THE DAILY RECORD-UNION.

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TO ADVERTISERS.

Owing to the demand upon our columns, and in order to accommodate all our patrons, no firm will hereafter be allowed to occupy more than one column of advertising space.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

UNITED STATES SIGNAL OFFICE
SACRAMENTO, January 25, 1884—8:02 P.M.

Place of observation.	Barom. Hight....	Barom. 8 hours.	Change in 8 hours.	Ther. Exposed....	Ther. Change in 18 hours.	Direction of wind and velocity....	Rain in 24 hours.	Weather.....
Tatoosh....	29.45	—.06	42	....	S. E. 21		.84	Lt rn
Olympia....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Portland....	29.76	+.02	34	+1	Calm. 0		.34	Thng
Fort Canby.	29.65	+.02	38	—2	S. E. 16		.90	Fair
Roseburg...	29.82	—.01	42	+9	Calm.		.33	Lt rn
Mendocino..	29.87	—.01	45	+1	N. W. 7		.19	Lt rn
Red Bluff...	29.85	+.01	43	—4	N.		.12	Clear
Sacramento.	29.88	.00	47	—1	S. E.		.35	Cl'dy
S. Francisco.	29.84	+.01	50	+2	W. 9		.08	Clear
Los Angeles.	29.85	—.03	51	0	E. 8		....	Clear
San Diego...	29.89	+.02	56	+3	S. W.		....	Cl'dy

Maximum temperature, 55.9; minimum, 40.0.
River, 7.10 feet—no change in 24 hours.

JAMES A. BARWICK,
Sergeant, Signal Corps, U. S. A.

Weather Probabilities.

WASHINGTON, January 26th.—Indications for Pacific coast: California, generally fair weather; North Pacific, rains, followed by clearing weather.

ADVERTISEMENT MENTION.

Sacramento Tivoli—Afternoon and evening.
Thomas Brennan's lecture postponed.
Trustees Imp. O. R. M. to-morrow.
Social by Sacramento Verein Eintracht.
Mrs. P. W. Stevens will lecture.
Sacramento R. A. Chapter.
Sacramento Band of Hope to-morrow.

Auction Sales.

By Bell & Co., at salesroom this morning.
By Bell & Co., millinery, Tuesday.

Business Advertisements.

Sealed proposals for cast-iron pipe.
Cure all your lameness and pain.
Mechanics' Store—Gillet's washing crystal.
H. S. Crocker & Co., blank books, etc.
Dr. La Mar's pills.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

HAD A GOOD EFFECT.—At the depot day before yesterday the crowd of hotel runners, hackmen, etc., had a very lively discussion on an unusual topic. One of the number incidentally hinted that another should obey the injunction to "earn his bread by the sweat of his brow." Another one promptly declared that the sentence was not properly quoted; that it should be "earn his bread by the sweat of his face." Then the discussion commenced. The majority were of the opinion that it was an extract from the Bible, but others believed it was from Shakespeare or Milton's "Paradise Lost." Offers to bet as to which was correct, "brow" or "face," were soon made, and a score of railroad officials and people suspected of being regular church-goers were asked to solve the problem, but a satisfactory answer could not be obtained, none of those questioned being able to say positively what the correct language was, nor just where it could be found. Even a newspaper reporter, to whom application was made with a confidence of a decisive answer, failed to give relief. It was suspected that he knew all about it, but didn't like to act as referee. That evening there was a surprising inquiry for Bibles from parties who never appeared to have much interest in the Good Book before, and many of the inquirers, in their search for the text referred to, came across reading that brought up recollections of their boyish days, when their mothers and Sunday-school teachers endeavored to impress wholesome truths upon them. Yesterday all was quiet, the bets having been drawn.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.—Board met yesterday pursuant to adjournment. All present except Steinman and McLaughlin. Minutes read and approved. Mr. Smith introduced the following resolution: "Whereas, as shown by the financial report of the County Auditor, submitted to this Board October 7, 1883, that a floating debt existed of one warrant, viz: No. 1,917, dated November 10, 1882, for $1 272, against the General Road Fund; and, whereas, the General Road Fund under which the debt represented by said warrant was contracted has been by operation of the new road law abolished; and, whereas, the sum of $601 50 is now in the fund, which can be applied toward the payment of said warrant, it is therefore ordered by this Board that the Treasurer be instructed to pay said warrant by applying the amount in the old general road fund toward its payment, and that he pay the balance due thereon out of the general fund of the county." On motion of Mr. Bailey the resolution was adopted. The rules were suspended and several demands were allowed. Mr. Christy's ordinance, heretofore introduced, offering a bounty for the killing of animals and birds (coyotes, $10; lynx or wild cat, $3; foxes, $3; gray or bald eagle, $2;) was taken up for consideration and read. Mr. Blair moved to strike out all except coyotes. Lost. The roll was called on the adoption of the ordinance, and it was adopted. Ayes—Messrs. Bailey, Christy and Smith; no—Mr. Gottleib. Board adjourned for the term.

