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## THE CATTLE COUNTRY

Interesting Phases of the Struggle for New Territory.

Lured by Stories of Sudden Riches, Men Have Flocked in from All Parts of the World—Odd Incidents.

For ten years, more or less, say from 1874 to 1884, and later than this in the northern range, there was universal prosperity and plenty of money; to be a cowman meant being a small, but powerful king with a princely kingdom, the boundaries of which were set by precedent and by the honor of custom—as far as a man on horseback could see, and by water—as firmly as if corner-marked and title-deeded. There was no rent, and virtually no taxes to pay. A man might own a hundred thousand cattle, and not an acre of land, though he claimed "range rights" to 50,000 acres, and enforced those rights with blood and iron, writes Ray Stannard Baker, in Century.

Apparently this was a new sort of free life in which man had risen above the old slow rules of thrift. It was a simple business; turn the cattle to grass, and when money was needed, round them up and sell them. But the lucky dog sometimes had difficulty in enjoying his bone in peace. Lured by the stories of sudden riches in the cattle country, other men, as bold and hardy as the first, flocked in from all parts of the world, and began raising big and little herds. The building of the railroads across the continent stimulated immigration; the great Texas boom followed the completion of the Texas Pacific railroad in 1883. At first the early comers welcomed the new rangers, sold them cattle at exorbitant prices, chucked at their innocence, allowed them to come in on the ranges, and grew richer and richer. There were times when Texas steers, big and little, brought \$25 each on the range. But the tide swelled, and the cattle continued to increase enormously. Presently the first real settlers, the "nesters" of Texas, who wished to fence the land for farms, appeared in numbers, and the early comers, the original cowboys, began to chafe. "Who's elbowing me?" they inquired, and there was prompt and effective shooting, and the wholesale cutting of the new fences.

Many good men lay down in the hot sand, never to rise again. But that, bad as it was, did not tell the whole story of destruction. If cattle had been killed instead of men the trouble might have been averted, but the herds went on multiplying until they covered all the range, giving it no rest winter or summer. Each cowman scrambled for all he could get; he argued that if he did not take the grass his neighbor would. And who cared a rap for the future? Life was short and money tangible. At first there had been enough grass to support one steer to every two acres of land; in half a dozen years a steer did well to make his living on five acres. So great was the struggle for new territory that whole herds of cattle sometimes went 20 miles or more to water and then back again, galloping every step, and working hard between times to get enough from the falling ranges to keep life within their lean carcasses. And today there are many parts of the range that will not support ten cattle to the square mile, one steer to every 64 acres, and it is a good range indeed that will feed a steer to every 20 acres. There are whole ranges in Texas, New Mexico and Arizona, once rich beyond belief, that are completely deserted and given over to the desert.

### SOUND OF THE SUNBEAM.

**Delicate Mechanism Which Determines the Vocal Properties of Color.**  
One of the most wonderful discoveries in science that have been made within the last year or two is the fact that a beam of light produces sound. A beam of sunlight is thrown through a lens on a glass vessel that contains lampblack, colored silk or waxed or other substances, says a writer in Pearson's Weekly. A disk having slits or openings cut in it is made to revolve swiftly in this beam of light so as to cut it up, thus making alternate flashes of light and shadow. On putting the ear to the vessel strange sounds are heard so long as the flashing beam is falling on the vessel. Recently a more wonderful discovery has been made. A beam of sunlight is caused to pass through a prism so as to produce what is called the solar spectrum, or rainbow. The disk is turned and the colored light of the rainbow is made to break through it.

Now place the ear to the vessel containing the silk, wool or other material. As the colored lights of the spectrum fall upon it sounds will be given by different parts of the spectrum and there will be silence in other parts. For instance, if the vessel contains red waxed and the green light flashes upon it loud sounds will be given. Only feeble sounds will be heard if the red and blue parts of the rainbow fall upon the vessel and other colors make no sound at all. Green silk gives sounds best in red light.

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There are 650 beasts, 1,391 birds and 360 reptiles in the London zoological gardens.

FEMALE bootblacks are reported to be multiplying in Paris and other French cities.

STATISTICS prove that not less than thirty-two hundred babies are born every day on United States soil.

## A Country Likely to Come Into Greater Importance in the Near Future.

It is probable that the American respects Persia for only two things—its carpets and the Rubiyat of Omar Khayyam. Beyond these two there is little known of the country save that it was once ruled by Darius, Cyrus and Xerxes, and that Babylon and Ninevah were once its chief cities. But the British foreign office and the Russian minister of foreign affairs know that the land has been a bone of contention between the two countries for upward of a hundred years, and that the time is rapidly approaching when it must be divided, so that the Persian problem may be removed from the diplomatic arena.

It is currently reported that the appointment of Lord Curzon to the viceroyalty of India was because of his great familiarity with the Persian question. No man in England is better fitted to deal with the proposed partition of the shah's domain than he, for his long residence at Teheran and his subsequent studies of the question have made him absolute master of its smallest details. The proposal is to divide the country by a rough line running east and west through the center, giving the northern section to Russia and adding the southern half to India. As matters stand now, Persia is going from bad to worse. She has no laws, save those imposed by the powerful; no justice, save that which is purchasable; no state treasury, save the shah's private purse, and no enterprise, save that which is Russian or English. Divided into two sections by a desert that runs through the center, and without railroads save those organized and run by Europeans for their own purposes, which are chiefly military, the nation has no united feeling, and its national pride has been hopelessly crushed out by a corrupt aristocracy.

Russia is binding the northern section to herself by means of a network of railroads which are connected with the Siberian system, while England has constructed railroads in the southern section which tie it to India. With the death of Musar-ed-din the country is expected to fall in halves, naturally, but if it does not, then the two nations most interested will see that it occurs promptly.—St. Louis Republic.

### Chicago Strictly in It.

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