THE DAILY RECORD-UNION.

MONDAY.....FEBRUARY 23, 1880.

Signal Corps Report—February 22, 1880.

TIME.	BAR.	THR.	HUM.	WIND.	RA'N	WEATH.
4:02 A. M....	30.09	42	91	S. E. 12	....	LtRain
7 A. M.....	30.12	41	91	S. E. 8	....	LtRain
8:02 A. M....	30.14	43	92	S. E. 6	....	LtRain
2 P. M.....	30.09	50	72	S. 3	....	Cloudy
8:02 P. M....	30.09	47	85	S. E. 7	.28	LtRain

Max. ther., 52 degrees. Min. ther., 40 degrees.

Weather Probabilities.

WASHINGTON, February 22d—Midnight.—Indications for Pacific coast region: Cloudy or partly cloudy weather, with occasional rain in California.

ADVERTISEMENT MENTION.

Congregational Church—Wilhelmj's concert.
Turner Hall—Improved O. R. M. entertainment.
Fourth Ward Republicans—Pavilion, to-night.
Irish Relief Committee to night.
Knights of Honor Lodge, No. 1580, to-night.
The Police Department—Card.
For Chief of Police—G. J. Cross.
Turner Masquerade—Subscription lists.

Business Advertisements.

Boot, Shoe and Hat Logic—The Red House.
Wilcox, Powers & Co.—Wholesale liquors.
Adams, McNeill & Co.—Importing grocers.
Scofield & Tevis—Coal and lubricating oils.
Hall, Luhrs & Co.—Raisins, oysters, codfish.
Scribner's Monthly Magazine for March—Superior attractions.
Great Sale—Water-damaged goods, at Rothfeld's.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

SAFE BURGLARS.—Yesterday afternoon an employe at Schaefer's cooper shop, on K street, between Front and Second, entered the building, which is more of a shed than a house, and as he did so saw a man run into the alley. He also found another man standing near an old safe used to keep papers in. Upon being questioned as to what was wanted, the tramp replied, "I am looking for a place to sleep." "All right," said the employe, "come with me;" and leading him into the alley he pointed towards the city jail and said, "Go down yonder and they will give you a first-class spring mattress—a new style—the latest patented feather bed, and keep you on a charge, though they will charge you nothing." The grateful fellow took his departure, but did not ask charity at the hands of Landlord Dunlevy. The cooper then returned to the shop and found that a hole had been cut partially through the safe door with tools belonging in the shop. The work was done in a bungling manner, that indicated that they were but tramps, who happened to stray into the place and thought they could secure its contents. On going to his room he found a trunk broken open, and his coat and two pairs of socks were gone. The rascals also left their well-worn stogas in exchange for better boots. The loser is now satisfied that they had on the stolen property when he saw them, but he did not notice it at the time.

MR. OYSTER IS INSULTED.—Two gentlemen, both strangers in the city and to each other, on Saturday evening were in one of the leading places of public entertainment of the city, when a mutual friend proposed to introduce them, not deeming the fact that both the parties were in that peculiar state which is the debatable ground between convivial sociability and oblivion an objection to the proceeding. One of the parties bears the name of Royster—no relation to those of that name hereabouts. The introducer, in the presence of a large number of bystanders, and in the most graceful manner, proceeded, "Mr. Royster, Mr. Smith; Mr. Smith, Mr. Royster." To which Mr. Smith—with a slightly overdone bow—"Mister 'Oyster? ah, happy, to be sure—California or transplanted, shir?" And then, amidst the surging waves of laughter that swept over that crowd and lifted it off its feet, Mr. 'Oyster got up on his dignity and roared—"D'ye mean to inshult me, sir? D'ye mean—" but Smith, true to the wit of his race, replied, "It's joke, tatsall; letsh take drink." And they drank—while people in that crowd fairly butted themselves against the wall in the insanity of their mirth, for the scene and the manner of the actors were far too ludicrous to be depicted in print.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.—Yesterday morning about 11 o'clock William J. Robertson, residing at 816 P street, attempted suicide by stabbing himself with a pair of scissors. According to the statements of members of the family, he came up from San Francisco a day or two ago, having been there on business connected with his recent appointment as turnkey at the State Prison. Since his return he has been unwell, and on Saturday night took a heavy dose of laudanum to produce sleep. Yesterday morning Mrs. Robertson noticed that he was somewhat delirious, and fearing that he might injure himself, carefully removed all dangerous articles. After she had left the room, however, he secured a large pair of scissors and made two or three severe wounds on his neck and also a penetrating dangerous thrust into his right side. When discovered he was bleeding profusely and was in an exhausted condition. Physicians express the opinion that he cannot recover.

