Free Press.

SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.

SATURDAY.....MARCH 22.

Agents for the Free Press.

The following gentlemen are authorized to receive and receipt for subscriptions to the FREE PRESS in their respective localities:—

A. Heaton, Esq.,	County at large.
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☞ All postmasters are also authorized agents

HOME NEWS.

WE have in contemplation an important change in the matter and make-up of our paper, which we think will make it more acceptable to our readers. It may require a few weeks to consummate the change, pending which we shall only issue a single sheet, but into which, as in our present issue, we shall crowd more matter than heretofore.

GORDON'S March, at this offiice.

ALEXANDER'S medicines for sale by Remer, druggist, San Marcos Tex. Mar. 1-3 mos.

THE Grand Jury found several indictments, and the best tobaccos are to be found at

DAILEY & BRO.'S.

WE prepared a column of personals for this issue, but most of them are crowded out.

HURRAH for Leadville, and better for those pretty pieces of grass goods at DAILEY & BRO.'S.

AYER'S Hair Vigor prevents the hair from falling out.

JUST received new calicos, lawns and dress linens.

JOHNSON & JOHNSON.

MURDERED—What for? because Dailey & Bro.'s are selling Iron Stone Cups and Saucers at 60 cts a set.

SEE new advertisement of Wm. Giesen.

BAKER, charged with the murder of Hollamon, at Seguin, has been re-arrested for insufficiency of bail.

LADIES' Hats, spring styles, prints, and ladies dress goods generally at DAILEY & Bros.

JUST received a large stock of hardware at DONALSON'S

MEN'S Youth's and Boys Spring Clothing in nice assortment just rec'd at JOHNSON & JOHNSON.

YOU know what the court has done. but do you know that Dailey & Bro.'s are selling their Piques at from 8 to 15 cts per yard.

DAILEY & Bros are selling the Wheeler and Wilson sewing machines at - - - $18.
New-Home with attachments 24.
American " " 25.
Singer " " 20.
White " " 27.
Howe " " 24.
Every Machine Warranted. They deal direct with head-quarters no middle men. Call and see them.

THE Sheriff contest has created some excitement, but not as much as those Glove Kid Shoes at Dailey & Bro.'s that are being sold for $1 50.

THE latest railroad excitement is a road from San Marcos to Purgatory Springs, but not equal to those new-style low-quarter Men's and Ladies' Shoes that Dailey & Bro.'s are selling at from $1 00 to $5 00.

JOHNSON & JOHNSON have handsomely re-fitted their store room and business premises—a great inprovement. They are also in receipt of a portion of their spring stock, and are expecting large accessions to it in a few days. They invite all to call and examine.

THE promising prospect of further rains was again dispelled on Monday by a norther, which, however did no further damage.

6lbs Prime Rio Coffee	$1,00
5lb Choice Rio Coffee	$1.00
11lbs " La Sugar	$1,00

Best Lye 10c per box.
Kerosene 35c per gal.
at DONALSON.'S

Personals.

Hon. L. J. Storey continues to lay us under obligations by sending us Legislative documents.

Uncle William Pitts has resided thirty-two years in San Marcos. He says the country was "rather new" at that time.

We regret to learn that Ida, a young daughter of our friend Capt. Storey, was seriously injured by a fall from a horse on Wednesday.

The names of Peter C. Ragsdale and two of his brothers are enrolled among the early settlers of the Republic of Texas in Baker's "Texas Scrap Book."

Mr. Cliett of Caldwell county, called on us on Wednesday. He says the late rains scarcely reached so far down the river as he resides, and they are suffering from drought.

Rev. Mr. Young will lecture on Temperance at the Methodist church this evening. The Friends of Temperance will march in procession from their hall on the occasion. We trust there will be a full attendance.

The elopement and marriage of John Curtis and Dora Sanders on last Sunday caused quite a sensation. The knot was tied at New Braunfels. The Clerk of Comal county appears to be quite accommodating in the matter of issuing licences, and the German metropolis of Texas bids fair to become the "Gretna Green" of all this region.

"G. T. T." at the North long ago used to stand for "Gone to Texas." "P. T. P." in like manner is supposed to mean "Pay the Printer," as will be more fully expounded to any of our "inquiring friends" who owe us and will do us the favor to call at our office.

