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Livestock Sanitary Commissioner's Office, correspondence, 1898-1915

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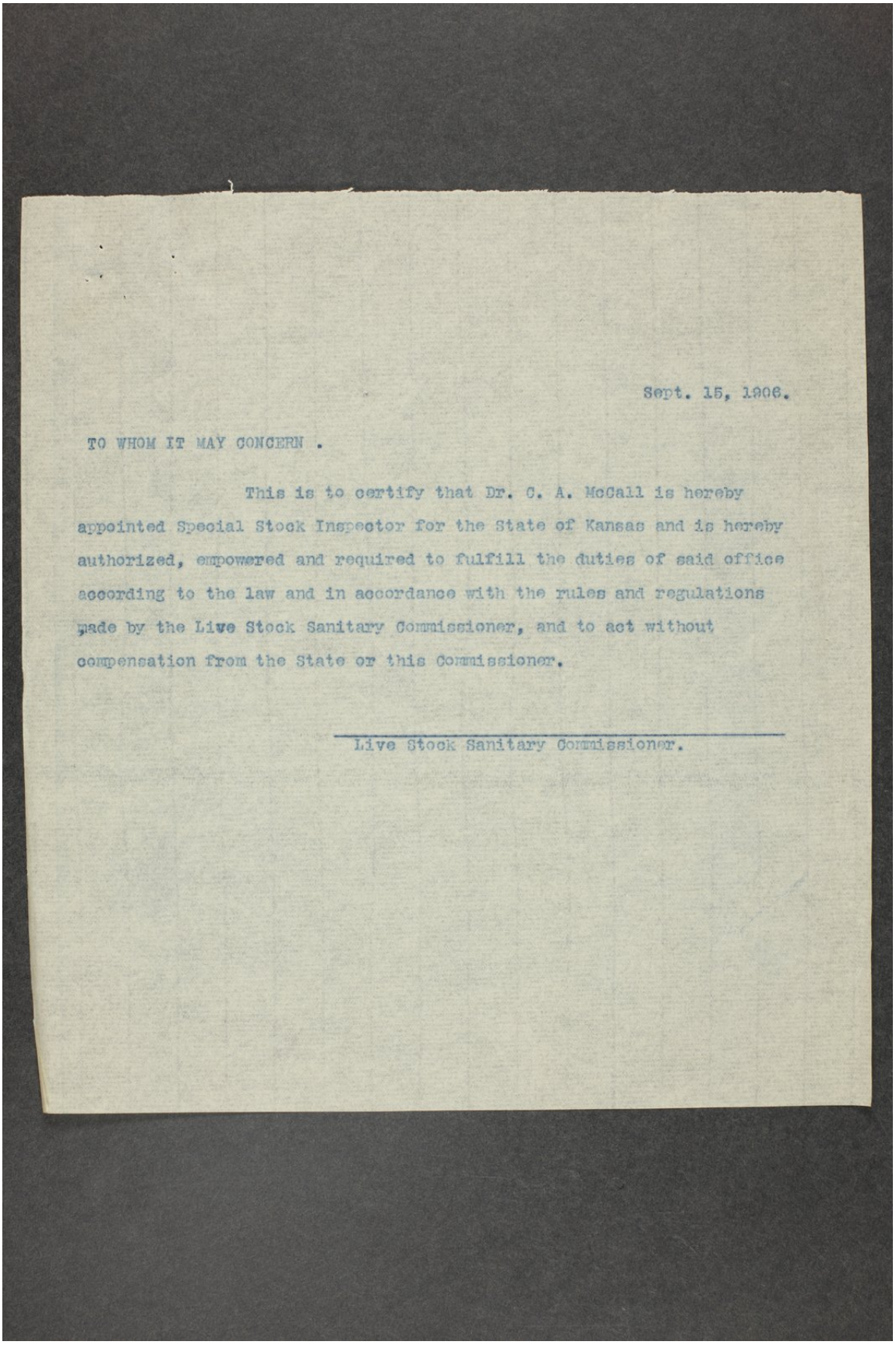
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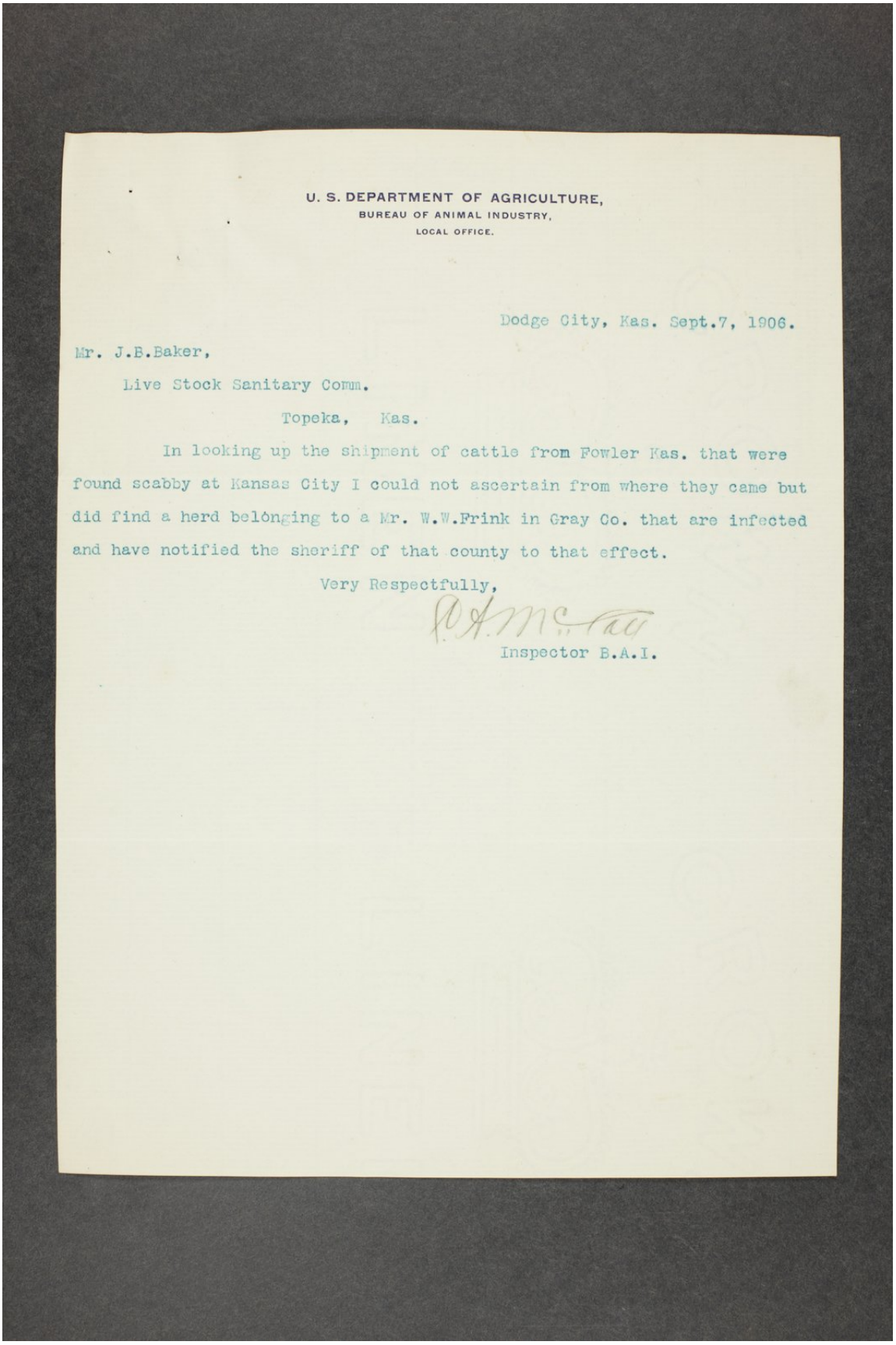
Sept. 15, 1906.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN .

This is to certify that Dr. C. A. McCall is hereby appointed Special Stock Inspector for the State of Kansas and is hereby authorized, empowered and required to fulfill the duties of said office according to the law and in accordance with the rules and regulations made by the Live Stock Sanitary Commissioner, and to act without compensation from the State or this Commissioner.

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Live Stock Sanitary Commissioner.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY,
LOCAL OFFICE.

Dodge City, Kas. Sept.7, 1906.

Mr. J.B.Baker,

Live Stock Sanitary Comm.

Topeka, Kas.

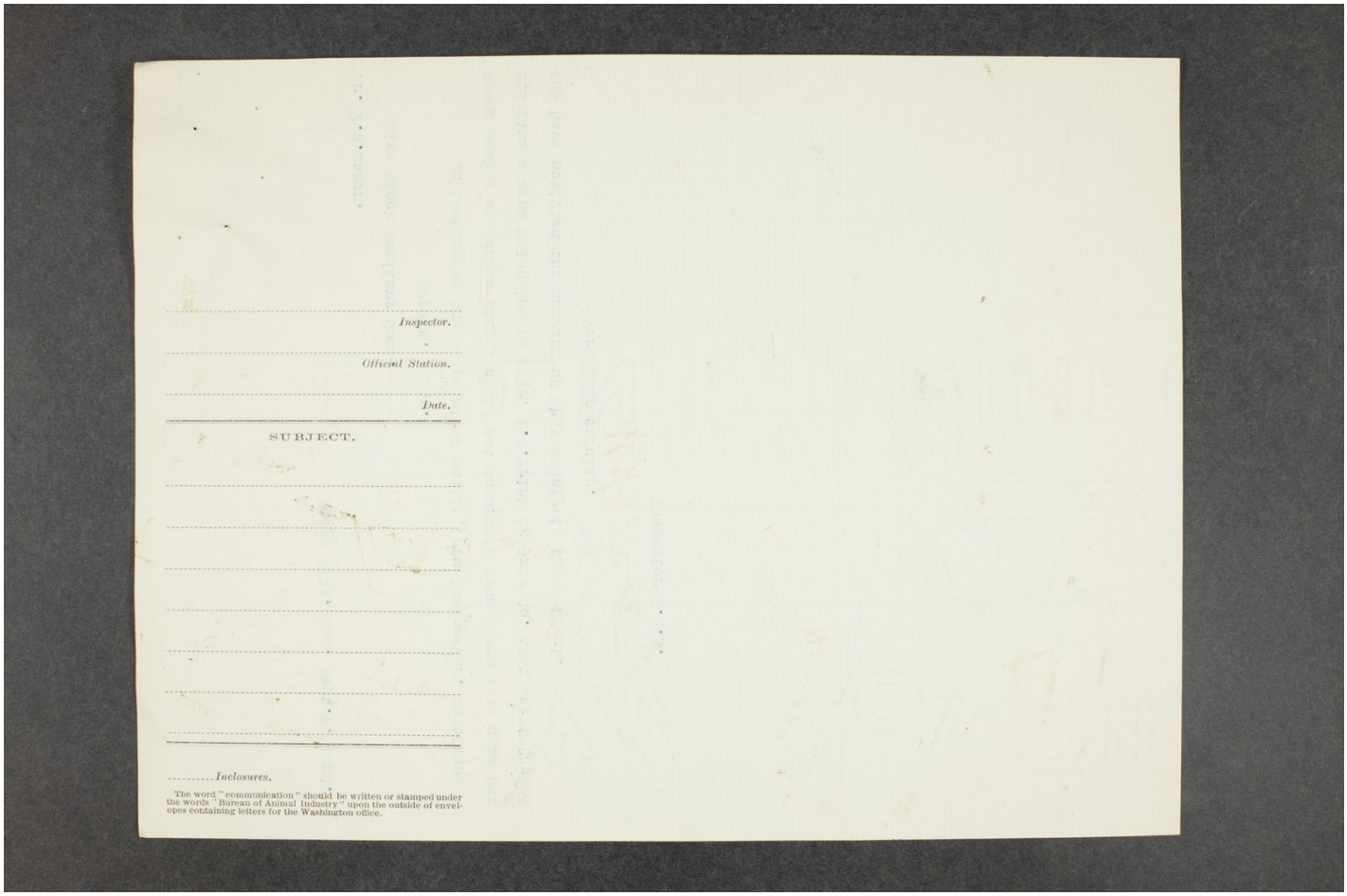
In looking up the shipment of cattle from Fowler Kas. that were found scabby at Kansas City I could not ascertain from where they came but did find a herd belonging to a Mr. W.W.Frink in Gray Co. that are infected and have notified the sheriff of that county to that effect.

Very Respectfully,

R.A. McRae

Inspector B.A.I.

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Inspector.

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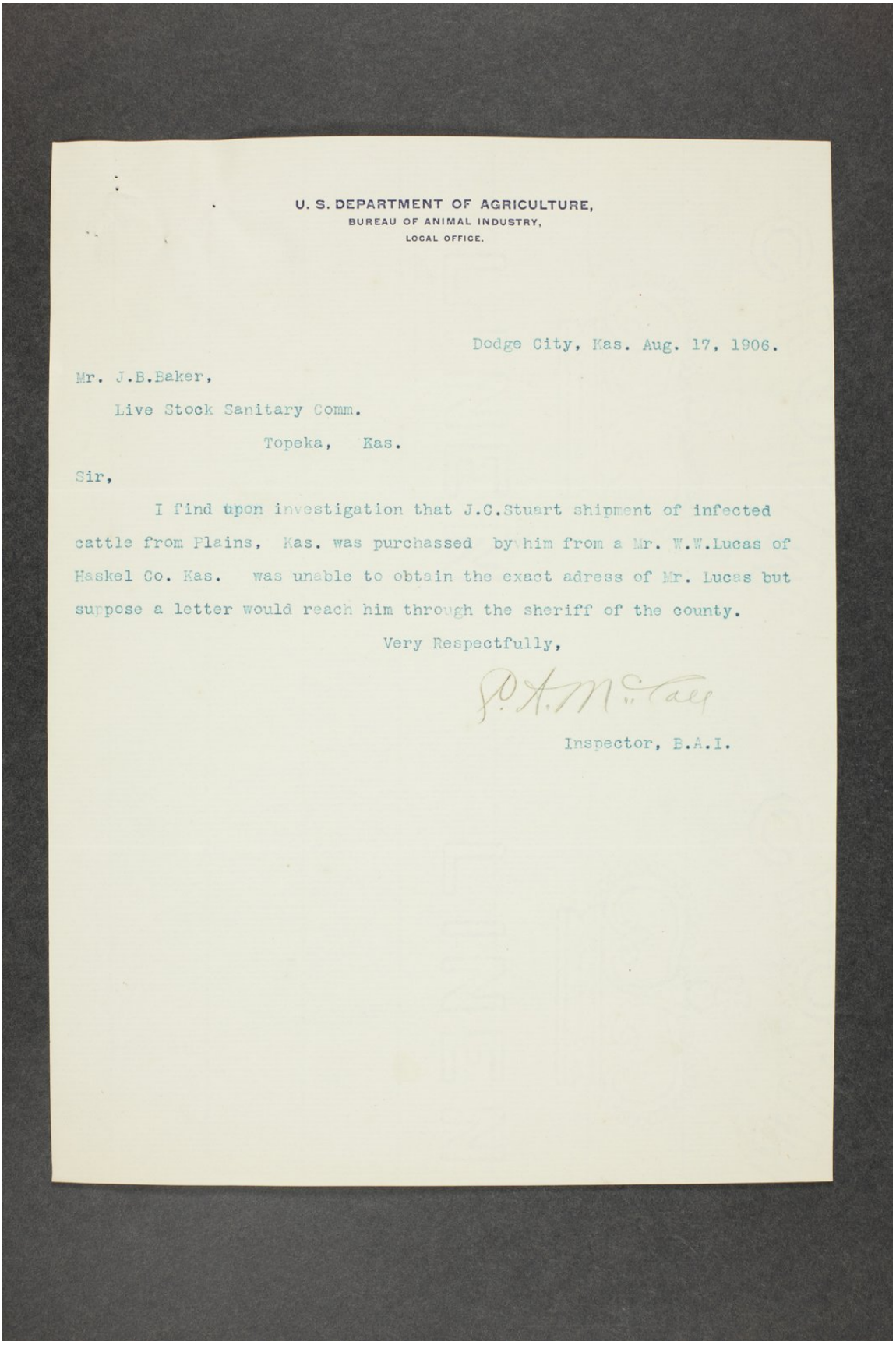
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY,
LOCAL OFFICE.