PERSONAL.—J. R. Howell, conductor on the Lathrop train, and his wife, formerly Miss Fannie Filliber, came up Saturday night from Oakland, where they had just been married. H. G. McLean, of the *Ventura Free Press*, is in the city. Officer Eldred, of the police force, after a protracted illness, is again on the street. E. W. Bushyhead, Deputy Sheriff of San Diego county, and H. L. McCoy, of Yuba county, were in the city yesterday.

CITY TREASURY.—The following sums were paid into the city treasury for the week ending February 21st: By W. C. Farnsworth, cemetery dues, $109 75; R. D. Scriver, water rates, $905 75; N. A. Kidder, harbor dues, $21; W. A. Henry, Police Court fines, $10; E. H. McKee, county road money, $3,992 50; Geo. A. Putnam, city licenses, $263 04; dog licenses, $19 20; street assessments, $644 85; total, $5,966 09.

FREIGHT MOVEMENTS.—There were forwarded to the East yesterday 5 car-loads of barley, 1 of matting, 2 of wool, 1 of oil, 3 of salmon, 1 of glue and 2 of merchandise. There were received here 2 car-loads of wine, 1 of lumber, 1 of household goods, 2 of wood, 1 of wheels, 1 of rakes, 1 of quartz, 1 of bolts, 14 of wheat, 3 of hogs, 1 of furniture, 2 of merchandise, 1 of granite and 2 of wood.

NEW PAPER.—The *State Daily Democrat* is the title of a new paper which made its appearance here yesterday. It is a four-page, seven-column paper, issued by Thomas P. Ford and J. A. Clarke daily, except Mondays. Abraham B. Venable is editor. It is announced to be a strict Democratic paper. It presents a creditable typographic appearance.

NOTARIES APPOINTED.—The Governor on Saturday appointed the following Notaries Public: Charles J. Torbert, San Francisco, vice self, term expired; Geo. T. Knox, San Francisco, same; J. B. Reddish, of San Andreas, for Calaveras county, vice Gottschalk; and B. F. Clayton, of San Jose, for Santa Clara county, vice self, term expired.

LIBRARY REPORT.—The Librarian of the City Free Library reports the number of books drawn during the past week as 777; average number per day, 111; fiction, 615; history, 16; biography, 24; travels, 30; general literature, 48; poetry, 21; religious, 3; science and art, 20. Percentage of fiction, 79.

RAINFALL.—The rainfall of Saturday, according to Mr. Gerrish's gauge, amounted to .033 of an inch; that of Sunday up to 7 P. M., to .234, making a total for the month of 1.329, and for the season, 8.737. In 1879, to date, 8.823 inches had fallen; in 1878, 17,432 inches, and in 1877, to date, 7.310 inches.

ARRESTS.—The following arrests have been made since our last report: Lizzie Dwyer, disturbing the peace, by officer Jackson; Ah Fong, enticing, by officer Harvey; Martin Raberta, for safe keeping, by officer Valentine; Thomas Crane, disturbing the peace, by Deputy Constable Barron.

POLICE COURT.—In the Police Court, Saturday, the only cases disposed of were those of William Ogden, charged with disturbing the peace, and two Chinamen, for petty larceny—all being discharged. To-morrow was selected as the date for a new trial of the Fitzgerald extortion case.

FOURTH WARDERS.—The Fourth Ward Republicans are to meet at the Pavilion this evening to agree upon persons to be voted for as delegates to Thursday's Convention.

CANDIDATE.—G. J. Cross, a well-known citizen, announces himself to be a candidate for the Republican nomination for the office of Chief of Police.

RACE POSTPONED.—The race that was to have taken place at Agricultural Park this afternoon has been postponed until further notice.

CAPITOL NOTES.

This being a legal holiday the meeting of the Committees on Water Rights and Agriculture, which was to have taken place to-night, has been postponed until Wednesday evening, when it will be held in the Assembly chamber, and Assembly Bill No. 334, "To promote drainage," will be discussed before the committee.

The bill introduced by Senator West, to establish a branch Normal School at Los Angeles, and providing for an appropriation of $50,000 to erect a building for that purpose, is regarded at the Capitol as having no prospect of becoming a law at present, while many strong friends of the Normal School feel that Mr. West's bill, introduced at this time, can have no other effect than to antagonize the bill making an appropriation for rebuilding at San Jose.

The Assembly Judiciary Committee is not indulging in the holiday recess, but remained in the city and is making long hours in its sessions, to get its work up by the time of reassembling of the Legislature to-morrow. The bills before it largely refer to amendments of the Code of Civil Procedure.

The following testimony was taken before the Folsom Branch Prison Investigation Commission Friday evening, Mr. Tyler Chairman. Mr. Duncan testified that the quarry belonging to the State was sufficient to furnish all stone required, but had not frontage enough to be worked to advantage.

Question—Is it not a fact that the place where the stone was quarried on the Natoma Ditch Company's land was where the ditch company was to run its canal? Answer—Yes, sir; I suppose they were going to run it there.

