Free Press.

SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.

THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 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.

Leaves San Marcos	9:30 a. m.	and	9:00 p.m.
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Go to Frank and Steb's for ice cream.

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

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

Ice cream at the Red Diamond on Friday and Saturday.

CARTER THE PHOTOGRAPHER.

Ice cream Friday at the Blue Front, The first of the season.

J. B. Hankla's house, near the institute, for rent.

A fine selection of cream candies at
CHRISTIAN & WILLS'.

Sorghum seed for sale at
HARDY & Co.

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

For a nice, pure article of parched coffee don't forget to call on H. HARDY & Co.

Millinery.

Mrs. Richardson is now constantly in receipt of new and beautiful goods.

We will remove on the 1st of May to the building formerly occupied by W. C. Dugger next door to Glover National Bank.
CHRISTIAN & WILLS.

Notice---Something New.

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

Rooms for Rent.

From one to three in a pleasant location, convenient to business. Inquire at this office,

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

Keylick.

A thorough-bred registered Jersey bull will stand this season at San Marcos. Apply to J. R. PORTER, Saddler.

Notice.

C. W. Andrews of San Marcos, Deputy Hide & Animal Inspector, Hays County. mar1tf.

Mrs. Watson has wire goods, underwear and corsets of every style, including the Zephyr for summer wear especially. Ladies dusters, and hats at every price, to suit the times.

Now is the time for cultivators, double shovels sweep-stocks, sweeps, hoes, etc.
A full stock of all of these Goods including the "Stand Cultivator" on hand at
J. H. GARY'S.

Wall Paper Cheap.—In addition to paper of standard grades, I have now in stock some for people who want cheap stuff. Gilts 30 cts, double roll. Common, 15 cts, double roll. J. W. NANCE.

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.

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.

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.

Precinct No. 1.

In persuance of the call of the chairman of the county executive Committee, the democrats of precinct No. 1 will meet at the Court House in this place Saturday the 28th inst. for the purpose of electing delegates to the county convention to meet May 5th. J. E. PRITCHETT, Ch'm.

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 Setts, 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.

The Safest Medicine

To have about the house at all times is Simmons Liver Regulator. It will harm no one. It will benefit all who may have attacks of Billiousness, Dyspepsia, Headache, Constipation, or other ailments resulting from a disordered Liver or Stomach. Keep it always in the house, and you will have a family physician near who will save you many dollars and much suffering. The genuine always has on the wrapper the red Z Trade-mark and Signature of J. H. Zeilin & Co.

Precinct Meetings.

The Democratic Chairmen of Precinct Committees:

You are requested to call mass-meetings of the Democrats of your respective precincts for the 28th of April, to elect delegates to a county convention hereby called to meet in San Marcos on Saturday, the 5th day of May, which will elect delegates to the convention which will meet in Fort Worth on Tuesday, the 22nd day of May, for the purpose of sending delegates to a National convention which meets in St. Louis on the 5th of June, to nominate a candidate for President and Vice President. The different chairmen are requested to take prompt action. FENO KYLE.
Ch'm Hays Co. Dem. Ex. Com.
Kyle, April 9th, 1888.

We beg to call special attention to the Cemetery election notice in our local columns. All interested are respectfully urged to be in attendance and vote. Don't stay away and then blame the Trustees for not properly respecting your wishes. If the management don't suit you, come out and apply the proper remedy. Reader, this means *you*.

San Jacinto day Saturday.

Another timely and abundant rain.

Our business houses will be closed from 12 to 6 p. m., the day of the Firemens' celebration.

Spring is fairly upon us in all her charms confest.

This week it is our Dripping Springs letter that came too late.

GOOD NEWS—Steamer for San Marcos River Spring Lake ordered and on the way.

The services at the Baptist church on Sunday evening, we learn were of a very interesting character and largely attended.

We learn that San Marcos and Kyle lodges of the Knights of Pythias are to have a union picnic at the John McGehee ground, May 1st.

Remember the State Convention of the W. C. T. U. will meet at the Fort Worth May 9th to 13th. We hope to see San Marcos represented on that occasion.

Code's ice machine began operation yesterday morning. The purity of San Marcos ice will be apt to attract customers from Lockhart and elswhere.

