PACIFIC SLOPE.

Homicide in Oregon—Escape from the Contra Costa County Jail—Gray Returning—Cave in a Mine—The Coming Election in Nevada County—California Pacific Railroad Company Sued—Operations of Cattle Thieves—Sudden Death in Sonoma County—Etc.

[SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE RECORD-UNION.]

CALIFORNIA.

Gray Homeward Bound.

TRACY, April 20th.—John S. Gray, the defaulting cashier of the Harbor Commissioners, who left San Francisco March 16th, passed through this place on his return from his exile in Guaymas, Mexico, at 2:35 this afternoon.

Gray Back.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 20th.—John S. Gray, the defaulting Secretary of the Board of Harbor Commissioners, arrived here this evening in charge of Captain Lees and detective Coffey. He was placed in the city prison. J. J. O'Brien, the Assistant Secretary under Gray, was arrested to-night on two charges of embezzlement.

Committed to the Insane Asylum—Feast of the Passover.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 20th.—Ellen Develin, aged 48, a native of Ireland, was committed to the Insane Asylum at Napa to-day. Patrick Lynch, a native of Ireland, was also committed.

The observance of the Feast of the Passover begins at sunset to-morrow evening. Services will be held in all the Synagogues to-morrow evening.

Sudden Death.

PETALUMA, April 20th.—H. M. Atwater, a resident of Tomales, died suddenly at that place Wednesday morning, it is supposed from a stroke of paralysis. Deceased was aged about 60 years, and leaves a wife and daughter. The remains will be brought to this city for embalment, and will be sent East for interment.

Cave in a Hydraulic Mine—Plenty of Water—The Coming Election.

NEVADA, April 20th.—Yesterday a cave occurred in the hydraulic mine owned by Hank Place, at Omega, killing one Chinaman and injuring one or two others. The falling bank came upon them without warning.

The snow-storm of yesterday insures a good supply of water for mining and irrigating purposes the coming summer. At Eureka and Moore's Flat the snow is a foot deep. Three inches fell here.

As the election on the proposition to issue bonds to pay the county debt approaches, public discussion of the subject waxes warm. It is generally believed that the proposal will receive the necessary two-thirds vote, as the principal taxpayers are in favor of it.

Cattle Thieves at Work.

SMARTSVILLE, April 20th.—Two or three cattle thieves drove twelve head of cattle, belonging to James O'Brien, from the Bonanza ranch. They were traced to Roseville, where it was found they had disposed of them to a butcher. The thieves have not been captured, although suspicion points very strongly to two ex-convicts who were here a short time ago.

Suit for Taxes.

NAPA, April 20th.—Suit was begun in the Superior Court to-day against the California Pacific Railroad Company, to recover $9,964 for taxes for the year 1882. The amount now due from the railroad company for taxes for the last three years is between thirty and forty thousand dollars.

Escape of a Condemned Murderer.

MARTINEZ, April 20th.—Dario Jaurez, under sentence of death, and whose execution was set for February 23d and postponed on a stay of execution, escaped from the County Jail last night by the aid of an accomplice. The door of the cell was broken open, and the escape effected through the floor of the District Attorney's office. Men are now in pursuit.

ARIZONA.

Movements of Troops.

WILLCOX, April 20th.—Captain Joyce and the Tombstone Rangers will not attack the San Carlos Indians at present. General Crook will move on Monday at the latest. Quartermaster Carrington arrives on Sunday with 60 days' supplies. Another train is already at Guadalonpe canyon. The Mexican troops are also concentrating there. Gate Woods, with his Indian scouts, will arrive here to-morrow. A terrible sand-storm is prevailing at present.

NEVADA.

Conkling and His Sister.

RENO, April 20th.—George W. Conkling, Jr., and his sister, Mrs. Uhler, arrived here to-night. Mrs. Uhler's mental condition is much improved. They were driven to a hotel in a close carriage immediately after their arrival.

OREGON.

Advices from Portland.

PORTLAND, April 20th.—The *Oregonian's* Roseburg special says: Yesterday evening about dark James A. Beckley killed Henry Levins with a 24-caliber pistol at Elkton, fifteen miles west of Drain, Douglas county, in a quarrel about cattle and a range. It was the result of an old grudge. They were neighbors, but never on good terms. Levins killed a cow of Beckley's. They met at Elkton, and words followed. Beckley says Levins called him a d—d rebel s— of a—b, struck him and had his hand on his pocket. Beckley then shot him. The ball entered an inch above the left eye. He died instantly. Both are old residents. Beckley is 41 years old, and has a wife and two children. Levins is 28 years old, and has a wife, but no children. Beckley came to Roseburg and gave himself up to the Sheriff. There will be an examination to-morrow at 10 o'clock at Elkton.

A Yaquina special says: The schooner Phebe Fay came ashore last night four miles south of Yakima Bay. The crew were gone. The vessel's hold was full of lumber, the mainsail reefed and the small boat on board.

