinson, and I expect on the Cannon Ball River is where his ranch is. Hay is very good. He has a broad open country in the bad lands, and I believe he can take them through. You see he says his loss is about five per cent. Of course, I do not want to take his proposition to buy the land or interest in it, but we may do that later, after we have tried it. I had a draft from Hood for \$1848.00, nine hundred and fifty nine cattle. He says they arrived in good shape, \$60.60 per car. I paid the draft. Everything looks blue indeed, but we will have to pull through the best we can. I am not worrying over it very much, but of course, cannot feel the best, and will try to do as you say. Let you do the worrying for both of us, although it is hard to do. I want

to Mineral Wells on the 29th of last month, and returned home Saturday the 7th, however, I was at Palo Pinto two days. Bob Dalton was about the wildest man I ever saw until the rain Tuesday the 3rd. He had a very good rain. The rain seems to be in spots, just as it was in 1886. I hope you will get rain yet on your ranch. I drank the Crazy Wells Water while in Mineral Wells. I have slept well, and am feeling better. If I knew you had had rain on the C. C. S. Ranch, I would try to come out next week, and pay you a visit. I do not like to go on the ranch when it is dry and dusty and everything looking so blue. I am not going to the Southern Baptist Convention. Will stay at home this week. I do not know what else to tell you. I believe this is about all the news I know. All the family are well. Carrie leaves day after to-morrow. She will go by the way of St. Louis, and will sail from New York to Europe the last day of this month. I do not know just what I will do during the summer. I want to make a trip out to see you, and go over the ranch, if I feel that I possibly can. I think of taking an ocean ride from Galveston to New York, go up the Hudson, and back by the way of St. Louis, as I want to show Nell the World's Fair. You say you are going to send me a pair of horses. I do not need them now, but will do the best I can with them. I do not need them before next fall.

With love to you and yours, I am,

Your father,

*Had another bad shell last night
Lost the whole night as soon as you
get back to R.R. wire me & I will
come up W.D.*

C. Slaughter

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May 11, 1904.

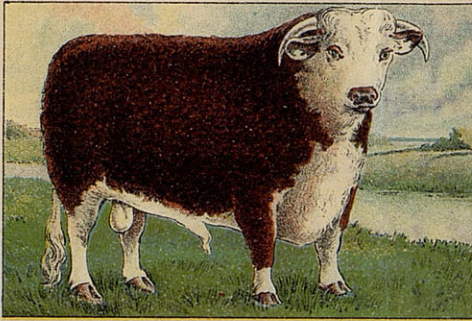
Dear George,--

I think I have sold the cattle to one Mr. Humphrey, of S. Dakota. He has a very good place. He bought out the old Shadley Company of South Dakota, and has very fine cattle. Has the J.A. and has had for quite a while. I think Mr. Humphrey is a nice man. I believe you met him at El Paso, as he is the man who bought the Carver cattle last year. He is afraid of the mange, and wants to see the cattle, and see what growth they have, and other conditions. He knows their blood and all very well, and I have made a contract with him for them at Ten percent out, after taking out all the unmerchantable cattle. I told him that if ten per cent would not make them good cattle, I would take more, but that would be in the contract. He has the contracts with him unsigned. I sold them for \$17.12-1/2, 12-1/2¢ is the commission Mr. Graham gets. I have agreed to round up all the cattle I could at Running Water. I wired you to-day to meet him at Hereford on Sunday, 15th, take him down and look the cattle over. Of course, I would be glad if you get a chance to have Green take out any cattle that have the mange, but I do not suppose you will get a chance to do that. I am writing Bob and Jack Alley to take the twos up there. I think he will

take the cattle, but there is nothing certain. I feel like going with you, but I do not know how you will be fixed. If you get this letter at Roswell, and can wire me, I will try to come and meet you Sunday, provided you think it would be agreeable. I would take him through Running Water, and then to Tahoka, and perhaps by that time they will have the cattle rounded up there. I suppose you will have the Hockley County steers there. I think you had better give them a good dipping, and probably dip them again before you start. He wants the cattle about the first of June. If Running Water has plenty of water, there will be grass enough to take care of them. I do not think that the lower cattle ought to be mixed with the others, as I think they are clear of any mange.

