

Free Press.

SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.

SATURDAY.....MAY 15.

Agents for the Free Press. The following gentlemen are authorized to receive and receipt for subscriptions to the Free Press in their respective localities:—

HOME NEWS.

SUMMER at last. EVERYTHING lovely.

CORN is in tassels, and oats nearly ready for harvesting.

COMMISSIONERS' Court was in session this week. Proceedings hereafter.

SPANISH Gingerella, a delicious summer beverage on ice, at BILLINGSLEY & GREEN'S.

Blank Deeds For sale at the FREE PRESS Book and News Depot.

COLGATES New Soap at JOHNSON'S & JOHNSON'S

Go to FRITZ LANGE'S for ice-cold summer beverages.

Go to FARIS & SHIPMAN if you wish to smoke the FINEST CIGARS in the State.

I AM now renewing Buggy-tops for one dollar, Hack-tops \$2.

LOVERS Of good Coffee should not fail to try the fine CORDOVA brand just received by G. W. DONALSON.

SEE card of Dr. Wm. A. McGehee, Mountain City. The doctor is too well known in this county to need any introduction from us.

CHILDREN'S and Ladies' Shoes and Slippers, just received. To arrive—a lot of Philadelphia shoes, at JOHNSON'S & JOHNSON'S.

CANDY made fresh every morning from Loaf Sugar at FARIS & SHIPMAN'S.

Painting. I am now prepared to do all sorts of work in my line at the lowest rates.

DAILEY'S & BROS'S Store is now full in every department, just received a large List of Bacon, Lard, St. Louis flour, Sugar, Coffee, Rice, Dried Fruit and Soap, Yes good Soap, not to eat though.

We acknowledge the compliment of an invitation to the editors reunion during the Volksfest at Houston, May 18th and 19th. Sorry we could not be present.

A SUCCESS Not one can of Donalson's Baking Powder has failed. Sales steadily increasing.

MR. HARVEY informs us that the excellent and valuable Rescue grass was first introduced here by a traveling show. It did good that time anyhow. The grass is rapidly spreading, and pains should be taken to scatter it far and wide. It is our earliest and best grass.

—NEW GOODS— Ladies fine Linen Ulsters \$2.50 \$4.50 Linen Lawn white 25c pr yd. A new lot of Gents Dress Coats and Vests of latest Style very cheap. MALONE'S CHEAP STORE.

AN alligator seven feet long was killed in the bayou connected with the San Marcos river near Martindale, a few days since. An armadillo was recently found and killed in Victoria county.

Briggs' Emporium Has taken a "new departure." The stock is now complete, and is rearranged to show to the best advantage. Fresh arrivals in the line of Boots and Shoes, and everything generally. Agency for the new Home Sewing Machine with all the latest improvements. Call and see.

Just received another lot of the celebrated 'St. John' and 'White' Sewing machines, at Dailey & Bros. Now is your chance, every machine warranted for five years. Their \$65 St. John full cabinet, Silver-plated in-laid with Pearl. The ladies are especially asked to call and see it operate. The Blind can see. With this lot of machines they will furnish extra six Hemmers, Dress Binder, one Corder one Ruffler, one Tack marker, one thread cutter, one "Vibrator," indispensable in braiding, besides the attachments usually put in, oils and needles for all machines, and parts on hand.

Personals.

Require Cook was taken suddenly ill last week, but we are glad to learn is better.

At last Mr. Thomson, the blacksmith, is happy. It's a boy—a 14 pounder, as we are informed. Next!

Rev. C. W. Cook has returned home from Vanderbilt University on account of the illness of his father.

John B. Martin has gone to Austin, and we "guess" may now be heard singing: "The Girl I Left Behind Me."

Rev. Mr. King, Cumberland Presbyterian, will preach at the Presbyterian church in this place on next Sabbath at the usual hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanford, in consequence of news of the dangerous illness of his father, we regret to learn are about to return to Tennessee.

Geo. Pfeuffer and J. Landa, New Braunfels, C. E. Johns, Austin, and many others have registered at Hofheinz Hotel since our last.

Mr. Townsend has opened a saddler shop in a part of the building lately occupied by Mr. Gramm, and has put it in the efficient charge of Mr. McMullin.

