

Free Press.

SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.

SATURDAY.....MARCH 16.

Agents for the Free Press.

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

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| J. L. Batemore, | Cedar Valley. |
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HOME NEWS.

WANTED TO BUY—a good Milk Cow. Inquire at the FREE PRESS office.

FEED and Seed Cotton at the Flour and Food Store.

SOME forty persons dined at the Travis House on Wednesday.

Go and see the new Prints at Fry's, he sells them cheap.

In our rides about town we notice a general "fixing up" going on.

If you need anything in the Grocery line, Fry has it.

Court.—But little has been done so far. Report in our next.

DONALSON & JOHNSON are daily receiving their spring stock, which in point of quality and price cannot be excelled.

Full line of notions, Hosiery, white goods &c., just opened at Fry's.

HON. B. F. WADE, ex-Senator from Ohio died at his residence a short time since, at an advanced age.

CLOTHING, Just received at prices ranging from \$2.50 to \$30.00 a suit. Can suit any taste or purse. DONALSON & JOHNSON.

For some weeks we have run short of extra copies of the FREE PRESS, but think we shall be able to supply a reasonable demand this week. But would here remark that the best way to insure getting copies is to subscribe for it regularly.

"DRIVING THE TIDE" is the title of a new piece of sheet music, by Will. L. Thompson, author of 'Gathering Shells by the Seashore,' for a copy of which we are indebted to the publishers. Any music dealer will mail either of these beautiful pieces to your address on receipt of price, 10 cents.

MURDER AT AUSTIN.—Alderman Nalle stabbed Alderman Markley to the heart on Wednesday. The trouble was all about a city ordinance.

SOUTHERN MUSICAL JOURNAL.—We are in receipt of this fine Musical Monthly, published by Ludden & Bates Savannah, Ga., at \$1.25 a year. The publishers are also general Music publishers and dealers; we have on hand several choice pieces of their publication, and will fill orders for any others which may be wanted.

ONE great advantage in buying your flour and meal at the new Flour and Feed store is this: You get FULL WEIGHT sacks from 100 pounds down—something not common in this line of trade. Corn meal fifty pounds to the bushel.

GODEY for April is already received. A very attractive number. We order Godey.

PERSONAL.—We had the pleasure of a call this week from Major Sayers, of Bastrop. He is a fine looking, prepossessing gentleman, but younger than we expected to see. By the way, we copy in another column a handsome tribute to the merits of Major Sayers, from our Bastrop correspondent.

Capt. Ferg. Kyle called on us on Monday. Apropos, his many friends will be interested in seeing his announcement in another column as a candidate for sheriff.

BALLOU'S Monthly Magazine for April is received. It is one of the very best low-priced magazines—only \$1.50 a year. We order it.

Beef! Beef! Corn Fed Beef!

We have purchased forty-six corn fed heaves, fattened by Mr. Alex. Driskill, which we propose to butcher for this market, and to sell as cheap as any one else.

Persons who have not the ready cash to pay for beef can get time by making us secure. We are grateful to those who have patronized us in the past and ask for a continuance of their favor.

KYSER & DRISKILL.
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ANNOUNCEMENT.

We are authorized to announce FERG. KYLE as a candidate for Sheriff of Hays County.

CHURCH FESTIVAL.—The trustees and friends of the African Methodist Church will give a festival on Tuesday night next, the 19th inst., at the school house in San Marcos, for the purpose of raising means to aid in the erection of their new church building. They invite a general attendance, and hope especially to receive the encouragement of the presence and aid of their white friends—to whom they hereby tender thanks for their contributions heretofore made in aid of the proposed building.

A TASTE for reading "grows with what it feeds on." This has been made clearer than ever to our mind by the unusually large number of periodicals which we have ordered for some months past. Hardly a day but we have sent out an order, frequently three or four, for newspapers and periodicals, many of which were induced by our club rates with the FREE PRESS. In most cases we paid for money orders and postage into the bargain. It gives us great and peculiar pleasure to feel that we have thus contributed to the happiness of a wide circle, who will not lack the pleasant and instructive pastime of choice reading.

