THE DAILY RECORD-UNION.

MONDAY.....JUNE 26, 1882

ADVERTISEMENT MENTION.

One Moment—Bristol's Pills and Sarsaparilla.
Sacramento Council R. and S. M.—This evening.
Chautauqua Literary Circle—At M. T. Brewer's this evening.
Order of Iron Hall—To-night.
Card of Thanks—From Sacramento Turn-Verein.
Lost or Stolen—A bill book.
Wanted—A good home for a stout boy.
Lost—A red Irish setter.
The raffle for the cone table.
Ancient Order of Foresters.
Situation Wanted—By a Scotch girl.
Sarsfield Guard—Will assemble this evening.
First Regiment Armory—Committee meet to-night.
Capital Council I. O. C. F.—To-night.
P. H. Russell—First-class fish, etc.
Fantastic Prize List.

Business Advertisements.

Mechanics' Store—The busy week.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

CAPITAL CHIPS.

Yesterday was cool and pleasant.

Measles are quite plentiful at Folsom.

Diphtheria and sore throat are quite prevalent in the city.

The pay-car will arrive in this city and pay off the hands to-day.

The Sacramento river is rapidly falling. At noon yesterday it stood at the 15-foot 6 inch mark.

The Fourth of July Finance Committee meet at the office of W. R. Hamilton at 8 A. M. to-morrow.

On the nominating ballot Stoneman received nine of the thirteen votes from Sacramento county.

Salmon fishers have given up their vocation for this year. Their catch for the season has been very light.

Company B, of the First Artillery Regiment, will fire the national salute on the Fourth of July.

The final meeting of the Fourth of July Committees will be held at the Court-house to-morrow evening.

Mrs. L. Philipps found a purse on Saturday containing money. The owner can have the same by proving property.

Judge Denson, in Department Two of the Superior Court Saturday, denied a decree of divorce to Mrs. Catherine Hasselbach.

McCarthy Bros. & Co., of San Francisco, have filed with the Secretary of State their claim to the trade-mark "Palace," for baking-powder.

The steamer Varuna, in passing through the draw of the railroad bridge yesterday, collided with one of the piers and slightly injured her upper deck.

Notices of appeal to the Supreme Court have been filed in the cases of Hurtado and Raten by their attorneys. Their cases cannot be heard before the September term.

One of the thoroughbred fillies lately imported from the East by J. B. Haggin died on the Norris grant Friday last. She was a very valuable animal, sired by imported Bullion.

Judge Henry says the boys must not and shall not use the sling-shot. This is right; and it is to be hoped that they will not only stop the use of, but the sale of such dangerous playthings.

Peter Dummer, while in a state of intoxication Saturday night, fell on Third street and sustained a fracture of the shoulder. He has been sent to the County Hospital and properly cared for. Another temperance lecture.

C. H. Lewis, held to answer for burglary, was taken before Judge Clarke Saturday upon a writ of habeas corpus, and an attempt made to procure his release upon the ground of insufficiency of the evidence. The request was denied, and the defendant remanded to the custody of the Sheriff.

John T. Cardwell, the proprietor of the steamer Daisy, the only steamboat that ever navigated the American as far as the city of Folsom, has sued the American River Bridge Company for $25,000 damages. The bridge company failed to put a draw in their bridge as requested by Mr. Cardwell, hence the suit.

SERIOUSLY HURT.—While riding on horseback late Friday evening James Faris, a lad about 13 years of age, met with quite a severe accident, which came near proving fatal in its results. It appears that he was riding on horseback and had reached the corner of H and Twelfth streets, on his way to the barn, which was on the alley back of the family residence, when the horse slipped on the crossing (which had received a deluge from the cart of the street sprinkler, as is usually the case,) and threw the lad over his head to the ground. The boy struck the right side of his face and head. He was immediately picked up and carried into the brewery, and in a few moments his father, who was on his way home, arrived and carried him home, and a physician was summoned, when it was ascertained that the poor little fellow had sustained a severe concussion of the brain. He remained unconscious until midnight, when he took a turn for the better and consciousness returned. He was somewhat better yesterday and the attending physicians say that he will come out all right.

DISGRACEFUL.—About 10 o'clock last evening, a young man, accompanied by a police officer, went down the Riverside road to what is called the Half-way House. There they found a young woman, a sister to the young man, engaged in dancing with a lot of first-class hoodlums. The party when they saw the officer dispersed, and it was with difficulty that the girl was captured after a sharp chase on the levee. She was placed in the hack, brought to the city, and lodged in the city prison by her brother. She is only 17 years of age, but prefers to live a life of shame and degradation and bring disgrace upon her family. It was a sad sight to see this young woman, bright and intelligent looking, turned over by her brother to the keeper of the city jail to be locked up in a prison cell. She is one among many in Sacramento of her sex and about her age that are traveling this same down road to ruin.