A Eugene City special says: The trial of H. W. Abrams, indicted for murder, has been postponed until May 11th, when a special term of Court will be held.

PASSENGER LISTS.

CARLIN, April 20th.—Passed here today, to arrive in Sacramento to-morrow: Ottokar Hoffmann, E. W. Goggin and wife, Horace Fletcher, E. J. Valentine, San Francisco; D. C. Hindy Hinsdale, wife and three children, Indianapolis, Ind.; Mrs. Robert Hawks, Mrs. E. L. Vandegrift, Nebraska City, Neb.; J. B. Smith, San Jose; G. W. Conkling and sister, Reno, Nev.; J. K. Heller, P. R. Hall, New York; H. G. Merry, Negannse, Mich.; Dr. W. H. Platt and daughter, Rochester, N. Y.; F. L. Olds, Rochester, Minn.; James Astill and wife, Roseville, Cal.; S. M. Salley and wife, Wisconsin; Arnold Dormorlan, St. Louis, Mo., A. B. Leeos, Greenfield, Ind.; James Scharling, Tuscarora, Nev.; W. A. Eberle, Ogden, Utah; Mrs. Harriett Southard, Portland, Or.; T. W. Cosgrove, Cincinnati, O.; 116 emigrant passengers, including 89 males, to arrive in Sacramento April 22d.

NEWHALL, April 20th.—Passed here to-day, to arrive in San Francisco to-morrow: E. H. Ford, Concord, N. H.; Dr. H. H. McIntyre, Boston; Alex. Campbell, Tucson; E. M. Freeman, S. Donnelly, Mrs. Cantwell, Oakland; Mrs. A. P. Copeland and son, Washington, D. C.; A. Tregida, Tombstone; D. W. Brown, Prescott; A. McMillan, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Geo. Flourney, Jr., San Francisco; H. A. Palmer, Oakland; J. R. Sharpstein, Samuel Miller, San Francisco; Miss Laura Sutherland, Oakland; A. W. Kinsman, San Francisco; John Lawrence, Los Angeles; Hugh McCaffery, J. E. Blake, San Francisco; W. H. Sargent, New York; Mrs. F. Manchard, Oakland; R. E. Houghton, San Francisco; Mrs. Jas. Bettner, Riverside; J. M. Adams, Los Angeles; Jamer Pender and wife, San Francisco.

OMAHA, April 20th.—Left here to-day, to arrive in Sacramento April 24th: F. DeLong, G. Lippman, Christy Davis, San Francisco; William B. Dean, St. Paul, Minn.; Isaac Brandt, Des Moines, Iowa; Anna Snyder, San Jose; Miss McIntosh, Sacramento; E. W. Woodward and wife, Miss Marian Woodward, Morrow, Ohio.

Eighty-one through emigrants left on last night's emigrant train, to arrive in Sacramento April 27th.

A century since the Hawaiians were savages and cannibals. Now they use the telephone, have bank defaulters, support gambling establishments, and show other evidences of Christian enlightenment and modern civilization.—[Norristown Herald.

SPORTING NOTES.

At present the chief question among sporting men is, how to load to scatter? Bosh! Gentlemen, learn to shoot like Dr. Carver and you will find no need of scattering your shot all over an acre field to hit one goose in a flock.

A gentleman who has been thinking of buying a hack, having visited a menagerie, comes home radiant with joy: "I'm going to buy one of them zebras," he says; "one of those rifled horses. They must carry much further than the ordinary sort!"

Dr. Carver is giving our American sportsmen a lesson in true marksman and sportsmanship in the adoption of light guns of smaller caliber. One quail brought down in a day by a cool, steady and close aim is a higher standard of the sportsman and marksmanship than fifty birds taken with a young cannon.

The Marquis of Lorne was so taken by the plumed quail of California, during his recent trip to the Pacific coast, that he was seized with a desire to cultivate them at Inverary, his ancestral home. Doubtless the attempt will prove unsatisfactory. It was tried by Lord Southampton nearly half a century ago and failed. The Earl of Stamford succeeded a little better at Enville Hall, Staffordshire, for the birds bred, but their numbers diminished and they finally disappeared. Their tendency to wander is fatal to their propagation in so populous and poacher-haunted a region as Britain.—[The Hour.

An Act to extend the cruelty to animal laws of Great Britain has passed the House of Commons. Should it also pass the upper House it will interfere seriously with sport. Thus the liberation of a stag from a cart, as is done when her Majesty's buckhounds hunt; the coursing of captive hares or rabbits; the training of hawks in falconry, and the shooting of pigeons at the trap, not to speak of setting terriers on rats and cats upon living mice, would all become penal offenses. The keeping of ornamental water-fowl by pinioning, and many scientific observations, would also be put an end to.—[The Hour.

