FRIARS POINT

The Site of Coahoma County, Miss.

One of the Oldest of the River Towns of the State.

Its Quickened Life and the Public Spirit of Its Citizens.

The Railroad Will Pass Through It in a Few Weeks.

Real Estate Already in Demand—Its Importance as a Commercial Point—A Correspondent's Survey of the City.

Correspondence of The Appeal.

FRIARS POINT, Miss., May 29.—This prosperous little town is situated on the banks of the great Mississippi River, about half way between Memphis and Greenville, in the rich Coahoma County. The writer reached the town by taking the daily mail hack at Coahoma Station, from which the distance is about seven miles. This gave me an opportunity to traverse a small part of one of the richest sections of agricultural country on the globe. The many large plantations on both sides along the road are well improved and in a fine state of cultivation. Cotton and corn, in spite of want of rain, have a fairly good stand. Everywhere activity was displayed. The shady old trees on both sides along the road offered a welcome protection from the rays of the sun. After an hour's drive we approached the town, which, when first visible in the distance, environed by shady groves, does not appear to be of great dimensions, but the nearer we came the larger and more attractive it grew, with its many fine and comfortable residences, its several church spires pointing heavenward, and divers public buildings, broad streets, lined with shady trees, the levee running in front of the town, presenting to the inhabitants a most delightful promenade, with a picturesque view of the Mississippi River winding itself gracefully around the point in its downward course. The town covers a large area, and the houses are, until you reach the center, quite scattered.

Friars Point is universally considered as one of the healthiest towns in the Delta, and the general health is as good as anywhere in the United States. This is greatly attributable to its peculiar location on the river, which always allows a fine breeze, no matter how the weather or season. Another cause is that the drainage is fine, the soil being sandy loam, which drains rapidly and thoroughly. The town is about forty years old, has always been the county site, and society is remarkably good, while the people are noted for their courtesy and generosity and their hospitality to strangers, who always meet with a welcome here.

The number of inhabitants is about 800. In years past it at one time was 1,500. The business done by the town was at one time enormous. For several years it dropped off some, but has recently taken a new impetus, due to different causes, of which the principal one is that the Louisville, New Orleans & Texas Railway, in a few weeks, will pass through here, continuing the Bolivar Loop from Rosedale on. After passing Friars Point the road will go on to Coahoma, where it taps the main line. Several large contractors are already busily at work, both from Rosedale on to Friars Point and from Coahoma toward the same destination. The manner in which the work is progressing under so many favorable auspices insures it as a certainty that trains will be running in ninety days. This road will give Friars Point additional advantages of transportation, which will enable it to get its freight as cheap as Greenville or Vicksburg. In order to induce the railroad to come here the town, not by taxation but by voluntary subscription of the enterprising citizens, gave $20,000 to the railroad, besides depot grounds and ten miles right of way. Much honor and credit for getting the railroad here is due to Mr. D. A. Scott, a prominent attorney, who has been indefatigable in his efforts to defeat several counter efforts, and who finally won.

Mr. Scott has for years been the leading spirit in everything tending to benefit and advance the interests of Friars Point and of the county at large, and his fellow citizens greatly appreciate his course. He is a man of brains, spirit, energy and will power, and he would be a credit to any community.

The advent of the railroad has at once called forth a general spirit of stir and enterprise. A bank with a capital stock of $50,000 is almost a certainty; several proposals have been received for the erection of an oil mill to be ready for this year's crop. Real estate has at once come into demand; some sales have already been made and others negotiated for, by both home people and outsiders. I would here state from personal knowledge that the people of Friars Point and vicinity are anxious for good settlers to come into their midst, and to any such they offer lands or town lots or improved property at reasonable prices, different from some towns getting on a boom, which scare purchasers off by exorbitant prices. The people here want good settlers; they do not want to speculate or create fictitious values, and, furthermore, the town is not owned by a few, but property is in the hands of a large number. The landing, with a good wharfboat and warehouse, is about 300 yards from the center of town, while the site of the depot is in a distance of 450 yards. The town is well laid out, the streets wide and large, and as soon as the railroad comes the streets will at once be constructed with gravel or plank and also new plank sidewalks laid, the railroad having offered to deliver gravel at cost. A spacious shed for cotton and cotton seed will also immediately be built near the depot. Among the public buildings are a Catholic, a Methodist and a Baptist church, a good schoolhouse, a very good and neat looking courthouse and a fine new brick jail recently built and with all the latest improvements, a splendidly furnished spacious Masonic Hall, which is also used by the Knights of Pythias lodge. The Masonic lodge has always been very strong and numerous here, and the Knights of Pythias, who now have a membership of over sixty, are daily increasing in numbers. The city has an excellent government and no debt. The city officials are: Mayor, John A. Suddoth; Board of Aldermen, D. A. Scott, Dr. J. A. Cooper, S. R. Chism, S. N. Allen, J. E. Rodgers, Campbell Flagg and Dave Moore.

