A BUFFALO RANCH.

An Experiment in Bison Breeding in the Texas Panhandle.

The Unique Enterprise of an Old Plains. man Who Is Striving to Perpetuate the Valuable Qualities of an Almost Extinct Animal.

Goodnight, a little station on the Fort Worth and Denver City railroad, in Armstrong county, in the Texas Panhandle, is the home of Charles Goodnight, who is quietly but, earnestly and persistently conducting an experiment in the crossing of the American buffalo with native cattle, so far without completely successful results, but certainly with very interesting ones

Mr. Goodnight, says Forest and Stream, has a little home ranch of about seventy thousand acres. This is his garden. His real ranch, where he does business, is the Quitaque, some distance away, where he has about four hundred thousand acres under fence. It is at his little garden, or truck patch, that he has his buffalo experimental station. Several years ago, when buffaloes were more plentiful in Texas than

they are now, the cowboys working for Mr. Goodnight would often "rope" a buffalo calf and bring it home. These were turned into an inclosure, and, though little attention was paid to them, they formed the nucleus of the herd now on the ranch. As the wild buffalo began to disappear these became of greater interest, and six or seven years ago Mr. Goodnight began in earnest the attempt to produce a new and distinct breed by crossing buffalo and neat eattle, and trying to perpetuate this type of inbreeding.

There are now on his ranch about twenty-five or thirty full-blood buffaloes and as many more half-breeds. Most of these full-bloods-probably all of them-were calved on the ranch. Indeed, the herd are the product of the calves roped and brought in by the cowboys in the late 'TUS, which grew up and multiplied by the regular and natural process. They are fine-looking animals. Old buffalo hunters say they never saw finer-looking ones when the animals covered the Texas prairies b millions, which is conclusive evidence that civilization is not fatal to the propagation of the buffalo. He needs only to be protected and given a fair show, and in time there is no reason why there should not be as many buffaloes on the prairies of Texas as there were twenty years ago.

The crosses are, however, of the greatest interest. It was Mr. Goodnight's desire to establish a type of cattle with the valuable robe, the thrifty rustling qualities, the weight and general characteristics of the buffalo. He has bred "black mulleys" to the buffalo bulls-the cattle being

COTTOMLESS CAVE IN INDIANA.

A Peculiar Discovery Recently Made by Contractors Digging a Gas Well. A cave of enormous proportions has been discovered in the eastern part of Delaware county, Ind., says the Cincinnati Enquirer. The discovery was a Points for the Uninitiated in the Art of

very peculiar one. Samuel McPherson, a gas-well contractor, had a set of men putting down a well near Selma, east

of Muncie. The drill was down about one hundred left when it entered space. much to the amazoment of the men at the top end of the rope. They commenced to let out note, and down, down went the heavy drill. It soon struck earth again which seemed to be steep, and the drill slid off to one side and continued on down at an angle. The men worked for hours attempting to penctrate the second earth and continue down to Trenton rock. The contractor had several sections of pipe placed together and let down, but they

sung in space. He then tried to partially fill the hole, which would give him a base to work on and prevent the trill from sliding off, Several cords of wood and a dozen wagon loads of whilers were sent down and completely lost.

A horrible stench escapes from the ole, making it almost impossible to remain near the opening. The suppoition is that there is an extensive pening some place in that vicinity and that the cavern is a rendezvous for wild animals. For years, hogs, cattle, forses and sheep have mysteriously isappeared from points in this vicin-, and it is thought that they have en dragged into this cavern and the orrible older comes from their desayed remains. Contractor McPheron's mon have been working three havs trying to get the drill started in the bottom of the envern and they will probably give up the task. Others who do not entertain the idea that there is

an extensive opening think that the cave was a retreat for the Indians and that many rolies would be found could in entrance be made. The cave will be investigated and, in all probability a hole large enough for the entrance of a man will be made and the interior will be visited. Several months ago a cave similar to this one, except that the bottom was not slanting, was discovered by drillers while putting down a gas well near Bluffion. The drillers are of the opinion that the two are connected, and if so the famous Mammoth cave of Kentucky will be a minute affair, the discoveries being made forty miles apart. One aged farmer says that he intends selling his farm and move from that section of the country,

as he fears that in a very short time the earth will drop and fill up the cavern. and then their farms will be a sea and they will all be drowned. Many others are excited in this manner.