Pierre Lorillard has imported 100 brace of English partridges for shooting purposes on his estate at Johnstown. Mr. Reiche, the dealer in animals, has about 150 brace, twenty-five of which he has sold to the son of John Roach, who will put them on his grounds in Westchester county. Twenty-five brace Mr. Reiche, Jr., will turn loose at Sterling, N. J. In speaking of these birds, Mr. Reiche says: "The English partridge is one of the gamest of its species. It does not run, like the French partridge, but is more like the American woodcock. Lorillard will not allow any of the partridges to be shot on his place for over two years. He proposes to propagate them, and in three or four years he will test the skill of our sportsmen."

Delaware has enacted a law requiring a special license to sell or ship game at any time of the year. Also making it a misdemeanor to hunt or trespass upon any private property without a license from the Delaware Game Protective Association. Farewell to pot-hunting in Delaware, and the roaming of a lot of irresponsible rioters, who knock down fences, let down bars, trample grain down, trespass upon orchardists, shoot tame chickens, and degrade the name of sportsmen. Such a law in California would work a relief to landowners. Farmers, as a rule, do not object to having responsible persons who deport themselves as gentlemen hunt upon their grounds, and if applied to by persons with a license, they would have a guarantee that such would be the case.

The open season for doves begins on the 1st of June—a most inhuman, heartless revision of the law, brought about by a restless greed and disregard for the laws of nature. From the 15th of May to the 15th of July is the principal breeding time for doves. Beginning May the 15th, the first broods are just hatched about the 1st of June. No law could have been enacted which would more effectually effect their extermination than the killing of the parent bird at that time. The farmers have no better friend than the dove to help keep down the weeds by the vast amount of this variety of seeds devoured by them. And it is to their interest to protect the doves as fully as possible. It is to be hoped that every farmer upon whose grounds these birds may abound will post notices prohibiting shooting upon them until August 1st. This is not only human, but also in the interest of every farmer.

The announcement of the international gun trial, to be held in New York in November, at this early day seems to have been governed by good judgment. There are many who object, however, to giving manufacturers time to build guns especially for trial. It is difficult to see any grounds for such objections. If Messrs. Parker or Greener are capable of manufacturing a gun for these trials of superior quality to any either have yet offered for sale, there is no unfairness in giving them the opportunity. There is no obstacle in the way of our sportsmen obtaining a gun of exact standard and superiority of construction and penetration if he so desires. A trial of guns taken from the shelves of dealers does not indicate that the manufacturer cannot produce a gun superior in action. There should be a distinction made in the trial of such guns. Those especially built for these trials should be designated as such. Let the trial of them be a separate and distinct one. Purchasers will then know how to choose in making a purchase, whether from the shelves of a dealer or by order, to be built to a like standard of action or execution as shown in the trials.

JAPANESE WEDDING PRESENTS.—The marriage of Miss Inouye and Katsunosuke Inouye was recently celebrated at the official residence of his Excellency Inouye, Minister for Foreign Affairs. The ceremony was conducted in Japanese fashion, and attended only by the near relatives and intimate friends of the family. The wedding presents were displayed in an up-stairs room and, of course, attracted much attention. With few exceptions the Japanese gifts, though costly and attractive, were intended to express a sentiment rather than to serve any useful purpose. Most prominent was a mountain formed of rolls of floss silk, white and crimson. Each roll was bound with strands of parti-colored twine, the ends not brought round into a row, as is usually the case, but tied in hard knots, emblematic of the indissolubility of the marriage tie. The floss silk was intended to typify gentle yet enduring constancy, the strength of its skeins offering a noted contrast to their softness and flexibility. Round the base of this mountain were disposed a number of ornaments of fresh rice straw, plaited into the forms of the storks and tortoises, emblematic of longevity, or the pine, bamboo and plum, of perpetual bloom, while into the loops of the plaits were thrust pieces of dried bonito, a favorite accompaniment of wedding presents, its name (kaisu-wo-boshi) being a homonym for the three Chinese characters signifying victorious, manly and brave.—[Japan Weekly Mail.

HE'D BEEN THERE BEFORE.—The Bodie *Free Press* perpetrates the following: Mr. Oppenheimer, Mr. Rosenberg, Mr. Lubeck, Mr. Einstein, Mr. Greenbaum and Mr. Schranbetadter—all prominent gentlemen—are enjoying a sociable game of draw poker after dinner. Mr. Oppenheimer, who is host, returns to the room after a brief absence and finds a hand has been dealt him. He picks it up. It is a king full. He skins it over very carefully. It is a king full still. He glances inquiringly at his guests: "Who doled dem cards?" Mr. Greenbaum replies: "Charley Einstein." Mr. Oppenheimer gives the king full another going over. It looks very large—certainly. None of the kings have gone away. But he sorrowfully lays it down without betting. "I pess." Mr. Rosenberg deals, and the game proceeds.

Consolation is the dropping of a gentle dew from heaven on desert-hearts beneath; it is one of the choicest gifts of divine mercy.—[Spurgeon.

OUR YOUNG FOLKS.

Telling Fortunes.