Mrs. Creech has returned to her old quarters next to the Post office, now so greatly improved by the owners, Dailey and Bro. where she is keeping a restaurant.

Mrs. Dr. Pendleton and children have gone to Tennessee to spend the summer, leaving the Doctor in the more immediate charge of his pastor, Rev. Mr. Kennedy.

Mr. Hopkins claims credit for the garden on the rear lot belonging to the Hofheinz Hotel, noticed in our last. Well, it's a good one anyhow, and none the less a great addition to the Hotel.

John Ross, contractor for the whole International line, was at Hofheinz Hotel on Thursday. Also this week Maj. Goodwin, the chief engineer, and recently Maj. Hunter, legal adviser, W. R. Brown, bridge contractor from Austin to the Blanco, &c.

Jo. S. Leech, of Glasgow, Ky., writes us for one of our descriptions of Hays county, and adds:

I saw a copy of your 'FREE PRESS' A few days since, and like it very much. I intend coming to Texas at a very short period, and from what I have heard about your county it is more than likely I will come there.

Only one out of many similar samples of the work the FREE PRESS has been doing for this part of Texas.

Mr. —, a venerable citizen of the Union creek country, called on us on Wednesday. From his conversation we inferred that he wished to announce himself as a candidate, but inasmuch as he did not "propose" in a business way, we regret that we are compelled to leave our readers in the dark as to his "intentions." Aspirants to office will scarcely find it profitable to be too modest, or economical, to make a newspaper announcement. Sensible people will not be apt to recognize such men as candidates.

TRUTH When a merchant has a good and well selected stock—standard brands—guarantees all goods as represented or refunds the purchase money in case of dissatisfaction, and shows that his motto is

Quick sales } not { slow sales
small profits } not { big profits.

Of such a one it will do to buy. G. W. DONALSON Staple and Fancy Grocer N. E. corner Plaza has this reputation. Call and PROVE IT FOR YOURSELVES.

Something new! The subscriber—recently with P. Thomson—has opened a Blacksmith shop "on his own hook" in the old stand of Deviney & Markley, where he is prepared to do all work in his line promptly and in the best manner. Having served my time with a Baltimore horse-shoer, I will make horse-shoes a specialty. Prices to suit the times. Satisfaction guaranteed.

FOR SALE. An Osborne Self-Binder, good as new, with latest improvements for sale very cheap. For further particulars apply to J. LANDA, May 8th. New Braunfels Tex.

ALEXANDER'S Family medicines comprising Pectoral Syrup, Neutralizing Cordial, Blood Purifier, Tonic Pills, Extract Buchu, etc., are for sale by Reynolds and Daniel of this place. We believe they are valuable and popular preparations.

WHY Will persons contemplating having painting done give it to an irresponsible painter when they can have it done by a first class workman for the same price, by leaving their orders with Mr. Meisner.

Single copies of the FREE PRESS with or without wrappers, for sale at the office. Price five cents each.

Special Notice. Those desiring advertisements or local notices must hand them in on or before THURSDAY, in order to insure their insertion the same week.

SCHEMES for the FREE PRESS.

The Value of a Local Paper.

Where there is but one paper published in a county, every man should subscribe for it, or at least it should be taken by every family in the county. The local paper contains a weekly budget of information that could not be obtained through any other channel. You may get more reading matter for less money, perhaps, from some newspaper published in a distant city, but it is not the kind of matter your little home paper has. It gives you all the marriages, deaths, robberies, outrages, balls, pic-nics, courts and public meetings of every kind, and even some of the births; besides keeping you posted in regard to the sanitary condition of the county and the state of the crops, together with a thousand other little items of interest you could not possibly get in any other way. No paper, however great or however ably edited it may be can supply the place of your local paper. And even if you do not like it, if the editor be a man you cannot admire and the politics of the paper antagonistic to your own; still it gives you all these items of news with as much accuracy and impartiality as if its views on every subject were in perfect harmony with yours.

There is no county paper, we care not how small and insignificant or what may be its political complexion, but is worthy the hearty support of everybody in the county where it is published; for in addition to giving all the local news, it influences immigration, and aids in developing all the various resources of the county, thereby greatly enhancing the value of real estate and adding in every way to the general prosperity of the people.—[Exchange.]