PROPOSE TO CONSOLIDATE.—As will be seen by advertisement, the Odd Fellows' Mutual Aid Association of Sacramento propose merging, or consolidating, with the Odd Fellows' Mutual Aid Association of San Francisco, thus making but one association for this Order in the State, whose headquarters will be at San Francisco. These two associations were organized about the same date, 1868, insuring the members, for their beneficiaries, in the sum of one, two, or three thousand dollars. Since the organization of the Sacramento Association there has been paid to the heirs of deceased Odd Fellows nearly sixty-nine thousand dollars, and there is no question for a doubt but that in most instances the benefit derived has greatly relieved many an Odd Fellows' widow. The consolidation will give the association greater strength, and, there being about 28,000 Odd Fellows in the State, there is no reason why, with united effort, the association should not number 10,000 inside of a few years. The insurance is on a graduated system, charging each member a certain sum, ranging from 35 cents to $1 15, at death, according to the age at which the member joined the association. The Sacramento Association will meet at 10 A. M. to-morrow, to hear the report of the committee appointed to consider the question of consolidation.

GERMANIA.—At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Germania Building and Loan Association, held last evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Adolph Heilbron, President; John Weil, Vice-President; H. G. Goethe, Secretary (re-elected); National Bank of D. O. Mills & Co., Treasurer; W. C. Van Fleet, Attorney. The Board now consists of the following Directors: Adolph Heilbron, John Weil, Chris Wetsel, Charles Heinrich, L. Neubourg, L. Phillips, C. Lazes, Henry Hansche and George Schroth.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.—A young man named Moore, son of Captain Moore, a gentleman who formerly figured prominently on the turf in California, came out from the East with the stallion Kyrle Daly, Mr. Haggin's recent purchase. Yesterday morning he went hunting, and was riding on a buckboard with his loaded gun by his side when it was accidentally discharged, the contents passing into his right arm, near the shoulder. Fortunately the artery was not wounded, or he would have bled to death, but the arm was very badly hurt.

AUCTION SALES.—Bell & Co. will sell at their salesroom, Eighth and K streets, at 10 A. M. to-day, by order of W. H. Dunbar, a large lot of furniture and household goods. .... The same firm sell at 2 P. M. next Tuesday, and also at 7 in the evening, the large stock of millinery goods of Mrs. Tice & Clements, 521 J street, consisting of trimmed and untrimmed hats, flowers, feathers, ribbons, show-cases, counters and fixtures.

FIRE IN WASHINGTON.—About noon yesterday fire was discovered in the house of Mrs. E. A. Lee, corner Third and Margaret streets, Washington. The neighbors rallied promptly, and worked so energetically that the main part of the house was saved.

LECTURE POSTPONED. — The lecture by Thomas Brennan, which was to have been delivered at Armory Hall last evening, has been postponed until next Wednesday. Tickets already sold will be good for that occasion.

THE TIVOLI.—The "Chimes of Normandy" was presented at Turner Hall last evening. The attendance was not quite as large as usual, owing to the storm.

LADIES' fine hem-stitched handkerchiefs, all linen, 10 cents; ladies' linen collar with cape, 10 cents; misses' full-finished, cotton ingrain hose, solid colors, 15 cents. Red House.

CYCLES OF DRY SEASONS.