I'll tell you two fortunes, my fine little lad,
For you to accept or refuse;
The one of them good, the other one bad;
Now hear them, and say which you choose.

I see by my gifts within reach of my hand,
A fortune right fair to behold;
A house and a hundred good acres of land,
With harvest fields yellow as gold.

I see a great orchard with boughs hanging down
With apples, russet and red;
I see droves of cattle, some white and some brown,
But all of them sleek and well fed.

I see droves of swallows about the barn door,
See the fanning-mill whirling so fast;
I see them threshing wheat on the floor;
And now the bright picture is past.

And I see rising dismally up in the place
Of the beautiful house and the land,
A man with a fire-red nose on his face,
And a little brown jug in his hand.

Oh! if you beheld him, my lad, you would wish
That he were less wretched to see;
For his boots they gape like the mouth of a fish,
And his trousers are out at the knee.

In walking he staggers, now this way, now that,
And his eyes they stand out like a bug's,
And he wears an old coat and a battered-in hat,
And I think that the fault is the jug's.

For the text says the drunkard shall come to be poor,
And that drowsiness clothes men with rags;
And he doesn't look like a man, I'm sure,
Who has honest hard cash in his bags.

Now which will you have? To be thrifty and snug,
And be right side up with your dish,
Or go with your eyes like the eyes of a bug,
And your shoes like the mouth of a fish?

—[Alice Cary.

Foreign Dinners.

If you should travel round the world you would learn to eat your dinners in a good many different ways. In Turkey you would learn to sit on the floor cross-legged, and eat your dinner off a round tray, without knives or forks, plates, glasses or napkins. All the guests eat with their fingers out of the same dish.

If you dined with the Arabs you would see no knives or forks, and if your host offered you a choice bit of meat you would be expected to open your mouth and let him put it in. The Arabs use only the right hand in eating, and what is still more funny they will pull apart or carve turkeys or fowls with only one hand, and without a knife. If it is hard to separate, one of the guests will lend his right hand. In Siam you would be treated to ants' eggs; and in Burmah to locusts, stuffed and fried. All you young folks would like to eat in Japan, for they serve candies and sweet things very often, and what you can't eat you are expected to take home. At grand feasts guests are expected to bring servants with baskets to take home the leavings.

In Abyssinia it is a mark of good breeding to smack the lips while eating; and I'm sure you'll not be surprised to hear that they eat their meat raw. In South America you would eat lizzards and snakes, and among our American Indians you would be treated to grasshoppers. In Otaheite you would eat your dinner alone, in a basket, and if you were in the fashion you would turn your back to everybody and eat. Snails and horseflesh would greet you in France. But the funniest dish you would see, I guess, would be in China, where they serve up little crabs—alive! Just as they sit down to dinner the tiny crabs are put into a dish of vinegar, which makes them very lively. Then they are put into a covered dish and placed on the table. When every one is ready the cover is snatched off, and instantly the table is covered with scrambling crablets, running for their lives.

In New Caledonia they serve up spiders. "Horrid!" you say. Well, it does seem disgusting to us, but people who have eaten them say they are delicious.

Some people add caterpillars to their dainties. Would you fancy eating roasted ants by handfuls? They taste like sweetened cream, so travelers say. I never tried them. But really, when you come to think of it, none of these insects that we consider so horrible and disgusting, look any worse than lobsters and crabs, which we eat freely. It is a good deal a matter of fashion after all, and if you had been brought up in India you would enjoy digging up a centipede eighteen inches long and eating it like a stick of candy, as the children do there, according to Humboldt. [Oliver Thorne.

[In the above, caterpillars are spoken of as being used for food by some people. Will some of our young readers send us answers to these questions: How old do caterpillars live to be? How many forms of life does a caterpillar have, and what are those different forms?]

The Kite Problem.

The question given last week in reference to the kite made at Rochester, which contained 250 superficial square feet, and which being one-half as wide as it was long, and the cross-bar located one-fourth the distance from the upper end, the length and width of kite was asked for, has been answered correctly by fifteen neatly-written letters from our young readers. The kite, it is found, was 31 6-10 feet plus in length, and 15 8-10 feet plus in width. The names of those who sent in the answers are as follows: Edwin Shanklin, Henry Toll, Wallace Terry, Sheridan Bradford, Mamie Colla, Eddie Yardley, John Ing, Thomas Carolan and T. J. W., all of Sacramento; I. W. Abbott, Nevada City; Willie Brown, Placerville; J. D. S., Marysville; Henry H. Benson, Reno; Fred. A. Smith, Stockton; Lilla C. Burt, Amador City.

Further answers to questions heretofore published will be given in the RECORD-UNION next week.

A GOOD WORD FOR THE GIRLS.