Q.—Were there not some materials obtained from the Natoma Ditch Company upon orders? A.—At one time we got some lumber and things by requisitions upon that company.

Q.—Were there not some tools and machinery taken from that company and paid for, and if so, how much was paid? A.—There were some tools purchased of the company, and some derricks by the State. Think the architect did it, but probably under direction of the Board. They took some old derricks, cars and tools. The tools and derricks were old ones, but could be made over. Think something like $2,000 was paid for these old tools, etc. Some new ones were also bought of the ditch company. The whole amount paid for new and old ones was about $3,500, I believe.

Q.—Did you refuse to certify to the bill for these things? A.—Yes, sir; I think I did.

Q.—Why did you refuse to certify to them? A.—Because I had not weighed the matter and examined the things sufficiently.

Q.—What became of the tools? A.—We worked the tools and derricks over and used them.

Q.—How much cement was used there each day on the works? A.—Jordan used from two to three barrels of Portland cement each day. He used of Rosedale cement about one barrel to three or four barrels of lime, and probably used about nine barrels of lime each day.

Q.—I find here at one time an item of 100 kegs of nails, do you know of anything this amount of nails could be used for then? A.—No, sir.

Q.—Do you know of anything 175,000 feet of lumber could be used for; I find an item of that amount ordered on May 13, 1879? A.—No, sir; only a shed was built, that I know of.

Governor Irwin—I would state that this was intended to complete the whole building.

To Mr. Irwin—Did your Board authorize Mr. Bennett to allow Mr. Duncan to draw on the Natoma Water Company for tools or anything? A.—I think we allowed Mr. Duncan to purchase some goods.

Q.—Will you show me (handing the Board records to Mr. Irwin) where it appears on your minutes? A.—It does not appear upon the minutes. That was not the action of the Board, as I know of.

Q.—If it was not the action of the Board, whose action was it? A.—Well, I will take the responsibility of it upon myself.

Q.—Why did the State make these purchases when the work of building the prison was under contract to Jordan? A.—The purchases were made so as to be ready to go on with the work in case Jordan failed.

Q.—Did you have an idea, when you ordered it, that 500 barrels of Portland cement were necessary at once for that work? A.—No, sir; not instantly; we would need it in the progress of the work.

Q.—Did you need 100 kegs of nails then? A.—Not immediately, but would need them on the work; and the same with the 175,000 feet of lumber—it would be required before we got through.

Q.—Did you expect Mr. Jordan, when you ordered that he employ 150 men at once upon the work, would be able to comply with it? A.—No, sir, we did not, because he had not been able to comply with the contract before this.

Q.—Did Mr. Bennett go to work in the quarry of the Natoma Ditch Company under direction of the Board? A.—The fact was, we had the privilege of working there if we could work to advantage, and a trial was made, and the quarry did not work satisfactorily.

Q.—Who made such offer to you? A.—I don't know that it was made to the Board. I suppose this information was conveyed to Mr. Livermore, and not direct to the Board. Don't think it was ever given in any formal manner at all to the Board.

Q.—Did you know the excavations and work on that ditch company's grounds were in the direct line of the Natoma ditch canal? A.—I don't know as I did. We were working about sixty men in the other quarry, and employed about the same force in the Natoma ditch quarry until it was found the stone was unsatisfactory.

Q.—Have you any record to show what the Board ordered? A.—We had contracts for numerous articles. When things were wanted Duncan would send down orders to the contractor. It was impracticable to take action on each order separately.

Q.—According to your own figuring you have expended on cells $101,000, with what you have paid Jordan. Now, Governor, where is the balance of the money that was used on the contract? A.—On balance of the building. There is cell building, front building, approach building, carpenter work and plumbing. That amount is for stone cells alone. The iron work and carpenter work and plumbing have been paid for to the amount of 90 per cent.

INCORPORATIONS.—Articles of incorporation were on Saturday filed in the office of the Secretary of State of the Tamalpais Mining Company, engaged in mining and milling in Marin county, Cal. Principal office at San Francisco. Capital stock, $10,000,000, in $100 shares. Directors—Ai Peck, G. T. Emery, Edgar Briggs, James Bailey and Christopher Nelson.... Also, articles of incorporation of the Belle of Marin Mining Company—mines in Marin county. Principal office at San Francisco. Capital stock and Directors same as above.... Also, articles of incorporation of the King of Marin Mining Company. Location of mine, principal office and capital stock same as preceding. Directors—Ai Peck, G. T. Emery, Wm. H. Sharp, James Bailey and C. Nelson.... Also, articles of incorporation of the Rowe Gold Mining Company, of Cave Creek, Mariposa county, Cal. Main office at San Francisco. Capital stock, $10,000,000, in $100 shares. Directors—A. Linder, August V. Kautz, G. R. Vernon, W. S. Schuyler and E. M. Gibson.... Also, articles of incorporation of the Bay City Base Ball Club, of San Francisco, the object of which is stated to be "to elevate the game of base ball upon the Pacific coast," etc. Capital stock, $10,000, in shares of $100 each, of which $5,000 has been subscribed. Directors—James A. Thompson, E. C. Macfarlane, A. F. Coffin, Geo. M. Perine, E. F. Schroder, W. T. Barton, H. B. Wheaton, H. H. Shinn, Chas. D. Havens, Frank S. Johnson and Chas. S. Neal.

