Free Press.

SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.

THURSDAY, MAY 10, 1888

HOME NEWS.

ARRIVAL OF PASSENGER TRAINS.

TRAINS PASS SAN MARCOS AS FOLLOWS:

	I. & G. N. MAIL.	MAIL.
Going South:	8:15 A. M. and	8:38 P. M.
Going North:	9:15 A. M. and	7:46 P. M

T. B. & H.

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Persons not subscribers who may at any time receive copies of the FREE PRESS, will please understand that they are sent simply as samples, in the hope that the parties addressed may like it well enough to favor us with their subscription.

Ice cream every day at the Red Diamond.

Fresh canned Corned Beef, at
CHRISTIAN & WILLS.

Needles, oils and repairing old machines by
BASIL DAILEY.

Geo. W. Knight, Jeweler, east side the Plaza, San Marcos. nv29

For delicious, cooling beverages of all kinds go to the Red Diamond.

Lawns, Organdies, Piques, Sateens, etc., at lower prices, JOHNSON & JOHNSON.

The World Renowned Estey Organ.
On easy terms. CHASTAIN & KNIGHT.

New Goods constantly coming in at
H. HARDY & Co.

Oranges, Bananas and Lemons,
CHRISTIAN & WILLS.

For the best cigars in town go to the Red Diamond.

Just received, fresh supply of Cross & Blackwell's Jams at
CHRISTIAN & WILLS.

The "White" is conceded to be the best machine on the market.
BASIL DAILEY, agt.

ON ICE—
Butter and Eggs, at
CHRISTIAN & WILLS.

Millinery.

Mrs. Richardson is constantly receiving new and beautiful goods.

Business is booming with the White Sewing Machine now.
BASIL DAILEY, agt.

Thos. Taylor has rented the City Bakery and will furnish fresh bread every day, besides every thing in the provision line you want.

Call at Johnson & Johnson's and make selection of nice Spring Dress Goods at reduced prices—of which they have a full assortment.

Notice.

C. W. Andrews of San Marcos, Deputy Hide & Animal Inspector, Hays County.
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Notice---Something New.

I am now prepared to buy, sell exchange or rent out all kinds of second hand furniture. G. VOGELSANG.

A full supply of Twine and Wire as also Extras for McCormack Binders and Mowers also the latest improved Binder and Mower, at reduced prices on hand. WM. GIESEN.

To the Ladies.

You can have your hair either cut or hair combing made up into nice braids, by calling on Mrs. J. A. Bell at Dailey & Brother's, or at the Webb residence on San Antonio St.

Mrs. T. K. Hutchins,

South side of the square, has perhaps the most attrative stand in its way in the city. Fruits, candies, nuts, etc., are among her specialties, and all fresh and nice. Don't fail to give her a call.

The mower to buy is where a lot of extras are kept, G. W. Donalson & Co have a supply on hand for their "Osborne" machines, so now no need to wait for an order to the factory or elsewhere when you break down.

Cut in Dress Goods.

We announce a reduction in summer Dress Goods from this date.
JOHNSON & JOHNSON.

Ice! Ice! Ice!

The San Marcos Ice Factory is now in successful operation. Daily capacity, 6000 pounds of the purest and best ice manufactured in the state. Bars from 25 to 100 lbs. furnished. Prices moderate.
TOM CODY, Prop.

Don't forget to call on Peter Seuberth, the tailor, first before purchasing your mens' and boys' clothing. He will actually furnish the goods and make them up as cheap, if not cheaper, than the same can be bought ready made, and of course much better and more satisfactory. So patronize home industry and save money.

Some of the things you will find at H. Hardy & Co's:
Fresh Prunes, Fresh Currants, Fresh Pearl Grits, Fresh Cerealine, the celebrated Princess Tea, Garden Seeds, Onion Sets, Irish Seed Potatoes, Uncavassed Ham, Breakfast Bacon, and in fact everything in the way of Staple and Fancy Groceries at prices as low as the lowest.

OSBORNE MOWERS.

Reapers and Self Binders, and Extras for same, also

Binder Twine.

We also sell the celebrated

THOMAS RAKE.