SOMETHING NEW.—Prof. Stuart, of whom we spoke last week in connection with a musical entertainment given by him, informs us that he has rented Harper's Hall for one year with the purpose of making it a place of first-class amusement. He will give concerts monthly, and will meantime teach classes of young folks in music by the use of the blackboard, &c. In short he will conduct a home academy of music. Ice cream and similar delicacies will also be served in their season, and the Hall be made a place of public resort and first-class amusement for ladies and gentlemen. The Professor, having a family, and liking our town, proposes stopping among us in the line of business above indicated. We are right glad to announce the fact, for there is a positive need of a resort for innocent and elevating entertainment, and the result must be to draw our young men from the haunts of dissipation and vice, and thus far promote the cause of morality and good order. We therefore wish Prof. Stuart success in his proposed enterprise.

ONE of the great advantages of improved mill machinery is the ability to purify and regrind the middlings so as to produce from them a superior article of flour. The proof of the pudding is said to be in the eating, and all who wish to test the merits of the new process flour made by Major Nance's accomplished miller, A. Lunday, at the Major's new mill, should send there and try it. We have tested it with the most satisfactory results. It is not inferior to the best Northern flour. It ought to be a matter of just local pride that we have *one* mill equal to the best anywhere.

Mens & Boys Hats at cost,
G. W. DONALSON'S.

THE old "San Marcos Hotel" building has been made to 'take a back seat.' We suggest that some old settler write a historical sketch for our columns of this venerable building. If it could speak it could indeed a tale unfold.

LARGE lots of staple and fancy groceries at G. W. DONALSON'S

I OFFER the Kelley Barbed steel wire at 11½c per lb for painted and 12c per lb for galvanized wire.

WM. GIESEN.

Look Here.

FOR Cash only!

7 lbs Coffee for	$1.00
12 " La Sugar "	$1,00
10 " choice Dr'd Apples	$1.00
10 " Rice	

Choice La Molasses per gal, 50c and other goods as cheap in proportion at
WM. GIESEN'S.

Court Proceedings.

The following is a list of the cases passed upon to this date (21)

CIVIL.

Mary Blount vs. Catharine Johnson title to land—verdict for plaintiff.

Blessings vs. Franks, similar case, continued.

Matilda A. Stroupe vs. James J. Stroupe, divorce, granted.

Popie Merriwether vs. Peter ditto, divorce, granted.

Chas. Grant vs. Jennie Grant, divorce granted.

Texana Scott vs. Peyton Scott, divorce, granted.

S. W. Ridgeway vs. Jas. V. Allen, debt, judgement by default.

John W. Herndon vs. M, M. Eckols judgement by default.

CRIMINAL

State vs. Wm. McDonald, forgery, three cases, seven years in the penitentiary.

State vs. Duffy, theft of cows—penitentiary two years.

State vs. Jas. Stevenson, theft of cattle—penitentiary two years.

State vs. William Stevenson, same, same.

State vs. John Avatt, theft of watch jail thirty days and $500 fine.

State vs. Pedro aggravated assault, fine $100.

WE happened on Tuesday at Woolfolk's garden, now in charge of our friend Wm. A. McGehee, who has leased it for two years. The most casual visitor cannot fail of being struck with the signal changes for the better which have already been made. The whole thing has been put in skillful shape with intelligent reference to keeping a regular supply of vegetables throughout the season. Green peas, lettuce, onions, &c., may already be had, notwithstanding the backwardness of the season. Mr. McGehee has engaged the services as assistant of our English friend. Mr. Godwin, an experienced gardener. We predict for the garden, under their joint management, a success quite unknown to its former management.

The Hays County Sunday School Convention.

Will meet at 9 o'clock A. M. on Saturday before the fifth Sunday, March 29th, at the Methodist Church in San Marcos.

All friends of Sunday schools in this County and adjoining neighborhoods are cordially invited to participate in the proceedings.

STERLING FISHER, President.
A. GOMERT, Secretary.

WE correct our Business Directory this week, and make several additions to it. Every business man in town should have his card in said Directory, not only for his own direct interest, but also for the credit of the place, as making a just and respectable showing of its business abroad. We mean to make a thorough canvass for this object. The cost is only $2 a year to each advertiser, considering which merely nominal charge there can be no reasonable excuse for the non-appearance of the name of any business firm and individual in the Directory, and nothing will more surely pay. This Directory is carefully scanned wherever the paper goes, and many purchasers can be thus secured who would otherwise go elsewhere to trade, being left in ignorance of the business facilities of our town.