MERCHANDISE REPORT.—The following freight passed Ogden for Sacramento on the 21st: Adams, McNeill & Co., 80 boxes sauce; Weinstock & Lubin, 2 cases boots and shoes; George D. Allmond, 1 box bottles; Huntington, Hopkins & Co., 20 bundles wood bows, 4 bundles hoes, 3 boxes hardware, 1 box locks; Scott & Muir, 3 casks lamp shades; J. R. Watson, 1 box lamp chimneys; Scofield & Tevis, 30 barrels lamphlack; Hall, Lubrs & Co., 5 pails tobacco; N. W. Robbins, 1 bale leather; E. C. Parsons & Co., 1 box cabinet, 1 box scissors; A. Dennery & Co., 1 case cutlery, 1 cask plated ware; A. Meister, 1 bale leather; H. Eckhardt, 4 cases fire arms, 1 case cartridges, 3 cases shells.

ARMORY HALL ASSOCIATION.—Articles of incorporation have been filed with the Secretary of State of the Armory Association of Sacramento. The purposes for which the corporation is formed are to establish and maintain a military armory; to buy, sell, rent, lease, hypothecate, improve and otherwise dispose of real, personal and mixed estate. Directors—T. W. Sheehan, J. P. Dalton, M. J. Burke, John Cooke, P. J. Harney, James I. Felter and George L. Johnson. The capital stock is $20,000, divided into 20,000 shares.

COMMERCIAL.—Arrived since last report: Steamer Varuna, from upper Sacramento, with barge-load of wood and grain in transit; steamer San Joaquin, No. 3, from San Francisco, with general merchandise and barge of merchandise for Sacramento; steamer Pioneer, light; steamer C. M. Small, en route for Marysville. Departed: Steamer Varuna, with barge of merchandise for upper Sacramento; steamer Pioneer, with a barge of sugar-pine lumber for California Door Factory at San Quentin.

OFFICERS ELECTED.—Red Cloud Tribe, No. 41, Imp. O. R. M., last evening elected officers for the ensuing term, as follows: Sachem, G. F. Bronner; Senior Sagamore, T. P. Smith; Junior Sagamore, William Goddard; Chief of Records, Thomas J. Eames; Financial Chief, J. A. Patton; Keeper of Wampum, J. S. Watson; Trustees—E. C. Hopkins, Con. Sullivan and J. O. Hector; Delegates to Great Council—E. C. Hopkins, W. Lidig, H. L. McKee, B. F. Johnson and J. A. Patton.

A MARK OF RESPECT.—On Saturday afternoon about seventy employes of the Central Pacific Railroad car shop met at Grand Army Hall and proceeded to Seventh and Q streets to attend the funeral of their deceased fellow-workman, Joseph S. Bowers. It was very pleasing to notice that so many of them were ready to perform the last tribute of respect to one of their number. Three of the employes acted as pall-bearers with three members of the church to which deceased belonged.

LAND LEAGUE MEETING.—There was a very large meeting of the Land League at Grand Army Hall last evening. J. P. Dalton occupied the chair. After the transaction of the regular business Mr. George Hodson was introduced, and addressed the League, being listened to with close attention and loudly applauded at the close. Miss Vivian Kay followed with solos, and Mr. Robinson with songs. Recitations were also given by Mr. Abe Wilson.

THE TAN GAME.—The Police Court was engaged Saturday in investigating the tan game cases. The Chinamen arrested for violation of the ordinance against gaming employed C. T. Jones to defend them. It is understood that if there is a conviction, the cases will be appealed for the purpose of testing the validity of the ordinance. Judge Henry has taken the cases under advisement, and the defendants were released on their own recognizance.

TO-DAY begins the slaughter of men's and boys' clothing at Hale's. Men's all-wool suits, $8 50.

AT THE CHURCHES.

In Calvary Baptist Church last evening the ordinance of baptism was administered. At the Young Men's Christian Association rooms a gospel meeting was held at 4 P. M., and there was street preaching at 5 P. M. Rev. Carroll M. Davis officiated at the Riverside School-house at 3 P. M. Otherwise the regular services in all the churches were held as usual.