G. W. DONALSON & Co.

For Sale.

A farm of forty-seven acres, sixteen acres irrigated, ten acres in ribbon cane, two sets of dwellings about two hundred yards apart and other out buildings. A hydraulic ram that supplies the dwelling with water thence to a reservoir and a trough for stock, a fish pond with German carp, the water works and irrigation are from a spring that stands the test of the dryest seasons. A good bearing orchard of peaches, pears, apples, plums, cherries, figs, grapes; this property fronts the Blanco river near town. I would take half in San Marcos city property if in a desirable location, or one half down, balance on time to suit purchaser. The above property is one of the finest pieces in Texas for the nursery business. For further information address
THOS. B. FORD.
jan26tf Blanco, Blanco Co., Tex.

GENERAL PROGRAMME

AT AUSTIN, MAY 14 TO 19, INCLUSIVE.

Six Days of Famous and Magnificent Attractions on Beautiful Encampment Grounds

One mile from City, connected by Rail way and Street Car Lines Specially Extended for the Occasion.

Monday and Saturday nights, a brilliant display of Fireworks.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights, Gilmore's Famous and World Renowned Concerts.

Tuesday forenoon, International Baby Show, at which handsome prizes will be awarded three babies under two years of age.

Wednesday forenoon, the Dedication of the Texas House of State, with imposing ceremonies, and the largest military procession ever seen in this country, headed by Gilmore's Band.

Thursday forenoon, a contest by a host of Cow Boys manipulating wild steers in full view of the grand stands.

Friday forenoon, the German Singing Societies of Texas will give a Mammoth Musical Jubilee on the grounds. Friday night, the Grand Dedication Ball in the House, Senate and State Library of the New Capitol Building.

Saturday afternoon will occur an enormous Sham Battle on the grounds. Saturday night the celebration will close in a tremendous blaze of Fireworks.

Innumerable other brilliant attractions during the week, too numerous to mention.

RATES—$5.00 Round Trip, over all railroads from any point in Texas.

Admission to the grounds daily, 50 cents; children half price; nightly, same.

The Poor Farm.--Management, Etc.

ED. FREE PRESS:—As I have been frequently interrogated concerning the poor farm, its location and management, and as there appears to be some commotion on the subject, I ask permission to make a few statements through your paper that may be of some interest to the inquiring public. Said farm is situated on the Rio Blanco and contains about 60 acres, about 16 acres in cultivation; one box dwelling house, one box house with two rooms, about 12x14 square each, with open partitions between and no ceilings. One room is occupied by Miss Jennie Eichelberger, who is periodical insane; the other room is used sometimes for indigents, sometimes for invalids and idiots, and sometimes for all together. The concern has been managed alternately by Henry Collins, Geo. Turner, Hiram Gray, Wm. Thompson, Wm. Mitchell, Jas. Wilson and K. Maddox. Mr. Wallace is the present manager.

The management has been let to the said parties on terms ranging from four to seven dollars per month compensation, including the use of the farm, rent free.

As to the management of the paupers, it has been varied as the keepers were varied, and I can say of the managers that they were good neighbors and I believe, treated the inmates as well as they were able. I will here state what Mr. Thompson said concerning the treatment of them.

He kept the place two years, and said he was sometimes so hard run for something to eat that they used corn bread made from unsifted meal, using the bran frequently on account of failure in crops, and not being remunerated sufficiently by the county. Consequently it went hard with the sick, and no wonder they complained considerably, Some of them told me they could not live so near miss Jennie, her screams and yells were too much for them to stand.

As for the treatment of the paupers under the different administrators I will not go into much detail at present. The question is frequently asked me why the county does not or is not able to take better care care of her paupers, and how it is possible for Miss Jennie to survive the hard winters in a cold open house without any means of warming it. I have also often hear it asked if they put all the paupers sick and well, black and white together in that one little room? When they are sick do they have a nurse? I have heard some of the keepers say they did not come there to run a lunatic asylum and a hospital, and not could take all the care of them they needed and attend to the farm.
W. B. CROCKER,

Our Chautauqua—Timely Suggestions.