AN INLAND EMPIRE. the little shaver of eight or nine can Its Vast Extent and Its Abundant Growth Ginneed At. Abundance, so far as the products of lelds, orchards and hopyards can suptast. ply it, is the largest of the season to the people of the great inland empire. says the Portland Oregonian. While the traveler, choking with dust and languishing with the heat, peers from the ears wondering at the tremendous amount of useless material that nature their husbands and boys. And it is found upon her hands in the construction of the universe, great stacks of hay, waving fields of ripening wheat with little or no profit, just because he or huge piles of grain in bags awaiting has not on a darker or brighter fly. railroad rates that will permit their movements without loss to the pro ducer, and sleek cattle, mindful of the flerce rays of the sun, browsing upon the wide ranges, refute his impatient criticisms of the utter worthlessness of this vast land. lows and scooping up the crabs as While there are large tracts that must remain arid until some system of irrigation is devised to make the surplus precipitation of the winter months a blessing to the upper country instead of a source of mischief to the lower lands, there are vast areas that have been reclaimed to agriculture by til-

CRAB CATCHING. FELL FROM THE PULPIT.

A Popular Fall Sport on the Atby Natural Gas.

, "Nabbing" the Nimble Crustacean-An Inexpensive Pastime for Old and Young.

lantic Coast.

Out of the wide-spreading Hackensack meadows and along the Shrewsbury in New Jersey, in all the shallow bays and inlets of Long Island and the Connecticut shore there nowadays is great fun afloat, says the New York World. Every man, woman and child that can pole a square-ended scow or handle a scoop-net is prowling along the seday creek banks or drifting up in the church was more or less seriousthe shoal coves netting crabs. This is the heart of the crab season.

The biggest and fattest of the blueclaws are now hunting tideway and creek, coming and going with every tide, hungry and eager as they sail in on the flood, and coy and well fed as they lazily depart on the ebb. Every one who wants to go crabbing and can't is profoundly to be pitied, and the few who can and don't want to

either do not realize what a satisfying. all-absorbing pastime it is or else they have lost interest in life.

It is an inexpensive pastime and the fishing grounds are near at hand. For the matter of that a man may take his wife and children along. He has only to look up the time of tide and train schedules, buy a net for a quarter, a be tried for heresy. dozen baits of tough, raw meat and a ball of twine for a line, shoulder his

basket and start. He must try to time his departure so as to reach the creek on the rising tide, for Mr. Crab comes in very lame and hungry from the sea and bites engerly then what a few

hours later he will turn up his well-fed nose at and ignore. If you cannot, or do not care to, hire boat, the accommodating crab will humor you and let you capture him

from the muddy bank. Bank fishing is done by driving little stakes in the edge of the shore at about a rod's distance apart, and to each of these tying a line about twelve feet long, on which you have tied a bit of meat. If the some small sickers along, for if the meat floats on top few crabs will notice it.

Ten or a dezen lines are all one party something like \$100,000. can manage generally, for the crabs feed like newsboys at a Christmas dinner. The man who handles the net will have his hands full running from one line to another, as some one yells: is rife that blood stains cannot be alone. "Here, don't wait all day: there are washed out. During the French revtwo old lappers here!" or: "Come

quick! Come quick! This one will let

Keep A Stiff Lower Lip.

A Minister and a Congregation Overcom

EAST LIVERPOOL, O., November 19 .-Today half of the congregation of the second Methodist Episcopal church are in a serious condition, the result of know so much, persist in the phrase partial asphyxiation from escaping gas. | 'keep a stiff upper lip.' You see it is inhaled during the morning services yesterday. Last week plumbers were at work in the church and left a defec- firmness of purpose and demeanor, tive fitting in the natural gas pipes. but it has no value as such. The up-Toward the close several became sick and left the church. No one knew per lip is not the weak member of the the cause as the gas is odorless. When two; it is the under lip that wants stiff-Rev. R. F. Sears attempted to step ening. The upper lip is practically from the pulpit he fell full length. Several others were prostrated and fell expressionless. It usually lies flat at the church door, while every person on the teeth, it is nearly always cov-

ly affected. A MINISTER DENOUNCED.

An Ohio Divine Says Another One is a Dangerous Character.

E, church vesterday evening by Rev. Paul C. Curnick vigorously attacking safely let alone. Rev. George D. Herron, professor in the Iowa state college at Crinnell, Iowa, who has been delivering lectures here

on the social problem. Rev. Curnick ways tell when a man is going to prosaid that Dr. Herron's ideas were dipose to me, by the way in which he rectly opposed to all creeds of all

churches, and that he is a dangerous wets his under lip and presses it against man to teach theology. If he was a the encounter and supmember of the Methodist church. port-just the very thing he is seeking which is liberal in his views, he would for. And I can always tell if a man is

BRECKINRIDGE TO LECTURE.