The Methodist pastor is the Rev. C. H. Owen, the Baptist the Rev. W. L. Slack. The Catholics have for some time had no pastor, but expect to get one in the near future.

The bar is composed of the following excellent gentlemen: D. A. Scott, Rucks Yerger and Fitzgerald & Maynard. The physicians are Drs. J. A. Cooper, J. J. Slack and J. Dexter Shinkle. Friars Point is also the residence of the Hon. Geo. Wilson, Judge of the Circuit Court of this district.

The town does a splendid business as it has a rich back country, trade comes from far off, because the river freight rates are low, and after the railroad gets here this rate will be still reduced. Cotton shipments average at least 10,000 bales per annum, the annual business $300,000 to $400,000, but a great deal more could be done if more capital was brought here. The merchants are noted for their integrity and financial good standing. For about five years no failures have occurred, and consequently the credit of the merchants is good and their custom much sought. Several of the stores are of brick, and a number of new large brick stores have been contemplated.

Among the many enterprising business men I will mention Chism Bros., Robinson Bros., J. A. Cooper, J. J. Slack, Jno. A. Suddoth, J. E. Rodgers, E. M. Suddoth, T. F. Logan, T. L. Aderholdt, who is a contractor, and others. In the confines of the town is a public gin and gristmill belonging to A. B. Rozell. Last season it ginned over 800 bales. This is quite an enterprise. Mr. Rozell also runs a sawmill and owns a stock farm. A town with such enterprise and fine prospects for the future, and being the county site of a rich county, could not do without a good newspaper to set forth the interests of county and town to the world, and giving to the people the news of general and official interest, and in this respect Coahoma is especially fortunate in being represented by the *New Coahomian*, a neat and newsy seven column weekly, edited by Frank C. Johnson, proprietor, who is also a fluent and pointed writer, and Freeland Chew, associate editor, who was formerly connected with the Memphis *Avalanche*, and who is very popular. Mr. Johnson started this paper, which succeeded a former weekly, in September, 1888, and has already made it a success not only financially, but by doing much good for town and county, and he has been so encouraged by the appreciation of his efforts that he contemplates in the near future to give the paper a new dress, as well as to make it a tri-weekly.

As stated before, Friars Point is the county site of Coahoma County, and always has been. At different periods attempts have been made by other localities to have the county site removed, but the attempts have never been successful. Two years ago it was put to a popular vote, and Friars Point received a majority of votes over all other competing points combined. Now, that the railroad is a certainty, such a majority would become still stronger, but there is reason to suppose that such an attempt will never be made any more. Friars Point has, besides a good courthouse, an excellent brick jail, recently completed, which cost $6,000, and the taxpayers of the county are, irrespective of other considerations, too intelligent and public-spirited to desire to plunge the county into the great expenses and taxation which a removal would necessitate.

It is true Friars Point is on the edge of the county, but it should be well borne in mind that this edge is a long stretch of Mississippi River bank, which is lined with a number of magnificent, thickly-populated plantations, from which the people would have difficulty in reaching any other county site than one on the river, while, on the other hand, especially now that the railroad is coming, Friars Point is more accessible to the majority of the people than any other point, not speaking about the already mentioned additional heavy burden of taxation, removal would incur. The coming of the railroad has settled this question forever.

Cohoma County is one of the most fertile and best cultivated counties on the globe. Anything will grow here, and the forests contain timber of every description. Among the many lakes and streams is the magnificent Long Lake, a large sheet of water bordered with fine plantations, and the Moon Lake; both are only a few miles from Friars Point, and the latter especially offers fine fishing in season for the people in the vicinity.