TO THE EDITOR FREE PRESS:

It is expected that the city authorities will make liberal appropriations for placing the drive from the town to Chautauqua grounds in first class condition, but it is incumbent upon our citizens to do something also, that we may manifest our interest in this enterprise "of our prayers." Much depends upon the success of the coming session of the Chautauqua in fixing it as a permanent San Marcos institution, and it behooves us all to be up and doing to assist the management and thereby manifest our faith and interest in the Summer Institute. A small outlay of money under judicious direction would so improve "the landing" near the entrance gate on the hill, that the difficulties and dangers to vehicles in turning need exist no more. Let us go to work—the season is delightfully propitious for evening out door exercises, and the beautiful Court House grounds aremost inviting to such entertainments, let our social clubs (of which we have two) inaugurate weekly open sessions and let the proceeds be expended as above suggested. The proceeds of the entertainments may in no single case be large, but the aggregate will materially assist in promoting the work suggested, and the movement will evince to the management and the public that the San Marcos people have an abiding interest in the matter.

Think of this young ladies and gentlemen, and combine a little business with your season of pleasure. Think of it "old folks" and let us all work together in promoting a work that will serve to make more attractive and endear "SWEET HOME."

We had no rain last year till May 2. The contrast now is inspiring and should awaken feelings of profound gratitude.

TRIFET'S MONTHLY for May is to hand, containing six choice pieces of vocal music and nine of instrumental music. Ten cents a month or $1 a year. Address F. TRIFET, 108 Washington St. Boston, Mass.

County Convention Proceedings.

A convention of delegates of the Democratic party assembled in the Court House at 2 P. M., May 5th.

Capt. Ferg. Kyle, Chairman County Executive Committee, called the convention to order, and in a short address announced the objects of the convention, declaring the coming canvass to be one of the most important in our country's history, and appealing for harmony in the party.

On motion of Judge Wood, Capt. Kyle was made temporary chairman, and on motion of Judge Kone, E. P. Raynolds was made Secretary.

Mr. Hutchins moved that a Committee on Credentials and Representation consisting of one delegate from each Precinct be appointed. Motion carried, and committee constituted as follows:

Precinct No. 1—J. V. Hutchins.
" " 2—Chas. Lightfoot.
" " 3—J. R. Burleson.

Pending the deliberations of this committee Judge Wood addressed the convention, declaring himself first, last and all the time for Cleveland for renomination. Judge Wood said that the troubles of our country were largely traceable to the iniquitous tariff system and that he was in favor of such reform as would reduce the tariff to a strictly revenue basis. He defined the policy of the Democratic party to be equal and exact justice to all. No class legislation, and further declared that he believed no man could be a Democrat who is not duly committed to tariff reform. These sentiments were heartily applauded. Judge Kone then addressed the convention endorsing all that Judge Wood had said, and receiving like applause.

The committee on credentials reported the following delegates:

Precinct No. 1.—J. L. Malone, J. G. Storey, J. P. Kone, T. J. McCarty, J. V. Hutchins, H. Hardy, W. D. Wood, Wm. Giesen, E. R. Kone, B. G. Neighbors, G. G. Johnson, J. H. Combs, E. P. Raynolds, J. G. Burleson, Sterling Fisher.

Precinct No. 2.—Desha Bunton, Thos. Everett, C. H. Everett, C. H. Wood, T. W. Smith Eugene Wood, T. Goforth, L. Braunschweig, G. W. Whisenant, W. W. Haupt.

Precinct No. 3.—W. B. Adair, J. R. Burleson, Jack Greathouse, R. W. Gibbs, H. C. Hubbs, J. E. Egger, R. English, J. H. Bruns, M. M. Echols.

The vote of the several precincts was fixed as follows:

Precinct No. 1	11 votes
" " 2	10 "
" " 3	4 "
" " 4	3 "

Mr. Neighbors moved that the temporary organization be made permanent. Carried.

Mr. J. V. Hutchins then submitted the following resolution which was enthusiastically carried:

Resolved by the Democracy of Hays Co., in convention assembled, that we heartily endorse the administration of President Cleveland as being strong, wise and just, and we congratulate the country that for the first time in many years the government under his administration has been conducted within the proper constitutional limitation.