WORCESTER'S POCKET DICTIONARY.—We have just received from the publishers, J. B. Lippincott & Co., Philadelphia, a copy of this really valuable little volume. Worcester's Quarto Dictionary is the standard authority of many of the scholars of America and England, and from it the abridgement now before us has been most carefully compiled. It is a complete *vade-mecum* for the general reader and correspondent, containing, besides a profusely illustrated vocabulary of over eighteen thousand words, lists of foreign words and phrases, abbreviations, rules for spelling, numerical tables, etc. The publishers will mail this work to any address on receipt of the price, 63 cents.

THE Senate Silver Bill grows in favor as it is examined. There is an imperfection in the theory of the bill, but it means business. It is not free coinage, it is forced coinage that the bill secures. The Bland bill did not order the mints to do any specific work. The Senate bill commands the coinage of the dollar of 412½ grains, to the amount of not less than two millions a month. This is an unexampled order. More than that, the managers of the mint, like other men, are pleased to see the work that they superintend going on largely. They have all the silver to buy. The more silver bullion they buy the greater their importance. Practically, they will run the mints at full tilt from the word go. Let Congress give the word.—*Cin. Commercial.*

The New York Tribune has the following:

Mr. Mills, of Texas, continues to talk with reckless abandon about the impossibility of renominating Tilden.

He tells a reporter of the Washington Post that the people of the south have no confidence in Tilden, because they lost the presidency through his weakness; that that they fear he would be "bullied out of it again" if elected; that his nomination would split the party all to pieces: that he would be a dead body tied to the party, and the way to stop the mischief is to "speak right out now" The man whom Mills thinks the south would like is Hendricks, though Thurman would suit very well. "The southern people want a man to defend his rights, and not a played-out old man like Tilden." Just you be calm, Mr. Mills, till that "old man" gets half so "played out" as you are. There is a squall on your horizon.

SCRIPTURAL.—"S. Ammons' Liver Regulator is certainly a specific for that class of complaints which it claims to cure. Of its beneficial effects we do know something; and, from personal experiments, it is our opinion that its virtues have not been exaggerated by the many flattering notices of the press. If any of our fellow-beings are suffering from hepatic disorders, and have doubts in relation to the efficacy of this popular preparation, we can only offer them the simple and candid argument of Philip to Nathaniel, 'Come and see' Try the proposed remedy and then you can judge for yourselves.

"REV. DAVID WILLS, President of Oglethorpe College and Pastor of Presbyterian Church, Macon, Ga., Pres. University of South Carolina." Genuine prepared only by J. H. Zedlin & Co., Philadelphia.

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BASTROP, March 9, 1878.

ED. FREE PRESS.—Hon. Jos. D. Sayers is by many papers proposed as a candidate for next Lieutenant Governor. I have known Maj. Sayers since he finished his examination with high honors at the Bastrop Academy. He was a staunch Union man, but when the fatal war broke out, he, true to his Southern home, was of the first to volunteer his services in defense of his home and friends.

He returned after the war, poor and on crutches, and studied law, and by his persevering energy and the confidence of his clients (after being admitted as a practicing lawyer) he has now accumulated property.

Maj. Sayers is a self-made man. I have lived more than twelve years near him. I have observed his efforts; his kindness and integrity in private as well as public life; the honors conferred on him by the Free Masons; (I am no Mason) his labors and efforts while a State Senator in the year 1872, when he represented Bastrop and Fayette counties.

Maj. Sayers has no prejudice against foreign born citizens, and has often befriended them.

Of our proposed Governor, Throckmorton, I can only say he bears a good reputation for honesty, ability and statesmanship. I am not acquainted with him. O. E.