APPLICATION FOR PARDON.—Application was made on Saturday by Senators Gorman, Moreland and Kane, to the Governor for pardon of James McCarthy, sentenced to a term of seven years in the State Prison for manslaughter of John Earle, in San Francisco, August, 1876. The application was supported by the petition of the District Attorney and jury by whom he was convicted; also signed by several members of the Legislature and citizens of San Francisco. Affidavits were also submitted to the effect that Earle received his death blow before McCarthy arrived at the scene where the crime was committed. It is also alleged in the affidavit that he was convicted on the evidence of accomplices, which, McCarthy claims, was perjured testimony. As the Governor is to visit the State Prison within a few days, he will defer acting upon the application until he shall make some personal inquiries while there.

DIMINUTION OF CAPITAL STOCK.—The "Lake Vineyard Land and Water Association," of Los Angeles county, has reduced the amount of its capital stock from $100,000 to $50,000, and filed the usual notice thereof in the office of the Secretary of State.

PRISON DIRECTOR.—George W. Schell, of Modesto, was on Saturday appointed and confirmed as Prison Director, in place of A. P. Whitney, resigned.

WILHELMJ CONCERTS at Congregational Church. Reserved seats, without extra charge, at Jelly's.

BEWARE of all imitations in Rock & Rye Geo. W. Chesley, sole agent.

THE RELIEF FUND.

The Irish Relief Committee forwarded Saturday afternoon $1,500 to the Mayor of Dublin for the relief of the poor of Ireland. Two hundred dollars of this amount was donated by the Hibernian Benevolent Association, and $100 by each of the two Divisions of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. The following donations to the relief fund have been received by the committee since the last publication:

George C. Perkins	$10 00	J. Levee	5 00
J. F. Cowdery	10 00	H. Y. Stanley	5 00
C. N. Fox	10 00	Milton Wasson	5 00
Chas. Mulholland	10 00	P. M. Greene	5 00
D. A. Burns	10 00	J. S. P. Bass	5 00
John Weil	10 00	W. J. Sinon	5 00
James Adams	10 00	W. W. Cuthbert	5 00
H. A. Messenger	10 00	T. H. Carr	5 00
J. D. Spencer	10 00	C. L. Stoddard	5 00
Elihu Anthony	10 00	H. J. Corcoran	5 00
T. J. Cluvie	10 00	J. P. Brown	5 00
D. B. Hershy	10 00	Seymour Carr	5 00
A. L. Chandler	10 00	Elwood Bruner	3 00
C. Hartson	10 00	H. K. Brown	2 50
J. J. McCallion	10 00	R. W. Parker	2 50
C. N. Felton	10 00	L. T. Morse	2 50
R. K. Downs	10 00	W. R. Leadbetter	2 50
Daniel Dimond	5 00	James Nelson	2 50
C. C. Watson	5 00	George B. Ward	2 50
David Frink	5 00	S. Bramhart	2 50
A. B. DuBrutz	5 00	Ed. J. Smith	2 50
W. W. Durham	5 00	John Burns	2 50
R. F. Del Valle	5 00	S. J. Garibaldi	2 50
W. P. Mathews	5 00	F. A. Leach	2 50
J. R. Cook	5 00	J. O. Sweetland	2 50
D. N. Sherburn	5 00	E. H. Clough	2 50
J. J. McDade	5 00	A. B. McGuire	2 00
J. N. Young	5 00	Thomas Fraser	2 00
A. P. McCarthy	5 00	Rush McComas	2 00
Garratt Pickett	5 00		

WILHELMJ'S CONCERT.—The first concert of "Herr August Wilhelmj," the distinguished violinist, will take place at the Congregational Church this evening. Wilhelmj is a native of Usingen, a town in Germany, in Nassau, situated on the Usbach, 27 miles from Wiesbaden. He is 34 years of age. He played before Henrietta Sontag when he was but 7, who prophesied that he would become "the Paganini of Fatherland." He gave his first concert when but 9 years of age, and two years later created an excitement of enthusiasm among musicians by his playing at Wiesbaden. In 1861 he played with Liszt, who said that the world would soon talk of him. He became a pupil of the master David at Liepsic, with whom he remained three years. He was taught the theory of music by Hauptmann and Richter. He played first at a Gewandhaus concert in 1862, and achieved a complete success. In 1865 he began his tour, appearing in Paris in 1867, in St. Petersburg in 1868, and thereafter gave concerts throughout Europe. He was twice in England. He took part in Wagner's Bayreuth Festival, and is known as an earnest advocate of the Wagnerian theories of music. He is classed as next to Joachim as a violinist, and thus stands at the front among instrumentalists. He will be assisted this evening by Herr Max Vogrich, the Hungarian pianist and composer, and Signora Marie Salvotti, a soprano prima donna, both of whom come warmly indorsed by Eastern and European critics. The programme for this evening is very choice, and will embrace these selections: By Wilhelmj—Concerto for violin, Bazzini; Lone Serenade, Vogrich; Hungarian Dances, Brahm. By Salvotti—Air from Verdi's Nabucco; song from Abt; Magnetic Valse, Arditi. By Vogrich—Concerto, Chopin; and paraphrase on "Sonnambula," Liszt.