Resolved, That we appreciate the efforts being made by our Senators and Congressmen to relieve the people from the onerous burden of the tariff as it now exists and that their action in this behalf meets our earnest approval.

Resolved further, That the delegates to the Fort Worth covention be instructed to support Judge W. D. Wood for delegate to the National convention and Hon. W. S. Fly, of Gonzales, for elector for the 8th Congressional district.

Judge E. R. Kone then submitted the following resolution which was also cheered and unanimously carried.

Resolved by the Democracy of Hays Co., that we heartily endorse the wise, considerate and patriotic course of President Cleveland and hereby express our preference for him as his own successor.

Moved by Judge Kone, that five delegates be appointed to the Fora Worth convention. Motion amended increasing the number to eight and the following gentlemen were appointed: J. V. Hutchins, Ferg Kyle, Desha Bunton, J. R. Burleson, Wm. Giesen, I. B. Donalson, W. D. Wood, and Ed. Northcraft.

Moved by Judge Wood that the secretary furnish a copy of the proceedings to the county papers with the request that they publish the same.

Adjourned sine die.
FERG KYLE, ch. E. P. RAYNOLDS, sec.

We paid a long-deferred visit to Kyle on Monday. We found the town quiet, only looking forward with some interest to the Firemen's entertainment of Friday night. We made a pleasant call at the Star office where we met Madam McPherson and "the boys," also Mr. Branum, of Farmers' Alliance fame, who told us that the Alliance which had been denied credit at Dallas, would find it elsewhere. Our friends of the Commercial and Kentucky hotels gave us the freedom of their respective hostelries so we fared sumptuously. The train not coming at night, we had to stay over, and the morning's train being "indefinitely postponed" hired a conveyance and were driven home across the country, the pleasure of the ride compensating for the expense. Country beautiful and crops fine.

The announcement of Representative Geo. T. McGehee as a candidate for re election appears in our columns this week.

Personal.

M. A. Vanlandingham, of Caldwell county, made us a pleasant call last week.

Mrs. M. C. Hermann, of Jacksonville, Texas, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Watson, this place.

Postmaster McMeans passed his 40th mile stoce one day last week. He will soon take his place among the old men.

Mrs. Dowens, a worthy and aged lady, who had long been an invalid, died at her residence in this place on Saturday last.

Miss Ella Rogers is sojourning at the Commercial Hotel, Kyle.

Among the celebrities of Kyle whose acquaintance we made on our late trip, was Grandpa Hunt, dealer in groceries, literature, etc. He was last year a liberal patron of San Marcos in the way of buying ice, etc.

Lawhon & Bass, Druggists.

A large stock of summer Dress Goods at at MARKED DOWN prices.
JOHNSON & JOHNSON.

And still it rains!

We now have a tri-weekly mail from this place to Blanco, via Wimberly.

While at Kyle we were informed that some who went to California from that vicinity are returning to their old homes.

We noticed, when at Kyle, that the framework of the Presbyterian Church, which has so long been exposed to the weather, is at last being enclosed.

The Kyle water works were not in full operation the early part of the week. Part of the foundation of the tanks had given away and had to be restored, hence the delay.

We are requested to nudge up the street commissioner concerning a very objectionable mudhole in the old Austin road just beyond Major Hutchison's. It needs attention badly.

The corn crop is now fairly booming. Oats is first rate, a good deal of it heading out, but is threatened with a fall because of too much rain, while the cotton for the same reason is in some places in danger of being lost in the weeds.

We wish to state that in calling attention to the condition of the Poor House, nothing merely personal was intended by us, but only the public good. Our columns will continue, as they have been, open to all sides in the presentation of the subject.

We give place in another column to a letter on the management of the Poor House, from W. B. Crocker, an old and highly respected citizen, who resides near by. His letter is mild and temperate in tone, and will be read with interest and edification. We trust he will complete the remainder of his observations and information on this subject. The people of the county will thank him for it.

The Library.