At the First Baptist Church, Rev. Dr. Frost, pastor, the evening service consisted of a Bible reading, with "Lessons in the Life of Jonah" as the subject-matter. A brief sketch of the main points is presented: The book of Jonah was taken up and read, and the comments ran with the reading. The reading was first of the word of the Lord coming to Jonah commanding him to go to Nineveh and "cry against it" because of its wickedness. Jonah, however, "rose up to flee unto Tarshish from the presence of the Lord, and went down to Joppa; and he found a ship going to Tarshish," and in that he went from the presence of the Lord. This act is typical of men of this day who flee from the face of duty. "But the Lord sent out a great wind unto the sea, and there was a mighty tempest." The Lord sent the wind. For His purposes, to work out His great ends, He sent the wind. Throughout the history of the matter the Lord was manifest in it, and in it His wisdom was seen. "The mariners were afraid, and cried every man unto his God." Jonah was asked to call upon his God, and then the mariners cast their lots to know "for whence came this evil that is upon us," and the lot fell upon Jonah. Then Jonah confessed that he was a Hebrew and that he "feared the Lord, the God of heaven, which hath made the sea and the dry land." At his own request Jonah was cast into the sea that it might be calm. Commenting upon these events and drawing lessons therefrom the speaker came to the seventeenth verse: "Now the Lord had prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights." What laughter and sneers this record has evoked. This was in the waters of the Mediterranean sea, and authorities are numerous that in these waters have dwelt sea monsters, a species of the white shark, sufficiently large to swallow a human being. In the stomachs of some have been found as large an object as a horse even. But Jonah by God's power lived three days in the whale. God prepared the monster, we are told. Throughout God was manifest constantly. How analagous was the dwelling of the prophet in the monster with the great event in the life of our Savior. He declared that He should descend into the earth and be there three days. As the billows were over Jonah, so he was buried in the depths of the sea, so Christ was in the bowels of the earth, the heart of the earth, and He went into the place of departed spirits. "Then Jonah prayed unto the Lord his God out of the fish's belly." Now this was a wonderful prayer, a remarkable petition. He said, "I cried by reason of mine affliction unto the Lord and He heard me." The Lord heard him; his prayer reached the God he had offended. "And the Lord spake unto the fish and it vomited out Jonah upon the dry land." Then God commanded him to go to Nineveh "and preach unto it the preaching that I bid thee." Preach the preaching bidden. Oh, how difficult to preach as God bids; how easy to preach as men would have us, to suit men; but it requires moral courage to preach God's word. Spurgeon, the great preacher, told the young men of his congregation he was not afraid to speak God's truth; he had not in all those years seen the man or the occasion before which he feared to utter God's word as given him. He was uninfluenced by flattery or fear, by appeals or applause. For himself the speaker liked to hear men speak out their honest convictions, and although they might not be agreeable to him, he admired the courage that gives expression to honest conviction. Sometimes great trials are needed to bring men to the performance of duty—just as in the case of Jonah. So Jonah went unto Nineveh, an exceeding great city, and cried and said, "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown." We do not know that he preached anything else; it was a powerful sermon; oh, what a persuasive one. Here was one man in a heathen city, a city of idolaters, a city of a half million souls, perhaps more; yet by one sentence he produced a marvelous effect, and the King and the people were on their faces before the Almighty. God gave the power to the word Jonah uttered. Perhaps, too, the Ninevites had heard of Jonah's remarkable trial—his wonderful preservation for three days in the whale's belly. That Jonah was swallowed by the monster was to them no miracle—the miracle was in his preservation. He was to them as one raised from the dead. He came to them with the credentials and authority of God, and his miraculous preservation was to them evidence thereof. He came from the midst of the sea and all its storms and waves, and with the awfulness of the Almighty overshadowing him, and it is no wonder the people went to their knees. They put on sackcloth and ashes. "So the people of Nineveh believed God, and proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them even to the least." And word came to the King and he laid off his robe and put on sackcloth and sat on ashes (Chapter iii., 16). He sent out a proclamation: "Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste anything; let them not feed nor drink water. But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth," etc. Even the beasts it would seem were forced to wear the insignia of contrition and humility. "Yea, let them turn everyone from his evil way, and from the violence that is in their hands. Who can tell if God will turn and repent, and turn away from his fierce anger, that we perish not? God did repent we are told. Now this is apparently a singular sentence—that God, the same yesterday, to-day and to-morrow, should repent him of his intention. But it was not a repentance in the sense of sorrow, but a withholding of his judgment. He had threatened the Ninevites for their evil ways with punishment, but when they repented and were contrite, in mercy He withheld his arm and suspended his judgment, and thus made manifest again that He is the same yesterday, to-day and to-morrow. To us under violations of his law He is still the God of mercy, and will suspend his judgment if we repent and turn to Him. But Jonah was displeased that his prophecy was not fulfilled, and we are told that he was very angry, or, as it is in the original, "hot." He prayed to the Lord: "Was not this my saying when I was yet in my country. Therefore I fled before thee unto Tarshish; for I know that thou art a gracious God, and merciful, slow to anger." Oh what a comfort we take, when we cannot have things our own way, in crying out, "I told you so." This was the case with Jonah in his chagrin. "Then said the Lord: Doest thou well to be angry?" Thus rebuked Jonah, who couldn't bear defeat, who had small care for those whom he had been taught to regard as heathens, went outside the city, probably to wait the forty days, and made a booth and sat down under it. And then the Lord "prepared a gourd and made it come up over Jonah, that it might be a shadow over his head, to deliver him from his grief. So Jonah was exceeding glad of the gourd." He was glad, not grateful. A thief may be glad of the success of villany, but not grateful. A great many fail to consider the difference between gladness and gratefulness. But God prepared a worm. God still manifest through all; He prepared a great wind, and the sea monster, and the gourd and now a worm. This gourd was a species of palm of rapid growth, known to the climate, easily harmed and easily destroyed. And the worm smote the gourd and it withered. Then God "prepared a vehement east wind; and the sun beat upon the head of Jonah that he fainted, and wished in himself to die, and said, it is better for me to die than to live." Jonah's troubles multiplied, just as they always do when we flee from duty. "And God said to Jonah, doest thou well to be angry for the gourd? And he said, I do well to be angry, even unto death." Jonah was still rebellious. "Then said the Lord: thou hast had pity on the gourd, for or which thou hast not labored, neither madest it grow; which came up in a night and perished in a night; and should I not spare Nineveh, that great city, wherein are more than six score thousand persons that cannot discern between their right hand and their left hand?" So this chapter, closing the book of Jonah, teaches us of the goodness and long-suffering mercy and forgiveness of God. Teaches us to do our duty without fear, trusting Him, to do His bidding. It teaches us that if man will but repent and turn to God, though long a sinner and an offender against Him, God will repent Him of His anger and extend the loving hand of mercy. Let us not run from God, nor flee from duty; let us do his bidding, fearing no face of clay, not doubting His word; preach the word He gives us to preach, and without fear, resting always and implicitly upon His promises.