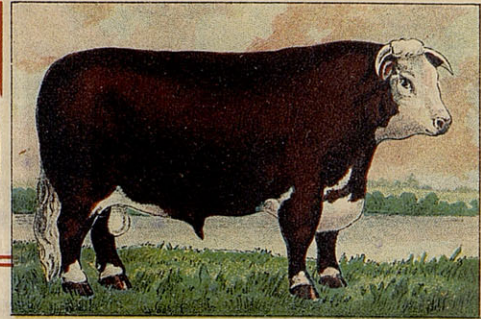
I had insomnia again night before last, but slept well last night, and am feeling better to-day. I wired Boardman yesterday, if he wanted the cattle to make a price on them, and he wired he would give \$16.00. I wired other men, but they did not come. This man came here, and he offered me \$17.00 right away. I think he is a nice man to trade with, and in all probability will be a buyer right along, so we want to fit him up with a good herd of cattle. Hoping to see you soon, I am,

Your father,



SIR BREDWELL, 63685
CHAMPION OMAHA EXPOSITION, 1898.

SLAUGHTER'S HEREFORDS



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

Dallas, Texas. May 27th, 1904.

Dear George,--

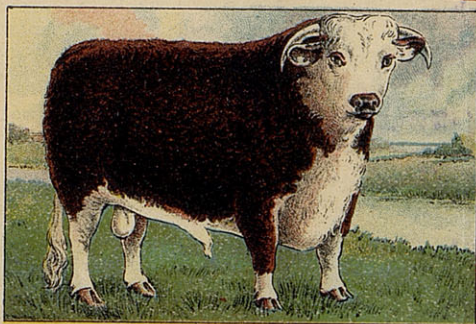
I arrived home safely Thursday morning, and found every one well. Dick had pulled out the day before with his family for his trip to Europe. Mrs. Graham, baby and nurse went with them to Virginia, I believe. I wrote to Bob to meet us on the 5th at Running Water, see us deliver the cattle and learn what he could, look after his bulls and etc. Have not heard yet when they started or whether they had started from the lower ranch. Suppose they are at work, and probably through by this time. It will take sometime to get a letter from Jack Alley. I received a letter this morning from Con Kohrs, dated May 22nd, Helena Montana. It was in reply to the letter I wrote to Boardman, and he congratulated us on the sale of our cattle. He does not know what his loss is yet, as they have just began rounding up and etc. Prices his bulls, about two hundred yearlings and calves at Forty-five Dollars, delivered in November. Says they are a fine lot. I wrote him this morning and told him that I thought his price was a little high, but that I would see you, and would let him know about the 10th of June what we would give, provided they suited. So you can probably go up and look them over, and see how the steers we sold him are coming out. I told him we were selling

at thirty-five and forty dollars, and only in carload lots, and let the parties pick them. Also told him I would like to buy bulls to put in their place for about the same money. He wanted an early reply, and I told him that if he got a chance to sell, not to hold them for us. I slept well last night after twelve o'clock, and am feeling all right this morning. I think my trip did me quite a good deal of good. Had the car almost to myself coming home. Enjoyed my trip very much, and now think I may come out about Friday the 3rd, though cannot tell yet.

Wright and Craig are now arguing the Edwards County case with Judge Meeks. I do not look for a decision soon. They think they have the case pretty well in hands, but they do not know what he will do. There is no news of interest here that I can think of. We had a good rain here yesterday evening. I hope Boyd has had rain ere this. Write me.

Your father.

PS Your telegram received since writing
CC Slaughter
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CHAMPION OMAHA EXPOSITION, 1898.

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ANCIENT BRITON, 55749
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Dallas, Texas May 28th, 1904.