Referring to our notice of last week of the effort of Mr. Tillman, of Waco, towards starting a circulating library at this place, we are happy to say that he has secured subscriptions for 150 volumes, which have been ordered. The selection was made by prominent citizens of our place. But our main point is to state that Mr. Tillman will remain during this week and receive all the additional names possible. Persons desiring to enlist in this good cause can do so by calling at Mrs. Smith's, Dr. Bell's, or Green's Bank. At least 200 names ought to be secured in a place like this for so laudable a purpose.

Dripping Springs.

Dripping Springs seemed to be stirring on Saturday evening. Quite a number of our people were in town. Mr. A. L. Davis and Mr. Gilpin seemed to have their hands full, stores being pretty crowded.

The farmers have had about all they could do, ale ring out the numerous weeds the rain had started so nicely in the fields. Most of the corn is clean now, but the cotton is still partly hidden.

I heard some talk from those who were happy in being through, of fishing next week. I saw one of our most successful anglers returning from a fishing expedition on Friday evening, if one may judge from the pole projecting from the buggy window.

Mr. Hamilton has moved into Austin for the present. He has given his stable and place into Mr. Davis' charge during his absence.

The ladies are *so* busy preparing to go to the drill. In fact, scarcely anything else is talked of. A little bird told me of some very lovely dresses being made by Mrs. O. Pry, and we know what she can do when she exerts her talent in that line.

The gardens have been growing nicely, but the worms are eating in some places nearly as fast as the vegetables grow. Notwithstanding this drawback irish potatoes, green peas, snap beans, mustard greens and beets are beginning to appear on our tables and we may conquer the bugs this spring and have plenty soon for daily use.

I was glad to see some words of advice to mothers about the children in the FREE PRESS. I hope Mr. Julian will continue to give us an occasional paper on this subject. It is quite as important as the crops. Mothers have to learn by experience, but how often is that wisdom dearly bought. A mother cannot err in reading all available papers on the subject. Not only how to make pretty clothes for their darlings, but how to feed them so as to best nourish and develop the human plant, how to develop the precious mind and lead the young spirit to conquer itself. The Ladies Home Journal, Good Housekeeping and Babyhood are all useful publications, full of hints for the housewife as well as golden words to the mother who should not rest content with her own little store of knowledge. It should be increasing all the time.

Talking of babies, we hear that a little newcomer arrived Saturday night at Mr. J. Rowland's. As each girl is said to be worth five hundred dollars, we must congratulate Mr. and Mrs. R. upon their acquisition.

Your Driftwood correspondent wishes "fair play" and "men of solid merit" for representative. As soon as the biggest half of the citizens vote he will see it. Give the women a chance! UN BON AMI.

Baths at the City Mills.
P. R. KYLE.

He Certainly Will.

Minister—Well, Bobby, do you think you will be a better little boy this year than you were last?

Bobby (hopefully)—I think so sir; I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla last week.

Kyle.

Having kept silent for several months perhaps you will think my budget of news overstocked. Not so, nothing save the same old cry "more rain, water works completed" &c,

Mr. Walter Denny, as usual, made the Kyle folks a pleasant call on Sunday. He cant tear himself away from Kyle so suddenly.

Mrs. J. C. Taylor, nee Miss Addie Mitchell, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Julia Mitchell. Many friends were delighted as well as suprised to see her in her accustomed place on Sunday last.

Mr. Catlett, the young man who came here from Illinois several months previous, took his departure for home on last Wednesday night. He made many friends while here who will miss him on all occasions.

The editor of the FREE PRESS was in Kyle on last Monday.

The Firemen's Concert on next Friday night will no doubt be a success, We will gladly welcome our San Marcos friends.

Mr. E. E. Banner is now on a visit to his relatives in Manor.

Misses Nellie Roach and Josie Moore, of Carpenter Hill visited at the hotel on Saturday and Sunday.

Messrs. L. J. Rountree and Wood Moore visited San Marcos last Saturday. We hear it was very quiet in the back yard on that day and had an elegant sufficiency of wood too.

Mr. Albert Nance spent several days last week in Austin.

You will hear from Kyle again, "Deo Volente." AMICUS.

Humors run riot in the blood at this season. Hood's Sarsaparilla expels every impurity and vitalizes and enriches the blood.