Dodge City, Kas. Aug. 17, 1906.

Mr. J.B.Baker,
Live Stock Sanitary Comm.
Topeka, Kas.

Sir,

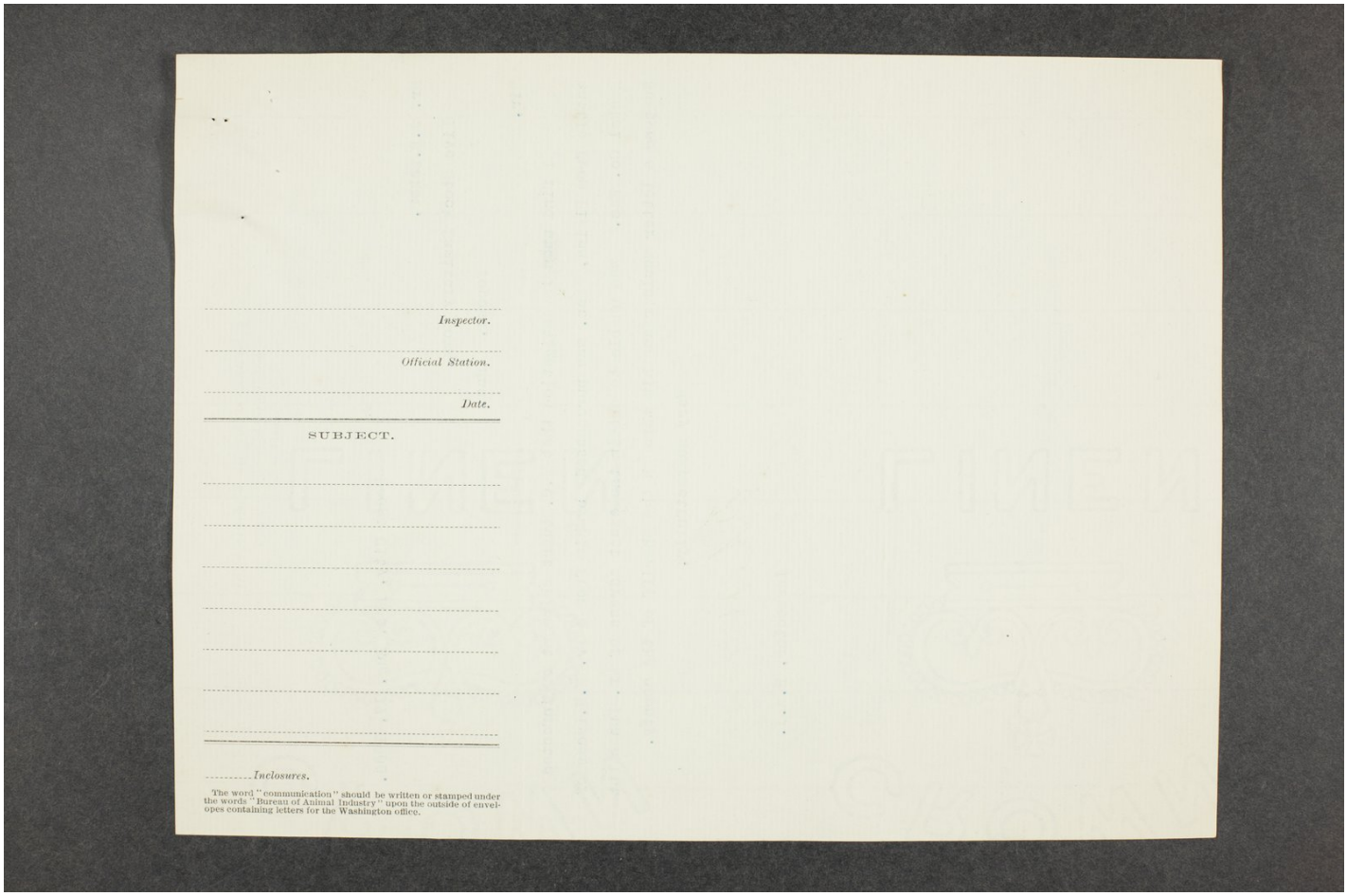
I find upon investigation that J.C.Stuart shipment of infected cattle from Plains, Kas. was purchassed by him from a Mr. W.W.Lucas of Haskel Co. Kas. was unable to obtain the exact adress of Mr. Lucas but suppose a letter would reach him through the sheriff of the county.

Very Respectfully,

P. A. McCaley

Inspector, B.A.I.

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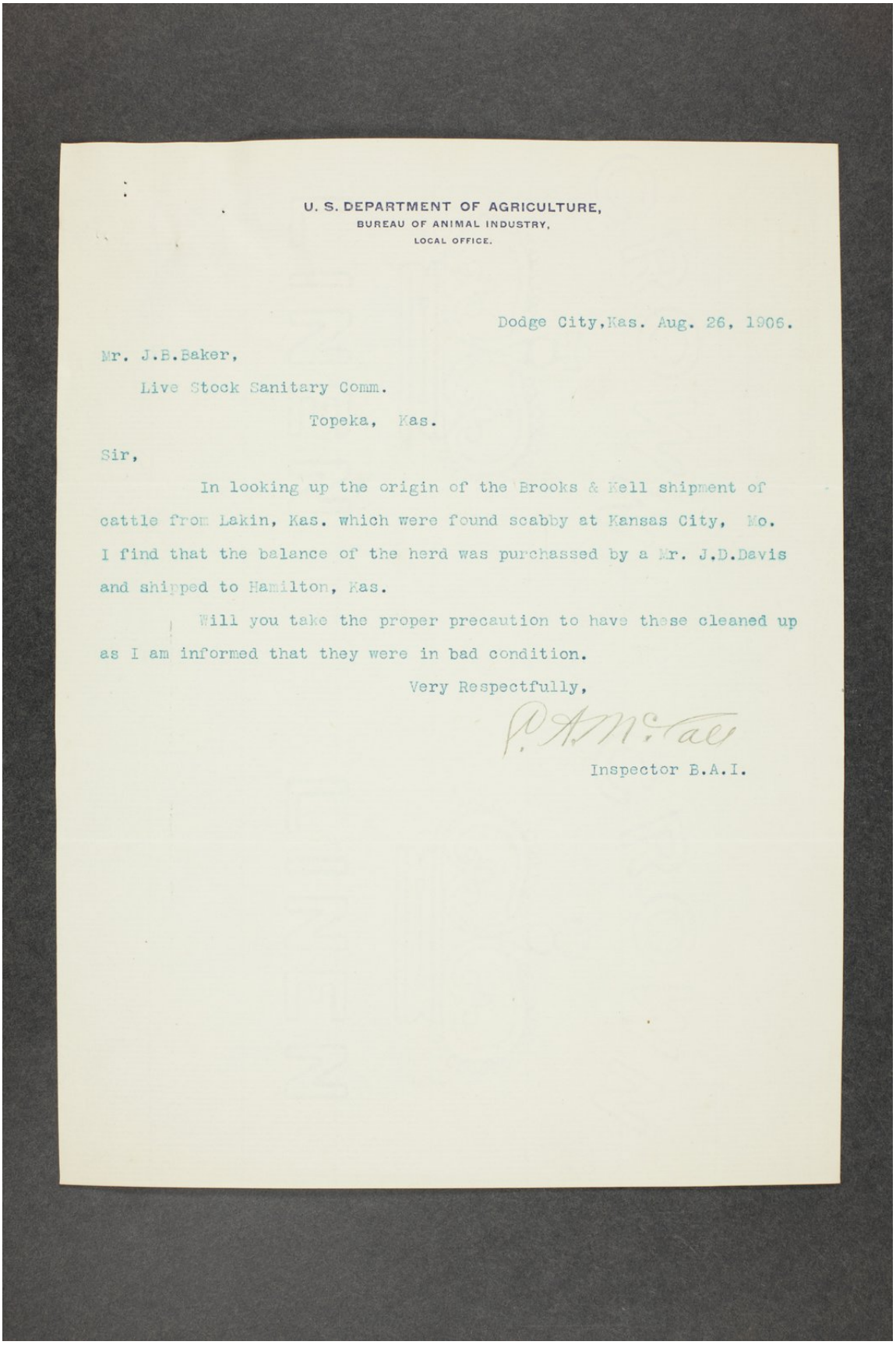
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY,
LOCAL OFFICE.

Dodge City, Kas. Aug. 26, 1906.

Mr. J.B.Baker,
Live Stock Sanitary Comm.
Topeka, Kas.

Sir,

In looking up the origin of the Brooks & Kell shipment of cattle from Lakin, Kas. which were found scabby at Kansas City, Mo. I find that the balance of the herd was purchassed by a Mr. J.D.Davis and shipped to Hamilton, Kas.

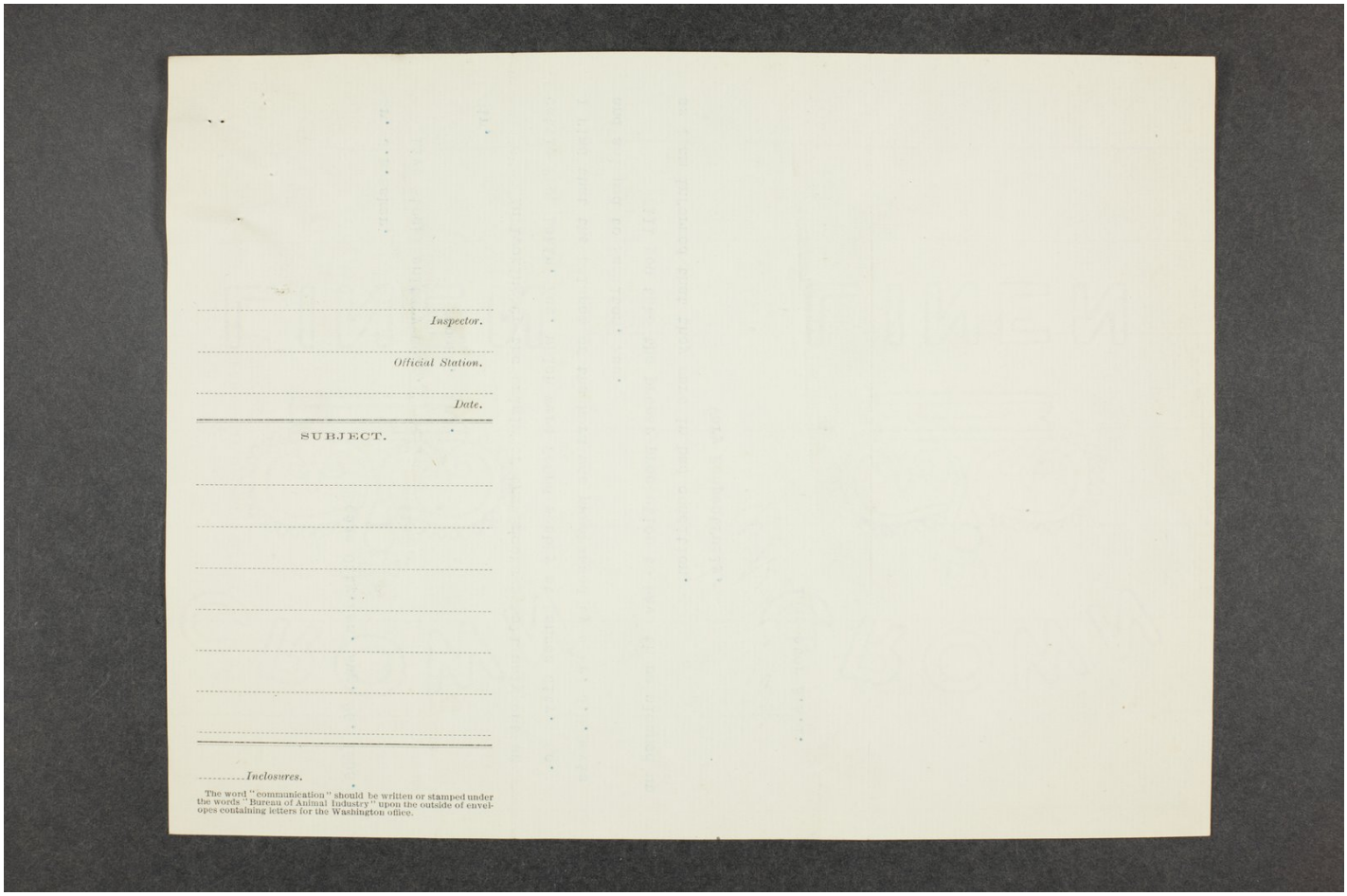
Will you take the proper precaution to have these cleaned up as I am informed that they were in bad condition.

Very Respectfully,

P. A. McCall

Inspector B.A.I.

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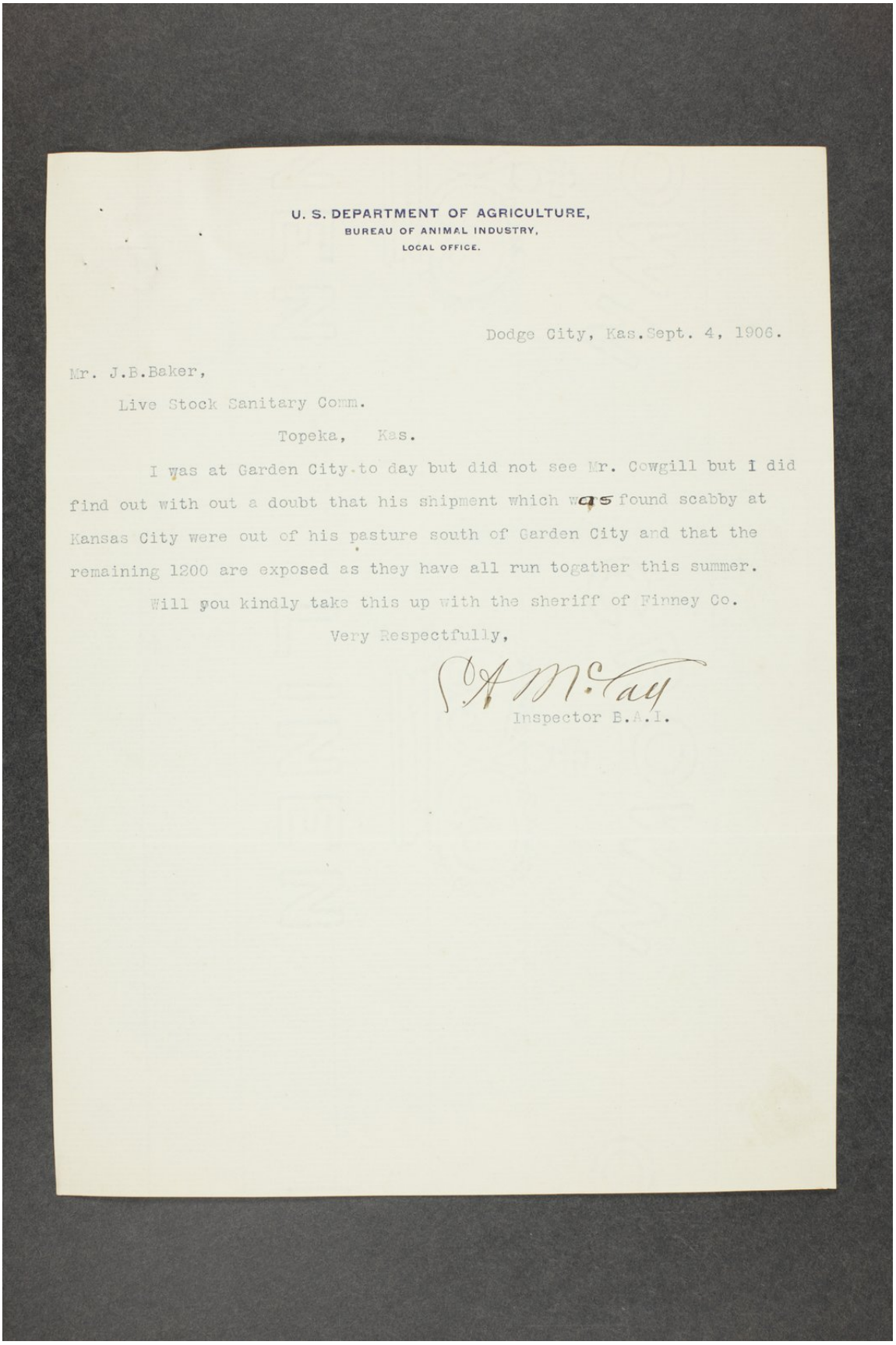
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
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LOCAL OFFICE.