That the young woman has taken new fields of work is very true, but she has done so in spite of the competition of the young man of the period, and thus earned her place by the survival of the fittest. While she has done this the native young man has left the plow and the workshop and has sought what he supposes is more genteel employment, until these useful branches of industry are now largely filled by persons born and trained in other countries. While the general spread of education has opened up many new employments for girls, and they have taken their places in them bravely, the young men have drifted into clerkships or speculation or into the small politics, most ruinous of all. The same is true in matters of the higher culture. The young man has become listless or idle or has gone undisciplined, while the girls have organized book and music clubs, attended lectures, and otherwise fitted themselves for the more exacting duties of our modern life. It is often the case that while the rich young man goes rapidly to the dogs by reason of his bad habits and worse vices, his sister is engaged in the exacting duties of church or charity, or in other work which cultivates the humanities and does the world some good. The real truth is that, the country over, there are not enough earnest, deserving, ambitious young men to marry the honest, sensible, well-meaning girls who are ready to do a true woman's part in building up good and happy homes. Our family training, defective as it may be in many respects, has still kept the rein on girls while it has given the spur to boys, and if the grumblers are sensible they will try to devise some way to overcome this inequality, and thus bring the young man up to such a standard as shall fit him to do something else in life than to stand off and rail at the follies or the frivolities of young women.—[Philadelphia Times.

"Too much sugar is unhealthy," said Mrs. Flapjack to one of her boarders, a member of the Legislature from Northern Texas, as he helped himself rather liberally. "I know it," responded the member, gloomily, putting still another lump in his coffee. "I know it kills people, but I want to die. Life is a burden to me. My bill has been defeated in the Senate, and I am afraid to go home."

The hole that the Toronto man made for a refuge during the Wiggins tornado cost the man ten days hard work, as the ground was frozen solid, and he's ready to put in an equal amount of time hunting for Wiggins with a meat-axe.—[Boston Post.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

J. S. Trowbridge, of the Central Pacific, came down from Redding yesterday in the car Sacramento.

Assemblyman Cutter, of Yuba county, was in the city yesterday, en route to Marysville from San Francisco

W. R. Clement, of the Central Pacific Railroad, was in the city yesterday, and went to San Francisco last evening.

Napa City is to vote on the question of a free library. If she patterns after Sacramento, she will adopt the plan unanimously.

Mrs. R. S. Benham, of San Francisco, formerly Miss Celia Bradford, of Sacramento, is in the city, the guest of Mrs. T. B. McFarland.

Miss Alice Kiger, of Los Angeles, has gone with her friend, Miss Paula Chard, to Oakland, and will remain there three or four months.

The Sacramento physicians who were in attendance at the meeting of the State Medical Society in San Francisco return d home yesterday.

The Oak Mound Club beat the Twilights, of Napa, recently for the championship of baseball. It was the second game of the series for the belt.

W. E. Doan, the stenographer, has accepted the position of private secretary to the firm of Huntington, Hopkins & Co., in this city, and will assume his new duties on Monday.

Arthur Brown, Mr. Montague and John Muir, of the Central Pacific Railroad, went to Truckee on the train last evening, and will inspect the line to-day as they return by daylight.

Dr. Ira E. Oatman, of this city, was elected President of the State Medical Society at the recent session held in San Francisco. Dr. W. A Briggs was chosen as Secretary for the third term.

Since the February session seventeen new Councils of the Order of Chosen Friends have been instituted in California, making 127 in the jurisdiction, and the deputies are busy forming new ones at different points.

Rev. H. H. Rice, Chaplain of the First Artillery Regiment, with the rank of Captain, has applied for a furlough for three months, commencing May 1st. He will leave for the East on or about that date, to be absent two or three months

It was in a Sunday-school class at Anderson. The teacher, after reading the passage from Acts relating to Paul, "And he was three days without sight, and neither did he eat nor drink," said, "Now, what was Paul doing all this time?" "Why he was fasting," said a cute little boy.

Arrivals at the Golden Eagle Hotel: Ferd. A. Reuson, New York; J. Marhoffer, Crescent City; J. H. Kester, Vina; Mrs. L. B. Kester, Red Bluff; Joe Wolfstein and wife, Dayton; Henry Mayer, S. H. Long, J. M. Walker, W. B. Sargent, Newton Phillips, S. Hoffman, San Francisco.

Mrs. R. H Moore, who returned yesterday from Bowie, A. T., has been visiting the family of S. C. Heaton, formerly residents of this city. Miss Eliza Moore, sister of conductor Moore, who has been stopping in Sacramento during Mrs. Moore's absence, intends to return to-morrow to her home at Ophir, Placer county.

On Saturday afternoon, April 14th, at 6 o'clock, says the Santa Barbara *Free Press*, a charming wedding was celebrated at La Goleta, at the residence of W. R. Owen, when his daughter, Miss Mollie, became Mrs Childs. The groom is an enterprising and prosperous young ranchman of Napa, the son of J. E. Childs, of early California fame, who has become closely allied with the interests of the northern part of the State.

Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Henderson, of Stockton, were tendered a brick-a-brac surprise party at their elegant new residence, on the corner of San Joaquin and Flora streets, their numerous friends turning out en masse. The party in every respect was a success, everybody seeming to have a good time. The presents were varied and numerous, consisting of everything imaginable in the bric-a-brac line.