SYBIL BROTHERTON, by Mrs. Southworth, Eclectic Magazine for February; Petersons for April; Smith's Illustrated Quarterly and Elite Fashions (latest issues;) The Nursery for March: For sale at the FREE PRESS office.

A LARGE and elegant variety of spring and summer suits and clothing generally adapted to the season, at
BRIGGS.

To arrive in a few days a car load of Moline Wagons to be sold at reduced prices.

THIS wagon is acknowledged to be first class in every respect and gives general satisfaction.

WM. GIESEN.

The Governor has signed the appropriation bill for school purposes. In the message sent to the House on this subject he says the deficiency will be nearly 450,000. Well, suppose it is. Let it be provided for by cutting off useless offices and paring down salaries. But let not the best claks of immigration be kept away and the State plunged into the night of ignorance by stealing from the children the money which is devoted by the constitution to their education. Shortening the years in the school house and lengthening the years in the penitentiary is not a wise policy for the State or politic policy for the Democratic party.

DR. C. W. BENSON'S CELERY AND CAMOMILE PILLS are prepared expressly to cure Sick Headache, Nervous Headache, Dyspeptic Headache, Neuralgia, Nervousness and Sleeplessness, and will cure any case. Price 50 cts a box, 30 pills, postage free. Sold by all druggists. Office, No. 106, N Eutaw street, Baltimore, Md.
April 27-ly

Our Clubbing List for 1879.

We are prepared to club the FREE PRESS to new or renewing subscribers with the following publications at the rates specified below, if ordered at the same time with our paper. In the first column we give the regular price of each publication singly, in the second the price of the same and the FREE PRESS together:

	Singly.	With the Free Press.
Littell's Living Age	$8 00	$8 00
N. Y. Weekly Tribune	3 00	3 65
St. Louis Republican	1 50	3 30
N. Y. Ledger	3 00	4 65
The Graphic (weekly)	3 50	3 90
Louisville Courier Journal	3 00	3 40
Detroit Free Press	3 00	3 40
Burlington Hawkeye	3 00	3 40
Saturday Evening Post	3 00	3 40
New York Observer	3 15	4 30
Prairie Farmer	3 00	3 65
Colman's Rural World	3 00	3 65
Journal of Agriculture	3 00	3 30
American Agriculturist	1 50	3 15
Scientific American	3 20	4 70
Scribner's Monthly	4 00	5 35
St. Nicholas	3 00	4 55
Atlantic Monthly	4 00	5 35
Lippincott's Magazine	4 00	5 35
Eclectic Magazine	5 00	6 15
Phrenological Journal	3 00	3 50
Peterson's Magazine	3 00	3 65
Appleton's Journal	3 00	4 40
Popular Science Monthly	5 00	5 90
International Review	4 50	5 15
Magazine of American History	4 50	5 15
Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper	4 00	5 35
" " Ladies' Journal	4 00	5 35
" " Chimney-Corner	4 00	5 35
" " other publications at proportionate rates		
Harper's Monthly	4 00	5 15
" Weekly	4 00	5 5
" Bazar	4 00	5 35
Godey's Lady's Book	3 00	3 65
Demorest's Monthly	3 00	4 15
The Nursery	1 50	3 15
Peterson's Bank Note Detector, semi-monthly	3 00	4 15
" Monthly	1 50	2 65
Home-Journal, New Orleans	2 50	3 75
American Union	2 50	4 15
Ballou's Magazine	1 50	3 40
Ditson's Musical Record	2 00	3 65

Postage is prepaid on all the above, and premiums sent in some cases. For particulars inquire at this office.

We will also order any of the above singly, or any other paper or periodical at publishers' prices, free of charge.

New Books! Cheap Reading!

We have received the following capital books from Donnelley, Gassette & Loyd, Publishers, Chicago, who will send copies *post-paid* on receipt of price.