The San Antonio Herald is not opposed to railroads, but can not dismiss a lingering love for the good old days of the stage coach, a passion revived by a late ride of the editor from Austin to New Marion, on the Sunset route—a trip that the Herald commends to others:

Throughout the journey, with the Colorado Mountains on the right, and rolling plain and streams and valleys all around, nature is continually presenting pleasing surprises. And when the ride is ended the traveler is at a loss to decide which to admire most—whether the delights of Mountain City, the charms of San Marcos, renowned for its lovely spring that bursts from the mountain, and famed as the home of the FREE PRESS, the sweetness of Stringtown long drawn out, or the magnificence of New Braunfels, a diamond set in the far reaching valley of the Guadalupe. He will remember the wayside inn, on the banks of the Blanco, where after a few hours drive, he refreshed himself at a well filled board and enjoyed the luxury of Texas milk and butter, and the pleasure of the journey added to by the polite attentions of the officers and drivers of the line will not be forgotten.

And more to the same effect. Such descriptions are enough to tempt one to accept a free ticket on the mail coaches described, to be "whirled along behind spanking teams over fine roads, through rolling plains, in sight of hill and mountain range, and animated by an atmosphere, each inspiration of which adds a new lease to life."—*Galveston News.*

THE Greenback convention at Austin on the 12th was a more imposing demonstration than was anticipated.

THROUGH express trains on the International railroad now leave at 7:50 A. M., and arrive at 10 A. M. Accommodation trains leave at 8 A. M., and arrive at 11:50 P. M. Trains on the Central road leave at 6:50 A. M. and 9:15 P. M., and arrive at 6:15 A. M. and 9 P. M.—*Austin Statesman.*

[Communicated.]

In Memory of Allie O'Rear.

Gone home! But not to waiting friends
 Whose tears brook no control,
 The coffin bears to them her clay,
 But not her deathless soul.
 From earthly pain her spirit freed,
 Is now a happy guest,
 Where tears of parting never flow;
 She now has rest, sweet rest;
 The smile of hope she wore in death,
 Will shine resplendent there;
 The heavenly voice, so rich and sweet,
 Will thrill a stilled choir.
 Strew flowers bright upon her grave,
 Go there, loved ones, to pray;
 May heaven console you with the thought,
 Her spirit was not clay.
 She has gone home, ye weeping ones,
 Gone home no more to die;
 She only crossed the River first,
 We follow by and by.

Important to Young Men

Desiring a good business education. We have for sale a Life Scholarship in a first-class Business College at St. Louis, embracing instruction in Book-keeping, (in single and double entry.) Commercial Law, Political Economy, Detection of Counterfeit Money, Penmanship, Arithmetic and Commercial Calculations, Lectures on Business Subjects; with privilege of review at any time.

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Either or both the above will be sold on easy terms. Inquire at the FREE PRESS office. Nov. 24-1f

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ESTRAYED—by Nell McDonald, before C. W. Grooms, J. P., H. Co., March 9, 1878, one dark brown stallion, about 5 years old, about 14 hands high, branded M-H on the left shoulder; saddle marked. Appraised at \$125.00.

Witness my hand, March 9, 1878.
ED. J. L. GREEN,
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March 16-3w

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ESTRAY NOTICE.

ESTRAYED by Ferg Kyle, before C. W. Grooms, J. P., H. Co., Feb. 23, 1878, one sorrel mare, branded and counterbranded on left shoulder,

and m on left thigh. Also, one brown mare, 10 or 12 years old, 14 hands high, branded on right shoulder. One brown horse, 8 years old, branded (connected) on left thigh. One gray horse, branded on right eye out. All appraised at \$50.00.

Witness my hand Feb 23, 1878.
ED. J. L. GREEN,
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March 2-3w

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San Marcos, Texas,

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Brown and Bleached Domestic, Sheetings, Tickings, Duck Drilling, Cotton Flannel, Denims, Stripes and Checks, Chevots, Linsey,

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Notions, a full line of Cotton and Woollen Hosiery for Ladies, Misses, Gents and Boys, Linen, Cotton and silk handkerchiefs, Ribbons, Cravats, Laces, Ladies' Belts, Shawls,

LADIES' SACQUES, CORSETS,

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CLOTHING For Men & Boys.

at all prices and qualities.

HATS

For Ladies, Gents, Youths, Boys and Girls.

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We are expecting a very large stock and will sell them at reduced prices.

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Brandies, Wines, Whisky and Beer always on hand and sold on physicians prescription only. Sept. 29-1f

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