Tabular Statement of County Finances for Quarter ending May 1, 1880.

GENERAL FUND: Amt on hand and rec'd.....\$3,045 67 Amt disbursed and com'd..... 1,318 84

Notice!

To all whom this may concern—Candidates for county positions (of) Hays county are hereby requested to meet the Committee of Inquiry of said county, at the Court House, at 2 o'clock P. M. Saturday, May 22, 1880.

Railroad Items.

The work on the International is going ahead, in spite of the talk-of-suit, as if nothing had happened. A considerable force is at this place for the purpose of getting out material for the bridge over the San Marcos here. The stone is to come from the Burlington water-hole. Major Goodwin, the chief engineer, is expected here next week. It is his duty to locate depots, &c. That matter remains to be settled here, and will be looked to with considerable interest. The indications are supposed to be favorable to the selection of the long-expected location. Some differences prevail on the subject between the railroad company and people at New Braunfels.

We have the American Agriculturist, Southern Cultivator, Prairie Farmer, Chicago Stock Journal, etc., but do not find that our farmers, with very rare exceptions, take any interest in such publications. How they get along without agricultural journals, is a mystery to us—it must be very poorly. No man can read even a single copy of such a publication without finding information in it worth many times its cost. Besides it sets his thinking apparatus to work, and all sorts of improved methods of farming are the result. Such works also treat of stock-poultry and bee raising, gardening, fruit culture, household economy, and thousands of incidental topics of interest and value, giving the latest and best information as to all. Awake, ye slumbering farmers and try and keep up with the times. Young farmers in particular should have a laudable ambition to get somewhat in advance of their forefathers in knowledge of their business.

A CARD.

To all who are suffering from the errors and indiscretions of youth, nervous weakness, early decay, loss of manhood, &c., I will send a recipe that will cure you. FREE OF CHARGE. This great remedy was discovered by a missionary in South America. Send a self-addressed envelope to the Rev. James T. Beck, Station B, New York City. May 11-ly

THE published portraits of Poe—and their name is legion—have generally failed to give due weight to one or the other of his pre-eminence characteristics: his intellectual genius and his moody cynicism. He has either been represented as a sentimental dandy or as a bestial necromancer. Scribner's Monthly, however, has presented a portrait that "accounts" for what is best authenticated of Poe; we refer to the beautiful wood-engraving by Cole which is printed as a frontispiece in the May number, to accompany Mr. Steadman's study. This portrait was made from a daguerreotype taken by Masury, of Providence, probably in 1848 (Poe died in 1849), and represents him as, first of all, a poet. The broad, domed forehead and the deep, inward look cannot fail to impress one with his imaginative power, while the lines under the eyes, and, most of all, the settled curl of the lip, show as plainly as the physiognomist could ask, the evidence of those wild extravagances which saddened Poe's life and the lives of those about him. Mr. Steadman has never written a more important or careful essay, nor one which addresses itself more directly to both English and Americans.

'No Words in the English Language.'

writes a lady in Michigan, who is using the Compound Oxygen Treatment, "can express the gratitude I feel for the benefit I have received and the hope I have of possessing tolerable health again. It will be ten years Jan. 1880, since I was taken sick, and the mental agony alone has been indescribable. I have two little girls who have never seen me walk. * * * I think I shall be able to walk alone after a time. I have been so hungry this summer that I have scarcely been able to wait for meals. * * * Every one remarks upon the improvement of my complexion, and I am putting on flesh rapidly. My bowels which have been constipated all my life, and terribly so since my sickness, are now better than I have ever known them to be." Our Treatise on Compound Oxygen its nature and action, and full instructions for use, sent free: DRs. STARKEY & PALM, 1109 and 1111 Girard Street, Philadelphia Pa.

Something to Read.

The following are some of the papers copies of which I am prepared to furnish by the year, or for shorter periods on accommodating terms, or single numbers of which I have for sale.

DAILIES.

New York Tribune Sun St. Louis Republica Leading Texas Dailies.

WEEKLIES.

Atlanta Constitution The Sunny South, Detroit Free Press Chicago Ledger New York Weekly Youth's Companion Indianapolis Sentinel Prairie Farmer, Chicago American Stock Journal, Chicago &c., etc., etc.

MONTHLIES.