CITY FINANCES.—The follow amounts were paid into the city treasury for the week ending Saturday, June 24, 1882: R. D. Scriver, water rates, $1,565 75; S. R. Caldwell, Cemetery dues, $16; W. A. Henry, Police Court fines, $9; N. A. Kidder, harbor dues, $11 20; George A. Putnam, city licenses, $115 68. Total, $1,717 63.

LATE ARRESTS.—The following appeared on the slate at the station-house at 12 o'clock last night: Ah Sing and Ah Chee, for violating the ordinance concerning the obstructing of sidewalks, by officer Frazee; Ching Gar, an insane, by officer Eldred; F. Brooks, by officer Ferral, for petty larceny.

FOR THE FOURTH OF JULY!—Red, white and blue ribbon, from one to three inches wide, at the Red House.

EXTRA SESSION TO-NIGHT!—Our establishment will remain open until 9:30 o'clock. Hale Bros. & Co.

TO ACCOMMODATE their patrons, Hale Bros' establishment will remain open until 9:30 o'clock to-night.

HOSIERY! HOSIERY!—Three hundred and fifty dozen just in from New York, at Hale's. New styles.

TRIMMING SILKS, in all shades; satin, in all shades, in striped and plain, at the Red House.

RIBBONS of all shades, laces, etc., just received from New York for the Red House.

The great sale of dry goods this week at the Red House.

AN OPEN LETTER

In Reply to One "On the Use of Sunday as a Gala Day"

To Messrs. Dwinell, Rice, Dunn, Anderson, Grace, Hanson, Frost, Croco, Becker, Henry, Slater, Deal, Axthelm, Davis and Crossman:

We, the officers and members of the Sacramento Turn Verein, desire to vindicate ourselves and our countrymen from the aspersions which you have directed against us in your open letter "To those who use Sunday as a gala day," and at the same time to enter our protest against the positions you take in that document. Lest, however, any one should misunderstand our own attitude, we will premise that we fully concede the right of the church-going element in the community to pursue its observance of Sunday without interruption or molestation, and we admit that the playing of bands by processions while passing churches during the time of service is not warrantable. If, however, anything of this kind happened during the recent Turn Bezirk celebration, it was the result of a mistake, for, in accordance with our principles, orders had been given for the band to cease playing whenever a church was approached, and the only instance in which this order was infringed is explainable by the circumstance that the hour was so early as to induce the belief that services had not yet begun. So much by way of preface, since we do not wish our fellow-citizens to think that we have any disposition to invade the rights of others, our object being solely and simply to stand up for that freedom of action and thought which is guaranteed to us by the Constitution of the United States.

In your "open letter," gentlemen, you do not rest content with affirming your right to be free from interruption in your observance of the Sunday. Had you confined yourselves to that position we should have had no cause of quarrel with you. But you proceed to assert that our use of Sunday tends to immorality and disorder and lawlessness, while you yourselves are exhibited as the chief guardians and champions of public morals, and as the very pillars of the commonwealth. We are therefore obliged to traverse your averments, and this we do by denying emphatically your injurious implications, and by refusing to accept your representations as to the relations you hold to the community. We say that the Turn-Verein is a thoroughly moral and wholesome institution, and that its effects are salutary and beneficent. You have said that during the celebration the other day much intoxication was observed by citizens among young men. To this we reply that if young men were intoxicated on the occasion referred to, they were assuredly not German young men. They were probably the sons of church-going parents, and for the conduct of them we could not be held responsible, since their "moral training" is and has been in your hands.