THIRD WARD MEETING.—The Republicans of the Third Ward of the city held a meeting Saturday evening for the purpose of selecting persons to be voted for at the primary election next Wednesday as delegates to the Convention to be held next Thursday. Grove L. Johnson was elected Chairman and Charles N. Post Secretary. A committee to select names was appointed, consisting of W. R. Cantwell, L. A. Upson, J. F. Sheehan, L. Elkus and J. H. Duffy. A resolution was adopted that all delegates nominated, if elected, should be required to pledge themselves to vote in favor of the nomination of a straight Republican ticket, and Charles N. Post and J. F. Sheehan were appointed a committee to have the resolution printed upon the tickets. The following persons, at the suggestion of the committee, were chosen as candidates to be voted for at the primary election: Grove L. Johnson, George W. Hancock, H. S. Beals, J. T. Stafford, James I. Felter, Gus. Wyman, W. C. Van Fleet, Ben. Bullard, Jr., W. R. Cantwell, L. Elkus, T. B. McFarland, J. R. Watson, O. P. Dodge, Creed Haymond, Charles N. Post, J. D. Kent, T. H. Berkey, W. J. Davis, Fred. Kirn, Ben. Welch, Thos. Warmby and J. H. Duffy.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.—This is the legal day for observance of the anniversary of the birth of George Washington, who was born February 22, 1732, and died December 14, 1799, after having accomplished the independence of a nation, and winning the title "The Father of his Country." In this city there will be a general display of bunting. In the Courts only probate and police business will be transacted; the county offices will be closed, as it is by law a legal holiday; the banks and the public schools will not be open to-day. At night the Improved Order of Red Men will observe the day by a celebration at Turner Hall, when Creed Haymond will deliver an oration, and there will be literary and musical exercises and a ball in addition. The Board of Education will omit its meeting to-night out of respect to the day.

THE BENICIA ROUTE.—The overland train from San Francisco Saturday morning, which was unable to cross the marshes beyond Suisun, backed to Port Costa and came by way of Stockton, reaching here at 7:45 P. M. On the same day the engine of the work train ran off the track in the soft lands and was rapidly sinking from sight when it was pulled on to the rails. During the past few days about 300 feet of track that was laid on a graded bed of dirt across what is known as the "bottomless pit" has sunk from sight, to what depth is not known. A large force of laborers are kept employed there shifting the road bed almost constantly, and the trains came through yesterday, a new track having been laid but a few feet distant from the route of the one that has disappeared.

RED MEN'S CELEBRATION.—At Turner Hall to-night the four Tribes of the Improved Order of Red Men in this city will, according to a custom of that Order, unite in a celebration of the recurrence of the anniversary of the birth of George Washington. An oration will be delivered by Creed Haymond, and there will be a full programme of musical and literary exercises, which will be followed by a grand ball. The Tribes have an enviable reputation for well-arranged, entertaining and satisfying exhibitions and celebrations on the 22d day of February of each year. There is reason to believe to-night's celebration will equal, if not surpass, all its predecessors in variety, entertaining character and thorough sociability.

MERCHANDISE REPORT.—The following merchandise for Sacramento passed Ogden February 19th: For Studebaker Bros., 1 car load wagons; Weinstock & Lubin, 67 boxes hats, 5 boxes milliner goods; D. W. Earl, 10 steel shoes and 20 steel dies; J. Parsons, 2 cases shoes; Huntington, Hopkins & Co., 88 boxes horse nails, 20 bales wooden hayrakes, 1 box wedges, 1 box brass tubing, 1 box tube fittings, 2 cases hardware, 4 boxes door springs; Baker & Hamilton, 3 boxes hardware; M. C. Hawley & Co., 40 bales draper slats; A. Dennery & Co., 12 barrels, 1 tierce and 10 casks glassware, 3 casks lamps; W. A. & C. S. Houghton, 2 bales books, 1 box pamphlets.