Dodge City, Kas. Sept. 4, 1906.

Mr. J.B.Baker,
Live Stock Sanitary Comm.
Topeka, Kas.

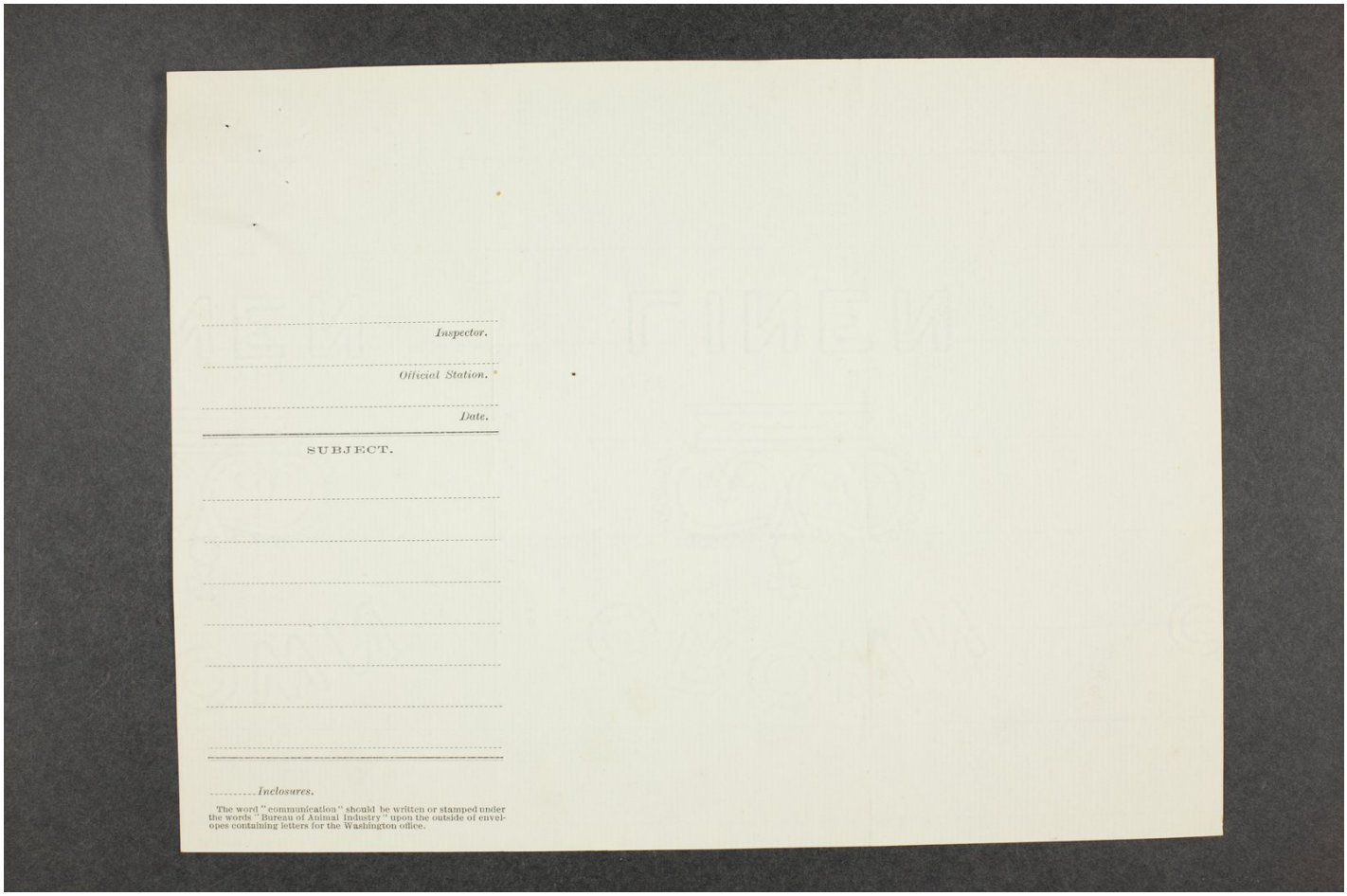
I was at Garden City to day but did not see Mr. Cowgill but I did find out with out a doubt that his shipment which was found scabby at Kansas City were out of his pasture south of Garden City and that the remaining 1200 are exposed as they have all run togather this summer.

Will you kindly take this up with the sheriff of Finney Co.

Very Respectfully,

A. McKay
Inspector B.A.I.

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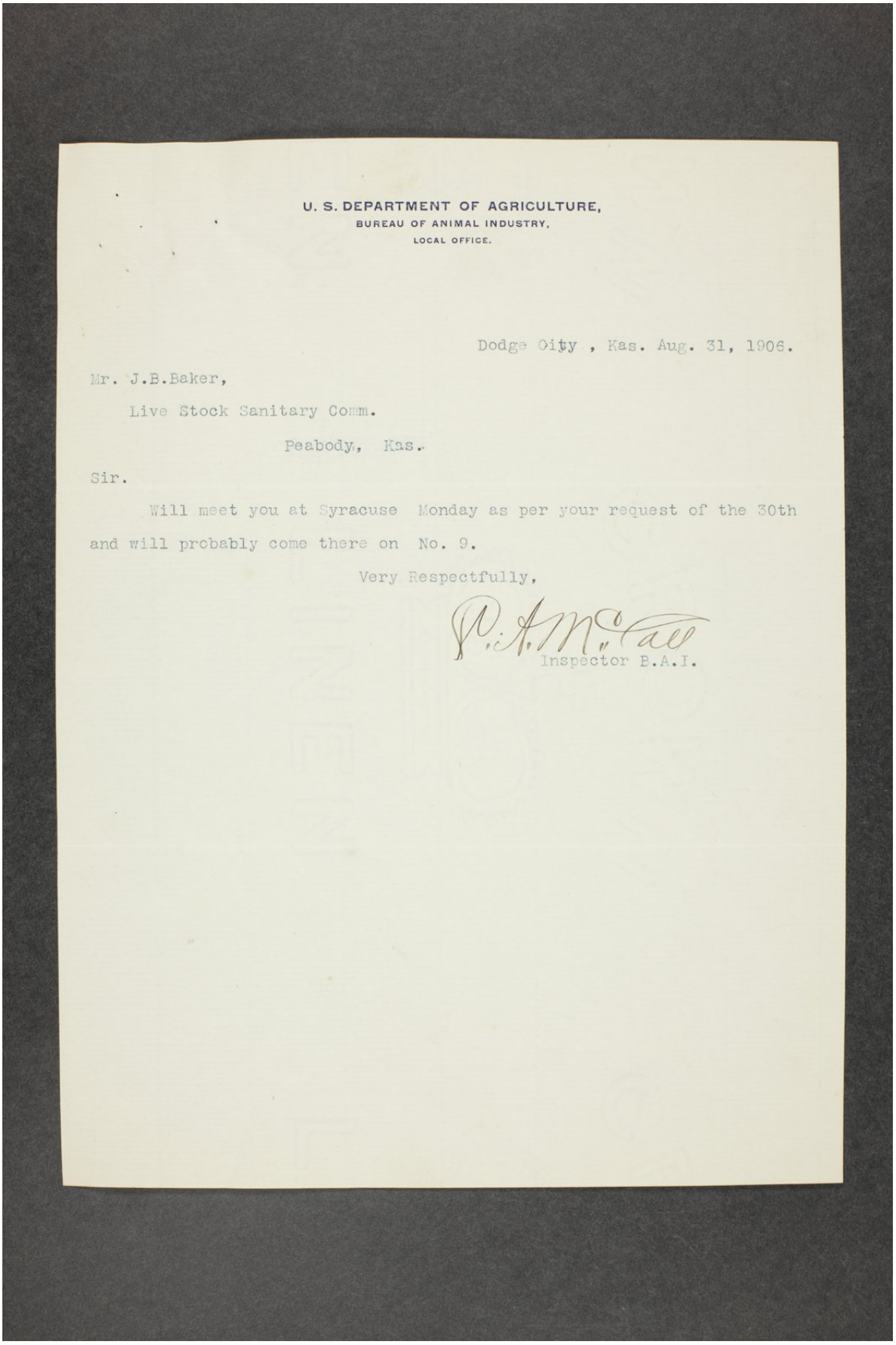
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY,
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Dodge City , Kas. Aug. 31, 1906.

Mr. J.B.Baker,
Live Stock Sanitary Comm.
Peabody, Kas.

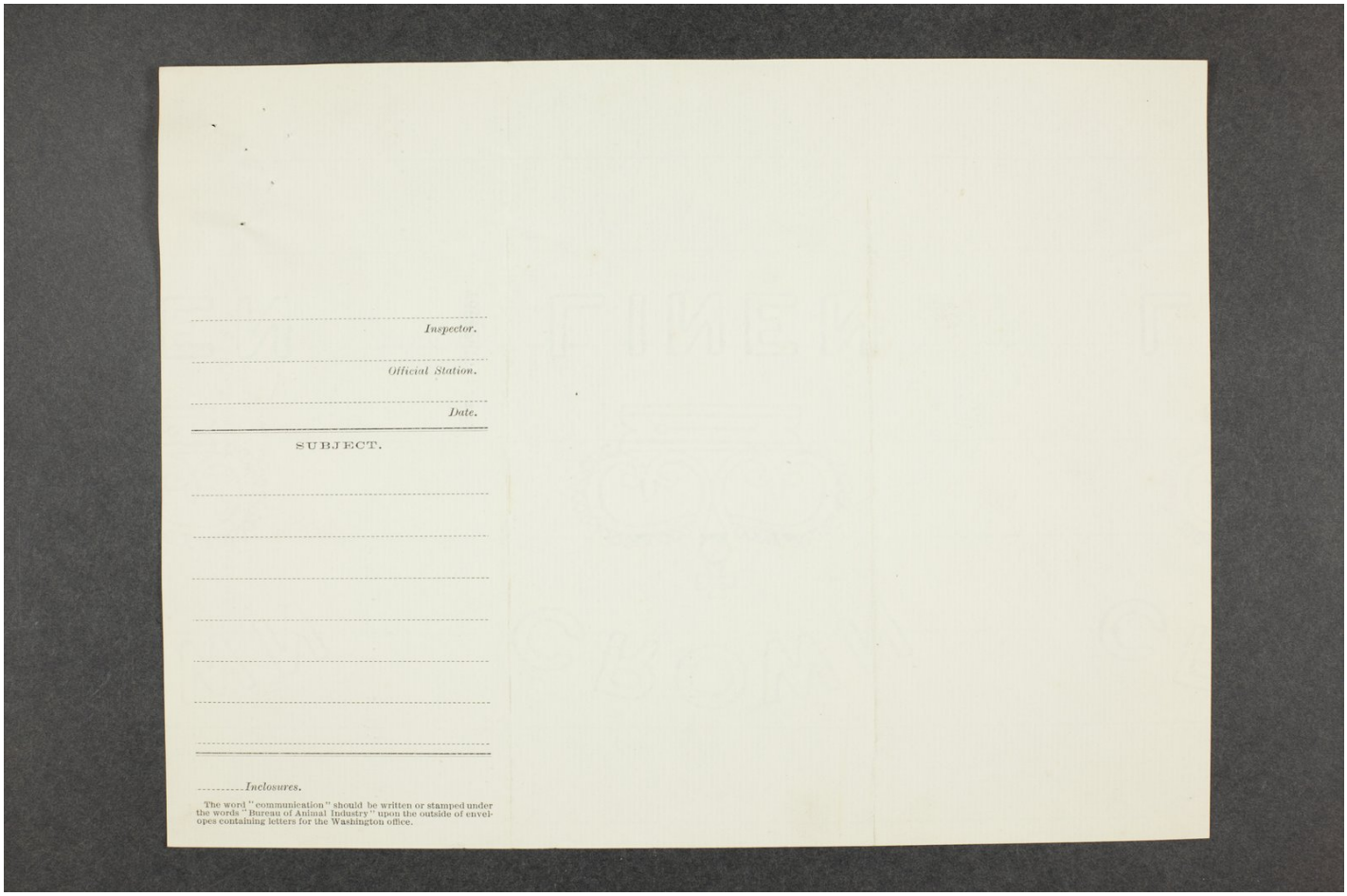
Sir.

Will meet you at Syracuse Monday as per your request of the 30th and will probably come there on No. 9.