The Congressman Engaged by an Ex-Comic Opera Manager.

LEXINGTON, Ky., November 19.-C. D. fierce, and drop his voice into his Hess, the ex-comic opera manager, in boots through the weight of his emoan interview here yesterday said the report that he had contracted with tion, but if there is that twitch about Colonel W. P. C. Breckinridge for a lec- the lower lip I don't believe him-and ture tour was true, and that the Colonel

I've never been wrong yet. If a man would begin at once. His first subject will be "Ten years among tariff re- feels deeply-I mean feels sorrow, not affects it-it is in the tremulousness of

A Dawson House Fails.

formers.

the under lip that he shows it. The MACON, Ga., November 19 .- Reports sensitive man's lower lip is seld m from Dawson announce the financial embarrassment of J. R. Mercer & Co., still, and there is sometimes about it current bothers you you should have dealers in fertilizers and farmers supa positive pulsation that takes in the plies. The firm has been regarded as one of the strongest in southwest Geor- whole curve of the chin. The pout

gia. The liabilities are said to foot up begins in the lower lip, and is really Blood Stains.

confined to it, for the upper lip is only pushed out by pressure from below.

To the present day the superstition You can't pout with your upper lip

"In fact you can't assume or affect olution 80 priests were massacred in any expression with the upper lip go!" One of the beauties of the sport is the Carmelite chapel at Paris, and alone. Just try it. Hold the lower that the children can all help. Even the stains, so called, of their blood lip firm with the finger and look in the glass there. The mouth has bebe shown how to draw in his crab are pointed out to-day.

Emigration to Liberia.

Advice from Birmingham, Ala., "I can't understand," said a young says an advance-guard of negro emilady of observation to a Sun reporter, grants left Birmingham Friday en-"I can't understand for the life of me route for Montovia, Liberia, via. why you men, who see so much and New York and Liverpool: They go as a committee to make arrangements for the emigration of several thousa sort of picturesque synonym for and of their countrymen, who have paid the necessary money to an international migration society, and only await perfected plans to leave.

The president of Liberia has sent encouraging letters, and promises 25 acres of land and a temporary abode to each emigrant. As soon as ered with a moustache-I refer, of course, to the male upper lip-and the advance-guard has gotten things in conversation, especially in correct mapped out in Africa the rest of languid conversation, it does not their countrymen will follw by steam-SPRINGFIELD, O., November 19.-A move at all. Like the Chinese joss, er. Reliable railroad agents say they sensation was created at St. Paul's M. it's a harmless creature and can be have more enquiries from negroes anxious to go to Liberia than they

"It is the nether lip that has to be can answer.

watched and controlled. I can al-His Boy's Profession,

> "I don't believe in opposing the preferences of a son in the matter of choosing a profession," said an indulgent father.

"Nor I," said another father: "Has your son chosen his profeslving by a peculiar fluctuation and sion?" pulsation of this same lower lip. He "Well, in a way." will look you straight in the eye, grow "What is it?"

"Why, he was stage struck, and

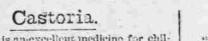
insisted that he was 'born for the boards, as he expressed it; and so I apprenticed him to a carpenter !"-Youths Companion.

Why he was Ahead.

on cotton?" "Yes, sold his crop in the field, hen hired himself to the man who bought it and made money pickin' it." -Atlanta Constitution.

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hem to premature graves."



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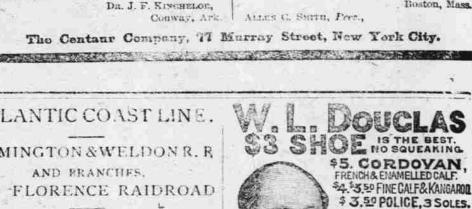
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chiefly polled Angus-and the result is an animal with the light hindquarters and heavy snoulders of the builalo, the shaggy head and the long, woolly hair so desirable in buffalo robes being reproduced almost as perfectly as in the parent bull. The tail is long and flat like a mule's tail. Horns are absent when bred to mulleys. In two or three cases, where the mothers were Texas cows, the horns were like buffalo horns, but some longer. One peculiar animal, which is out of place outside of a sideshow, is the offspring of a buffalo bull and a Texas cow, which has black and white stripes running around the body like a zebra's.