COSTLY BOOK.—A gentleman of this city desired a certain book from Paris, and to satisfy his eagerness for it he ordered it to be forwarded by express. Receiving notice of its arrival the other day, he found that the express charges amounted to $18. The book cost originally about $10, making the total cost here $28. The trans-continental charge was but $6. Of the remaining $12 one of the items was $3 for brokerage. The package weighed five pounds. He is now engaged in a profound study to ascertain what the "brokerage" on a single volume means, and how the remaining $9 was distributed among the nations of the earth.

THE RIVER.—The Sacramento river Saturday evening had risen to 13 feet and a half but last night marked only 12 feet 11 inches. There will probably be a boom, however, tomorrow, as a steady rain continues to fall over the valley, and it was raining on the mountains last night sufficiently to melt the snow.

COMMERCIAL.—The steamer C. M. Small came down the river Saturday with a barge load of merchandise from Marysville, and the steamer San Joaquin No. 3 went up the river with merchandise; the steamer Daisy came down yesterday with two barges of grain.

MASKERS.—Notice is given of the subscription lists for the Turner masquerade being opened at various places in the city.

SACRAMENTO LITERARY INSTITUTE LECTURES.—The fifth and last lecture of the present course will be given on Tuesday evening, February 24th, in the Congregational Church, at 8 o'clock, by John Muir, on the subject of "Alaska; its glaciers, forests, gold fields, etc." Mr. Muir's attainments as a naturalist and observer of nature are quite well known. Tickets at the door, 50 cents each.

PACIFIC SLOPE NEWS.

DISPATCHES OF SATURDAY AND SUNDAY.

SAN FRANCISCO'S CHINATOWN.

The Board of Health Declares it to be a Nuisance.

PASSENGERS FROM THE EAST BY RAIL.

Three Men Killed by a Snow Slide in Nevada.

OREGON AND WASHINGTON TERRITORY.

Further Reports in Regard to the Recent Storm.

CALIFORNIA.

Weather Reports.

SAN LUIS OBISPO, February 21st.—The weather cleared up at 3 A. M. to-day, after 51 hours of steady and incessant rain; 6.48 inches fell. Total to date, 14.36 inches. The cold weather for the past three months has kept back the grass and grain. Everything will now start up, and the season promises the best we have ever had. Thirteen thousand acres have been sown to wheat in the eastern part of the county, where but little has heretofore been planted. The total area sown to wheat and flax in the county will reach 35,000 acres.

BAKERSFIELD.—Rain commenced falling about 12 o'clock last night, turning to snow before daylight. Snow fell until this afternoon heavily, but is melting now, and our streets are full of water.

SANTA BARBARA.—The present rainfall is unprecedented. Rain has been falling in great volumes, but steadily and almost continuously, for 30 hours, up to this morning. It has now stopped, with a slight prospect of clearing off. More than 10 inches has fallen since the forenoon of the 19th, making a total of nearly 20 inches for the season. Snow covers the mountain-tops as far as the eye can reach. Roads are impassable. No mails.

GUADALUPE.—It commenced raining Thursday morning and has continued up to the present date. Up to 5 o'clock last night 3.66 inches had fallen. Total for the season, 11.62 inches.

GONZALES.—It is impossible to ford the Salinas river. Wind southeast. Total rainfall for the season, 5.18 inches.

MERCED.—The rain-storm, which commenced here Wednesday night, continued almost incessantly until this morning. The amount of rainfall since the evening of the 19th is 1.72 inches, making for the season 5.80 inches. It commenced raining again about 4 P. M. to-day, and at this hour (7 P. M.) a steady rain is falling with a prospect of continuing all night, which makes the prospect for crops good throughout this part of the State.

HANFORD.—In the two days' storm 3.25 inches of rain fell, making for the season 8.82 inches. There were heavier rains east of here.

LOS ANGELES.—It commenced raining about daylight this morning and continued falling moderately until evening. The fall amounted to .57 of an inch. Total fall for the season, 13.50 inches.

SIERRA CITY.—The storm just closed favored us with three feet of snow at the city, with about six feet on the summit at Yuba Gap.

IONE.—One and a half inches of rain have fallen here since Wednesday, giving 10.75 inches for the season. It is still cloudy. Grain and grass, checked by the late frequent frosts, will now take a new start. Miners have plenty of water, and business is beginning to assume a more active appearance.

DIXON, February 22d.—The rain last night was the finest of the season. The wind is from the south, and there are excellent prospects for more rain. The farmers are delighted with the prospects of a crop.

SANTA BARBARA.—The rain ceased before dark yesterday, and this morning is bright. Total fall this storm, 10 inches; total for the season, about 20 inches. The roads are bad and the mails interrupted.