Saturday, near Chico, a dinner party was given by Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Clark to Mrs. C. F. Wilson, of San Francisco, and a popular teacher of Chico, Miss Emma A. Wilson. The party consisted of Mrs. A. H. Crew and daughter, Mrs. F. A. S. Jones and daughter, Mrs. F. L. Bailey, Mrs. C J. Sommer, Mrs. A. H. Hibbard, Miss Louisa Hibbard, Mrs. J. C. Noonan, Miss Anna Leach, Mrs. George L Hamlin, Mrs. C. H. Walker. Mrs. C. F. Wilson, Miss Emma A. Wilson, Mrs. George S. Snook.

The Chico *Record* of Wednesday says: "Last evening the elegant residence of Mrs. Isaac R. Bennett was the scene of a very pleasant wedding, that lady being married to Samuel H Brown, a well-known real estate agent of San Francisco. The ceremony was performed by Rev. E. Graham, pastor of the Presbyterian Church in this city. People were in attendance from Nord, Cana and the surrounding neighborhood. The floral decorations in the house were very pretty. There were many elegant presents."

The Napa Turn Verein Society met at Turner Hall Sunday evening, members and their wives to the number of probably seventy-five having assembled to enjoy themselves in social festivity. About 10 o'clock a rest was given to the musicians, and the President of the Society, A. Bergman, took advantage of the opportunity to present to Emanuel Manasse, who leaves for Europe soon, a golden shield, to be worn as a watch charm, as a token of friendship and remembrance from the members of the Napa Turn Verein.

A club was organized in Oakland on Saturday night, the object and scope of which is to be somewhat similar to those of the Bohemian Club of San Francisco. The name chosen was the Athenian Club, and the following officers were unanimously elected: President, E. H. Pardee; Vice-President, W. E. Dargie; Secretary, John M. Lathrop; Treasurer, George E. De Golia; Directors—E. H. Woolsey, A. T. Eastland, Mack Webber, D. P. Hughes and Wallace Everson. The charter roll numbers 70 members, including some of the best club elements of the city. The organization starts out with brilliant prospects.

Ladies in arranging costumes and decorations should remember that these colors harmonize: Blue and gold (or gold color), a rich harmony. Blue and orange, a perfect harmony. Blue and crimson harmonize imperfectly. Blue and pink, a poor harmony. Blue and salmon color, and agreeable harmony. Blue and lilac, a weak harmony. Blue and drab harmonize. Blue and stone color harmonize. Blue and fawn color, a weak harmony. Blue and white (or gray) harmonize. Blue and straw color harmonize. Blue and maize harmonize. Blue and chestnut (or chocolate) harmonize. Blue and brown, an agreeable harmony. Blue and black harmonize. Blue, scarlet and purple (or lilac) harmonize. Blue, orange and black harmonize. Blue, orange and green harmonize. Blue, brown, crimson and gold harmonize. Blue, orange, black and white harmonize.

PACIFIC COAST ITEMS.

Union, Or., is to have a national bank.

A man in Nevada City goes by the name of "Setemupagain."

The Sonoma county wool clip this year will be the heaviest ever known.

A bank with a capital of $10,000 has been organized at Glendive, M. T.

At Jefferson, Or., last week, Mrs. Turpin shot at Mrs. Hoult, without effect.

The members of the Grand Army of the Republic at Los Angeles are preparing to receive Hon. John A. Logan, who is expected next week.

A Modesto paper declares that nearly half the people of Oakdale, Stanislaus county, are maimed, crippled, or in some manner injured from indulging in the exercise of roller skating.

A man applied to the Antioch (Or.) jail authorities a few days ago and asked to be put inside. He procured a knife, and in a short time dug a $10 piece from the wall. The money had been placed there by him three years ago.

The fish recently found in Mill creek, Marin county, is a species of the *Coregonus Williamsonii*, a species described in the Pacific Coast Railroad Survey, and closely resembling the whitefish of the great lakes of the United States.

The St. Helena *Star* says: C. C. Griffith, while digging a road along the foot of the hill near Napa river, has lately struck a small vein of black substance resembling coal. It burns readily and may be the outcroppings of a rich bed.

An ermine was brought to Stockton on Thursday, which had been caught near Lindstrom's Ferry. The fir of the ermine is very valuable, being in winter snowy white and in summer a yellowish-brown color. The tail of the animal is the most intense black.

M. D. Windom, the hide-buyer, recently purchased the hide of Old Dan, a famous ox raised by H. Edwards, of Baker county, Oregon. The hide is ten feet long and five feet high, doubled, and weighs sixty pounds, flint dry. The ox when slaughtered netted 1,360 pounds.

It comes from undoubted authority that a military post will be established this spring at Little Dalles, on the upper Columbia river, Oregon. It is also confidently asserted that a line of steamers will be put on the Columbia river below Little Falls, as well as above that point.