Very Respectfully,

P. A. McFall
Inspector B.A.I.

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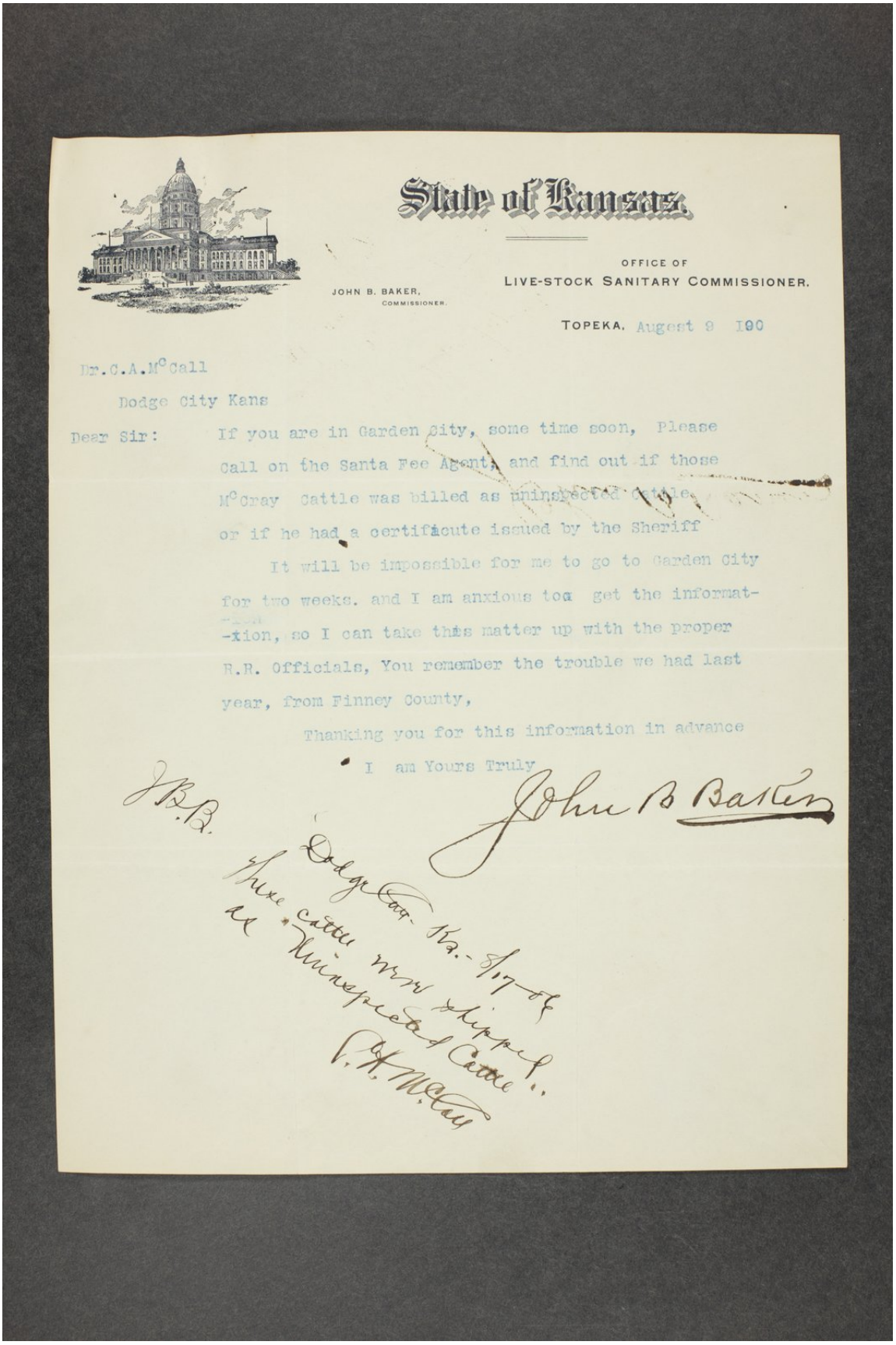
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State of Kansas.

JOHN B. BAKER,
COMMISSIONER.

OFFICE OF
LIVE-STOCK SANITARY COMMISSIONER.

TOPEKA, August 9 190

Dr. C. A. McCall
Dodge City Kans

Dear Sir: If you are in Garden City, some time soon, Please call on the Santa Fee Agents and find out if those McCray Cattle was billed as uninspected Cattle, or if he had a certificate issued by the Sheriff

It will be impossible for me to go to Garden City for two weeks. and I am anxious to get the information, so I can take this matter up with the proper R.R. Officials, You remember the trouble we had last year, from Finney County,

Thanking you for this information in advance

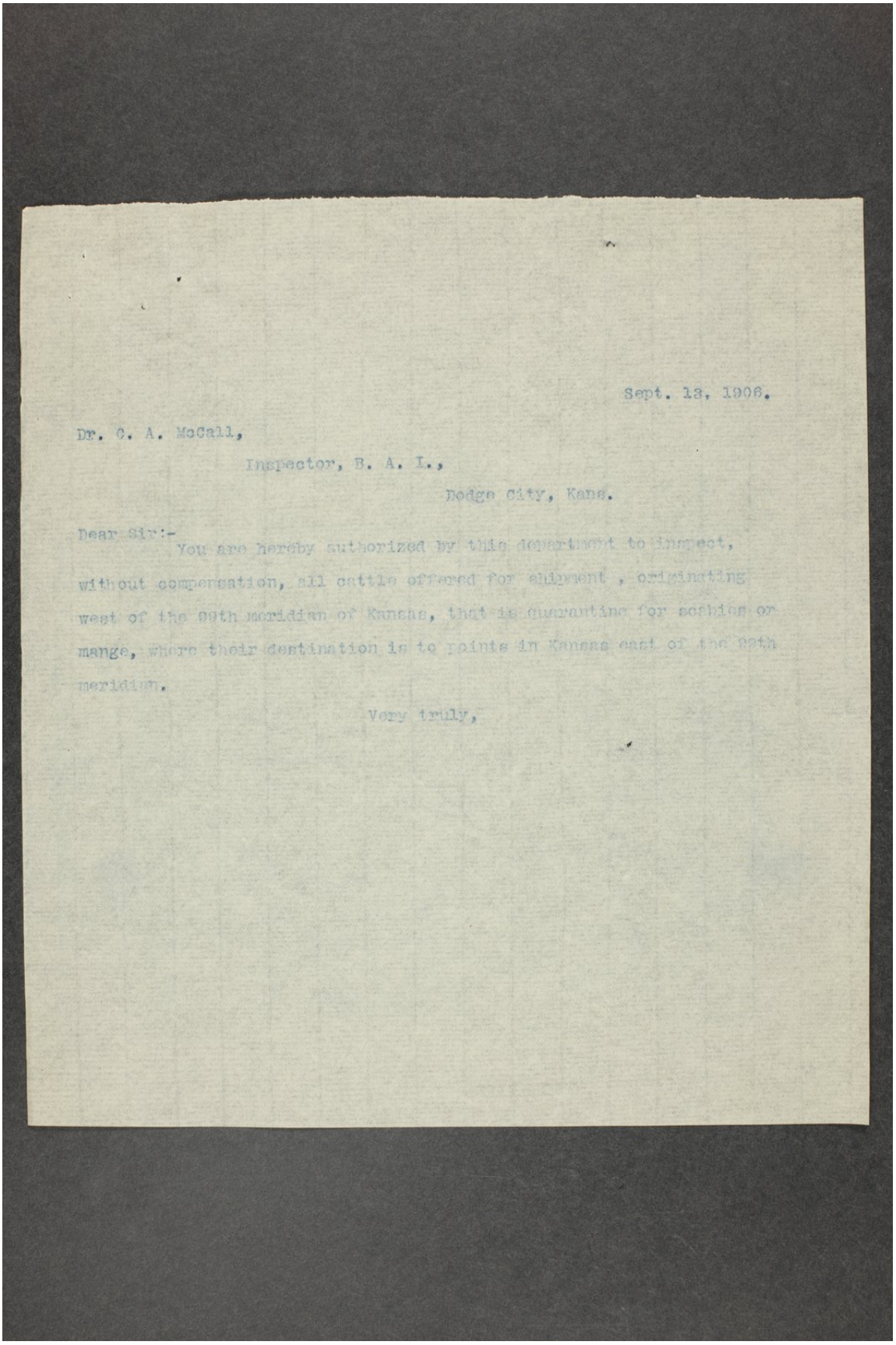
I am Yours Truly

John B Baker

J.B.B.

Dodge City Kan. 8/17-00
Three cattle were shipped
as Uninspected Cattle.
V. H. McCall

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Sept. 13, 1906.

Dr. C. A. McCall,

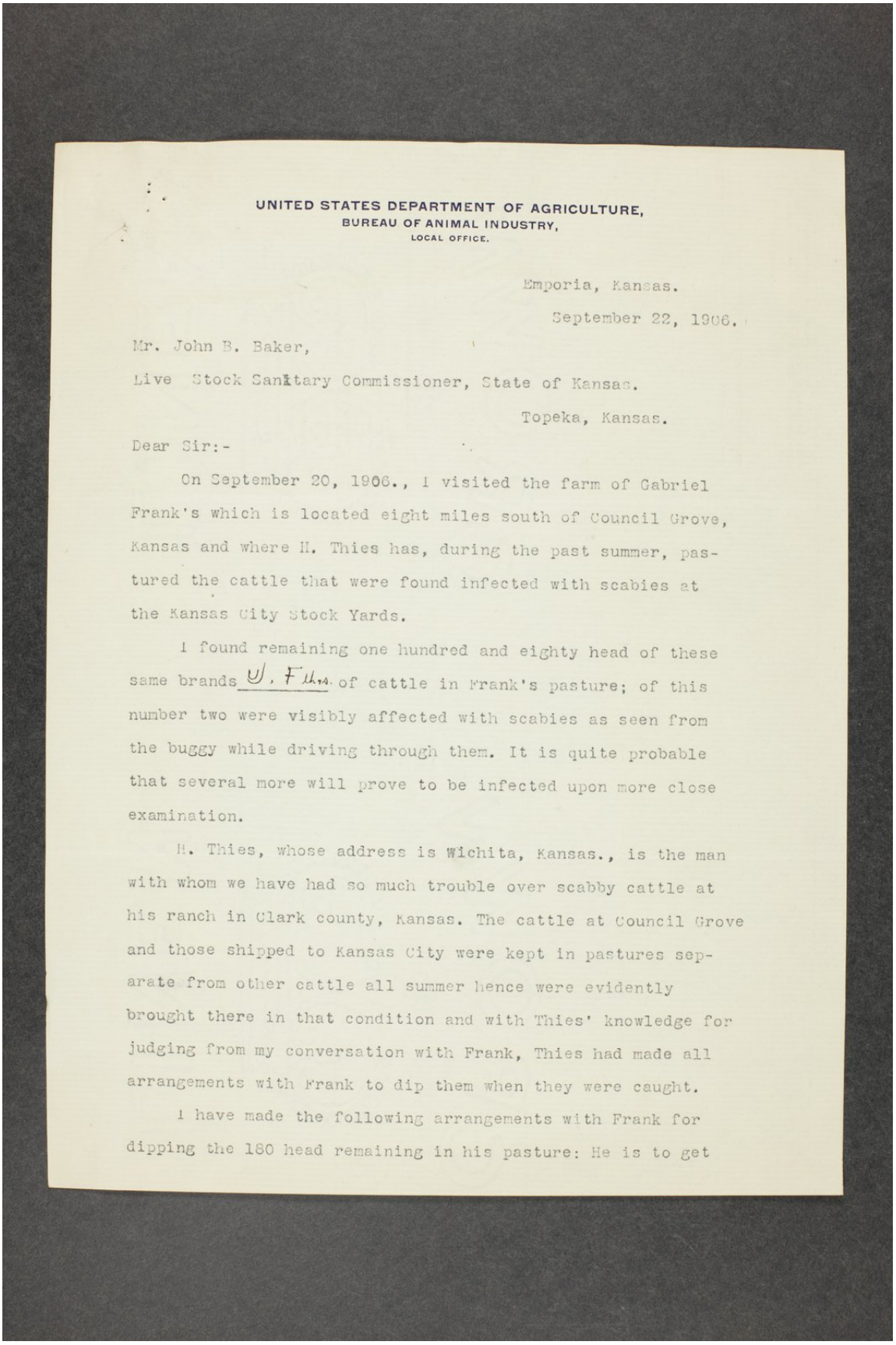
Inspector, B. A. I.,

Dodge City, Kans.

Dear Sir:-

You are hereby authorized by this department to inspect, without compensation, all cattle offered for shipment, originating west of the 99th meridian of Kansas, that is quarantine for scabies or mange, where their destination is to points in Kansas east of the 99th meridian.

Very truly,



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY,
LOCAL OFFICE.

Emporia, Kansas.
September 22, 1906.

Mr. John B. Baker,
Live Stock Sanitary Commissioner, State of Kansas.
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Sir:-

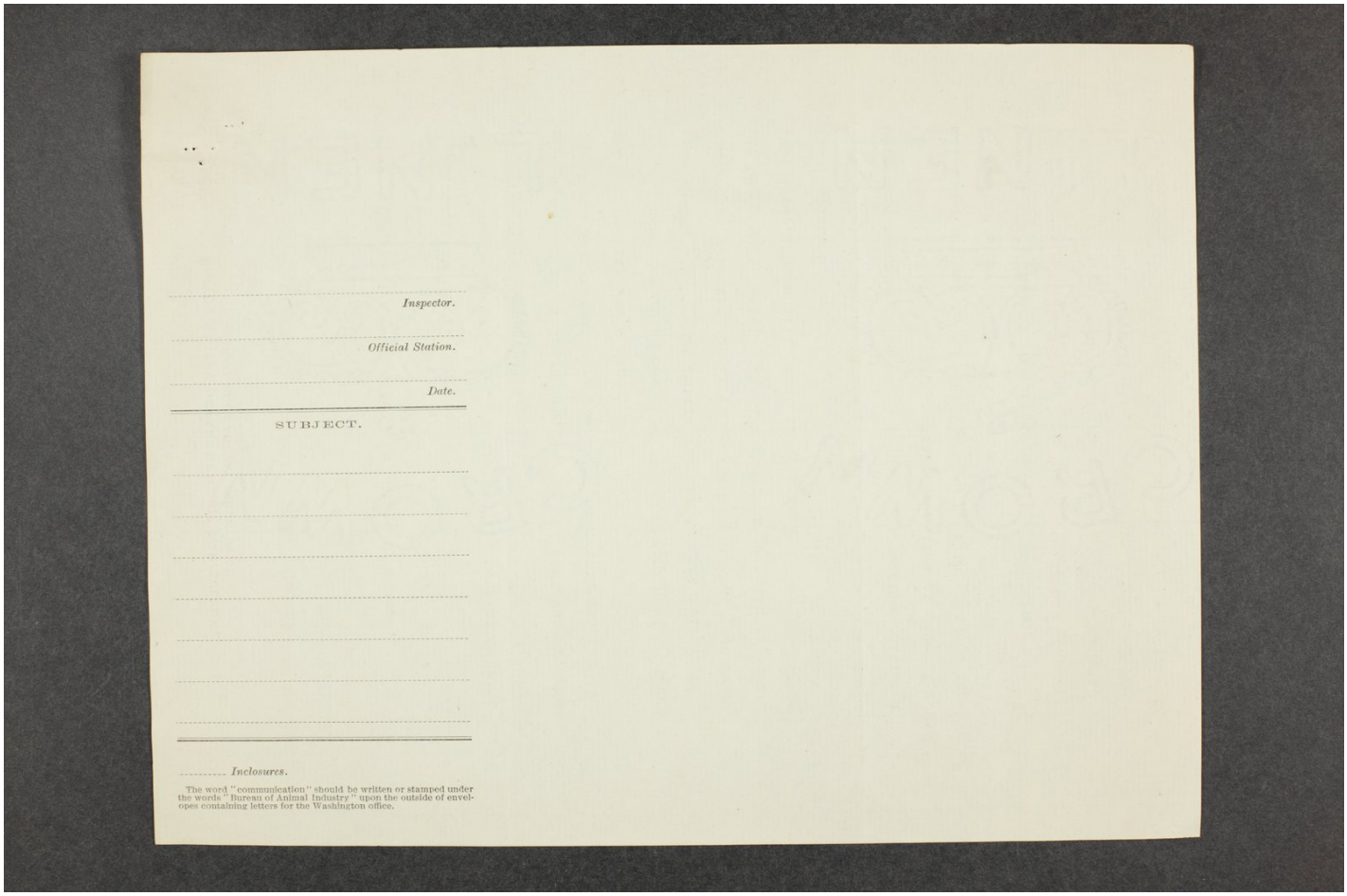
On September 20, 1906., I visited the farm of Gabriel Frank's which is located eight miles south of Council Grove, Kansas and where H. Thies has, during the past summer, pastured the cattle that were found infected with scabies at the Kansas City Stock Yards.

I found remaining one hundred and eighty head of these same brands U. F Hrs. of cattle in Frank's pasture; of this number two were visibly affected with scabies as seen from the buggy while driving through them. It is quite probable that several more will prove to be infected upon more close examination.

H. Thies, whose address is Wichita, Kansas., is the man with whom we have had so much trouble over scabby cattle at his ranch in Clark county, Kansas. The cattle at Council Grove and those shipped to Kansas City were kept in pastures separate from other cattle all summer hence were evidently brought there in that condition and with Thies' knowledge for judging from my conversation with Frank, Thies had made all arrangements with Frank to dip them when they were caught.