That the dry seasons of this State recur in almost unvarying cycles of about seven years, which fact is just now receiving attention, although none the less interesting, is not a new discovery at this time. Soon after the compilation by Sergeant Barwick, of the table showing the rainfall by seasons, etc., at Sacramento, for a then period of thirty-two years, which table first appeared in the RECORD-UNION, an editorial upon the subject was published in this journal, in which occurred the following:

"The statistics of rainfall have been kept for thirty-two consecutive rain seasons, and the periodicity of maximum and minimum rainfall has been ascertained with a degree of reasonable probability, not to say certainty. The statistics show the recurrence of dry seasons with such regularity of interval as to almost establish an unvarying periodicity. For example, the first years of maximum rainfall exhibited on the rain tables for thirty-two seasons, recently published by the RECORD-UNION, was the season of 1850–1; the second, in 1856–7; the third, 1863–4; the fourth, 1870–1; the fifth, 1876–7. Here are five dry seasons, occurring at intervals of six and seven years. From the date of the last there have elapsed but four seasons. The analogy of the past recurrence would fix the season of 1884–5 as the next dry season, or two seasons beyond that approaching. But there is a still greater regularity observable in the aggregate amount of rainfall in the seasons divided into groups by the minimum years. As this is a new observation of the statistics, it will be fully presented.

"The first minimum season was that of 1850–1. Now, from the season of 1851–2 to 1856–7, inclusive, we have the first group closing with a minimum season—that of 1856–7. The aggregate rainfall of the period was 118 51 inches. The second group is from 1857–8 to 1863–4, inclusive, and the aggregate rainfall is 128 05 inches. The third is for 1864–5 to 1870–1, inclusive, aggregating 136.31 inches of rain. The fourth is from 1871–2 to 1876–7, aggregating 113 17 inches. Thus the average rainfall during the periods ending in minimum seasons is ascertained to be 124.01 inches. The current series, which is to end with a minimum season, has accomplished but four seasons. The aggregate rainfall in these is but 95.76 inches, or 28 inches less than the average of the former cycles. Herein analogy gives a second strong inference in favor of a heavy season for the approaching winter. But still a third is to be found in the fact that in four of the five cycles noted above, the maximum years exceeded thirty inches of rain in a single season. Thus in the first group the maximum was 36.66; the second, 35.55; the third, 32.79, etc. The current series has so far no maximum beyond 26.57 inches. The observations of the past present these prominent facts, which, by the extension of analogies, indicate a heavy rainfall for the approaching season, and in favor of the probable recurrence of another dry season not earlier than that of 1884–5."

Upon this subject Sergeant Barwick, in a communication just at hand, says:

"What I say and refer to in the following article about the dry seasons in the past 35 years, and judging from their returning at stated intervals of six and seven years, must not be taken as a prediction on my part, for such is not the case. I simply refer to the coinciding incidents of dry seasons occurring at six-year intervals, followed by two dry seasons of seven-year intervals, then returning again to the six-year interval. This being the seven-year interval following a six-year one, I thought it proper enough to bring it to the notice of the general reading public; not that I was the first one to notice such a regularity in the return of each dry season in the last 35 years, for several persons spoke to me about it some days ago. The knowledge of this being the seventh season from the last dry one, which usually produces another one, may do good to a great many. There may be seven or eight inches of rain yet this season; if so it would bring the total rainfall up to ten or eleven inches. I will name the dry seasons, and the reader will readily see the regularity of the interval between each.

"The first dry season occurred on the second season after the forty-niners arrived here, that season being 1850–51, when the very small amount of but 4 71 inches was measured. Precisely six seasons from the above date, which was 1856–7, there was a comparatively dry season, there being 10.46 inches. The next dry season did not occur for seven years, being the one of 1863–4—7.87 inches. The season of 1862–3 was not remarkable for its excess of moisture, for there was but 11.58 inches; at any rate it cannot be classed as a dry season. The next dry one repeated itself in seven years, and occurred in 1870–1—8.47 inches. Now the next dry one returns to the six year interval, and occurs in 1876–7—8.96 inches. According to the records above we find that after a dry season has occurred in six years it was followed by two of seven years each, and as the last one was a six-year interval (judging from the periodicity of dry seasons during the last thirty-five years), the present (seventh) season is the one to be a dry one. How far one can judge from such a thing as a past record remains to be seen; but everything points to the truth of the laws of nature repeating themselves again this season as they have done in the past, by giving a dry one. Let us hope for the better, but it is best to be prepared for the worst."