And now the Methodist church and parsonage have a new fence, The next thing in order, we understand, in pursuance of Bishop Duncan's programme, will be a new church building. The present one, if it were good, has become quite too small.

Surely something strange is about to happen, or rather is actually transpiring. The city road overseer is, at this writing, actually working the street leading from Dr. de Steigers to Mr. Joyce's. We are glad our authorities are at last finding out that somebody lives in our mountain wards. Let the good work go on.

THE WOMAN'S MAGAZINE is the title of a monthly, edited by Esther T. Housh and published by Frank E. Housh & Co., Brattleboro, Vt. We have been favored with a copy of the April number. It contains a finely executed portrait of the editor, engraved from a photograph by the Moss Engraving Co., of New York. The table of contents is very attractive. Terms only $1 a year.

The retirement of Col. E. D. Linn, of the Victoria Advocate, breaks the trio of editors contemporary with the editor of the FREE PRESS who were in the business when he resumed it in Texas, the remaining two being Col. Baker of the Columbus Citizen, and Capt. Cain of the Bastrop Advertiser. With the exception of the latter, the editor of the FREE PRESS is the oldest in continuous service as editor of one paper in Western Texas.

Col. Linn has sold his paper, the Victoria Advocate, to Col. Bartow, well known in journalistic circles. Col. Linn, for the most part, made the Advocate an able and influential journal, but recently we believe has not given much attention to the editorial department. We understand he will go into the stock business. We heartily congratulate him on his escape from a business, which, considering the responsibility, care and vexation imposed, pays the poorest, probably, of all others.

We were present at the W. C. T. U. reunion on Friday night, at the residence of J. M. Turner. There was a house full of young folks, and a good time was had. Music was discoursed by Miss Annie Haymes and Miss Carrie Myer. Readings and recitations were heard from Mrs. Garrett, Miss Myer, Miss Blanche Barber and Miss Kate Breeding. All acquitted themselves well. The exercises closed with a nice supper, after which our reporter left the party to the further enjoyments of the evening.

San Marcos Cemetery Association. Election Notice.

An election of Trustees of San Marcos Cemetery association for the ensuing year will be held at the Court House at 5 p. m., May 1st. Prox.

All lot owners are entitled to vote and all are urged to attend.

It is hoped that the almost utter indifference manifest in former elections will not prevail this time.

W. O. HUTCHISON, Pres.
E. P. RAYNOLDS, Sec'y.

An old Murder Being Investigated.

Most of our readers probably will recall the murder three or four years since of an old gentleman named Jones, who lived alone in the mountains some miles above this place. He was found dead with evidences of violence upon his person, and an attempt was made to cover up the crime by burning his body with the house, which attempt failed. He was believed to have had a good deal of money in the house, which with valuable papers was stolen.

Suspicion, we learn rested at the time on one Martin Shubert and two Mexicans. Shubert was afterwards convicted of horse stealing, and has but recently returned from a term of service in the pen itentiary. Suspicion being still strong against him, he was arrested and put in jail. Application was made for bond and the case was tried a short time since before Judge Teichmueller of the District Court, who admitted him to bail in the sum of $3,000, which not being able to give, he remains in jail. We learn that some of the evidence in the case was of a very damaging character, but whether it will be found sufficient to convict him remains to be seen. We learn that Sheriff Wren is entitled to special credit for his efforts to ferret out the perpetrators of this terrible crime.

What is puzzling the brains of a great many people in Texas in the present day is, why could not the state nominations and the selecting of delegates to the national convention all have been attended to at one convention? The work would not be too much for one convention, but then there would be more setting them up at two conventions.—Orange Tribune.

PERSONAL.

We are glad to learn of the rapid convalescence of Mr. A. M. Young.

L. H. Browne, Esq., returned home from the west this morning, and reports fine rains in that direction.

The City Council gave Mr. Code the contract for cleaning out the upper waters of the river.

Mrs. D. S. Combs has gone San Antonio to visit her daughter, who is under medical treatment there.

David Combs has gone to Mexico with reference to the stock business.

Mr. McNaughton, jr., of the Times, made his first visit to the city of the Alamo, last week.

Mr. O'Counor, of Coronal Institute, has recently been joined here by several of her children.

Elder J. J. Williamson began services at the Christian Church last night, and will continue over Sunday at the usual hours.