I have made the following arrangements with Frank for dipping the 180 head remaining in his pasture: He is to get

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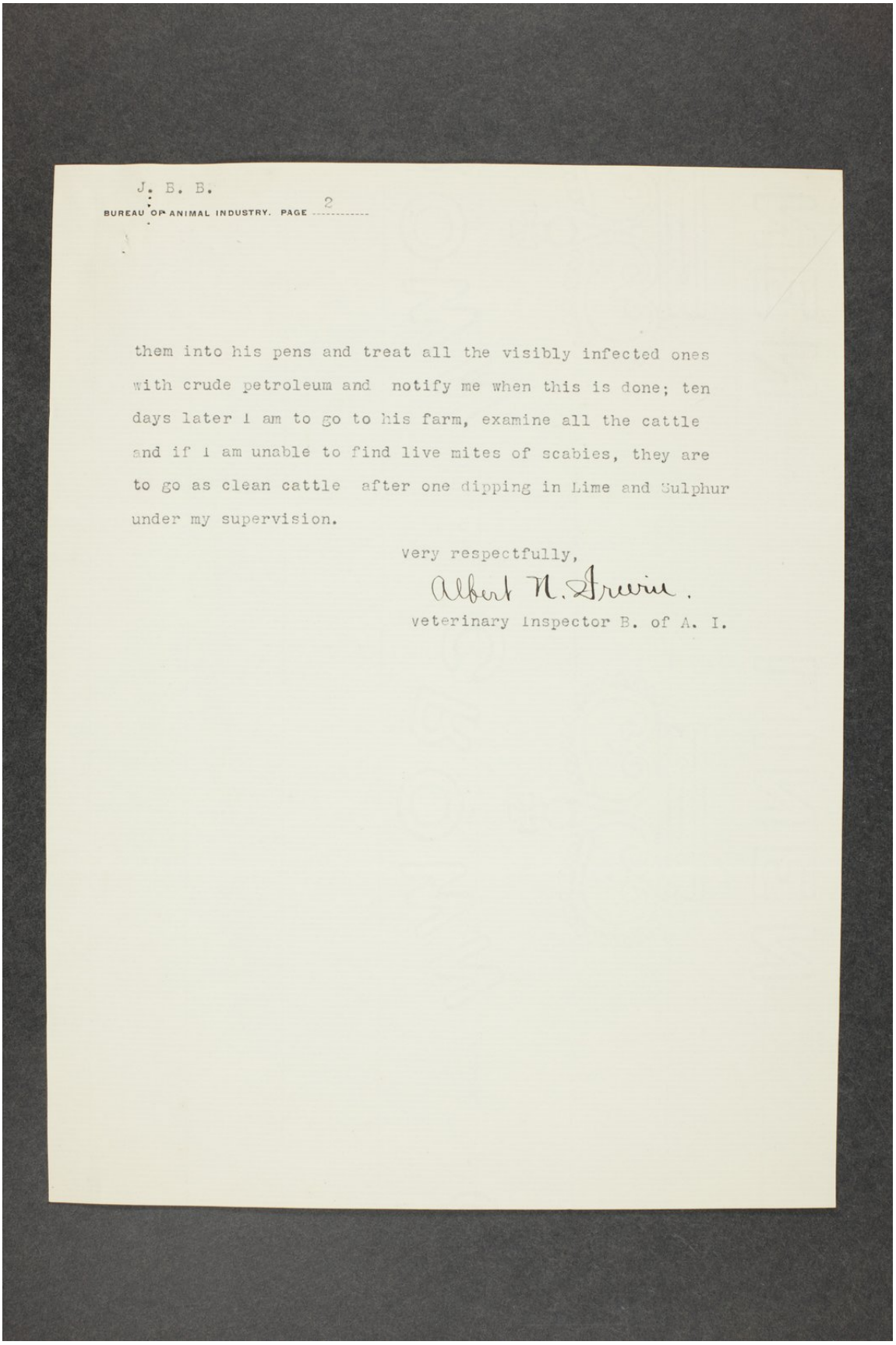
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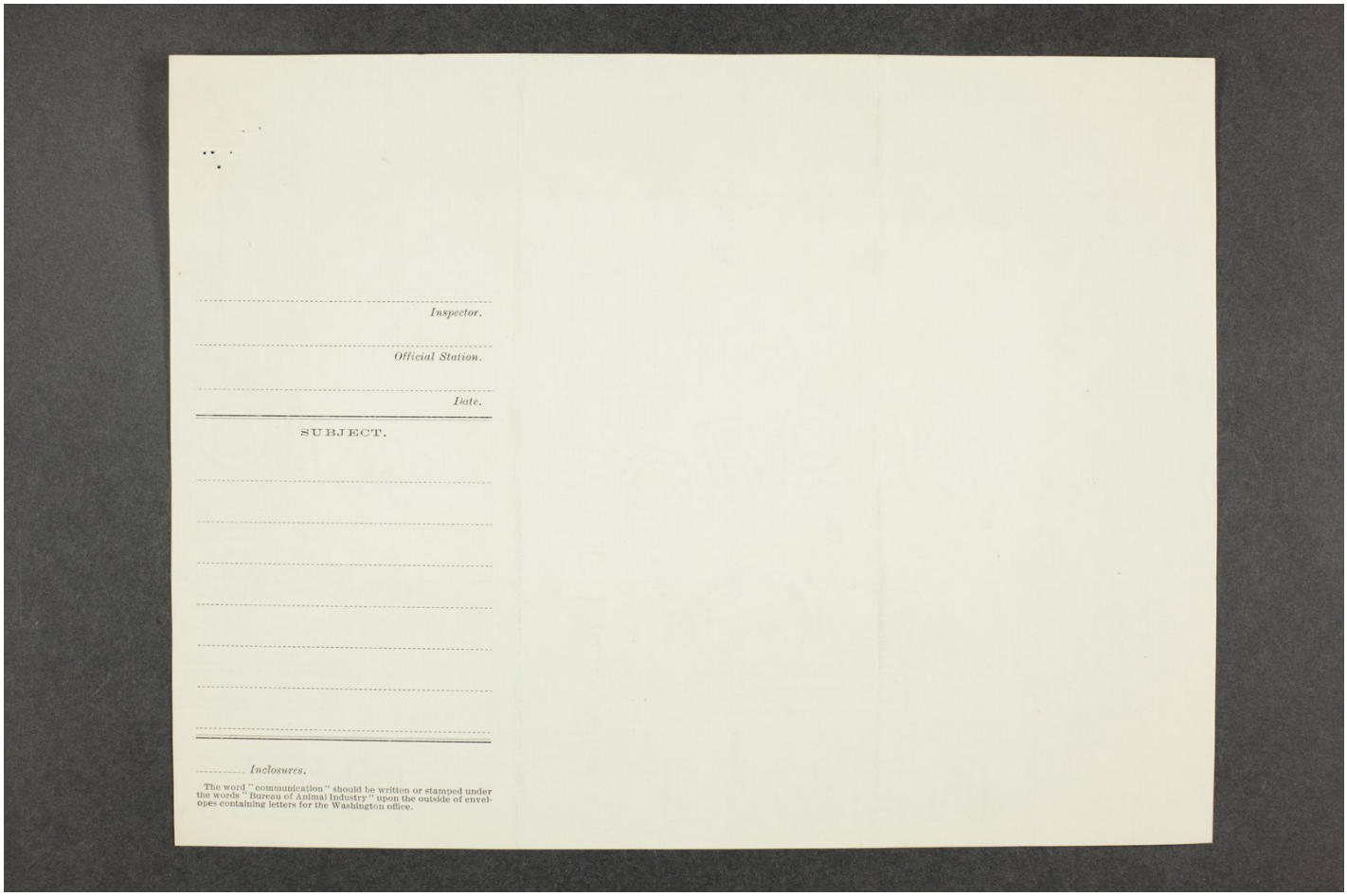


J. B. B.
BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY. PAGE 2

them into his pens and treat all the visibly infected ones with crude petroleum and notify me when this is done; ten days later I am to go to his farm, examine all the cattle and if I am unable to find live mites of scabies, they are to go as clean cattle after one dipping in Lime and Sulphur under my supervision.

Very respectfully,
Albert N. Freeman.
veterinary inspector B. of A. I.

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Inspector.

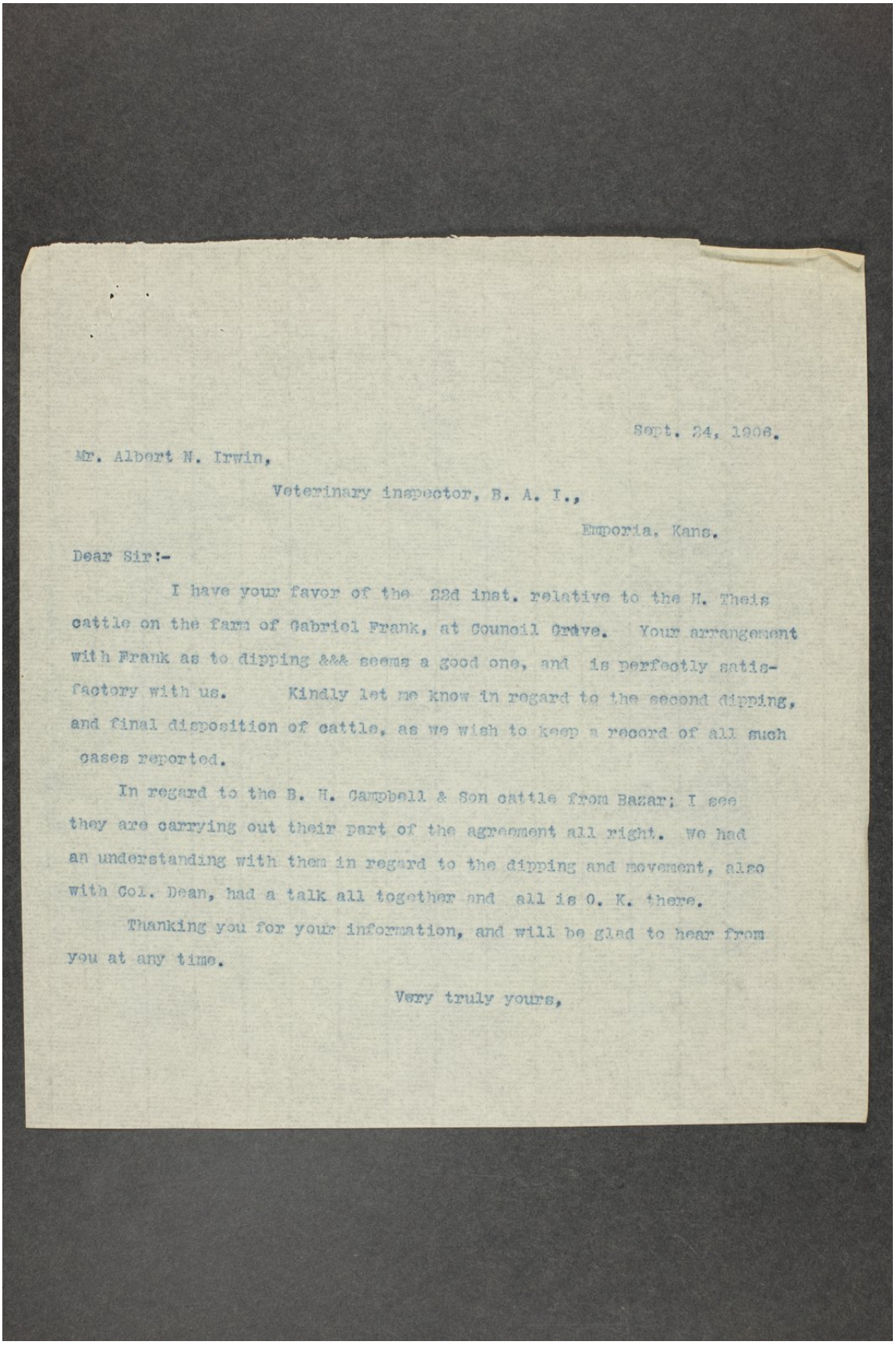
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Sept. 24, 1906.

Mr. Albert N. Irwin,

Veterinary inspector, B. A. I.,

Emporia, Kans.

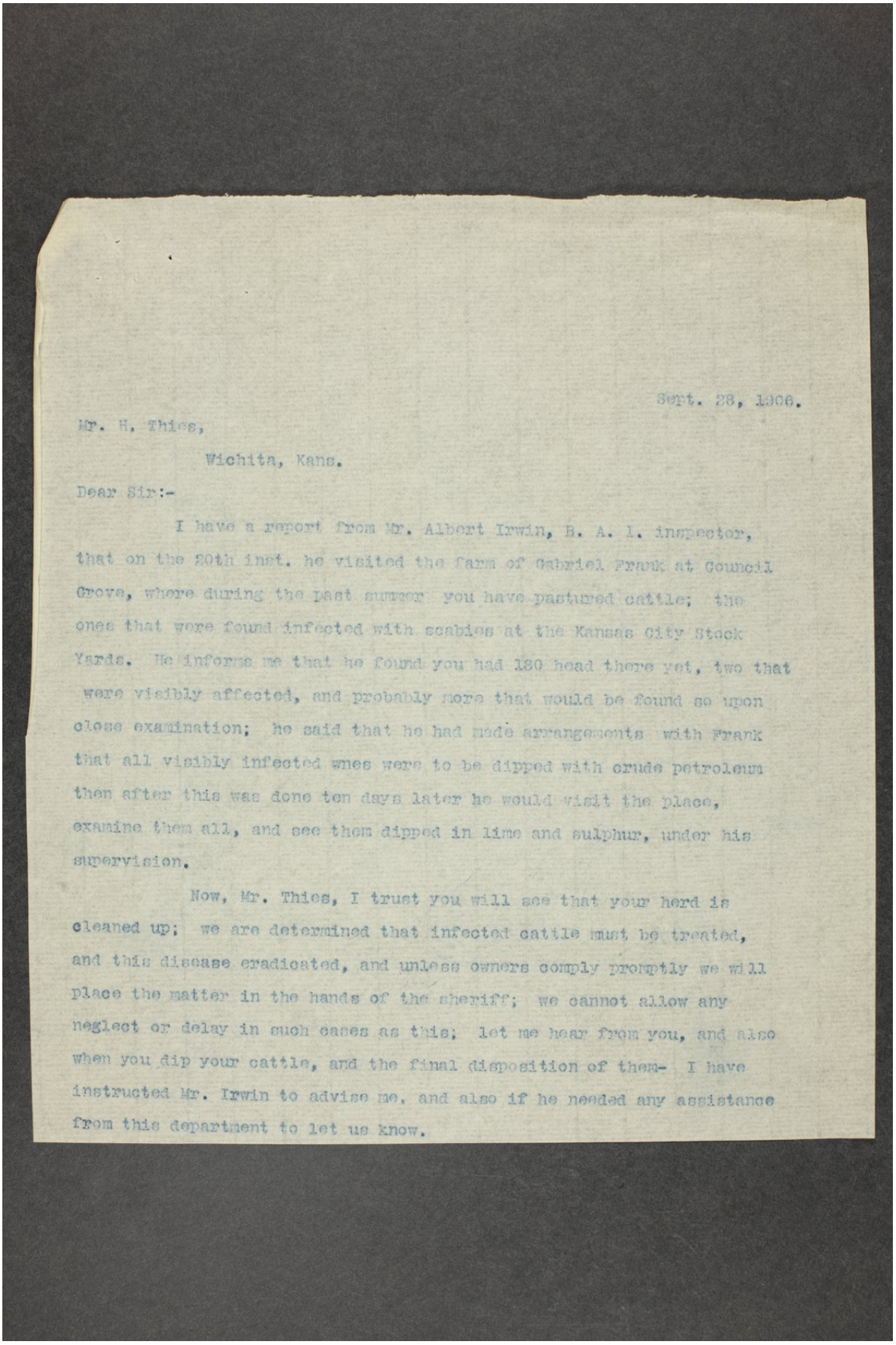
Dear Sir:-

I have your favor of the 22d inst. relative to the H. Theis cattle on the farm of Gabriel Frank, at Council Grove. Your arrangement with Frank as to dipping &&& seems a good one, and is perfectly satisfactory with us. Kindly let me know in regard to the second dipping, and final disposition of cattle, as we wish to keep a record of all such cases reported.