During the past month, says the *California Architect*, we visited the lower part of this State. But few new buildings are to be seen in progress of erection along the line of the railroad. The towns all seemed to be resting on improvements already completed. At Los Angeles, however, one sees on all sides evidences of prosperity. Numerous buildings are in process of erection on every side, some of them being fine four-story brick buildings. At Riverside and San Bernardino many buildings are in course of construction. Since the late rains everything has changed considerably, and every one seems to feel the effect of the welcome moisture. New buildings are talked of on every hand, and we hope next month to give a large report from this section. We have made arrangements by which hereafter we will receive the building intelligence from all the principal towns.

COMMERCIAL.

San Francisco Produce Market.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 20th—1 P. M.

FLOUR—Values are firm. Best City Extra, $5 65@6; Medium Grades, $4 50@5 25; Shipping superfine, $4@4 25 ₩ bbl.

WHEAT—There is a good market. The inquiry is quite active, while prices are strong. Advices from Liverpool to-day report an advance at that center of 1s on cargoes and 2s on spot parcels. This fact has materially improved the local situation as compared with the feeling yesterday. No. 1 Shipping is generally held at $1 80, and the prospects are not favorable for concessions. Millers have to pay higher figures. On call there was a brisk demand for buyer 1883 contracts, at $1 82½, and offerings failed to meet desired wants. Deliveries seller 1883 were also steadier at an advance of 1½c on the lowest recorded sale yesterday morning. Transactions to-day included 300 tons No 1 White, buyer the season, $1 82½; 100 do, seller 1883, $1 70; 300 do, $1 70½ ₩ ctl. Closing bids were:

No. 1 White—	Bid.	Asked
Buyer April	$1 80½	$1 82
Buyer the season	1 82½	1 82½
August	.....	1 73
Seller 1883	1 70	1 70½

At the Grain Exchange this afternoon the sales included 500 tons No. 1 White, April, Vallejo delivery, $1 80; 100 do May, actual delivery, $1 80; 100 do, seller 1883, $1 69½; 100 do, $1 69½; 200 do, No. 2, April, $1 73 ₩ ctl.

Quotations of No. 2 grades Wheat at leading centers to-day are telegraphed as follows:

	Chicago.	St. Louis.	New York.
Spot ₩ cental	$1 80⅞	.....	$2 03½
April	1 81½	$1 85	.....
May	1 84	1 86⅞	2 02½
June	1 87½	1 90½	2 06
July	1 78½	1 8[illegible]	2 07½

The Chicago quotations represent Spring, while the St. Louis and New York figures are for Red Winter qualities.

BARLEY—The market is slowly recovering from the depression occasioned by the heavy rains earlier in the week. Still the feeling is unsettled and operators move cautiously. Prices to-day generally denoted an improvement of about 1c ₩ ctl on futures, though September contracts scored an advance of 1½c ₩ ctl on sales of yesterday morning Trading on call is fast settling down to business principles. Bidding is quick, sales are prompt, and sessions are considerably shortened, to the great advantage of all who participate. The ownership of over 3,000 tons of No. 1 Feed was transferred this morning in comparatively few minutes, the details being as follows:

May—100 tons, $1 20; 200, $1 20½.
August—100 tons, $1 14½.
September—100 tons, $1 13; 300, $1 13½; 100, $1 13¾.
October—500 tons, $1 13; 100, $1 18½.
Buyer the season—100 tons, $1 23; 200, $1 22½; 500, $1 22½.
Seller the season 100 tons, $1 20.
Seller 1883—300 tons, $1 10; 300, $1 10½.

Sample parcels of No. 1 Feed are not offering below $1 25, while $1 27½ ₩ ctl is the asking figure for Brewing.

Closing prices on call were:

No. 1 Feed—	Bid.	Asked
Spot	$1 23	$1 24½
May	1 20½	1 20⅝
July	1 13	.....
August	.....	1 15
October	.....	1 13½
Buyer the season	1 22½	1 22½
Seller the season	1 20½	1 21
Seller 1883	1 09½	1 10

Sales at the Grain Exchange of 100 tons No. 1 Feed, buyer the season, $1 21½; 200 do, seller 1883, $1 10 ₩ ctl.

OATS—Trade is reported to be good, and prices are said to be well maintained. Fair Feed, $1 75@1 80; good, $1 85@1 90; choice, $1 95@2 05 ₩ ctl.

CORN—Movement very slow. Quotable at $1 55@1 65 ₩ ctl for California Yellow. Nebraska is offered in lots to suit at $1 45 ₩ ctl.

RYE—Supply larger than the demand. Trade very dull. Quotable at $1 90@2 ₩ ctl.

BUCKWHEAT—Market dull and nominal at $3 50 ₩ ctl.

HAY—Arrivals are quite free and quotations are easy. Alfalfa, $13@15; Wheat, $16@18; Wild Oat, $16@18; Mixed, $13@16 ₩ ton.