Mr. Van Every died on yesterday morning. He was a kind hearted, honest man, worthy of better fortune.

J. V. Hutchins, Giesen, and perhaps others have gone on an alleged hunting and fishing excursion in the direction of Gonzales,

Mrs. Robbins and Mr. Marchison's bright young daughter, Carrie, have favored us with magnificent bouquets, which more than bear out our praises last week of the luxuriance and perfection of their respective flower gardens.

It seems to have become "all the go" to tumble off the new bridge over the Blanco. Since little George Briggs made the descent a workman on the bridge, Harry Connally by name, followed suit on Friday last, falling 80 feet in water only about 18 inches deep without, as is reported, receiving any injury.

News came yesterday morning from Austin of the death of Prof. Lyons. Few men were better known or better liked than he. Permission was asked for by telephone to bury him beside his wife in our old cemetery, but we learn the City Council denied the request. He will be buried at the new cemetery to-day.

Major Donaldson is spending a week at the new San Marcos sulphur well of John Bales. He says it is stronger than the water of the Lampasas spring, and is already being extensively used, and destined to have a great run. Accommodations for visitors will be had in due time. Another feather in the cap of San Marcos.

We are pleased to notice that our friend, Philosopher Vogelsang, has found it expedient to make still a third addition to his shop and furniture ware-house. See his notice elsewhere. In this connection we feel it to be only just that we should say a word commendatory of the industry and prompt attention to business of our worthy fellow citizen. Whatever may be thought of his philosophical views, we think our people will pretty unanimously agree with us when we say that we don't know how they would get along without the services of Mr. Vogelsang. One of his great merits is his promptness. When you want him he don't hum and haw, and delay, but is right on hand, accomplishing two or three jobs while one of your slow coaches would be considering when he could make a commencement on the first one. This fine and rather unusual trait of character, we think deserves special commendation. We are glad, therefore, to notice the evidences of the success of Mr. Vogelsang. His boys, too, are growing up strong and vigorous, following in their father's footsteps as workmen, and making him in his older days more of a power in the community than when he stood alone,

Lawhon & Bass, Druggists.

The Gate City is the name of a newspaper just started at Laredo by Buck & Meeks formerly of this county. It is handsomely printed and bids fair to deserve success.

Progamme for Firemens' Entertainment April 20, 1888.

1. Overture, 8:30 sharp—W. H, Harris' band. 2. Speech—B. G. Neighbors. 3. Vocal Duet—Mrs. Lawhon, Miss Nettie Beall. 4. Recitation—Miss Jennie Northcraft. 5. W. H. Harris' band. 6, Vocal solo—Miss Janie Poole. 7. Reading—Miss Rosa Lee McLaughlin. 8. Quartette—Mrs. Mead, Mrs. Lawhon, Misses Cara Franklin and Nettie Beall. 9. Recitation—Miss Lillie McBride. 10. Quartette—Messrs. Brown, Smith, Franklin and Lawhon. 11. Instrumental Solo—Hon, Geo. T. McGehee. 12. Recitation—W. H. Nance. 13. Music—W. H. Harris' band. Inspection, parade, base ball and foot races in the afternoon,

MARRIAGE LICENSES issued since our last report, March 22nd.

Handy Weaver and Emma Kirksay.
Wm. Gluenewenkel and Emma Birstell.
Wm. Wilson and Lou Dust.
Jose Segovia and Josefa Sota.
A. P. Maltberger and Georgia M. Yarborough.
Felix Lecon and Theofala Munios,

Newspapers in 1888.

From the edition of Geo. P. Rowell & Co's "American Newspaper Directory," published April 2nd (its twentieth year) it appears that the Newspapers and Periodicals of all kinds now issued in the United States and Canada, now number 16,310, showing a gain of 890 during the last 12 months and of 7,136 in 10 years.

The publishers of the directory assert that the impression that when the proprietor of a newspaper undertakes to state what has been his exact circulation, he does not generally tell the truth is an erroneous one: and they conspicuously offer a reward of $100 for every instance in their book for this year, where it can be shown that the detailed report received from a publisher was untrue.

Bargains in Millinery!

Wishing to close out my stock of Millinery, by May 1st, I am offering Hats, Feathers, Flowers, &c., below cost. Persons in need of such goods would find it to their advantage to call and examine them, before buying elsewhere.