It will be seen by the annexed letter from General Barwick Bidwell that the season of 1843–4 was a dry one, which strengthens the above theory:

CHICO, January 21, 1884.

JAMES A. Barwick, Signal Service, Sacramento, Cal.—Sir: Having been in California something more than forty-two years, I can state of my own knowledge, to wit:

In the fall of 1841 the country was without bread, because of the preceding dry winter. What little wheat there was had to be saved for seed.

1842–3—The winter was one of numerous and great inundations (fully equal to 1849–50).

1843–4—This season was quite open; had a moderate rainfall.

1844—This winter, with the exception of one good rain in November or early in December, and a light rain in March, was almost rainless. No crops were raised in the Sacramento valley, and nothing to speak of elsewhere. Fremont's first arrival in California was in March, 1844.

1845—Considerable rain this winter, as I well remember having camped out during the whole of it on a campaign (the war which resulted in the expulsion of Governor Micheltorena)

1846—Very wet; floods and inundations.

1846–7—Copious rains; good wheat harvest.

1847–8—Some early rains; open winter; good rains in March.

1848–9—Very snowy; considerable rain.

1849–50—Very wet (but this comes within the historic period, which it is unnecessary for me to repeat).

Pardon the liberty I have taken. Very respect fully yours, JOHN BIDWELL.

WANTED TO BE A GAMBLER.—Some time since a young man from the country, not over bright, made the acquaintance of the proprietor of a faro game in Sacramento, and confided to him that he wanted to be a gambler—it seemed to be just the kind of business for which he was suited. The manipulator of prize pasteboards sized him up, and responded that it was easy to learn if the necessary attention was paid to instructions. The would-be apprentice promised to comply faithfully with all requirements, and was told that the first thing in order was to make a good appearance. To effect this, a nice suit of blue with brass buttons would be about right. The verdant reappeared a few days later dressed like a military dude. He was then told that in order to cultivate the requisite delicacy of touch, so as to be able to distinguish the slightest spot on a card, he must sandpaper his fingers and get the rough skin off. When he next came he wore a pair of gloves, his fingers being so painful that he was afraid to touch anything. As a final preliminary, he was directed to refrain from eating for two or three days, as gamblers frequently had a hard run of luck, and were compelled to close down on their feed, but nevertheless must keep up a good countenance. It was not so difficult to do this, as he had spent all his money, and was a comparative stranger in town, but when he next called on his mentor the latter began to feel some compunctions of conscience, and gave him a couple of dollars to recuperate with. Then he was told he would be given a trial, and the sum of $300 was put in his hand to play poker with. Meanwhile two professionals, already in the secret, were introduced to him as greenhorns fit for him to pluck. They let him win a little, then one of them "raised a hand" (whatever that may mean) and took from him every cent. He reported his bad luck to his backer, who immediately appeared to get furious, told him that the men he had played with were mere "suckers," a child could beat them, and if he had lost the money he was either a thief or a fool, and not to be tolerated about the place. The proprietor reached for his pistol, but the newbeginner had got enough and fled precipitately, since when he has ceased to haunt faro games in Sacramento.

BURGLARY.—Last Wednesday night, while H. D. Nash, who resides at Seventeenth and I streets, was attending the Tivoli with his family, his residence was entered by thieves through a pantry window and robbed of jewelry to the value of about $80.

THE Tale of Enchantment, with all the Black Crook splendors, will be given Monday, January 28th, instead of Tuesday, January 29th, at the Tivoli.

TO-DAY we will sell 250 remnants Nottingham lace, one and two yards in length, from 5 to 25 cents, in Dry Goods Department, Red House.

GOOD bargains still left from the great assignee stock—coats, vests, hats, pants, etc., etc. Red House.

THE FISH COMMISSIONERS.