Lippincott's Magazine Library Magazine Godey's Lady's Book Peterson's Magazine Southern Cultivator American Agriculturist Demorest's Magazine Erich's Fashion Quarterly Smith's

Phrenological Journal Ballou's Magazine Star Spangled Banner And others.

Also Lakeside, Seaside, Union Square and Nickel Libraries, and other new publications, children's books, etc.

Call and examine at the FREE PRESS Book and News Stand of C. R. JULIAN.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

ELECTION, NOVEMBER 2, 1880. COUNTY CLERK: We are authorized to announce H. A. McMEANS as a candidate for County Clerk of Hays county.

COUNTY JUDGE: To the voters of Hays county: I am a candidate for the office of County Judge of your county. My past record, in a similar capacity, is my only guaranty for the future.

Respectfully, C. W. GROOMS. COUNTY PROSECUTOR: We are authorized to announce O. T. BROWN as a candidate for Prosecuting Attorney for Hays county.

TREASURER: We are authorized to announce D. P. HOPKINS as a candidate for Treasurer of Hays county.

SHERIFF: We are authorized to announce H. E. BARBER as a candidate for Sheriff of Hays county.

ASSESSOR: To the Voters of Hays County—I respectfully solicit your suffrage for the office of Assessor of Taxes of Hays county, and promise a faithful discharge of duty should you honor me by electing me to said office.

ALSTON DUGGAN. A CARD.

To all who are suffering from the errors and indiscretions of youth, nervous weakness, early decay, loss of manhood, &c., I will send a recipe that will cure you. FREE OF CHARGE. This great remedy was discovered by a missionary in South America. Send a self-addressed envelope to the Rev. James T. Beck, Station B, New York City. May 11-ly

Our Clubbing List for 1880.

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:

Table with 2 columns: Publication Name, Price. Includes titles like Lippincott's Living Age, N. Y. Weekly Tribune, etc.

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

The many losses caused by failure, robbery of, and petty thefts out of the mails, make it absolutely necessary to send by postal order, registered letter or draft.

The safe arrival of all publications guaranteed.

If after a reasonable time any subscriber fails to receive the publication sent for, notify us by postal card that the error if any, may be promptly corrected.

Our responsibility ceases when paper arrives with dates correctly credited, which is evidence the publisher has been paid.

MARKET REPORT.

San Marcos Retail Price Current.

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Cures Headache, Burns, Sprains, Cuts, Wounds, Rheumatism, Toothache, Earache, etc., etc. Try it and get in quality to any made, at half the price.

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For Purifying, Bleaching and Disinfecting. Stands preeminently the best. Always put up in Diamond Blue Label Boxes, 1/2 Lb. Boxes, 1/4 Lb. Boxes, 1 Lb. Boxes.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To all persons interested in the Estate of C. and H. Wislan, dec'd: E. Geiler, the administrator of said Estate, has filed his final account in the County Court of Hays county, and asks that said estate be closed and he be discharged, which will be heard at the Court House thereof in the town of San Marcos at a term of said Court commencing on the 3rd Monday in May, 1880, when and where all persons interested are required to appear and contest the same if they see proper.

Given under my hand and Seal of office, April 26, 1880. ED. J. L. GREEN, C. C. C. H. Co.

A DESIRABLE HOME,

With first-class Dwelling house and young Orchard and other good improvements. Quantity of land from 10 to 20 acres and first-class. Known as the Todd place, on San Antonio street. For sale at low price. For terms of sale apply to: Mar. 29-ly. R. S. MORRIS.

BUSINESS CARDS.

DR. WM. A. McGEHEE. A recent graduate of the University of Louisiana and having located at Houston City, respectfully tenders his professional services in the diagnosis of that vicinity, in the practice of medicine in all its branches. For the present, at the residence of Mrs. Manlove. May 13-80

DR. JOHN L. PAYNE. Having permanently located in San Marcos, respectfully tenders his professional services to the citizens of the town and vicinity in the practice of Medicine, Obstetrics and Gynecology. The care of the Ocular and Auricular diseases, is particularly regulated by those of the profession of the town. Office—Raymond & Durkin's Drug Store. Office hours, 9 to 12 A. M., and 4 to 6 P. M. April 18-80

Drs. DENTON & PENDLETON, Physicians, Surgeons, and Specialists in the Treatment of Diseases of the EYE AND EAR.

