

ARMOUR HOLDS THE RECORD

**OVER 3,200 CATTLE KILLED AT
KANSAS CITY PLANT YESTERDAY**

**The Figures Surpass Any Previous Record
in the History of Beef Packing—The
Total for the Month Will
Reach 65,000.**

The cattle killing record of the world was broken yesterday at Armour's packing house in the West bottoms, where 3,218 cattle were slaughtered in eleven hours. There were 3,204 cattle in the Armour pens yesterday morning and the sentence of death before nightfall was executed on all of them. Fourteen other steers were sentenced to death during the day. The slaughter began at 7 o'clock, was interrupted a half hour at noon and ended at 6:30 o'clock. The average was five steers slaughtered every minute. No packing house in the world has ever killed the same number of cattle in the same time.

This will be a great week in the history of Armour's packing house in Kansas City, the record of cattle killed reaching 16,849. For the first eighteen working days of October the number killed reached 44,323 and the record for the month will reach 65,000, being the largest number of cattle ever killed at one packing house in the same time. Sixty-five thousand cattle make a big herd and would require a pasture twenty miles long and fifteen miles wide. This will be a great year of killing at Armour's and it is said that it would require 2 1/4 million acres of pasture to maintain the number of cattle that will be killed at the plant this year.

"The present month promises to be a corker in beef killing with us," said Superintendent Tourtelot of the packing house this morning. "Ever since the winter season began, about September 1, we have been killing at a rate that will average over 2,000 head daily. Of course yesterday the men were just trying to see what they really could do."

The end of the year in beef packing will show a wonderful increase in the packing house's beef product. In the fiscal year 1892 the Armour company killed 230,074 cattle at the Kansas City house. This year the killing up to October 20 amounted to 436,267 cattle. The fiscal year ends October 31 and there are yet nine more working days to be figured in for the year's business. It is estimated that the total for the fiscal year will reach 450,000 cattle. Of this number 199,051 were killed for Armour & Co. of Chicago, a part of the Chicago house's orders being filled with beef killed in Kansas City. The number of men employed will average about 3,000 daily.