Fish Commissioner Buckingham has returned from the inspection of the Truckee river and Lake Tahoe. Commissioner Dibble is examining Prosser creek and other small streams tributary to the Truckee. Mr. Buckingham says that but little can be done to protect the fish in the Truckee river unless the Fish Commissioner of Nevada enforces the laws of that State in regard thereto. A dam has been put in the river at Clark's station, just below Wadsworth, for the express purpose of taking trout, although the parties who built the dam claim that it was placed there for diverting water for agricultural purposes. The trout caught at that dam are sold to a cannery, which has been doing a profitable business. The few trout that are ambitious enough to get above that dam are stopped at Verdi by a similar obstruction. Both of those dams are in the State of Nevada, consequently the California Commission are powerless to remedy the matter. All of the mill men along the Truckee in this State are willing and anxious to assist in the matter of preserving the fish, and have instructed the Commissioners to go ahead and order all the ladders necessary constructed, and they will cheerfully foot the bills. However, they claim that for five or six years past trout, owing to the facts above enumerated, have not come up the river. The Commissioners say that the ladders this side of the State line in most instances are properly constructed. From Truckee to Lake Tahoe Commissioner Buckingham inspected all the dams, but found no ladders, and he is of the opinion that two or three need them. The mill men claim that as long as there is no trout in the river ladders are unnecessary. Mr. Parker, the Fish Commissioner of Nevada, is now in the East, but on his return the matter will be properly laid before him by the California Commission, and they have no doubt but that he will take immediate steps to have the laws of the State, which in this case are sufficient, enforced. They claim that if he does not do that, in a very short time Truckee river trout will be a thing of the past. They also on this trip ascertained that the law had been violated in and around Lake Tahoe. Indians in several instances have constructed dams in streams tributary to the lake, and trout by this means are kept from going to the headwaters of the streams in the spawning season. This will in all probability be rectified during the coming season, as the Commission will visit Tahoe before the spawning season, and see that all the streams putting into that beautiful lake—the pride of the Sierras—are free from such obstructions. Parties who live in the neighborhood of the lake, especially those who have wateringplaces and summer resorts, are interesting themselves in the matter, and will render the Commission valuable service in that direction.

THE NEW PULLMANS.

Last evening, attached to the Atlantic express from San Francisco, was one of the first of the new Pullman sleeper and hotel cars which are to take the place of the silver palace cars in use on the Central Pacific for a number of years. This palace on wheels has been christened the "Santa Clara," and is without doubt one of the finest cars which has ever passed over the road. It is divided into ten sections, and there are also toilet-rooms, a drawing-room with four berths, smoking-room and lunch apartment. The latter is provided with all the appointments necessary to provide the hungry and thirsty with refreshments. Each section is connected with this apartment by an electric bell. The ceiling of the car is divided into panels of inlaid wood, about six feet in length and three feet in width. In the corner of each panel is the representation of a water lily, in different-colored wood, and connected with each other by a vine worked in like manner, presenting to the observer the appearance of having been painted from nature by a skilled artist. Above the upper berths in the sleeping apartment is a casing about eight inches in width, extending on each side, which lends the appearance at first sight of being a handsome piece of wood-carving, but on closer inspection it is seen that the different patterns and artistic designs are produced by machinery with heavy pressure. The sides of the car are also finished in different colored woods, all inlaid. Light-colored mahogany is the principal wood used, and presents a rich appearance. The seats are easy and comfortable and handsomely upholstered with garnet-colored plush. The floor is carpeted with fine body Brussels carpet of unique design. The car is about 66 feet in length and rests upon wheels of paper. There are two systems of brakes entirely independent of each other. One is operated by the engineer, while the other is known as the Westinghouse automatic brake, and can be set by any one in case of an accident by simply pulling a cord. The car is well lighted, and one can read a book or paper by night with as much ease as in broad daylight.