We know that "comparisons are odious," but since you have introduced them we are in a measure compelled to employ them also. We are not afraid to challenge a comparison between the moral lives and conduct of our members and any equal number of church members in the community, and we will leave to you the selection of your own champions. We think this is both fair and practical, for of courses if our practices are demoralizing they must have demoralized us, and if they have done so it must be perfectly easy to demonstrate the moral superiority of church discipline and training. Considering the arrogance and self-sufficiency of your attitude, however, we have been much surprised to find that according to your own admission you have no influence upon your flocks on any other day than Sunday. For you say that our "practices" draw off many, especially the young, "from all the influences calculated to make good and safe citizens *on the only day of the week when they can be brought to act on them.*" Now to us this seems equivalent to a confession that your whole system is a mistake, for we find it impossible to believe that any efficient moral training can be effected by applying it only one day in seven. The Turners act upon totally different principles. They hold that all education must be continuous and persistent. They do not believe in a religion which is put on and taken off like a garment. They teach their children every day and all day. They teach them to be as moral, as pure, as truthful, as honest, as high-minded, on Monday as on Sunday. They do not teach them to be hypocrites one day and rogues the other six.

The Turners believe in and practice freedom, both of thought and action. You believe in repressing free thought. You fear inquiry. We court it. You think that the roots of morality lie in asceticism. We hold that God made man to enjoy all the beauties of Nature, all the pleasures of sense and sentiment, all the delights which He has interwoven in existence. We are not irreligious, but we are reverent of realities, and haters of all shams. We are the countrymen of Luther, whose piercing gaze penetrated the core of mediæval Catholicism, and whose uncompromising enmity to falsehood and corruption produced the Reformation. To that great man you yourselves owe the liberty of conscience you might enjoy. But while you have departed from the spirit of the Reformation, and have become as narrow and intolerant as the Papacy itself, we have been reared to venerate above all things the liberty of thought and the honesty of inquiry which Luther stood for, and so holding and believing we have, we venture to say, shown forth in our walk and conduct a sobriety, a fidelity, and a loyalty to all good things and pure doctrines, such as becomes men who understand their responsibilities, and love their adopted country, and who are resolved that their behavior as American citizens shall not dishonor their Fatherland.

And we need not shrink from asserting that the German-born citizens of the republic yield to none in their respect for the laws, in their observance of all moral precepts; in their commercial integrity; in their attention to parental responsibilities; in all the relations of life. We pride ourselves that but very few Germans have recruited the swarming ranks of forgers, thieves, public defaulters, political demagogues, canting hypocrites, star route and whisky-ring and Indian ring robbers, whose *laches* have from time to time filled the columns of the press. It is not not often the children of German parents swell the army of hoodlums which threatens the future of this community. The most shameless practitioners of vice to-day are the results, gentlemen, of your moral training; they are scathing commentaries upon the efficiency of that culture of shams which you seem to think the only means of saving society from ruin.

Your plaint against us however recalls an incident related in the New Testament. A certain man named Demetrius, a silversmith, who made silver shrines of Diana," became alarmed at the subversive teachings of Paul, and so he called the members of his craft together, and showed them that this new preacher was putting their trade in jeopardy; for said Demetrius, "not only is there danger that this our trade come into disrepute, but also that the temple of the great Goddess Diana be made no account, and that she should even be deposed from her magnificence, whom all Asia and the world worshippeth." It seems to us that you, like Demetrius, are alarmed lest your trade "come into disrepute," through the natural and healthy growth of the popular taste for that liberal and cheerful religion which we practise and hold to, and which appeals so much more strongly to sound minds than does the dark and gloomy and fantastic and incomprehensible artificial system which you represent. And though we are inclined to suspect that this real feeling toward us resembles that of Giant Pope, in the "Pilgrim's Progress," who was heard to mutter as Christian and his companion passed, "You'll never mend till more of ye be burned" we are not afraid that you will ever have the opportunity to recur to the elemental tendencies of your cruel creeds, for we believe that while the starry flag floats over this land the principles of Freedom and Tolerance will guide and control the destinies of all the citizens of the republic. Finally, we demand nothing which we do not concede. We are content to be judged by the apparent and tangible results of our moral system. And we suggest that before you again venture an assault such as your "open letter" embodied, you will do well to marshal your facts and your reasonings better. Wishing you more of Hillel's Charity and love of Truth which are talked of so much in your sacred books, but apparently respected so little in your communications, we remain, gentlemen, yours for the vindication of the right. Very respectfully. By order of the Sacramento Turn-Verein.

J. J. TRABRICH, President.
CARL STROBEL, Secretary.

Sacramento, June 25, 1882.

YE HING.—Ye Hing, or Chinese Good-day, will be celebrated by the Chinese of this city to-day and to-morrow. This is said to be a sort of Chinese Masonic anniversary, and is generally celebrated by the best class of Chinamen. It is said that the great dragon will make his hideous appearance and engage in a vigorous contest with his adversaries and endeavor to be "boss of the road," but whether he will succeed or not remains to be seen.