MISS BETTIE COLEMAN.

Remember This.

If you are sick Simmon's Liver Regulator will surely aid nature in making you well. If you are costive or dyspeptic or are suffering from any other of the numerous diseases of the liver, stomach or bowels, it is your own fault if you remain ill, for Simmon's Liver Regulator is a sovereign remedy in all such complaints. Take only the genuine, which always has on the wrapper the red Z trade-mark and Signature of J. H. Zeilin & Co.

Died.

BELVIN.—On Friday the 13th inst, at his residence at this place, Rev. R. H. Belvin, aged nearly 68 years.

The deceased was a native of South Carolina, and belonged to the stock of French Huguenots who have contributed so many distinguished names to American history. He came to Texas in 1845, having, as we learn, entered the ministry (Methodist) prior to that date, and was thus one of the pioneer settlers and ministers of West Texas. He was residing at this place, and was President of Coronal Institute when we came here in 1873. His tall, portly and venerable figure was well calculated to attract attention and command respect, although he was singularly modest and unassuming in his demeanor. He was one of the few men of his calling who "looked the preacher." He was distinguished for elevation and inflexibility of principle. His health had been declining for some considerable time, so death did not take him by surprise nor find him unprepared. His closing days were full of the spirit of Christian resignation and trust.

His funeral was attended by a large concourse of his old friends and relatives, and he was buried by the Masonic fraternity of which he had long been a member.

All persons who propose furnishing material for the supper on to-morrow night, are hereby requested to report with the same by noon.

IN CHURCH.

From the Yankee Blade.

I feel a solemn sanctity,
Sweet rest of soul is mine,
My heart abides in pious peace,
My bonnet sets divine!
Grace, like a river, fills my soul,
In chastened joy I sit,
I feel religion's deepest power,
My sacque's a perfect fit.

A holy fervor penetrates
My soul's remotest nooks,
An earnest, chastened, fervid joy—
How neat that ribbon looks!
The good man tells of Christian peace,
The organ's anthem swells,
I bathe in streams of pure delight,
My dress cost more than Nell's!

O holy rest! O sabbath calm!
O chastened peace serene!
I feel thy deep abiding spell,
How dowdy is Miss Green!
I feel a pure, religious glow,
O rapture undefined!
I know my bonnet looks so nice
To those who sit behind!

[In publishing the above, we would by no means be understood as insinuating its applicability to our church circles, but leave the question open to all inquirers.—ED.]

The Library Magazine

The current issue of THE LIBRARY MAGAZINE presents the extraordinary number of 224 pages, in large type, handsomely printed (and all for ten cents, or $1.00 a year!), the papers being as important in character as they are remarkably in quantity, including one on The Constitution of the United Ssates, by Hon. E. J. Phelps, United States Minister to Great Britain; a brilliant paper on The Mammoth and the Flood, from the *London Quarterly Review*; The Higher Education of Women, from the Westminster; Islam and Christianity in India, from the Contemporary; Mr. Ruskin and His Work, from the *Edinburgh*; The Struggle for Exi-tence, by T. H. Huxley; Shakespeare or Bacon? by Sir Theodore Martin; Mystical Pessimism in Russia, by N. Tsakni; English and American Federalism, by C. R. Lowell, The Extraordinary Condition of Corsica, by Charles Sumner Maine; The Balance of Naval Power in Europe, from *Blackwood's*; one of a series of papers on Post-Talmudic Literature, by Dr. Bernhard Pick; The Christian Element in English Poetry, by M. V. B. Knox; besides several other important articles, and the editorial department of Current Thought, which embodies brief extracts from notable articles in American and foreign periodicals. John B. Alden, Publisher, 393 Pearl Street, New York; 218 Clark Street, Chicago.

Mr. Ed. Christian.

Mr. Ed. Christian, after a sudden and short illness, has passed away from earth. He was one of our most successful business men, having amassed in our midst a large fortune. He was a genial, pleasant companion, a man of fine impulses and universally liked by those who knew him best. In his death Austin loses one of her best and most valuable citizens. The Statesman extends its condolence to his stricken family and his large circle of sorrowing friends.

We clip the above from the Austin Statesman of Sunday. Mr. Christian was an uncle of Ed. Christain jr. of this place.