THE SOUTHERN COUNTIES.—P. E. Platt, wife and son, of this city, returned Tuesday from an extended visit to the lower part of the State. Mr. Platt reports the trip by water from San Francisco to San Diego as having been exceedingly pleasant, the ocean being calm, the weather mild and warm, and the service on the vessel all that could be desired. The towns passed on the way were Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo. At San Diego the people are expecting the "boom," which has reached other portions and which their harbor facilities and other natural advantages entitle them to, will soon reach them. From San Diego to Riverside the California Southern Railroad passes through some very fine scenery, well repaying the traveler for the slow time made. The colonies of Riverside, San Bernardino, San Gabriel, Ontario, Pomona and Pasadena were all visited, and the travelers are loud in their words of admiration of these garden spots. The climate, the soil and, above all, the intelligent and industrious residents have done and are doing all that can be done to make a paradise of this section. At Los Angeles great activity prevails; the population is steadily increasing, and real estate values are apparently very firm and advancing. Touching the "corner" in oranges, the combination has secured probably three-fourths of the entire crop of the State. Mr. Platt, however, for his firm, W. R. Strong & Co., of this city, secured a large supply, which will be shipped direct from the growers in car loads to this and other markets. The crop this year is probably from a quarter to a third less than last year, but the quality and size is much superior. The prices that have been paid the growers will in a large measure make up the loss occasioned by the short crop.

PREFERRING WAGES OF EMPLOYES.—The Elmira (N. Y.) *Tidings* of the 13th instant, referring to a bill introduced in the Legislature of New York by State Senator J. S. Fassett, son-in-law of Mrs. E. B. Crocker, of this city, says: "Hon. J. Sloat Fassett, the Senator from this district, has introduced a bill providing that in cases of assignment the employes of the assignor shall become preferred creditors to the full amount of wages or salary due them. In the event that the assets are not sufficient for a full payment, the assets shall be divided pro rata among such employes. This act of the Senator will be accepted by all men as sound and just, and entitles him to the thanks of the laboring men especially. Coming from a gentleman who is reported as being immensely wealthy, it has special significance, and shows that all men, though born to luxury, are not unmindful of the interests of their less fortunate fellow-men. With a few more such liberal-minded and considerate legislators in authority, the wealth-producing element of society would soon be raised to the dignity and standing to which it is entitled."

A GOOD IDEA.—The Folsom *Telegraph* says that Mr. Banks, of the Natoma Company, is engaged in the elaborate and artistic labor of preserving specimen leaves of the different varieties of European grapes that are now grown in the company's vineyards. These leaves are transferred from the preparation used in securing the natural tints of color, to blank pages, after which by heavy pressure they resemble the finest paintings. It would seem that Mr. Banks had an almost endless task before him, the execution of which will require much patience. As this work progresses, however, each pretty leaf with its perfect naturalness of tint and form is sufficient encouragement for the patient prosecution of the work. When completed it will undoubtedly be the most attractive compilation of beauty and instruction belonging to the library of the Viticultural Society, to which we understand it will be presented.

HIBERNIA BENEVOLENT.—The Hibernia Benevolent Society held their annual meeting last evening and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, J. W. Armstrong; Vice-President, Robt. O. Mullane; Treasurer, Terry McMorry, Recording Secretary, Peter Flaherty; Corresponding Secretary, James T. McNiff; Board of Directors, John Ryan, Capt. Thomas Dwyer, Maurice H. Sheehan, Jas. McGuire, Thos. Donahue.

THE greatest scenic display ever seen in Sacramento, at the Tivoli, Monday, January 28th.

THE WEATHER.

Sergeant Barwick says that the rainfall during the shower last evening was .35 of an inch, making 1.02 inches for the month. The average precipitation for January during the last 34 years was 3 78 inches; the month is therefore 2.76 inches behind the average. For the time mentioned above, the dryest January was in 1851, 1852 and 1859, giving .65, .58 and .96 of an inch respectively for the entire month; every other month of that name giving more than 1 inch, and as much as 15 inches in 1862. The rainfall for the present season is but 3 94 inches, as against 9.78 inches up to this time last season, this being the dryest season so far for the past six years. The rainfall up to an equal date for the season of 1877–8 was 9.68 inches; 1878–9, 4 75 inches; 1879–80, 7.84 inches; 1880–81, 12 98 inches; 1881–2, 6,92 inches; 1882–3, 9 78 inches, and the present (1883–4) season 3.94 inches. The average precipitation for the past seven seasons, up to and including the 25th of January of each season is 7.98 inches. The present season is 4.04 inches behind a seven years' average.