The plantations in the county are all in excellent state of cultivation and well improved. The writer had on several drives opportunity to note this. Among the many plantations along the Mississippi River are those belonging to T. B. Hooker, E. M. Yerger, Dillard & Coffin, J. A. Cooper, E. M. Suddoth, and others. Along Long Lake can be found the plantations belonging to Chism & Sons, T. F. Logan and the Long Lake Place, belonging to W. H. Dickerson. Then there are the Prairie Place, the West End Place, and the Belmont Place. The latter belongs to Col. W. H. Stovall, a distinguished Mississippian who is president of the Yazoo & Mississippi Delta Levee Board, and who at one time was prominently mentioned as a candidate for Governor. His place is on Oak Ridge. The Green Grove plantation, thirteen miles from Friars Point, is owned by John P. Richardson. Among other large planters in the county are King & Anderson, who own a large body of land; then Gov. Alcorn, of Eagle's Nest. This distinguished gentleman was formerly a resident of Friars Point, and he is much appreciated by the people here. W. H. Dickerson, who also has large property in town, owns a number of fine plantations, among which specially deserves mention Elk Horn Place, his home place, and one of the finest and best improved plantations in the county, with over 2,500 acres in cultivation. A striking feature of the Elk Horn Place is the magnificent gin house. It is very high, and from the top, which is run up into a tower, a large and beautiful landscape is presented to view. This gin house is connected with a large cotton storehouse, nearly 200 feet away, by two parallel pipes, through one of which the seed-cotton is sucked to the gins, and through the other the seed is blown back to the lower story of the same building, all by the same fan. The secret of this operation is readily seen in a new machine called the "Monarch Switch Cleaner," recently patented by W. M. Wilson, of Friars Point. The staple is drawn into the machine by the exhauster and therein thoroughly cleansed from sand, dust, and nearly all the leaf, and discharged without passing through the fan, increasing the value of trashy cotton from 2 to 3 cents per pound. The air, after passing through the fan, receives the seed, which is injected into the pipe under the gins by another device and blown back to the house whence the cotton came. Mr. Wilson's invention deserves great praise and the attention of all cotton planters, and it is undoubtedly destined, while only of recent origin, to create a great revolution in all ginning operations. Its principal results are that cotton can be handled cheaply, that it insures its safety in case of fire in the ginhouse proper, that it vastly increases the value of trashy cotton, and houses the seed in safety without the expense of hauling it at a busy time.

The finances of Coahoma County are in a prosperous condition. The debt amounts to about $4,000. In 1888 the county paid a levee tax of $39,460, which shows the value of taxable property.

The county officials are: Sheriff, E. M. Yerger; Chancery Clerk, A. J. Wimberly; Circuit Clerk, G. W. Wise; Assessor, Geo. Gilham; Superintendent of Education, N. W. Lea. Board of Supervisors, president, Joseph Carson; members, E. A. Lindsley, J. H. Sherard, W. R. Sadler, S. D. Chaires, who are all prominent white taxpayers.

The population of the county is rapidly increasing, especially since the construction of new railroads, and more immigration is expected to pour in, as the tide of the same is turning toward the rich Delta, whose resources of wealth and favorable climate are only during the last few years beginning to become known to the outside world, which by other competitors for immigration has been deluded by misrepresentations about the climate, health and other conditions. The writer of this has lived in the Delta nearly continually since 1871 and never on either hemisphere enjoyed better health.

I enjoyed a most pleasant time during my few days' stay in Friars Point, and only regret that I could not accept the invitation to remain over to a ball to be given here Tuesday evening, which is to be a grand affair. F. O.

UNITED PRESBYTERIANS.

Against the Liquor Traffic—The Tobacco Question—Financial.

SPRINGFIELD, O., May 30.—The United Presbyterian General Assembly yesterday adopted the following resolution:

"Resolved, That any form of license or taxation of the liquor traffic is unscriptural in principle and contrary to good government and ought to be discouraged by every Christian, philanthropist and patriot."

The following amounts were voted for the ensuing year: Foreign missions $112,000, home missions $71,000, freedmen's missions $40,000, church extension $45,000, ministerial relief $10,000, education $6,500, Assembly's fund $3,000. These amounts are the largest ever voted in the history of the church.