In regard to the B. H. Campbell & Son cattle from Bazar; I see they are carrying out their part of the agreement all right. We had an understanding with them in regard to the dipping and movement, also with Col. Dean, had a talk all together and all is O. K. there.

Thanking you for your information, and will be glad to hear from you at any time.

Very truly yours,



Sept. 28, 1906.

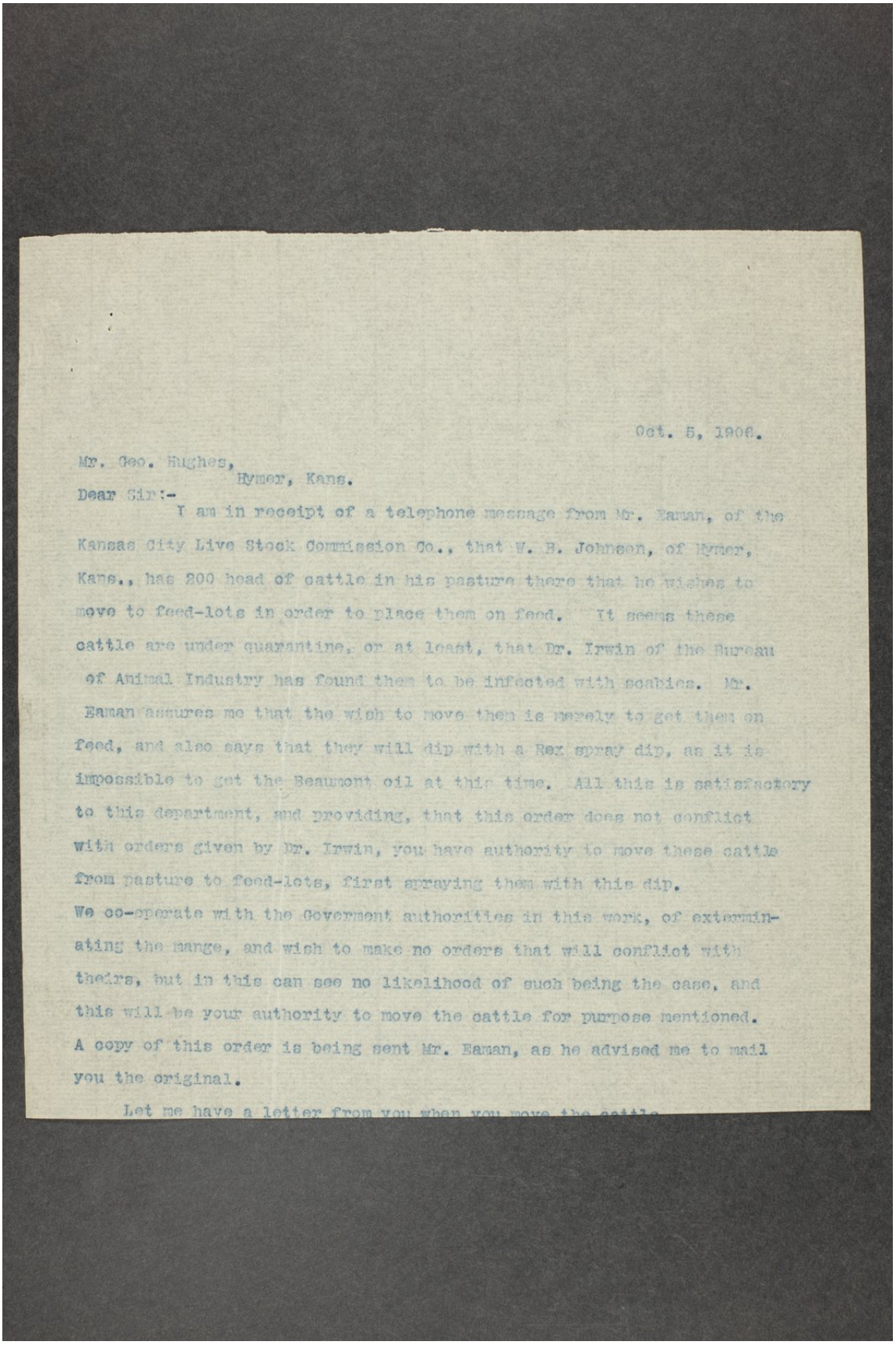
Mr. H. Thies,

Wichita, Kans.

Dear Sir:-

I have a report from Mr. Albert Irwin, B. A. I. inspector, that on the 20th inst. he visited the farm of Gabriel Frank at Council Grove, where during the past summer you have pastured cattle; the ones that were found infected with scabies at the Kansas City Stock Yards. He informs me that he found you had 180 head there yet, two that were visibly affected, and probably more that would be found so upon close examination; he said that he had made arrangements with Frank that all visibly infected ones were to be dipped with crude petroleum then after this was done ten days later he would visit the place, examine them all, and see them dipped in lime and sulphur, under his supervision.

Now, Mr. Thies, I trust you will see that your herd is cleaned up; we are determined that infected cattle must be treated, and this disease eradicated, and unless owners comply promptly we will place the matter in the hands of the sheriff; we cannot allow any neglect or delay in such cases as this; let me hear from you, and also when you dip your cattle, and the final disposition of them- I have instructed Mr. Irwin to advise me, and also if he needed any assistance from this department to let us know.



Oct. 5, 1906.

Mr. Geo. Hughes,
Hymer, Kans.

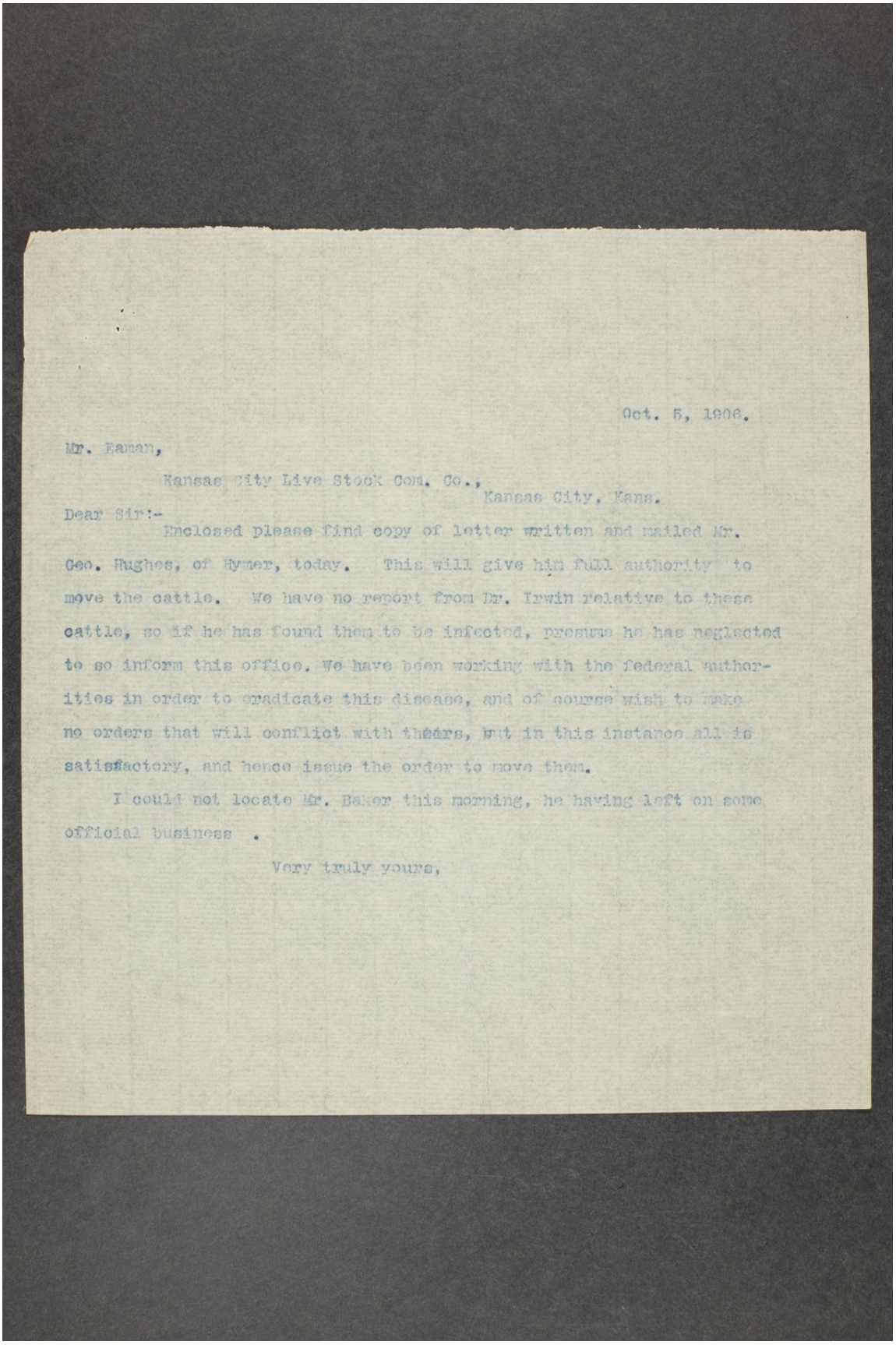
Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of a telephone message from Mr. Eaman, of the Kansas City Live Stock Commission Co., that W. B. Johnson, of Hymer, Kans., has 200 head of cattle in his pasture there that he wishes to move to feed-lots in order to place them on feed. It seems these cattle are under quarantine, or at least, that Dr. Irwin of the Bureau of Animal Industry has found them to be infected with scabies. Mr. Eaman assures me that the wish to move them is merely to get them on feed, and also says that they will dip with a Rex spray dip, as it is impossible to get the Beaumont oil at this time. All this is satisfactory to this department, and providing, that this order does not conflict with orders given by Dr. Irwin, you have authority to move these cattle from pasture to feed-lots, first spraying them with this dip.

We co-operate with the Goverment authorities in this work, of exterminating the mange, and wish to make no orders that will conflict with theirs, but in this can see no likelihood of such being the case, and this will be your authority to move the cattle for purpose mentioned.

A copy of this order is being sent Mr. Eaman, as he advised me to mail you the original.

Let me have a letter from you when you move the cattle



Oct. 5, 1906.

Mr. Eaman,

Kansas City Live Stock Com. Co.,
Kansas City, Kans.

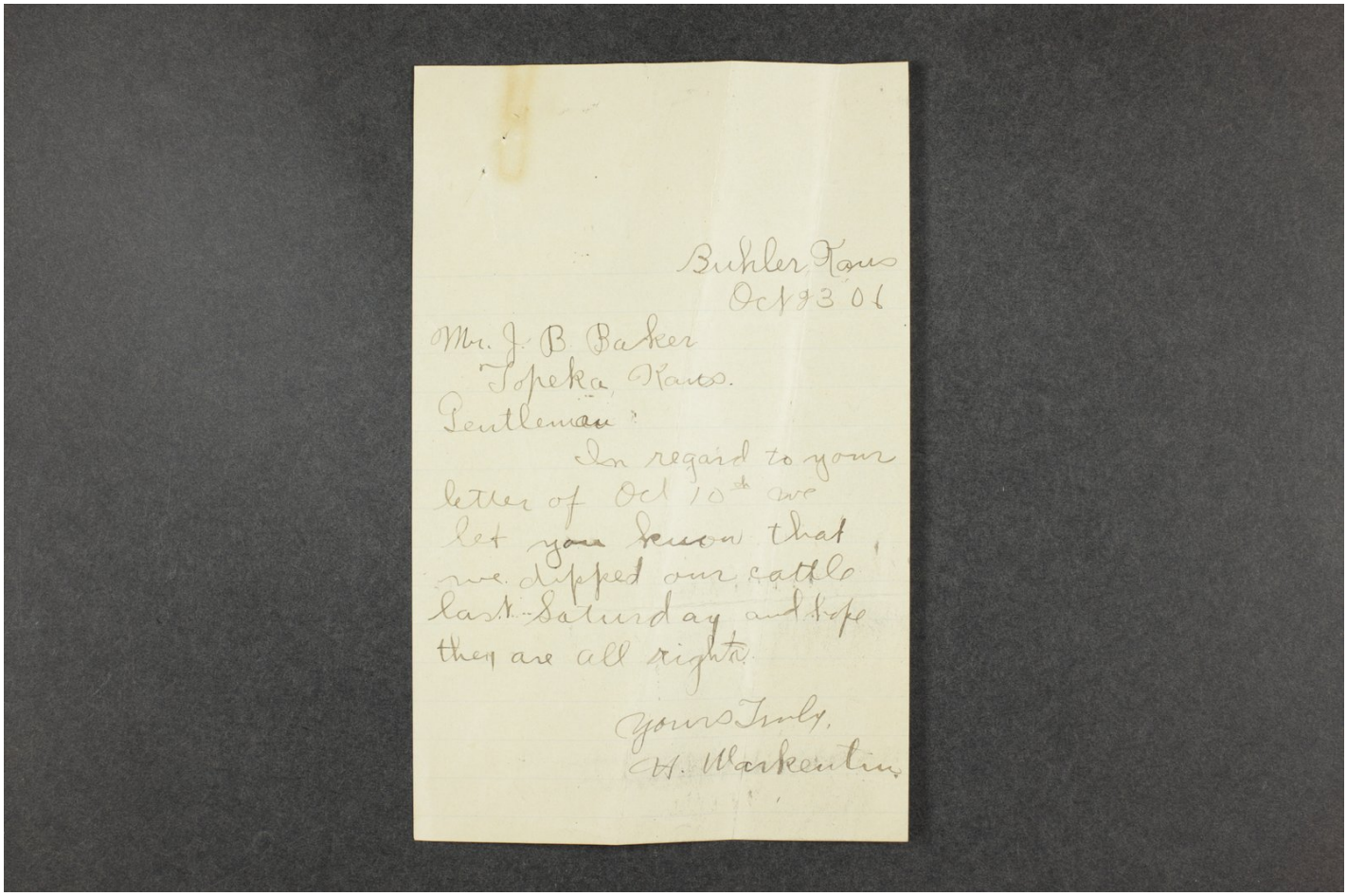
Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find copy of letter written and mailed Mr. Geo. Hughes, of Hymer, today. This will give him full authority to move the cattle. We have no report from Dr. Irwin relative to these cattle, so if he has found them to be infected, presume he has neglected to so inform this office. We have been working with the federal authorities in order to eradicate this disease, and of course wish to make no orders that will conflict with theirs, but in this instance all is satisfactory, and hence issue the order to move them.

I could not locate Mr. Baker this morning, he having left on some official business .