MITCHELL & CLOVER, BANKERS. San Marcos, Texas. Collections promptly attended to. (Jan 26-80)

BROWN & COPFIELD, ATTORNEYS AT LAW, SAN MARCOS, HAYS CO., TEXAS. Office in Mitchell Building, Fortaria in name but civil business. Begun Jan 27, 1880. Jan 2-ly

W. O. RUTHERFORD, THOS. H. FRANKLIN HUTCHISON & FRANKLIN, ATTORNEYS AT LAW, San Marcos, Tex. Prompt attention paid to Collecting Claims and Examining Land Titles. (Feb 2-ly

STERLING FISHER, ATTORNEY AT LAW, General Land and Collecting Agent SAN MARCOS, TEXAS. Office North side Plaza, opposite Court house. Will buy and sell land, examine titles, render account, pay taxes, &c. Jan 29-ly

BOARDING HOUSE! SAN MARCOS, TEXAS. MRS. BRATTON. Would respectfully inform her friends and the public that she has taken the house of Mrs. Eames, and succeeded her in the business of boarding boarders, regular and transient. The house is spacious and comfortable, is centrally located, the grounds fronting on the east side of the Plaza. The accommodations will be the best the country affords. She solicits a share of public patronage. Nov 23-ly

J. H. COMBS, DENTAL SURGEON. Mechanical and Operative Dentistry in its various branches at reasonable rates. All work done in the neatest style. Discomforts and pain promptly relieved. (Feb. 1-ly

MRS. THOMAS Milliner and Dressmaker, SAN MARCOS, TEXAS. Having lately removed from Austin, has opened a shop at her residence, near of Mitchell's Building, where she is prepared to attend to any work in her line in the latest style and best manner. She respectfully solicits a share of the public patronage. (Jan 18-80 May 1-80

I. H. JULIAN, BOOKSELLER AND Newspaper and Periodical Agent SAN MARCOS, TEX. Will take subscriptions for all the leading Newspapers and Magazines, North or South, at publishers' prices. Free of charge, or club them with the FREE PRESS at reduced rates. Any book also furnished. Terms Cash in advance.

GEO. HENNE, —Manufacturer of— Tin, Copper and Sheet-Iron WARE. Shop's old stand, San Marcos, Texas. Agent for the celebrated Spirit of '76 and New South Cook Stoves. (Jan 17-ly

THE LONE STAR FURNITURE STORE! WARD & HOPKINS, (East side Plaza.) SAN MARCOS, TEXAS. Keep all kinds of Furniture, Bedsteads, Tables, Chairs, Sofas, Wardrobes, Bureaus, Mattresses, etc., Window Shades, Carpets and Mosaic Staircases.

COFFEES, OF ALL KINDS. Singer Sewing Machine Needles and Oil on hand, at low prices.

\$300 A MONTH guaranteed. \$13 a day at home made by the industry. Capital not required; we will start you. Men, women, boys and girls make money faster at work for than at any thing else. The work is light and pleasant, and such as anyone can go right at. Those who are wise who see this notice will send us their addresses at once and see for themselves. Cooley Outfit and terms free. Now is the time. Those already at work are laying up large sums of money. Address: TRUSE & CO., Augusta, Maine. June 29-ly

BARRETT PATENT COOK STOVE. CIRCULAR SAWS, SICKLES, HAWKS, LATHES, PORTERS, NORTHWEST, TROTTERS, &c. For general machine business. COMPLETE OUTFITS for Mechanics and Amateurs. References on THIS is unnecessary. For full particulars and send for Descriptive Catalogue and Price List. W. F. & J. JOSE, Kansas, Nebraska, Illinois.

ESTRAY NOTICE. ESTRAYED by W. E. McE, before C. W. Grooms, J. P. H. Co., April 12, 1880, one certain pony, 10 or 12 years old, brown and white, with white blaze on his face, and white on his legs. He was last seen on 1st May. Appraised at \$15 00.

One brown mare, 1 year old, it bands high, branded J on left thigh, O on right thigh. Appraised at \$15 00. Witness my hand April 12, 1880. ED. J. L. GREEN, C. C. C. H. Co. April 24-ly