The half-breeds are heavier in weight than the average cattle, are better rustlers, and keep fat through cold weather and hard rustling that thin the others and often result in heavy fatalities.

Mr. Goodnight also has on his home ranch about thirty or thirty-five elk that were brought from Colorado, which he has in a pasture of four or five hundred acres, the fence around which is coyote-proof. These elk have not thriven well, and do not appear to be at home.

CALLS THE KING "MY BADY." Oregon and Washington by rail at this

The Spanish Queen Uses Pet Names When Referring to Her Son.

Queen Christina, of Spain, is about the only monarch or royal personage in Europe who, when speaking of her children and, relatives, does not consider it necessary to make use of their Recorder. Thus, when the prince of Wales refers to his parent, he invarifluous, it would seem. His son he al-

fers to his wife as "Die Kaiserin," as of Portugal is so anxious to prevent any undue familiarity that he usually prefixes the words "Her majesty" to "the queen," and in the same way the wive of these respective royalties never speak of their husbands except as "the emperor," "the king" or "the prince," as the case may be. Queen Christina, of Spain, however, is quite different in this respect. She invariably talks of when speaking in German, as "Mein bubi," the Viennese dialect for "my dear little boy." It diminishes nothing from the child's rank or grandeur to speak thus of him, but, on the conpathy and the regard for this sensible and highbred widow and for her royal son, around whose fair, curly head are centered so many interests, both na-

Ping-Yang. in northern Corea, the tember 15 was fought, was the first "literary center" in the peninsular

lage and irrigation, and the product of these is simply phenomenal. Passing through the entire eastern section of

season of the year, one wonders how anyone can be induced to make homes on its seeming wastes. But, halting at

one of the cities of the plains, into which the surrounding country has poured-its wealth of fruit and bounty creek.

into the bottom of the boat.

gently and slowly and then how to Sir Walter Scott, in his "Tales of a come simply a hole in the face, you tenderly lift him till the net has him Grandfather," declares that the blood see, and so far as the expressionful The women all like it, too; like to shout stains of David Rizzio, the Italian pri- character of the lips go it is as if you pain, dimishes danger to life of

over slipping in the mud, like to scream vate secretary of Muv, queen of had lost a feature. when a crab gets out of the basket or net and runs sideways at their feet: Scots, who was stabbed at Holyrood "It you want to keep back a smile, it's the lower lip that you want to Staining valuable information and and like, above all, to have found an palace by certain Provisiont leaders look after. Weakness begins there,

outdoor sport in which they can join of her court, aid door has husband, whether of character, health, or age. not like wooing the tront or fickle black Darnley, are still to be seen. It is not the weak upper lip that tells bass, when one may toil day after day In Lancashire the matives show a of downfall; it is the drooping, pendulous lower lip that shows it.

stone called the "blo dy stone," which "And let me tell you something, If one is not blest with wife and lit- was so marked to any heaven's dis- please for the benefit of my sisters who tle one and is going alone, he may try pleasure of some of Cromwell's sol- have not had the advantage-I mean That is what is technically known as diers' atrocities at Gallows Croft. In the experience that I have. Tell them "nabbing," "Nabbing" consists in "Macheth,' act 5, scene r, Shake that whenever they see the lower lip foating up with the tide over shal- speare alludes to the idea, "Yet here's over thickly that it is a danger signal. of their male companions turn out and It's the red flag of mischief, and they

they feed or run without the use a spot." of bnit. Now, from the number The truth is, blood cannot be easily had better say good by. Keep a of his pedal extremities, the quickexpunged. In the first place, if that stift lower lin, young man."-N. Y. ness of his queer bulging eyes Son. and his ability to start in any direction of a murdered person, it is not atwithout turning the erab could not be tempted. In the next place, blood called by his bitterest enemies a sluggish or a clumsy fish. When he has a contains oxide of iron, which sinks. particular reason for going up creek deep into the fiber of wood and proves toward a certain bed of eel grass or sea indelible to ordinary washing Thus lettice and gives his personal attention to the subject it takes a gentleman of it is true that stones of a p rous considerable agility to intercept his nature and wood not of the hardest flight. No dreamy, absent-minded or profoundly thoughtful person should kind are susceptible to the stren of try to "nab." The thread of their blood produced by the oxide of iron reasoning is apt to be abruptly severed which the blocd contains. But the

ten votes to-day.

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