An overture was submitted to the presbyteries as to the propriety of the use of tobacco by theological students. The memorial from Monmouth and Westminster colleges that they be permitted to report directly to the assembly was laid on the table until the meeting of the next assembly.

The Rev. R. J. Miller, of Pittsburg, was made a delegate and the the Rev. James McKee alternate to the World's Sabbath School Convention at London next year, and also to the Waldesenian Church.

The growth of the church is shown by a statistical comparison of the reports of 1859 and 1889. In 1859 the contributions were $22,987; this year they were $1,110,853. In 1859 there were 408 ministers, 634 congregations and a membership of 55,547. This year there are 758 ministers, 903 congregations and a membership of 101,858.

THE HAYMARKET MONUMENT.

Unveiling of the Statue Erected in Honor of the Chicago Police.

CHICAGO, Ill., May 30.—At 1 o'clock this afternoon the memorial monument erected by citizens in honor of the policemen who were killed by anarchist bombs in the Haymarket riot on May 4, 1886, was unveiled. The ceremonies were very simple, consisting of a presentation address by Mr. R. T. Crane, chairman of the Citizens' Committee; the ceremony of unveiling by Master Degan, son of Officer Matthias J. Degan, the first of the policemen who died from the effects of the explosion; an address accepting the monument on behalf of the city by Mayor Creiger, and a historical address by Mr. F. H. Head. In view of the large number of processions to the cemeteries for the purpose of decorating the Union soldiers' graves, it was decided not to have a procession in connection with the unveiling of this memorial.

The monument consists of a pedestal surmounted by a bronze statue of a policeman in uniform, of heroic size. The statue is the work of Mr. J. J. Gelert, a Chicago sculptor. The memorial stands upon the scene of the riot at the intersection of Desplaines and West Randolph streets and is something over twenty feet in hight.

NEXT!

What Our Reporter Saw at 31 Madison Street, Yesterday—It is Interesting.

The passer by would scarcely think that at 31 Madison street a complete factory for repairing and manufacturing umbrellas and parasols is now under full headway. The officers of this company (incorporated) consist of Jules B. Rozier, president, and Claude M. Redford, secretary and treasurer. They stated to our reporter that they have secured Mr. C. E. Price, from the East, in the manufacturing and repairing departments and are now supplied with a full corps of thorough workmen to do strictly first-class work at short notice. They keep a full line of material always on hand, so that whatever the need is for a broken umbrella or parasol it can be remedied. Whether a new rib, new handle, cover, tip or top, it will be done as well and cheaply as by any Eastern firm. They make specialties of this feature of their business, and with new machinery and only the best material, they respectfully thank the public for their liberal patronage in the past and solicit a continuance of the same. Our reporter left mystified with the sudden transformation of an old frame into a beautiful parasol of the latest style.

A BALTIMORE SUGAR REFINERY.

A Large Subscription Raised by the Citizens.

BALTIMORE, Md., May 30.—The subscribers to the proposed sugar refinery attended a conference at the rooms of the Board of Trade yesterday afternoon. The meeting had been called by a committee. Mr. W. W. Spence presided. It was stated that the prospects of raising $800,000 of the $1,000,000 desired were very encouraging. The conference appointed several committees, mapped out work for each to facilitate the objects of the association, and gave the existing committee fuller powers of action, all of these movements having become necessary at this stage.

Tourists.

Whether on pleasure bent or business, should take on every trip a bottle of Syrup of Figs, as it acts most pleasantly and effectually on the kidneys, liver and bowels; preventing fevers, headaches, and other forms of sickness. For sale in 50 cent and $1 bottles by all leading druggists.

Counterfeit in Circulation.

WATERLOO, Ia., May 30.—For some time past counterfeit $5 gold pieces have been in circulation in different parts of this State. The pieces appeared to be of the coinage of 1884 and their appearance was perfect, except that they were light weight. Yesterday a man was caught passing one and was later arrested at La Porte, Ia. On being searched $222 in bogus coin was found on his person.

NO MATTER what the mouth's disease—
How foul the breath or teeth's decay—
With SOZODONT on all we seize,
And swiftly sweep it far away,
Leaving the gums pure, firm and bright,
And the dull teeth as ivory white.