No.		Price.
253.	Cousin Sara, by Robinson	15c.
254.	The Man with the Broken Karl by Edmond About	10c.
250.	Carmen; or the Power of Love, by Prosper Merimee	10c.
244.	Captain at Fifteen, by Jules Verne	10c.
242.	McLeod of Dare, by Wm. Black	10c.
2.8.	Old Myddleton's Money, by M. C. Hay	15c.
260-261.	Paul Faber, Surgeon, by George MacDonald	20c.
262	The House of Penarvan, by Sandeau	10c.
263-264.	The Smuggler, by G. P. R. James	20c.
265.	Little St. Jude's, by E. Bell	10c.
266.	A Woman's Journal, by Feuillet	10c.

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FOR THE CURE OF

Diarrhoea, Dysentery,

Griping Pains from Irritated Bowels, Looseness of Bowels from Acid Stomach, Cholera Morbus, Flatulency, Summer Complaints, and the Numerous Diseases of the Bowels to which Children are Liable while Teething.

N. J. ALEXANDER, Manufacturer,

AUSTIN, - - TEXAS.

Price 50 cents per Bottle.

AUSTIN, December 6, 1878.

N. J. ALEXANDER:

Dear Sir—I have tried Alexander's Neutralizing Cordial for diarrhœa, and find it to be a perfect success. RICHARD S. YOUNG, County Commissioner.

Alexander's Pectoral Syrup,

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FOR THE CURE OF

Coughs, Colds, Influenza, Bronchitis, Pneumonia, Croup, Whooping-Cough, Asthma,

And all Diseases which have their seat in the Mucous Membranes of the Bronchial Tubes and Air Passages of the Lungs.

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Price 50 cents per Bottle.

N. J. ALEXANDER:

Sir—This is to certify that I have for five years thoroughly tested the virtues of Alexander's Pectoral Syrup, and I have no hesitation in pronouncing it the most perfect perfect relief for all affections of the throat and lungs, producing coughs, that has ever been tried under my observation. I used it in one instance in my own case, when the cough was most severe, and relief was almost immediate. I keep it at home all the time, and members of my family always find it a certain and quick cure for coughs. It is taken, too, without damaging results, as is the case with many medicines prescribed for the same purpose. It is used as a medicine for my children with the happiest of results. F. W. GIRAND.

Dissolution of Partnership

The partnership heretofore existing betwen the undersigned, in the property known as "The San Marcos Carriage Factory" is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

PETER THOMSON,
ED. J. RAU.

The business will be continued by the subscriber at the old stand. Thanking the public for past patronage, he respectfully solicits a continuance of the same.

ED. J. RAU.

March 21-3w

BUSINESS CARDS.

MISSES COLEMAN & BURBANK, DRESSMAKERS,

Nearly opposite J. V. Hutchins' residence, College St., in building formerly occupied by Drs. Denton & Pendleton. Feb. 1-6m

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BROWN & MANLOVE, ATTORNEYS AT LAW,

SAN MARCOS, HAYS CO., TEXAS.

Jan. 11-tf

W. O. HUTCHISON. THOS. H. FRANKLIN

HUTCHISON & FRANKLIN, *ATTORNEYS AT LAW,*

San Marcos, Tex.

Prompt attention paid to Collecting Claims and Examining Land Titles. [Feb 1-1y

S. B. McBRIDE, ATTORNEY AT LAW,

San Marcos, Hays County, Texas.

Will give prompt attention to all legal business offered him, and especially to the Collection of Claims. sep8-1y

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Office at Drug Store of Raynolds & Daniel. june6-1y

J. C. ROGERS, CARPENTER and BUILDER,

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Is prepared to make specifications and contracts for building, &c., at reasonable figures, and feels confident of being able to give satisfaction.

Refers respectfully to all for whom he has heretofore done work. Oct. 5-6m

TRAVIS HOUSE!

S. W. COR. PLAZA,

OPPOSITE BALES' STABLE.

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SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.

☞ Every effort will be made to give satisfaction to home patrons and the traveling public.

STERLING FISHER, ATTORNEY AT LAW,

General Land and Collecting Agent

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Best Wines and Liquors for medical purposes.

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San Marcos, June 23. y1

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CHAS. BOCK,

—DEALER IN—

FAMILY GROCERIES,

Has opened at his old stand in San Marcos, where he will keep a full stock of goods in his line, and sell as cheap as the cheapest.

Brandies, Wines, Whisky and Beer always on hand and sold on physicians prescription only.

Feb. 1-tf

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Any book also furnished. Terms Cash in advance. Jan

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