Mass Meeting at San Francisco—Stirring Scene at Union Hall.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 22d.—The announcement that Mayor Kalloch would speak at Union Hall last night, and the tacit understanding that he would deal with the fresh developments of the unemployed labor movement, resulted in a concourse of extraordinary numbers. By 7 o'clock, the street in front of the building was crowded with men and women, and the two points of ingress were packed. Unfortunately, the doors were not opened until the pressure from the outskirts of the mass become such that one of the doors on the east side was forced open, and the liberated crowd poured up that stairway. A minute later the west doors were opened, and the rush began at that point also. The screams of women, helpless and crushed in the crowd, were rather painfully distinct at both entrances to the stairways. It was rumored that several women were nearly as badly hurt as they were scared, and numbers of the more timid did not venture in until the jam was comparatively over. In less than a quarter of an hour after the doors were opened the galleries and the main floor were absolutely packed, and many of the late arrivals were not able to gain entrance to the hall at all. At the close of the meeting the crowding and pressure were such on the stairway leading from the east gallery that the wooden balusters cracked and swayed, and a score of people barely escaped being precipitated to the floor. The meeting was entirely enthusiastic during the Mayor's speech. His appearance was the signal for prolonged cheering; and after some preliminary singing, he began his address, in which he presented in a vigorous manner his position in regard to the affairs of the municipality.

San Francisco's Chinatown Declared a Nuisance by the Board of Health.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 22d.—The Board of Health held a special meeting yesterday morning. After reading the report of the committee, consisting of Mayor I. S. Kalloch, Dr. Henry S. Gibbons, Jr., and Health Officer J. L. Meares, which was appointed on the 2d instant to investigate the condition of Chinatown, and recommend to the Board what measures should be taken for the preservation of the city's health, it was adopted by a unanimous vote. The report condemns the twelve blocks occupied by the Chinese as a nuisance.

The assessed valuation of personal property of Chinese living in San Francisco was a total of $740,120, upon which the taxes were $13,365. Although the number of Chinamen owning real estate is not very large, each of those who are assessed is assessed for a great many pieces. Li Po Tai, the Chinese physician, is a very large property-owner, and is assessed for a great many pieces. Other wealthy Chinamen, whose names are less familiar, except to the Chinese themselves, than that of the physician, are also assessed for a great many pieces of real estate. Of the wealthiest of these are Ah Yeck and Ly Heunz.

"The Last Peaceable Parade"—Ketten, the Pianist, Injured.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 22d.—"The last peaceable parade of the unemployed," announced on Friday, came off yesterday afternoon. Marching along Market street, from the sand lot, the procession turned into Eighth street and headed for the San Francisco Candle Works, on Alabama street. The visit was devoid of any satisfactory results. Some of the paraders, who felt restless at the long absence of the committee at the factory office, started out to hunt for Chinamen in the neighborhood. They broke in the door of a bone and bottle yard, and finding no one there, destroyed all that was destructible in the house. The reason for the perpetration of this outrage was that a Chinaman was reported to have been employed as a rag-sorter. The procession then marched down town by way of Mission street. When they passed the washhouse of Hop Lee, No. 649 Mission street, an attack was made upon the establishment with brickbats and cobblestones, and when the last peaceable procession had finally passed, the heathen's washhouse had neither sashes nor window panes. Several firms were interviewed by the committee during the afternoon, but the results were not favorable to their demands. In returning to the sand lot the paraders principally amused themselves with stealing fruit from various stands along the route of the march. Gannon, the Chairman, reported the day's labors and adjourned the crowd, with the injunction to be present at the Union Hall meeting at night.

While Henri Ketten was out horseback riding on Friday he was thrown from his horse and severely injured, besides breaking his nose.

Gathering at the Sand Lot—Resolutions Adopted.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 22d.—Notwithstanding the drizzling rain which has fallen all day there was a large attendance at the sand lot, and the crowd was exceptionally jubilant and in good humor over the action of the Board of Health in condemning Chinatown. Kearney delivered a characteristic address, containing nothing of special interest. A resolution was adopted to the effect that the W. P. C. will stand by its pledges by refusing to affiliate with any other political organization. The resolution then goes on to declare that the W. P. C. recognizes the existence of no political organization except the Republican party, which it considers a deadly enemy of the W. P. C.

The Ward Presidents.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 22d.—At a meeting of the Ward Presidents to-day resolutions were adopted thanking the Board of Health for their action in condemning Chinatown, commending the zeal and ability of Mayor Kalloch, and guaranteeing him their support in the course adopted by him.

Election in Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES, February 21st.—An election took place to-day for City Tax Collector, to fill the vacancy caused by Hamilton's defalcation and disappearance. But two candidates were in the field—M. Kremer, Independent, and George E. Long, nominated by the W. P. C., although he was not a member of the organization. Owing to bad weather the contest was not very spirited, but about 1,000 votes were cast. Mr. Kremer was elected by 200 majority. The defaulter, Hamilton, was elected by the Workingmen, and this fact caused Mr. Kremer's friends to use greater exertions than would otherwise have been the case. John D. Bicknell was elected a member of the Board of Education, to fill a vacancy. He had no opposition.