A Virginia Tannery Destroyed.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., May 30.—Shortly after 12 o'clock this morning fire broke out in the engine-room of the extensive tannery of C. C. Smoot & Sons, and before the flames could be subdued the entire structure, covering a square of ground, was destroyed, together with a large quantity of leather, hides, etc.

Advice to Mothers.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhœa. 25c a bottle.

LET T. M. Galbreath, No. 10 Madison street, rent your houses and collect your rents.

A FITTING CELEBRATION.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR AND ASCENSION DAY AT MARIANNA, ARK.

A Delightful Gathering—Knights Present—Hospitality of the People—Appropriate Sermon of the Rev. R. S. Deener.

Special Dispatch to The Appeal.

MARIANNA, Ark., May 30.—This has been a gala day for the Knights Templar of Eastern Arkansas. Since the organization of Apollo Commandery at Forrest City, a little more than a year ago, it has grown most rapidly, being made up of Masons from Forrest City, Marianna, Jonesboro, Osceola and other points. The Commandery celebrated the Ascension of Christ today, and our city is crowded with the beauty and chivalry of Forrest City and the surrounding country.

Marianna is noted for the hospitality of her citizens, and on this occasion the Masons of every degree and their ladies spared no pains or expense to provide entertainment for their guests.

At 11 o'clock the passenger train arrived, bringing the visiting Sir Knights and their ladies, who were met at the depot by the Reception Committee and escorted to the beautiful grounds surrounding our Institute building. After a few minutes rest the following Sir Knights answered to their names: J. B. Cummins, G. P. Taylor, P. Brickey, P. D. McCulloch, E. A. McCulloch, T. A. Baxter, J. M. Daggett, W. J. Mathews, J. W. Mallory, C. L. Eggleston, R. L. Pettus, J. E. Leary, J. E. Stone, E. Purle, G. W. Cook, J. P. Dunham, J. P. Farrar, F. H. Govan, H. N. Hutton, T. H. Leety, P. E. Northern, T. A. Futrall, R. D. Griffis, S. L. Hampton, L. Ballwage, R. S. Deener, S. E. Johnson, W. P. Hall, C. H. Sanders and H. S. Underhill.

The lines being formed, they proceeded to the Methodist Church, where the services were held. The prelate met the procession at the door and conducted the three chief officers to seats on the right of the pulpit, the colors of the Commandery being displayed on the left. The Sir Knights filed in and occupied pews reserved for them in the middle tier, while the recessional hymn, "Onward Christian Soldiers," was being sung. Mr. B. M. Barrington led the choir and presided at the organ with a master's hand. The service was beautiful, impressive and instructive. After the exercises at the church all returned to the grounds around the institute and the Masonic lodge, where refreshments were spread and fully enjoyed by all present.

THE SERMON.

Of the sermon preached by the Rev. R. S. Deener, pastor of the Methodist Church, it is difficult to speak. It was a grand occasion, and it is enough to say that the young divine fully sustained his reputation as one of the finest pulpit orators and one of the ablest young ministers in the Methodist Episcopal Church South. The following is a synopsis of the sermon:

Text, Luke xxiv., 50-51:

Symbols are the speech of God. Through them eternity looks down into time, the infinite holds communion with the finite, the divine with the human. Especially in the infancy of the race, when metaphysical truth pent up in the heart of man could find no spoken language to convey its meaning, did the mind seek to express itself through symbols. How must the souls of Egyptian and Chaldean magi have thrilled with rapture as wave after wave of thought thus rolled across their minds. How the immortal fires must have burned within as flash after flash of truth darted through these symbols into their souls, revealing the grand ideas of God, eternity and immortality. Such thoughts must find expression, and their utterance is found in the glowing symbols interwoven into every page of ancient Eastern philosophy. The passing restless multitude saw nothing more in them than the ancients saw in the riddle of the Sphinx, but to a responsive soul every symbol seemed ready to bend and break with the burden of a special revelation. It was this advanced state of mind, which moved in a purer atmosphere of thought unappreciated by the crowd, that gave rise to the organization of Masonry for the transmission and preservation of these truths destined to open up a higher civilization.