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 places in Texas for the nursery business. For further information address
THOS. B. FORD,
jan26tf Blanco, Blanco Co., Tex.

It seems that Mr. Blaine is going to give his friends every opportunity to nominate him without his consent. He has engaged his passage home and will sail on June 16. The Republican convention will meet on June 19, and will no doubt nominate Mr. Blaine. who will at that time be in mid-ocean, and therefore beyond all personal communication. which will enable his friends to rush his nomination through the convention without any question as to whether he will accept it or not. The mere fact that he sails three days before the convention meets shows conclusively that he is a party of some such scheme as this, for otherwise he would be too much interested in the proceedings of the convention to voluntarily cut himself off from all means of obtaining information.—Dallas News.

Again the monthly sterotyped falsehood has been published of the decrease in the public debt during the past month. It says that the debt has been decreased $11,586,558 during March. It was not decreased a cent during March. There was that amount added to the hoard in the treasury and that was all.—Southwest.

Oyster Creek.

Editor FREE PRESS:—I herewith hand you for publication a recipe to keep striped bugs off of squash, cucumber and melon vines: Take wheat bran and sprinkle on and around the stem of the vine—about one handful to the hill. It is best to put it on in the morning while the dew is on.

I have tried various remedies and find the common wheat bran to be more efficacious than any with which I have experimented. The flour in the bran adheres to the antennæ, feet and wings of the bug, and gives him such inconvenience that he finds it unpleasant to stay. I think dust of any kind is a preventive to some extent. As a test of various kinds I used sulphur, lime, ashes, soot and bran, and find less trouble by the bugs where bran is used. I have also experimented with carbolic acid, one half carbolic and one half glycerine, mixed, and used one tablespoonful to one gallon of water—put on with a sprinkler, I can see no beneficial effects, but hurt the plants some. I caught about a dozen of these striped intruders, and immersed them in the pure glycerine and acid, killed one in a few seconds, the others crawled off, and went on their way rejoicing.

The brown bugs have been very troublesome in some places. My brother, John Davis, undertook to raise a little garden, but soon as seeds would come up, these "brownies" would devour at once, making a clean sweep down to English peas. Finding it impracticable to catch all of them, he sprinkled the remaining peas with water and sifted on a little arsenic. In plowing his garden a few days afterwards he found the ground full of bugs.

Will some one give me his experience with arsenic or Paris green. I have been afraid to use either on account of injury to plant and person.

I have planted about 1,000 musk and water melon hills this season, and expect to win or have a regular Waterloo,

The last few nights have been rather cool for cotton. The lice have made their appearance and the cotton is at a stand-still. Corn is looking well. Yours etc.,
THOS. J. DAVIS.

April 16th. '88.

Wimberly.

Everybody wishing for rain.

Mrs. Ophelia Callaway expects to start the 1st of May to Washington Territory. Her husband has been there four months. He is well pleased with the country.

Dr. Morris and W. P. Morris have moved to Martindale Station.

Mrs. P. Wimberley jr. has gone back to Blanco city, after a pleasant stay with her relatives.

Mr. Holt and family, from Purgatory, were in Wimberly last Saturday, visiting relatives.

Mrs. Frankie Yantis, after a pleasant stay with her relatives and friends, has returned to her home in San Antonio.

Miss Fannie Howard is visiting friends in San Marcos this week.

Mr. Z. T. Wimberly and wife had a pleasant trip last Saturday evening, visiting T. J. Estis and family. The young Mr. Walter Estis robbed a bee stand, and they had honey, and all the good things that could be ask for. No more.

A FRIEND TO THE FREE PRESS.

Lockhart Dots.

Dr. Blunt, of Galveston, formerly of this place, was visiting his old home last week.

Miss Etta Hendrick went to San Marcos Wednesday morning on business.

Mr. Riley, of the Cumberland Pesbyterian Church, is assisting Mr. J. T. Gillett in a week of prayer.

Mr. Dan Heimer died yesterday. He was an old settler of Caldwell Co.

District Court will adjourn Friday. The Judge rendered several important decisions.

Mrs. J. J. Williamson paid San Marcos a short visit last week.

The Firemen will have a picnic on the 1st of May.

We enjoyed a pleasant serenade last Friday night by the young ladies and gentlemen, of Lockhart.