Very truly yours,

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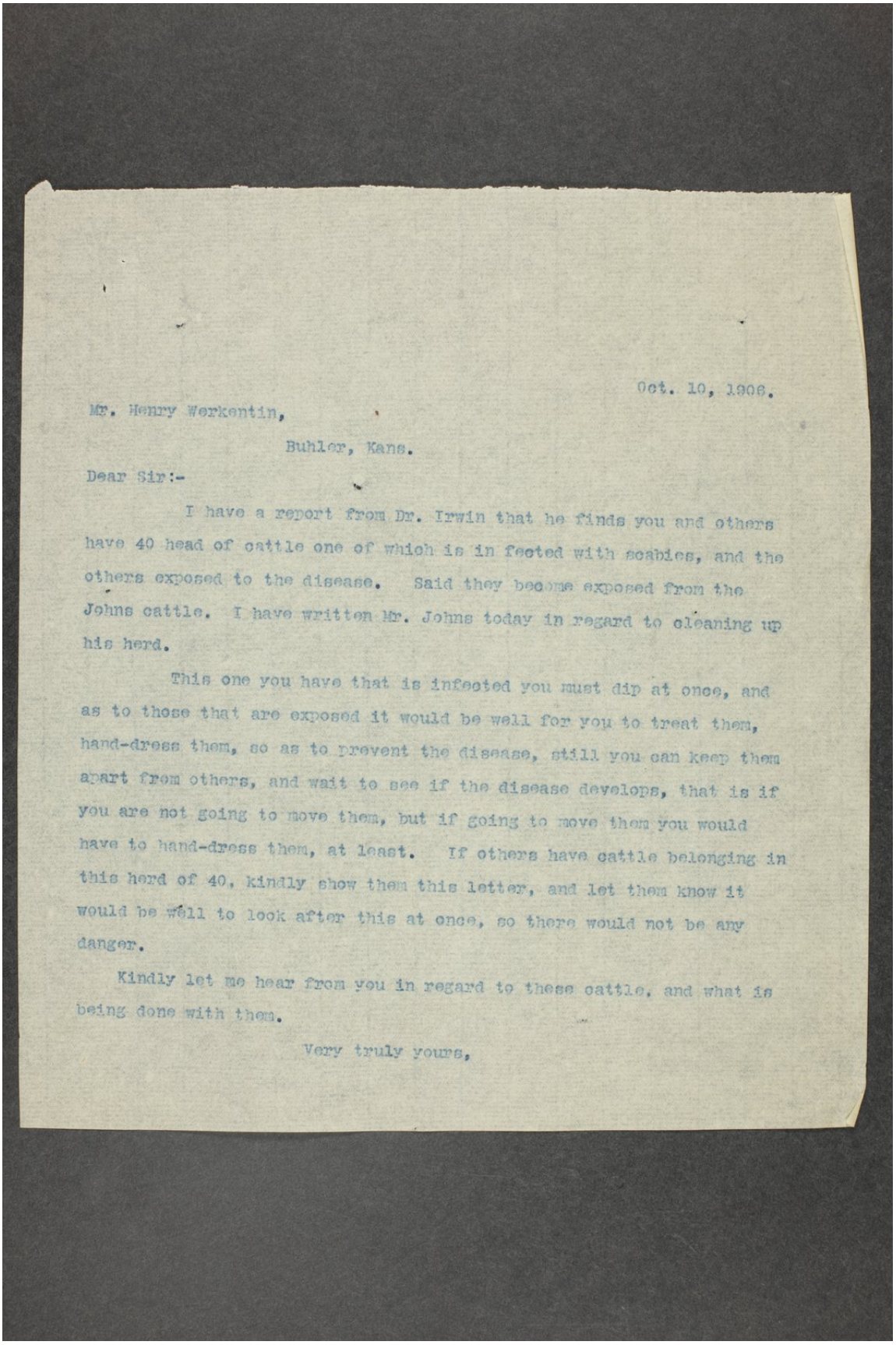
Buhler Kans
Oct 13 01

Mr. J. B. Baker
Topeka, Kans.

Gentleman:

In regard to your letter of Oct 10th we let you know that we dipped our cattle last Saturday and hope they are all right.

Yours Truly,
H. Markentin



Oct. 10, 1906.

Mr. Henry Werkentin,

Buhler, Kans.

Dear Sir:-

I have a report from Dr. Irwin that he finds you and others have 40 head of cattle one of which is in fected with scabies, and the others exposed to the disease. Said they become exposed from the Johns cattle. I have written Mr. Johns today in regard to cleaning up his herd.

This one you have that is infected you must dip at once, and as to those that are exposed it would be well for you to treat them, hand-dress them, so as to prevent the disease, still you can keep them apart from others, and wait to see if the disease develops, that is if you are not going to move them, but if going to move them you would have to hand-dress them, at least. If others have cattle belonging in this herd of 40, kindly show them this letter, and let them know it would be well to look after this at once, so there would not be any danger.

Kindly let me hear from you in regard to these cattle, and what is being done with them.

Very truly yours,

United States Department of Agriculture,
Bureau of Animal Industry,
Washington, D. C.

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ADDRESS OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS TO "CHIEF OF BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY."

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO NUMBER 4943.

October 12, 1906.

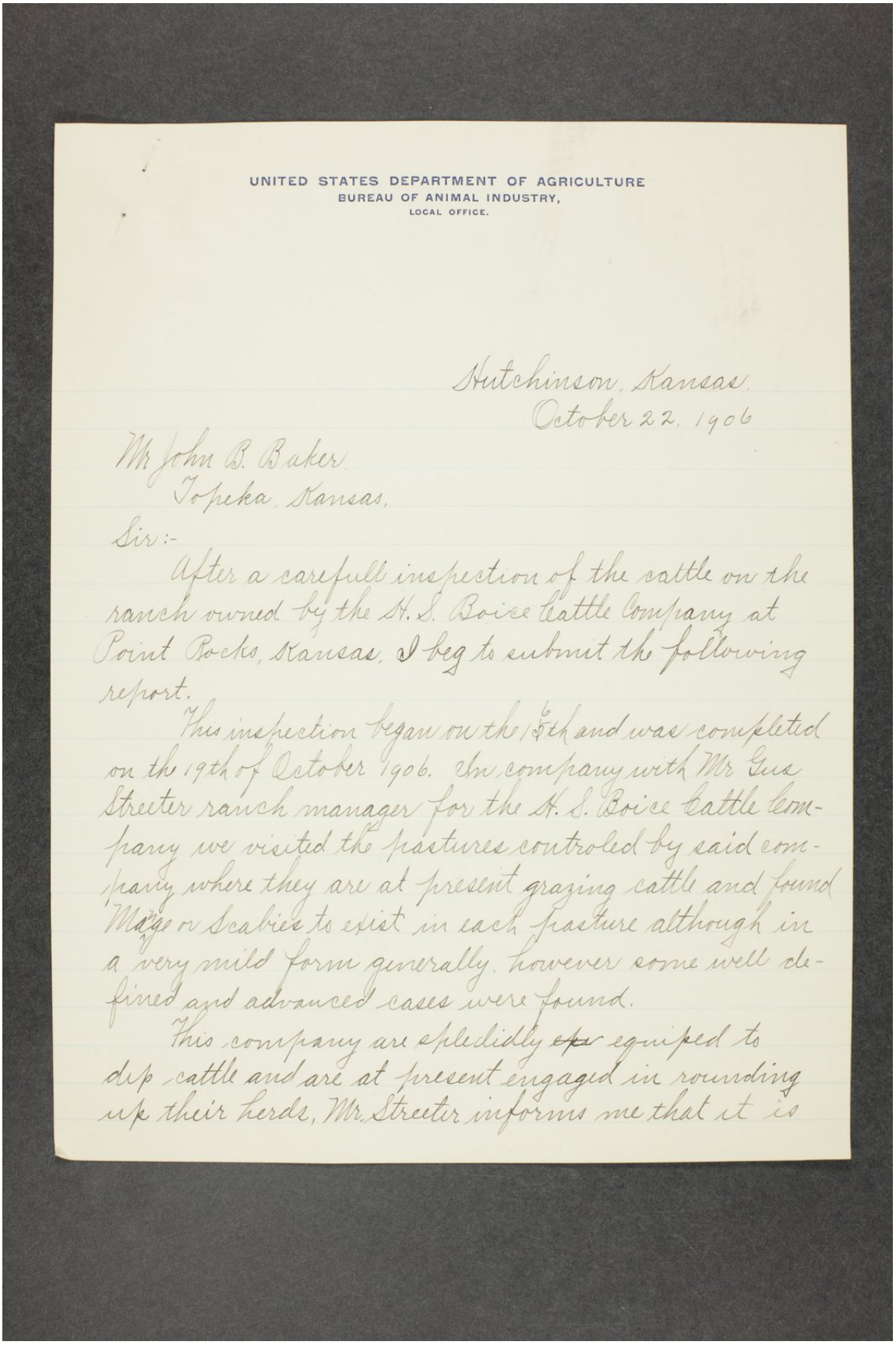
Mr. J.D. Baker,
Sec'y Live Stock Sanitary Commission,
Peabody, Kas.

Sir:

For your further information I desire to indicate the shipments of cattle during the month of September 1906, from various points in the State of Kansas, which were found to be affected with scabies upon arrival at the various stockyards where Bureau inspection is maintained. The name and address of the shippers, the number of cattle shipped and the points of origin are as follows:

NAME	ADDRESS	NO. INFECTED	ORIGIN.
F.B.Ditler	Nickerson, Kas.	49	Madison
Jas. Cowgill	Kansas City Mo.	296	Arkalon
H.M.Peckham	Ness City Kas.	196	Ness City
Geo. Theis	Council Grove, Kas.	121	Council Grove
G.D.Ford	Hymer, Kas.	131	Hymer
D.C.Sullivan	Ulysses, Kas.	59	Lakin
P. Krugher	Lehigh "	25	Lehigh
F.S.Hupp	Newton, Kas.	53	Newton
John Prunty	Wichita "	64	Arkalon
Evans Bros.	Garden City, Kas.	40	Garden City
R.P. Smith & B.H.Lemert	Liberal "	192	Liberal
W.D.Johnson	Hymer "	67	Hymer.

Rice P Stevenson
Chief, Inspection Division.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY,
LOCAL OFFICE.

Hutchinson, Kansas.
October 22, 1906

Mr John B. Baker,
Topeka, Kansas.

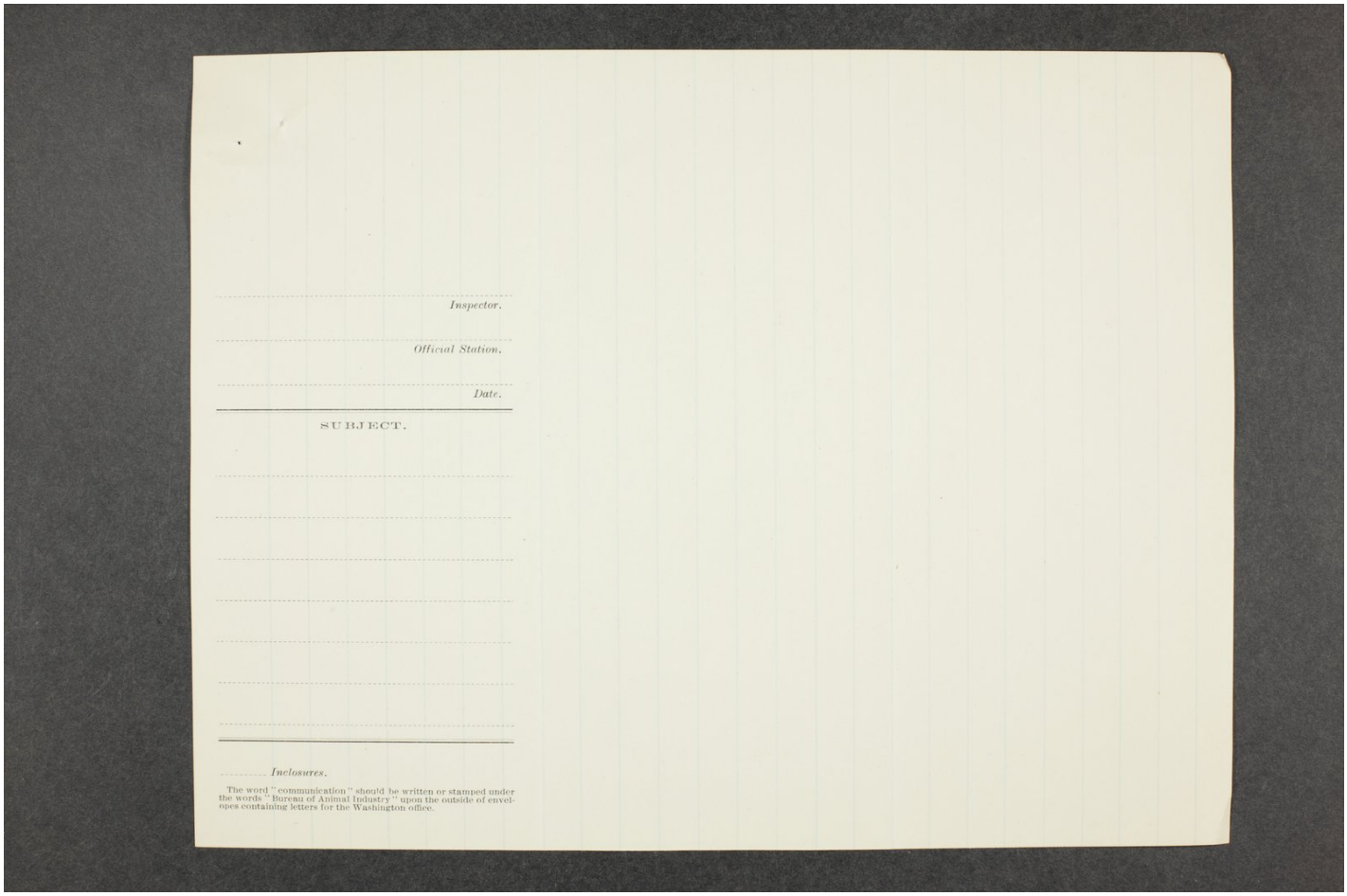
Sir:-

After a carefull inspection of the cattle on the ranch owned by the H. S. Boice Cattle Company at Point Rocks, Kansas. I beg to submit the following report.

This inspection began on the 15th and was completed on the 19th of October 1906. I in company with Mr Gus Streeter ranch manager for the H. S. Boice Cattle company we visited the pastures controled by said company where they are at present grazing cattle and found Mange or Scabies to exist in each pasture although in a very mild form generally, however some well defined and advanced cases were found.