CHANGE IN MAIL TIME.—On and after July 1st the time on the mail route between Drytown and Jackson will be changed. The stage will then leave Drytown at 4 P. M. daily; arrive in Jackson at 6:30 P. M.; leave Jackson at 7 P. M., and reach Drytown at 9:30 the same evening. Drytown will be the terminus. From there another contract will carry the mail to Latrobe, Shingle Springs and intermediate places.

OFFICERS ELECTED.—At a regular meeting of Valley Council, No. 60, Independent Order of Chosen Friends, held Saturday evening, the following officers were chosen to serve for the ensuing term: Chief Councilor, C. T. Jones; Vice Councilor, Wm. J. Davis; Secretary R. T. Devlin; Financier, C. M. Prodger; Treasurer, Charles Luhrs; Marshal, W. H. Sherburn; Warden, Edwin F. Smith.

BEWARE of imitations in Rock and Rye. Trade-mark filed in this State and Nevada. Geo. W. Chesley, sole agent.

Now is the time to buy clothing. Great reduction in prices at Hale's.

SWEEPING REDUCTIONS in men's and boys' clothing at Hale's.

DOWN to $9, on men's blue flannel suits, at Hale's.

PACIFIC SLOPE.

Wife Murder and Attempted Suicide at Chico—Races at Salt Lake—Man Swept to Death Through a Tunnel—Bloody Affray Between Mexicans—Disastrous Fire at Portland—Homicides in Napa and San Diego Counties—An Old Lady Found Dead—Etc.

[DISPATCHES OF SATURDAY AND SUNDAY.]

CALIFORNIA.

Wife Murder and Attempted Suicide.

CHICO, June 24th.—A most fiendish and brutal murder was perpetrated here about 9 o'clock to-night. Herr Smidt and wife came here from Stockton about four weeks ago, and opened a saloon on Main street, called the "Opera." Family quarrels have been numerous, and last week Mrs. Smidt moved into the rear of the saloon, as she says, to guard her property, as she was about to sell her property, including a valuable piano. That night, as he was shamefully beating one of the small children, she interfered, when he turned on her and brutally assaulted her, when she ran into the street screaming, when the City Marshal appeared and took him into custody. She then began proceedings to obtain a divorce, and he aggreeing to allow her to have it, she refused to prosecute him if he would leave her, which he agreed to do. He was released, agreeing to leave town. He has not been seen around until to-night about 9 o'clock, when he entered the saloon, which she was still running, with a pistol in his hand, and began to shoot at his wife, who was sitting with her back to him. The first shot took effect in the back below the shoulders, and the other entering her neck below and to the left of the left ear, coming out in her forehead, causing death instantly. The murderer then ran and was not overtaken until he got several blocks from the scene of the murder, where he was captured by officer Carl Goodrich. Upon taking Smidt to the jail it was discovered that he had taken poison. A doctor was called and with the aid of a stomach pump revived him. The wife leaves four small children, the oldest 7 years and the youngest about 7 months. Mrs. Smidt was the widow of Professor De Eds, of Stockton, who was the father of all the children, she and Smidt having been married but a short time.

A Mining Superintendent Swept to Death Through a Tunnel.

NEVADA, June 24th.—At Blue Tent, this forenoon, G. S. Powers, Superintendent of the Blue Tent Mining Company, together with J. D. Penders and a man named Wiseman, were engaged in clearing what is known as the Old Tunnel. The water had been turned off at the junction, and was running through the new tunnel. While the men were at work the pipe burst at the junction, and the entire volume of 2,400 inches swept down toward the tunnel. Penders heard the roaring sound of the advancing flood, and giving the alarm to the others, he clambered to a place of safety, but before Powers and Wiseman could get out of the tributary the flood was upon them. Wiseman succeeded in holding on to the flume and dragged himself out, but Powers was swept away by the rush of water and carried through the tunnel, over the dumps, and into the Yuba river, where he was found this afternoon, near Edwards' Bridge. Deceased was one of the prominent men of Nevada county, a leading member of the Masonic fraternity. He was a native of Maine, aged about 48 years, and leaves a wife and family in the East.

The flume is over 1,200 feet long. Before reaching the South Uba there are in it four "dumps" or abrupt drops of from twenty feet to seventy-five. There were 2,400 inches of water running in the flume yesterday.

GEO. S. Powers is one of the best known gravel miners in the country, having been engaged here in that occupation for many years. He formerly operated in Yuba county, coming here three years ago to take charge of the Blue Tent mine. His wife and five children are now in Maine, where they have been for several months. He was at the time of his death Eminent Commander of Nevada Commandery, No. 6, Knights Templar. Being a progressive and energetic man, he was much respected by all who knew him, and his terrible fate is generally mourned.

A Man Missing.

STOCKTON, June 24th.—William Devoll, a large merchant of this city, has been missing since Thursday night. It is feared that he has met with foul play. He had considerable money in his possession when last seen.

BODY OF THE MISSING MAN FOUND.