But the voice of symbolism is hushed. We have wandered through its mazes; we have looked upon its beauties and contemplated its glories. Today we stand in the clear sunlight of prophecy fulfilled, of the realization of nations' hopes; and, as we look back over the pathway we have come, we still see the rainbow of hope spanning every vale and crowning every hill. It glitters in God's eternal sunlight, dispels the darkness as the day the night, and beckons the weary "entered apprentice" and "fellow craft" higher and still higher, until he stands upon the Mount of Olives and gazes speechless upon the finished work of the world's Redeemer.

We come not today, however, to speak of signs and symbols. We come not to shed tears over patron saints or to strew Amaranthine flowers on the graves of the world's illustrious martyrs. But we come to pay humble homage to Jesus Christ, the Son of God; to notice the beginning and the end of a life transcendently beautiful, powerful and glorious.

Let us attend then to the evidences of Christ's work while on earth, and the whole range of attestation to the Divinity of his claims, as had manifest in the flesh. The phenomena attendant upon his birth, the presence of the star-guided magi and the outburst of celestial harmony from heavenly visitants, proclaimed Him the long wished and now welcome deliverer who had been the great theme of primeval prophecy. His omniscient discernment as a child in the confutation of the doctors of the temple, the vouching the divinity of his mission at his baptism, the foiling the sagacity of Satan in the defeat of his sovereign on the mount of temptation, the miraculous conversion of water into wine at Cana of Galilee, the teaching of the mother of Peter's wife that disease and death obey his voice, the healing of the nobleman's son, the walking upon the surging roll of the agitated Tiberius, stilling the stormy wave of the sea of Galilee, the multiplication of bread and fish in the hand of the eater, the raising of his friend, Lazarus, after being four days dead; the beaming effulgence of his Deity that shone resplendent on the Mount of Transfiguration, his triumphant entry into Jerusalem amid the acclamations of the multitude, his breaking the bars of death and hell and triumphantly rising from the dead, all these, and more, proclaimed the divinity of our Christ, the dignity of the sufferer and the grandeur of the sacrifice.

The glorified stall of the Redeemer, which commenced at His resurrection and was confirmed by His ascension and the subsequent descent of the Holy Christ, includes properly the whole range of His regal administration. His resurrection not only confirmed the divinity of His mission by spoiling "principalities and powers," but leaving the grave in deliberate triumph, He led "captivity captive" and victoriously dragged to His chariot wheels the conquered millions of death and hell. And when He ascended in jubilant pomp through the immeasurable concave of the heavens, had earth possessed immortal ears she might have heard His princely heralds surprise the waiting thrones of eternity with the voice of thunder—"lift up your heads, O ye gates! and be ye lift up ye everlasting doors, and the King of glory shall come in." Earth cries aloud: "Who is the King of glory?" and heaven's eternal echoes reply: "Earth has crucified Him, the Lord of hosts, He is the King of glory." Such was the regal triumph, the stupendous inauguration of the Son of God. And thus in His militant and glorified states and relations, the peculiar and exclusive designations of Godhead belong to Jesus Christ, and acts and works distinctive of Deity are ascribed to Him.

Notice the extent of His regal dominion and will over His people. His scepter comprehends "all power in heaven and in earth." His is a universal sovereignty. It is an investiture involving an entireness of right and amplitude of power, without limit and without control. His claim upon the faith and obedience of the world is twofold, He made us and afterward redeemed us. As "God over all" His right to rule is inherent, and He has a derived right in view of His Messiahship and obedience unto death. His is the covenant of redemption first announced in Paradise, enlarged upon with Abraham, further unfolded at Sinai, illustrated by prophets and finally perfected in His work upon earth. The principles, the interests, the bearings and the results, of truth and piety, these constitute Messiah's empire upon earth, and from his throne in heaven, he will assert and defend, maintain and extend it.

Notice the triumphs of Christ over His enemies and the salvation of His people.

Those men and associations of men who counteract the general good of his subjects and the welfare of his administration, have been defeated or destroyed in all ages. His enemies of antediluvian memory, the confederation of kings headed by Chedorlaemer, Sodom, Tyre, Babylon, Ninevah, Jerusalem and Rome; Herod, Pilate, Julian, Valerius, and the principal actors in the Neronian and Dioclesian persecutions; the first grand Italian apostasy and the Arabian imposture; the insane fanaticism of infidelity in France and the imposture of Mecca. The end of these furnish warnings to the children of men forever; for, under whatever severity of trial, Christ and His followers have ever been and will always be triumphant. As He ascended so shall we ascend to heaven.