The Musicians in a brass band may not be school teachers, but they are tooters, nevertheless.

Here Comes Martindale.

A very severe rain and hail storm visited this place yesterday, doing much damage to the crops.

Farming is in great progress now, as every farmer is putting in his time on account of the weeds, as they are very "dangerous" in this section of the country.

Rev. A. S. Bunting preached at this place yesterday. He had good attendance considering the cloudy and threatening weather.

Messrs. Bash, Barrow and Branch Petty have returned from Kentucky where they have been attending school.

Mr. Forest Reed is over from Lockhart on a short visit to his friends and relatives here.

We noticed in the last issue that Mr. Jas. Hortan had presented the FREE PRESS with some oats which contained three feet heads. We want Jim to save us some of those oats and would like to know how much he sells them for per yard. Jim will have a special machine to thresh those oats, we know, as it would be too expensive to "monkey" with these little one-horse machines.

We learn that our German friends had a grand picnic and ball at Martindale station yesterday; guess they had their part of the rain.

Hold on! Mr. A. J. Owens, of Rio Blanco, was on our streets yesterday. What is his business down here?

Well, as the frogs are so noisy and the creek is rising, we conceived the idea of coming to an end with our missive, so here it goes for a close. THE RAILROAD BOYS.
May 7, 1888.

The New Book of Cary Poems.

The "Early and Late Poems" of Alice and Phœbe Cary are warmly welcomed, as was to be expected, for the readers of the poems of these sisters are numbered by the tens of thousands, and many had failed to find in the Household Edition pieces which they desired to preserve. The new book is entirely distinct from the former. The Providence Journal well says:

Their poems have won the warm admiration of many thousands of readers who have found their philosophy tender and true, their sympathies heartfelt and hopeful, and their themes such as are fitted for human nature's daily food. If they do not soar to the heights of human emotion, they do not plunge to the depths of human passion. Keeping midway between the two extremes they sing their sweet songs in harmonious versification, seeking inspiration in everyday themes, comforting the sad, and bringing rest to the weary and heavy laden.

Authors are not always the best judges of their writings, a fact of which this volume furnishes another illustration. Its contents are not included in the regular edition of the poems of the Cary sisters, yet in some respects this collection impresses the mind of the reader more favorably than those of the larger volume. They are more unstudied and hence more natural, nor do they exhibit that sameness which becomes rather monotonous in the larger collection. Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston, are the publishers of the volume under notice which exhibits their usual superiority as book makers. Price $1.50.

The May number of the Eclectic Magazine now before us is filled with interesting matter for cultivated readers. The opening paper by Sir Lyon Playfair is a very suggestive and illuminating study of the effects of applied science upon trade. The author shows what tremendous changes have been made in economics by the advance of practical sciences. Prof. Dresdens article on English Literature and "The Profession of Letters" are strikingly interesting papers which will appeal strongly to lovers of literature. Another literary paper of a historical nature sure to draw attention is from the Westminster Review on "Hans Sachs; the People's Goethe of the Sixteenth Century." Matthew Arnold's study of "Civilization in the United States," which has attracted such wide remarks from its trenchant and incisive, if not always just criticism, is one of the features of the number. G. T. Bettany's reasons for believing that the United States is a great threat to Europe will be received with no little curiosity. Other articles on social or political questions, worthy of note, are "Female Poaching on Male Preserves," showing how women are advancing in the diversity of their employments; "Imperial Confederation, Canada and the United States," an analysis of the relations present and to come of the Dominion to this Country; "The Swarming of Men," by Leonard Courtney, showing the tendency of men to aggregate like bees and the dangers of it; and a very timely discussion of the question of household servants, under the title of "Domestic Service and Democracy." A mystical story of marked power is that entitled "A Dead Man's Vengeance," from Blackwood's Magazine. There are poems by Algernon Charles Swinburne and Lewis Morris, and many minor articles of much interest.