STOCKTON, June 25th.—On Thursday night last William Devoll, a well-known citizen of this place, disappeared mysteriously. Not much anxiety was felt until yesterday, when it was ascertained that he was last seen at the tannery near McCloud's lake. This morning several persons commenced dragging the lake near the shore, and he was found at half-past 9 o'clock floating face up twenty feet from the shore, opposite Judge Creanor's place. His face could just be seen above the water, badly discolored. Coroner Robinson held an inquest this afternoon, and made a careful examination of the body; but no marks of violence were to be found. It transpired at the inquest that Devoll had been drinking, and had taken a companion home about 2 o'clock Friday morning. The jury decided that he came to his death from accidental drowning. The deceased was very well liked here, and leaves two brothers in this city and a father residing in Santa Cruz.

Investigation Concluded.

NEVADA, June 24th.—The County Board of Education to-day heard the concluding testimony in the case of the applicants for teachers' certificates, who are charged with unprofessional conduct. The judgment is withheld for the present.

The Death of an Old Resident.

OROVILLE, June 24th.—Frank Wagner, an old resident of Butte county, died suddenly yesterday at his home at Mount Spring House. Some Chinamen camped near the place in the evening, and Mr. Wagner deemed it advisable to sleep in his store that night. In the morning he was found by his wife in a dying condition. He expired a few hours later. He was in good health the day previous. He will be buried to-morrow by the Masonic Order, of which he was a member.

An Old Quarrel Revived.

NAPA, June 24th.—This afternoon M. L. Stillwagon shot Dolores Garcia. One shot took effect in the elbow and one in the side. Garcia is still alive, but the physicians pronounce the wound as fatal. Stillwagon claims that the deed was done in self-defense. There has been ill feeling between the parties for some time past. Garcia is the man who, about three months ago, shot Stillwagon in the cheek, from which he recovered. At that time Garcia was arrested, and was afterward turned loose without any examination. Stillwagon is now in custody.

DIED OF HIS WOUNDS.

NAPA, June 25th.—Dolores Garcia, who was yesterday shot by M. L. Stillwagon, died to-day from the effect of his wounds. A Coroner's jury will convene to-morrow.

Found Dead in Bed.

PETALUMA, June 24th.—Mrs. Julia Smith, a widow residing alone, aged about 70, was found dead in her bed yesterday. It is supposed she died of heart disease last Wednesday night.

Military Picnic.

PETALUMA, June 25th.—A picnic under the auspices of the Independent Rifles of San Francisco took place here to-day at Robeson Gardens. The steamer City of Stockton was chartered for the occasion, and a special train arrived at 1 P. M. with between 400 and 500 excursionists from San Francisco. Headed by the band, the party marched to the gardens, where target practice, dancing and other sports wiled the hours until 6 P. M., when the excursionists returned by special train to San Francisco.

Affray Among Mexicans.

LOS ANGELES, June 24th.—The Mexicans on the outskirts of the city celebrated the Feast of St. John by horse-racing and other sports. This evening they met at about three miles from the city, when a free fight ensued, knives being the principal weapons. Donacuano Moreno was stabbed to the heart, and died instantly, four others being cut. Manuel Mirando, the murderer, and other prominent participants, were arrested.

A Homicide in San Diego County.

SAN DIEGO, June 24th.—John Ivey was shot and instantly killed at Julian City, J. Bush yesterday. Bush was brought into town, and is now in jail here.

NEVADA.

Senator Fair and the Comstock.

RENO, June 25th.—United States Senator James G. Fair passed Reno to-night en route to San Francisco. He told a *Gazette* reporter that he would remain in the city a few days and then pay a visit to the Comstock. In speaking of the depression in business on the Comstock, the Senator said that it was to have been expected, and, says he, "how can it be helped? Why I have a house in Virginia that cost me $150,000, and I don't think I could sell it for $150." The Senator said, however, that he expected better times on the grand old lode soon. He seems to have enjoyed his Senatorial duties and never looked better than now. He says Senator Jones is as busy as a sheep in a tar barrel, and is doing good work for the people of the Pacific coast. He also paid Congressman Cassidy a high compliment for the able manner in which he had performed his Congressional duties. The sharps on Pine street can look out for a boom in the market.

UTAH.

Spring Races of the Jockey Club.

SALT LAKE, June 24th.—The attendance at the spring races of the Utah Jockey Club was quite large to-day. The first race, running one mile, was won by Maria F. in 1:49¾, Mary S. second, Narrow Gauge third. The second race, a mile and a half, Longstride won in 2:47, Chantilla second, Duke of Monday third, Grindstone fourth. The third race, half-mile running, Euchre won in :52¼, Ben Anderson second. The fourth race, trotting half a mile, Teaser won in 2:31¼, Ewing second.

OREGON.

Advices from Portland.