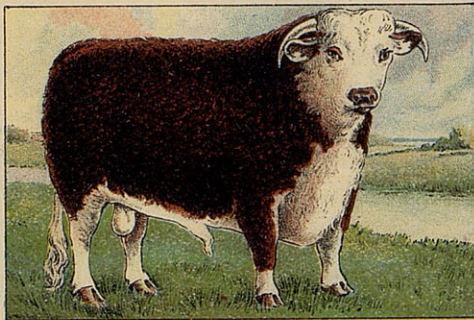
Dear George,--

Letter received from Jack Alley this morning dated 5/24-04 is as follows: "Will leave in the morning for Running Water. Think my herd will clean up 2000 head. Wont count till I clean it up. Joyner turned his to me at Indian Canyon yesterday noon also 133 head of Bob's that are included. Will make as good time as I can on the road. They dont look very good, are poor and wooly." I have given you the letter in full. I expect, as is usual, Jack has over stated his steers or he may have some yearlings. He does not state. I suppose he will get there with fifteen hundred or more that will do to go in, which will make you over five thousand. I suppose it will be about the first before he gets there. It seems that Joyner has been a little slow in getting the cattle to him. I suppose they have done the best they could, and will get there on time. They will get there about the time the boys are dipping the second time. May delay us some. Received the telegram, glad to hear of the rain. Slept well last night from ten to six o'clock. Gen. Gordon is here on his way to Amarillo talking railroad. He is trying to do something. He will bother me more or less. Leaves all well. With much love to all, I am,

Dict. C.C.S.

Your father,

C. C. Slaughter.



SIR BREDWELL, 63685
CHAMPION OMAHA EXPOSITION, 1898.

SLAUGHTER'S HEREFORDS



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

Dallas, Texas May 31st, 1904.

Dear George,--

Here I am this morning not feeling so very well, but not feeling very bad. I did not get to sleep last night until after four o'clock, and then slept until about six thirty. It is a wonder that I am feeling as well as I am. This insomnia still hangs on me. I have not slept well for the last two nights. I have written to Bob, but have not heard from him. Jack Alley got off on the 25th with nineteen Hundred steers instead of two thousand. I suppose he will get to Running Water to-day. He says his cattle are poor and wooly. I wrote to Sam Davidson this morning, asked him if he wanted to buy some bulls, and told him that he could top the two year old bulls for forty dollars. I will worry along until Friday, and will leave then for Hereford, and try to help you all I can. I suppose you will leave Friday, and have the team ready for us Saturday when we get there before noon, so we can go right out. Do you know where Humphrey is, and have you arranged for him to meet us at Hereford? If we get a good start, we can almost drive out to the ranch that day, and be in the herd Sunday morning. With much love, I am,

Your father,

C. C. Slaughter

Dict. C.C.S.

G. G. WRIGHT,
LAWYER,
ROOM 213 SLAUGHTER BLDG,
DALLAS, TEXAS.

June 3, 1904.

Dear George,--

I have gone over the Hamilton account very carefully, and have given it the necessary attention, and herewith enclose you a statement of it. I have some items on the merchandise account that really belong on what you would call expense account, and some that ought to be on the labor account, but as labor, merchandise and expense are all things of consumption, it makes but little difference which one it is put to. The property account and the improvement account are the accounts I think that should be kept, for when you come to make an inventory of what is on the farm, you will have the property account and the improvement accounts to go by. Of course, we all understand that these things wear out, but you can tell from the inventory how long they have been in use. So keep a property account and an investment account, so that you will have it at any time you may need it to investigate matters. I have not heard from you for two or three months. Do me the favor to reply to this at your earliest convenience. Col. Slaughter leaves to-night for Hereford to meet you. We had a big rain here last night, and in fact it has been raining here a great deal this season. This country is in fine condition, so far as the crops are concerned, and these products are what supports the country. With best regards to you and family, I am,

Yours truly,

All well & send love
your Bro
G. G. Wright