The May Magazine of American History is filled with good things. Its frontispiece is an elegant and life-like portrait of the late Alfred S. Barnes, and its opening paper a sketch of his interesting career by the editor, who gives a graphic account of the way in which he founded his great school-book publishing-house in 1838. It is a story with a moral which every young man in America might read and consider to advantage. A scholarly study follows of "Ancient Society in Tennessee," in which General G. P. Thruston, of the Tennessee Historical Society, shows very conclusively that the mound builders were Indians. The third paper of the number is the continuation of Prof. Hopkins' charming series of papers, "Between Albany and Buffalo," in which the views of Mrs. Trollope, Miss Martineau, Fanny Wright, and others on our early methods of transportation and travel, are deftly introduced. Hon. Charles K. Tuckerman contributes an entertaining paper, "Personal Recollections of Abraham Lincoln." George Stewart, Jr., D. C. L., President of the Historical Society of Quebec, writes forcibly on "The Fisheries Treaty—a Canadian View," a paper which will command wide attention at this crisis. Extracts from the "Englishman's Pocket Note-book in 1828" are continued; James W. Gerard contributes a sketch of a quaint New York debating society in 1815, called "the Forum;" Hon. William L. Scruggs introduces a criticism called "Are We a Nation Without Citizens?" Price. $5.00 a year. Published at 743 Broadway, New York.

Read the advertisement in another column of E. T. Dumble, secretary of the Texas State Geological and Scientific Association. This is a subject every citizen who is in favor of the development of his state and county, is interested in. Send your name and address at once to this gentleman if you wish to have a *practical* geological survey made of your county. Who knows the hidden wealth of our county that may then be brought to light which we do not now even suspect.

We copy and adopt the above from an exchange, we believe from the Victoria Advocate

The FREE PRESS has been favored for some time with very good letters from Dripping Springs, but that in our present issue is "better by half." We are proud of the appobation thusly expressed of our selections in the interest of the babies and their mothers.

TO THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER WARDENS AND MEMBERS OF SAN MARCOS LODGE NO. 342.

Dear Brethren:—Your committee appointed to draft a resolution in memory of our deceased brother and fellow-citizen Rev. R. H. Belvin, beg leave to submit the following report:

Whereas it has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from this world the soul of our deceased brother who has been so long and so favorably known among us and whose moral influence has been worth so much to our community in every good cause; Therefore be it

Resolved, That we deeply feel our loss while we bow with submission to the will of God.

Resolved, That the jewels of the [ ] be draped and the brethern be requested to wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days.

Resolved, That we sincerely sympathize with the family and relatives in their sad loss.

Resolved That a copy of these resolutions be sent the FREE PRESS and Hays county Times for publication, and that a copy of the papers containing them be sent the family deceased.

All of which is respectfully submitted.
W. H. H. BIGGS. ED. R. KONE.
C. C. WEEMS.

Notice.

All persons knowing themselves indebted to late firm of Storey & Rogers will please call at the meat market and make payment witout further delay, as we need and must have the money.

To Assist Nature

In restoring diseased or wasted tissue is all that any medicine can do. In pulmonary affections, such as Colds, Bronchitis, and Consumption, the mucous membrane first becomes inflamed, then accumulations form in the air-cells of the lungs, followed by tubercles, and, finally, destruction of the tissue. It is plain, therefore, that, until the hacking cough is relieved, the bronchial tubes can have no opportunity to heal. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

Soothes and Heals

the inflamed membrane, arrests the wasting process, and leaves no injurious results. This is why it is more highly esteemed than any other pulmonary specific.

L. D. Bixby, of Bartonsville, Vt., writes: "Four years ago I took a severe cold, which was followed by a terrible cough. I was very sick, and confined to my bed about four months. My physician finally said I was in consumption, and that he could not help me. One of my neighbors advised me to try Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. I did so, and before I had taken half a bottle was able to go out. By the time I had finished the bottle I was well, and have remained so ever since."

Alonzo P. Daggett, of Smyrna Mills, Me., writes: "Six years ago, I was a traveling salesman, and at that time was suffering with

Lung Trouble.

For months I was unable to rest nights. I could seldom lie down, had frequent choking spells, and was often compelled to seek the open air for relief. I was induced to try Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, which helped me. Its continued use has entirely cured me, and, I believe, saved my life."

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral,

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Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.
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E. S. Mackin,

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