STRAW—Is lower. Quotable at 80@90c ₩ bale.

HOPS—Holders are disappointed at the situation, which continues provokingly quiet. Asking rates are 90c@$1 ₩ lb, with poor inquiry.

SEEDS—Find but limited custom. Mustard, $3 25@3 50 for Brown and $2 10@2 25 for Yellow; Canary, 5½@6c; Hemp, 4@5c; Rape, 2@2½c; Timothy, 10@11c for imported; Alfalfa, 12½@13½c; Flax, 2½@2½c ₩ lb.

POTATOES—For good quality there is quick sale within our range. River Red, 60@70c; Early Rose, 65@75c; Petaluma, 90c@$1 05; Tomales, $1@1 10; Humboldt, $1 10@1 15 ₩ ctl; New, 1@2½c ₩ lb

ONIONS—Market weak Quotable at $@5 50 ₩ ctl for California. The balance of Oregon consignments that arrived on Tuesday sold yesterday at a range of $5 50@6 25 ₩ ctl. Over 120 bags Oregon came to hand this morning on the Queen of the Pacific, which will likely be discharged before night.

BEANS—Bayos, $4 75@5; Butter, $3 25@3 50 for small and $3 50@3 75 for large; Lima, $3 50@3 75; Pea, $3 75@4; Pink, $4 75@5; Red, $4 75@5; Small White, $3 75@4; large White, $3 25@3 50 ₩ ctl.

VEGETABLES—Asparagus went off quickly today, at better prices. Rhubarb was also a shade dearer. Other descriptions are unchanged. Rhubarb, $1 50 ₩ box; Asparagus, $1 50@2 ₩ box; Artichokes, 10@15c ₩ dozen; Marrowfat Squash, $25@30 ₩ ton; Carrots, 37½@50; Turnips, 75c@$1; Cauliflower, 75c@$1 25 ₩ dozen; Cabbage, 75c ₩ ctl; Garlic, 2½@3½c ₩ lb; Celery, 50c ₩ dozen; Dried Okra, 20@25c; Dry Peppers, 10@12½c; Green do, 10@12c ₩ lb; Green Peas, 3@5c for common and 6@8c ₩ lb for sweet; Tomatoes, $2@2 25 ₩ box; Cucumbers, 40c for poor, 85c for fair and $1@1 75 ₩ dozen for good to choice; String Beans, 20@25 ₩ lb.

FRUIT.—Daily consignments of Cherries have not as yet exceeded two boxes, but heavier shipments are expected next week. Choice Apples are in demand, but poor qualities find comparatively no custom. Strawberries are quick of sale, and as receipts continue light, prices keep up pretty well. Oranges are plentiful and cheap. Apples, 25@50c ₩ box for common, $1@$1 50 for good to choice, and $2 ₩ box for extra quality; Strawberries, $13@15 ₩ chest for Monarch and $18@20 ₩ chest for Longworth variety; Cherries, 40c ₩ lb; Lemons, $5@6 ₩ box for Sicily; California Lemons, 75c@$1 50 ₩ box; Limes, $7@7 50 ₩ box for Mexican; Tamarinds, 12@13c ₩ lb; Bananas, $1 50@3 ₩ bunch; California Oranges, $1@1 50 for common and $2@3 ₩ box for good to choice: Pineapples, $6@8 ₩ dozen.

BUTTER—The tone of the market for fresh qualities is quite easy. Supplies are liberal and packing is less general. Fancy, 26c ₩ lb; choice, 24@25c; fair to good, 18@23c; inferior lots from country stores, 15@17c; choice firkin, old, 20@22½c; do, new, 22@25c; ordinary do, 17@19c; pickled roll, old, 20@22½c; do, new, 24@26c; Eastern, 17@20c ₩ lb.

CHEESE—A softer feeling prevails, and concessions are occasionally made. California, 13@14c ₩ lb for choice; 11@12½c for fair to good; do, factory, in boxes, 14@16c; Eastern, 16@17c ₩ lb.

EGGS—Market unsettled and prices irregular. High ruling rates for the past few days have induced rather liberal shipments, and offerings are consequently more free. Invoice parcels are quoted today at 27½@29c ₩ dozen, though selected box lots bring a trifle more.

POULTRY—Dressed Turkeys do not arrive in sufficient quantity to justify a quotation. Receipts of this character for some time to come are not likely to be very large. Good qualities of all kinds are scarce, and full figures are obtained for desirable consignments. Live Turkeys, gobblers, 21@22c; do Hens, 22@24c; Roosters, $7@7 50 for old, and $9 50@11 for young; Hens, $7 50@9; Broilers, $4@7 50, according to size; Ducks, $10@12 ₩ dozen; Geese, $2 25@2 50; Goslings, $3@3 50 ₩ pair.

GAME—Quiet. Snipe, $2 25@2 50 for English and 75c@$1 for common; Hare, $1 50@2; Rabbits, $1 25@1