What have we to fear, though chaos itself should be seen reveling amid the ruins of demolished worlds, and Time's last storm howling to its close shall wail the death dirge of their passing away? When, amid it all, the affection of our Christ is still seen curling around the eternal columns of their strength? Christian soldiers, heralds of the cross, what need we care, although on earth we were so poor we had no nurse or pillow; so few and trodden down we had no strength, and hamlets, tents and grottoes were the places we wept and prayed, if these are to be exchanged for the companionship of angels, the presence of God, and the resources of the universe in the heavenly Jerusalem?

What though soiled by the dust of toil, struggling in tattered want along our lone and periled path, when even here we find ourselves invested with glory in the night of our being, and sustained by Hope, guiding and pointing us to the temple hymn and the heavenly harp above, where the unfolding apocalypse of heaven's eternal grandeur and loveliness shall introduce us to new beings and new worlds?

Took Off His Under Lip.

Eight years ago a cancer came on my lower lip. I had it cut out while it was yet small, and it healed up apparently, but soon broke out again, and commenced eating very rapidly. It took off my under lip from one side to the other and down to my chin. I had it treated by burning, and got so weak that I did not think that I could stand it much longer. After much suffering I discarded all other treatment and began taking Swift's Specific, and the cancer soon began to heal, and in a short time it was completely healed and I was entirely well. It is now over three years since I got well, and there has been no sign of any return of the disease. I know it was cancer, and I know it was cured alone by S. S. S.

E. V. FERRAND, Ruston, La.

S. S. S. cured me of malignant sore throat and mouth caused by impure blood. The trouble extended down to my left lung, which was very sore. The doctors practiced on me for three years without relief, when I left them and took S. S. S. Four bottles cured me.

BEN RILEY, Meridian, Miss.

Treatise on Blood and Skin Diseases mailed free.

THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., Drawer 3, Atlanta, Ga.

Another Big English Investment.

CHICAGO, Ill., May 30.—A dispatch from San Diego, Cal., says: It is reported here that the International Company of Mexico has been sold to the Mexican Land and Colonization Company, the wealthy English syndicate which built the Chicago, St. Paul & Kansas City Railway, also the packing-houses of the Union Stock Yard, distillery, etc., at St. Paul. It is represented that this syndicate will spend large sums in railway building, agricultural and mining developments.

Consumption, Scrofula, General

Debility, Wasting Diseases of Children, Chronic Coughs and Bronchitis, can be cured by the use of Scott's Emulsion of Pure Cod Liver Oil with Hypophosphites. Prominent physicians use it and testify to its great value. Please read the following: "I used Scott's Emulsion for an obstinate Cough with Hemorrhage, Loss of Appetite, Emaciation, Sleeplessness, etc. All of these have now left, and I believe your Emulsion has saved a case of well developed Consumption."—T. J. FINDLEY, M. D., Lone Star, Texas.

Puddlers Strike Against Foreigners.

READING, Pa., May 30.—The puddle helpers in the mill of the Pottstown Iron Company, at Pottstown, struck last night because a Hungarian was placed at one of the furnaces to help. The helpers, being very much opposed to teaching foreigners the trade of puddling, organized and informed the bosses that unless he was taken away they would quit work. The bosses were given one hour in which to decide, at the end of which time the helpers left the mill.

WILL be found an excellent remedy for sick headache. Carter's Little Liver Pills. Thousands of letters from people who have used them prove this fact. Try them.

All Quiet at Braidwood.

BRAIDWOOD, Ill., May 30.—Everything remains quiet at the mines. Gen. Vance has advised Gov. Fifer that he will remove half of the troops today. This will leave four companies on the ground.

ANGOSTURA BITTERS are indorsed by all the leading physicians and chemists, for their purity and wholesomeness. Beware of counterfeits and ask for the genuine article, prepared by Dr. J. G. B. Siegert & Sons.

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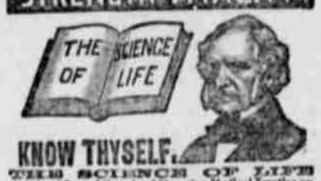

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