NEVADA.

Fatal Snow-slide—Bullion Shipments.

VIRGINIA, February 21st.—The following particulars of a snow-slide above Franktown are telephoned by employes of the Virginia Water Company to the office of the company in this city. The accident occurred this morning. As the men were going to work, they saw a snow-slide coming down the mountain. There were five in the party, and four in the direct line of the slide. These were Alexander McLane, Samuel Kennedy, John Birney and William Fowle. The latter caught hold of a stump, and although badly injured, saved himself. The first three named were swept way, and at 6 P. M. their bodies had not been found. No doubt exists of their death, and a large party of workmen are shoveling snow to find the bodies. The accident occurred this side of the tunnel of the company which brings water from Mariette lake, and on the eastern slope of the mountain.

Bullion shipped to-night: Union Consolidated, $48,461 28; Ophir, $28,381 79; Consolidated Virginia, $64,690 60.

Washington's Birthday—Bodies Recovered.

VIRGINIA, February 22d.—The day has been celebrated here by a liberal display of bunting, a military parade and a snow-storm.

The bodies of the men killed by the snow-slide have been recovered and taken to Carson.

Passengers Passing Carlin for California.

CARLIN, February 22d.—The following passengers passed Carlin to-day, to arrive in Sacramento to-morrow: Rev. C. S. Long and wife, Rev. G. F. Draper and wife, Japan; Miss H. Ball, Germany; B. Peyton, J. H. Moulton, California; V. M. C. Silva and wife, Utah; Richard Washington, Washington, D. C.; M. Gray, San Francisco; Mrs. Bascowitz, Paris, France; Madame Bendixen, Victoria, B. C.; Samuel Patterson, England; C. Dupont, Wilmington, Del.; Edward Croney, Boston, Mass.; J. H. Robertson, G. S. Miller, Montana; M. Marks, San Francisco; P. Gottesleben, Denver, Col.; Robert Tucker, A. D. Abel, Elko, Nev.; Mrs. M. C. Chatham and family, Iowa; Samuel Hocking, Nevada; 30 emigrant passengers, including 25 males, to arrive in Sacramento February 21th.

UTAH.

Railroad Accidents—Legislature Adjourned.

SALT LAKE, February 21st.—This evening, as a freight train on the Utah Central was leaving for Ogden, the engine was ditched, and a brakeman named John Fife was caught between the engine and tender and dangerously injured.

This morning, as a construction train on the Utah Southern was crossing the Sevre river bridge, the caboose and one car jumped the track, carrying with them three men named Carrington, Foster and Anderson. They all sustained great injury, but will recover.

After an all night's session the polygamous Legislature of Utah adjourned to-day. The Governor vetoed their bills by wholesale. Among the number was the bill permitting women to hold office.

OREGON.

Weather—Plea of Guilty—Officers Elected—Child Scalded—Case Dismissed—Fireman's Funeral.

PORTLAND, February 22d.—The weather is clear and delightful.

Jack Williams entered a plea of guilty in the State Circuit Court of the crime of highway robbery, and was sentenced to the Penitentiary for eight years.

At a meeting held of the stockholders of the Oregon Railway Company, limited, the following officers were elected: President, William Reid; Vice-President, Donald MacLeay; Secretary, J. C. Todd; Chief Engineer, P. G. Eastwick; Attorney, Ellis G. Hughes.

A little son of William Smith, of East Portland, fell into a pan of hot water yesterday, and was terribly scalded. His recovery is deemed doubtful.

It having been shown to the satisfaction of the District Attorney and Police Judge that the charges of adultery preferred against Sheriff I. C. Dickey, of Linn county, by J. Goforth, was for the purpose of levying blackmail, and had no foundation in fact, the defendant has been discharged and the case dismissed. Goforth has kept himself secreted for two days, but the authorities are searching for him.

The funeral of the late William O. Bruen took place to-day, under the auspices of the Fire Department. Six of the ex-Chief Engineers acted as pall-bearers. The procession was one of the largest ever seen in the city, the entire Fire Department turning out.

WASHINGTON TERRITORY.

Port Townsend Items.

PORT TOWNSEND, February 21st.—The revenue cutter Wolcott observed Washington's birthday to-day by firing a National salute at noon and at sunset.

The District Court will convene here on Monday. There are but few criminal cases, and the Court docket is unimportant.

Skagit Mines.

SEATTLE, February 22d.—Work on the proposed trail to the Skagit mines will be commenced immediately, the route adopted being only about eighteen miles from the head of canoe or batteaux navigation into the diggings, while steamers will run up to within eight miles of the latter point. A party who left here recently for the mines packed an average of ninety pounds each to the man over the present foot trail.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Steamer Sunk—Relief for the Irish—Cold Weather—Awaiting Transportation.

VICTORIA, February 22d.—The steamer Gem is reported sunk in Frazer river, cut through by the