This company are splendidly ~~eq~~ equiped to dip cattle and are at present engaged in rounding up their herds, Mr. Streeter informs me that it is

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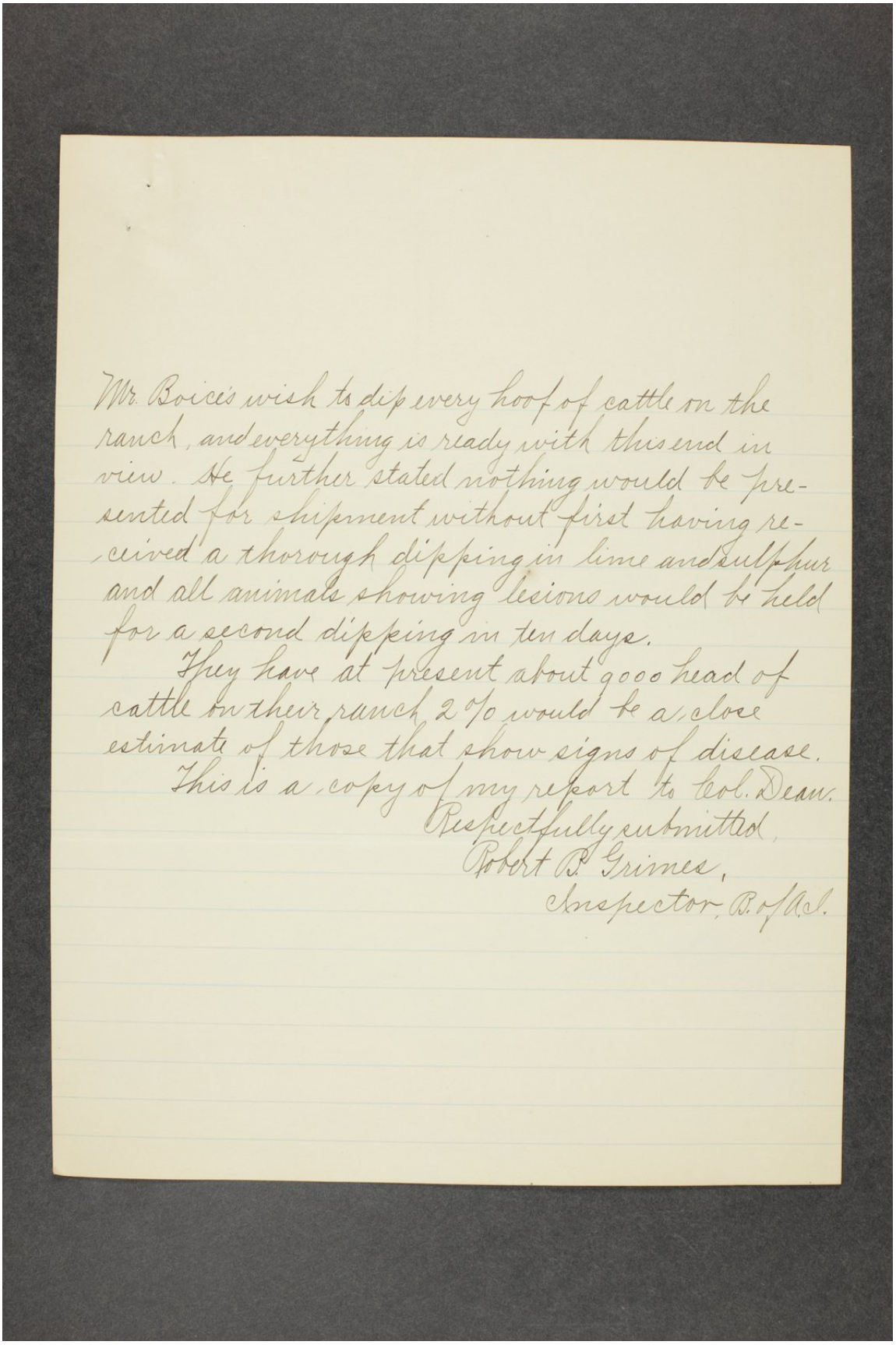
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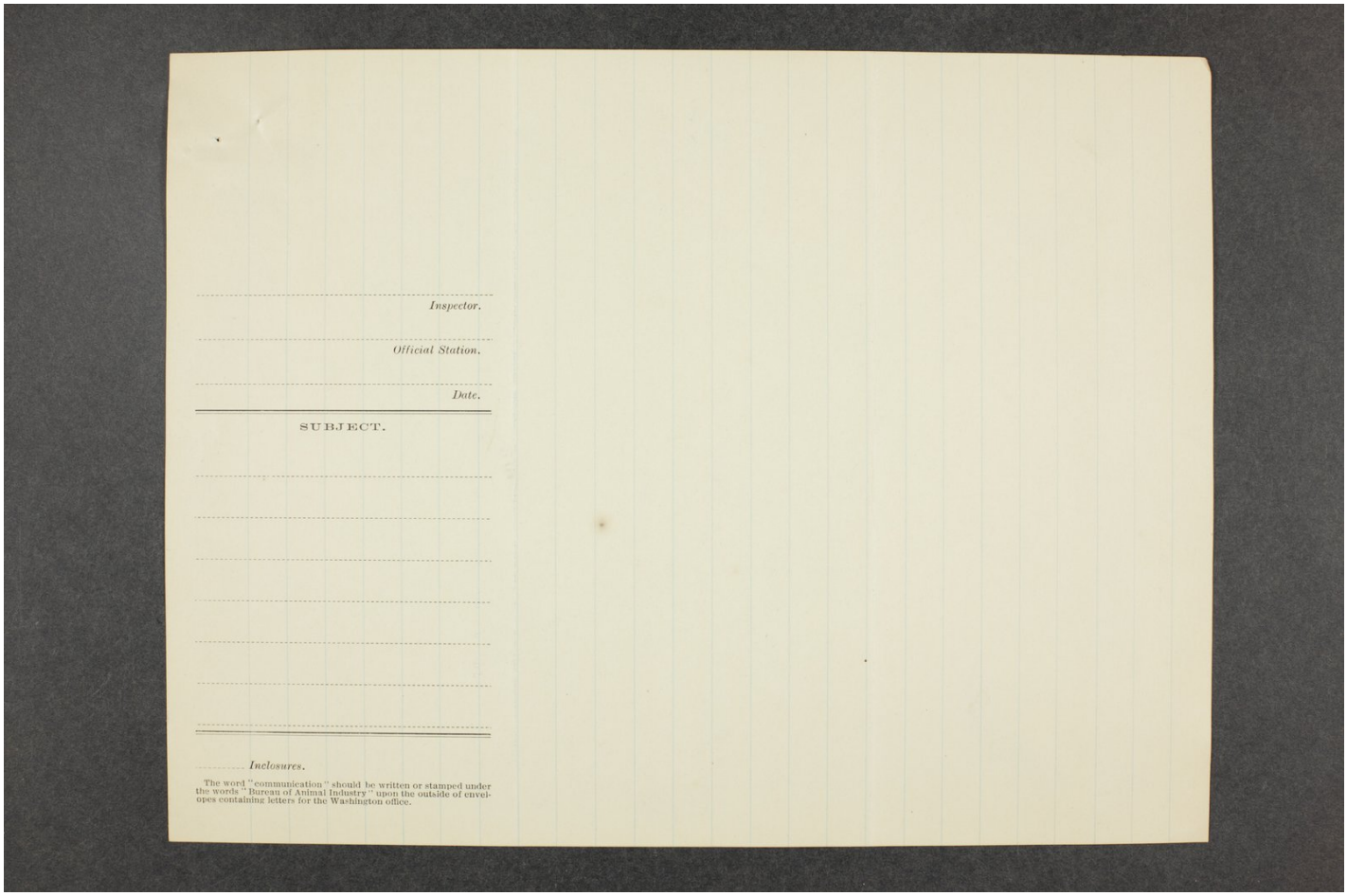
Mr. Boice's wish to dip every hoof of cattle on the ranch, and everything is ready with this end in view. He further stated nothing would be presented for shipment without first having received a thorough dipping in lime and sulphur and all animals showing lesions would be held for a second dipping in ten days.

They have at present about 6000 head of cattle on their ranch 2% would be a close estimate of those that show signs of disease.

This is a copy of my report to Col. Dean.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert R. Grimes,
Inspector, B. of A.I.

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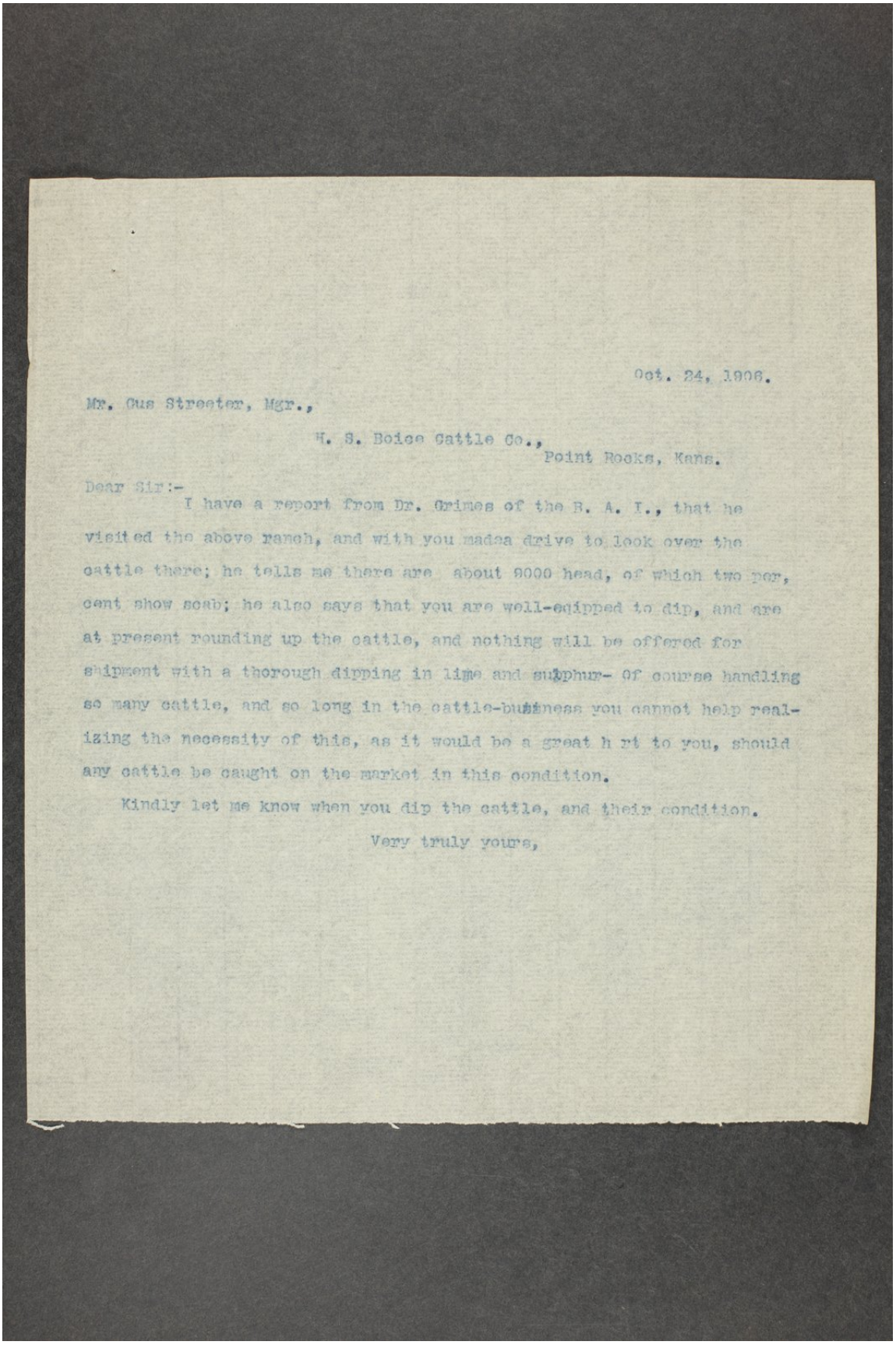
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Mr. Gus Streeter, Mgr.,

H. S. Boise Cattle Co.,

Point Rocks, Kans.

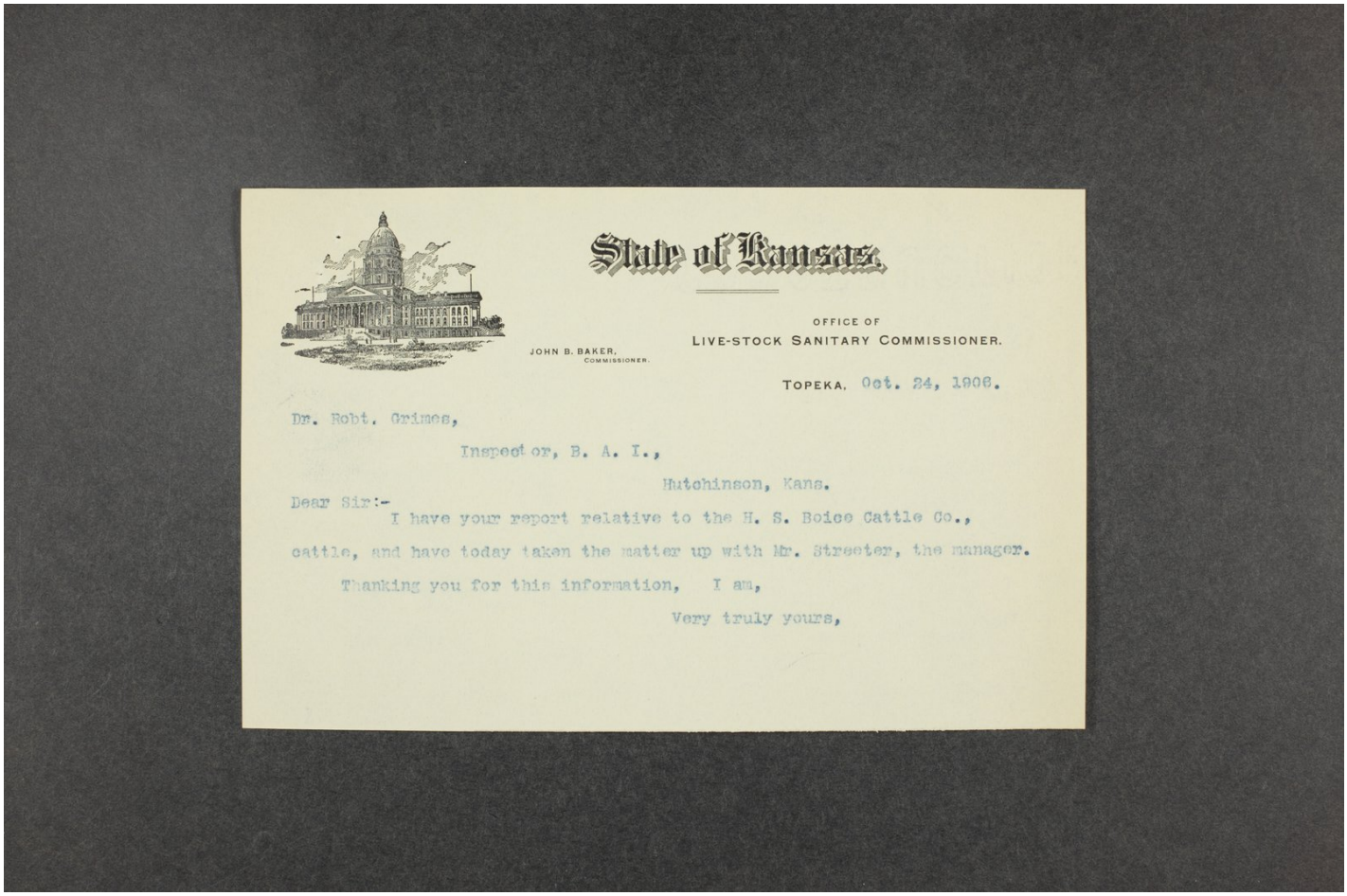
Dear Sir:-

I have a report from Dr. Grimes of the B. A. I., that he visited the above ranch, and with you madea drive to look over the cattle there; he tells me there are about 9000 head, of which two per, cent show scab; he also says that you are well-equipped to dip, and are at present rounding up the cattle, and nothing will be offered for shipment with a thorough dipping in lime and sulphur- Of course handling so many cattle, and so long in the cattle-business you cannot help realizing the necessity of this, as it would be a great h rt to you, should any cattle be caught on the market in this condition.

Kindly let me know when you dip the cattle, and their condition.

Very truly yours,

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State of Kansas.

JOHN B. BAKER, COMMISSIONER.

OFFICE OF
LIVE-STOCK SANITARY COMMISSIONER.

TOPEKA, Oct. 24, 1906.

Dr. Robt. Grimes,

Inspector, B. A. I.,

Hutchinson, Kans.

Dear Sir:-

I have your report relative to the H. S. Boice Cattle Co., cattle, and have today taken the matter up with Mr. Streeter, the manager.

Thanking you for this information, I am,

Very truly yours,