Miss Sarah Runkle is going to give her school a picnic next Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mackin went over to San Marcos this morning.

Lockhart is improving rapidly. We can hear the noise of the hammer all around us.

EVALYN.

That Tired Feeling

The warm weather has a debilitating effect, especially upon those who are within doors most of the time. The peculiar, yet common, complaint known as "that tired feeling," is the result. This feeling can be entirely overcome by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, which gives new life and strength to all the functions of the body.

"I could not sleep; had no appetite. I took Hood's Sarsaparilla and soon began to sleep soundly; could get up without that tired and languid feeling; and my appetite improved." R. A. SANFORD, Kent, Ohio.

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Hood's Sarsaparilla is characterized by three peculiarities: 1st, the *combination* of remedial agents; 2d, the *proportion*; 3d, the *process* of securing the active medicinal qualities. The result is a medicine of unusual strength, effecting cures hitherto unknown. Send for book containing additional evidence.

"Hood's Sarsaparilla tones up my system, purifies my blood, sharpens my appetite, and seems to make me over." J. P. THOMPSON, Register of Deeds, Lowell, Mass.

"Hood's Sarsaparilla beats all others, and is worth its weight in gold." I. BARRINGTON, 130 Bank Street, New York City.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

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1308 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.

THE CENTURY—The April number of the Century closes the thirty-fifth half-yearly volume. The first article is by Edward L. Wilson, the well-known photographer, and is descriptive of the natural and other features of Palestine "From Dan to Beersheba." The article has a great number of illustrations, mainly from photographs, and will be of special interest to the teachers and students of the International Sunday school lessons. Theodore Roosevelt, in this number, describes that decidedly American institution, "The Round-up." As Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Remington, the artist, have both participated in such scenes as are here depicted, the paper is unusually vivid both in letter-press and illustrations. An illustrated article on the 'American Inventors of the Telegraph" tells the inside story of the invention, especially bringing out the services rendered to the enterprise by Mr. Alfred Vail. Mr. Vail's extremely important connection with the invention is here for the first time fully and authoritatively told, The article will be a surprise to the larger part of the public, The Century has its usual complement of short sketches, poems, editorial comment and war memoranda.

Ex-Gov. Palmer Married.

Springfield, Ill., April 4.—Ex-Gov. John M. Palmer and Mrs. Helen L. Kimball of this city were married at 2:20 o'clock today at the Lamb family residence on 2nd and Adams streets, in the presence of about forty relatives. The Rev. James A Reed officiated. No display of any kind was permitted to deprive the occasion of its private and exclusive nature and the many handsome tokens of personal esteem which were received were not exhibited. The bride wore a cloth traveling costume,

The couple will spend an autumnal honeymoon in St. Louis. The bride is aged 43 and the groom 70. Mrs. Palmer was a Miss Lamb, a member of one of the oldest families of the city and the sister-in-law of Gen. John Cook.

Gov. Palmer retired from the war a major-general and has since held many positions of honor and trust. In 1876 he was a member of the commission appointed by order of congress to investigate the election frauds in Louisiana, and was elected governor of Illinois in 1868.

The "Magazine of American History" for April, is again largely devoted to portraits and other memoribilia of Washington. "The Acquisition of Florida" is a very ably written article by our Minister to Spain, Hon. J. L. M. Curry, LL. D. Professor A G Hopkins, of Hamilton College, contributes "Between Albany and Buffalo," a delightful description of the early methods of transportation and travel in New York; to be continued in the May number, A bright picture from the diary of Rev. Manasseh Cutler is entitled, "Church-going New York City in 1787." Mrs. Alice D Le Plongeon furnishes an instructive account of "The Conquest of the Mayas" in Yucatan. A curiously entertaining contribution is "An Englishman's Pocket Note book in 1828," telling in a very racy style of what he saw in America. Andrew D. Mellick, jr., writes of "The Militia of New Jersey in the Revolution," and Professor Oliver P. Hubbard draws a striking picture of the "Harmony of History." Published at 743 Broadway, New York.

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School Election at Kerrville.

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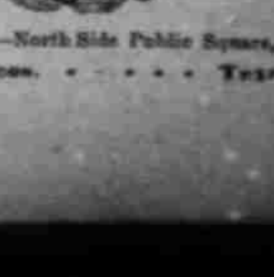
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