PORTLAND, June 24th.—A fire broke out this afternoon in the spice works of J. F. Jones & Son, Front street, near Salmon, and destroyed the mill, together with the Pacific Dock and contents. The losses were as follows: M. O. Lownsdale, William Ladd, John Catlin and Charles Holman, owners of the dock, $15,000, all insured except Holman, who had one-fifth interest; Sibson, Church & Co., on wool, wheat and grain bags, $24,100, fully insured; Frank Brothers, agricultural implements, $25,000, nearly covered by insurance; William Gallick, 300 tons of salt, $5,000, insured; A. Bessinger, salt, $5,000, insured; Meier & Frank, salt, $1,700, insured; Everding & Farrell, feed, $800, no insurance; Z. J. Hatch, lessee of dock, $3,000, insurance $1,000; J. F. Jones & Sons, spice mills, $16,000, insurance $8,000; A. Hamilton, owner Hotel Zur Rheinpfalz, $2,000, insured; Anton Block, lessee of hotel, $1,500, insured; S. Kafka, junk dealer, $500, no insurance. Total loss $98,000.

In the State Circuit Court Jack Powers to-day was sentenced to be hanged between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M. of the 11th of next August. It is presumed that he will be pardoned, as extensive petitions in his behalf are being signed through the Willamette valley.

McFarland's sawmill, in Klikitat county, W. T., was burned on the 21st by an incendiary. There was no insurance.

Five hundred Chinese of those who lately landed at Victoria from China came to Portland this evening.

This afternoon the body of the carpenter of the British ship Valparaiso, who was drowned at Columbia dock last March, was found floating not five yards from where he fell overboard.

PORTLAND, June 25th.—A mass meeting of Odd Fellows was held last night, and enough was pledged towards the proposed Orphans' Home to warrant the committee in commencing work on the building this week.

IDAHO.

Town Site Transferred.

HAILEY, June 23d (via Kelton, Utah, June 25th).—The Hailey Town Company have transferred all their interest in the town site to the Idaho and Oregon Improvement Company, and the terminus of the Wood river branch of the Oregon Short Line has been fixed at Hailey. The new owners of the Hailey town site are supposed to be leading officials of the Union Pacific Railroad Company. Speculation in town lots has been brisk the past few days, the sales aggregating over $100,000.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Disaster on the Bay; Two Girls and a Boy Drowned—A Prominent Citizen Drops Dead—Hay-Laden Bark on Fire—The Sand Lot—Fire Alarms—A Fatal Fall—Etc.

[SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE RECORD-UNION.]

Disastrous Pleasure Excursion—Three Persons Drowned.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 25th.—A terrible accident occurred on the bay between Kershaw's Island and Sancelito this afternoon, in which three persons lost their lives. A pleasure party, consisting of the following persons, John McClusky and wife, Andy Sutherland, William Sutherland, Edward Kelsea, the Misses Eva, Ida and Christina Redfield, and their brother George Redfield, started from this city this morning for a sail on the bay. Everything went well, and they were having a good time until the hour mentioned, and as the wind increased in velocity and the waves were running pretty high, they concluded to return. While McClusky, who was in charge, was endeavoring to get the sail over, the rest of the party changed their positions, and in doing so capsized the boat, throwing them all into the water. Ida Redfield, aged 19 years, and Christina Redfield, aged 12, disappeared at once. George Redfield, aged 12, after struggling for some time became exhausted, and sank out of sight. The rest of the party were finally rescued by a passing fisherman. The bodies of the drowned have not been recovered.

[SECOND DISPATCH.]

SAN FRANCISCO, June 25th.—The bodies of the two unfortunate daughters and son of Mr. Redfield, who were drowned to-day near San Rafael, have not been recovered yet. Fishermen are of the opinion that the bodies will wash ashore in a few days.

Sudden Death of a Prominent Citizen.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 25th.—Captain C. P. Blethern, who is well known in this city among mining and estate circles, dropped dead this afternoon near the corner of California and Polk streets. He was in the act of stepping into a car, when suddenly staggering back a few steps he fell and expired instantly. His death is attributed to heart disease. Deceased was aged 50 years. His family has resided here some years. He has been engaged in business in China until about a year ago, when he returned to this city. Deceased at the time of his death possessed a considerable amount of property, and was largely interested in real estate. He was President of the Board of Trustees of the First Baptist Church, and a member of the Merchants' Exchange. He leaves a wife and several children.

Bark on Fire.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 25th.—Early this morning the bark Roswell Sprague left here bound for Port Townsend, with 100 tons of hay on board and other cargo. After passing the Heads some miles the vessel was discovered to be on fire, and immediately turned back for port. She was taken in tow by the steamer Los Angeles, which happened to be coming in. At Black Point the fire tug Governor Irwin came to the rescue, and assisted by other tugs, towed the vessel on to the flats, where she now lies beached. The fire was extinguished after a long fight. The damage to the vessel and cargo cannot be estimated at present, but will probably be heavy. Spontaneous combustion is supposed to have been the cause of the fire.

The Sand-Lot—Fatal Fall—Pure Air Violators—Fire Alarms.