The outlook last night from the reports does not show much signs of heavy precipitation. Red Bluff has only had .12 of an inch, and San Francisco only .08 of an inch, while Sacramento's little dash last night for a few minutes pans out .35 of an inch. The wind at 8 P. M. last night was north at Red Bluff, and weather clear. We shall have to hope for the best and look for the worst.

The temperature, wind and weather at 12 M. yesterday, was: For Tatoosh, 39° east and light rain; Olympia, 30°, calm and cloudy; Portland, 33°, southeast and light snow; Fort Canby, 38°, southeast and light rain; Roseburg, 45°, southwest and light rain; Mendocino, 50°, northwest and cloudy; Red Bluff, 49°, south and cloudy; Sacramento, 52°, south and cloudy; San Francisco, 53°, northwest and cloudy; Los Angeles, 62°, south and fair; San Diego, 62°, west and clear; Salt Lake, 35°, southwest and clear; Cheyenne, 25°, southwest and clear; Denver, 33°, east and fair; North Platte, 35°, south and clear; Omaha, 34°, southwest and clear; Yankton, 35°, northwest and cloudy.

STATE CAPITOL ITEMS.

Warrants on the General Fund are payable up to No. 3,219.

County Treasurers have settled with the State and paid in the following amounts: Stanislaus, $70,335 65; San Joaquin $170,965 19; Sierra, $5,045 27; Yolo, $69,866 75; Ventura, $18,135 07; Calaveras, $15 074 98; Inyo, $6 959 48; Santa Barbara, $8,692 52; Fresno, $53 345 01.

The Governor has appointed the following notaries: William Van Voorhies, Oakland, Alameda county, vice F. B. Haswell, term expired; John M. Fulweiler, Auburn, Placer county, vice self; G. W. Hodgkins, Taylorville, Plumas county, vice self; J. W. Jinks, Quincy, Plumas county, vice self; T. G. Lambert, Monterey, Monterey county, vice self; McD. R Venable, San Luis Obispo, San Luis Obispo county, vice self; George Perley, Modesto, Stanislaus county, vice self; Julius Levy, Visalia, Tulare county, vice self; S. C. Brown, Visalia, Tulare county, vice self; J. O. Lovejoy, Visalia, Tulare county, vice self; E. A. Rodgers, Sonora, Tuolumne county, vice self; W. E. Shepherd, San Buenaventura, Ventura county, vice John L. Reque, resigned; James C. Henderson, Merced county, to reside at Los Banos.

BRING IN THE SCALPS.—The Board of Supervisors yesterday passed an ordinance, which will go into effect in about fifteen days, offering a bounty for the killing of coyotes, wildcats, foxes and eagles. The scalps of the animals—both ears and face—and the heads of the eagles must be taken before a Justice of the Peace and affidavit made that the killing was done in Sacramento county. The justice will keep a record and report to the Supervisors. All the animals must have been over a month old to entitle the slayer to the reward. It is said that a party named Hamilton, an old hunter, who has had many a skirmish with Indians, but is now residing in Sacramento, has intimated an intention of entering into an arrangement with a friend, who is the proprietor of a wolf and coyote ranch in Nevada, to have forwarded to him as many scalps as possible. He has also expressed the belief that a big yellow dog would furnish a good coyote scalp. The various Justices of the Peace and Possessors of canines of the style mentioned will do well to take notice.

POLICE COURT.—In the Police Court yesterday the case of Henry H. Mansfield, for bigamy, was continued until February 15th, to give opportunity for certain necessary papers to be sent for to the East.... Indian Jake pleaded guilty to having been drunk, and was fined $10 or ten days, he being an old offender in that line..... E. Plant, Tom Dignon and B. Fraton also pleaded guilty on a similar charge, and were fined $5 each..... Henry O'Niel entered a like plea to a like charge, but, there being certain mitigating circumstances, he was allowed to go free..... O. E. Benick and ——Gerler, drunks, forfeited their deposits.... The case of Peal Rose for disturbing the peace, was continued until the 29 h.... Thomas J. Connor, for vagrancy, was sentenced to forty days in the county jail.... Harvey Mitchell, Tom Anderson and Tom Donahue, the boys who, on the previous day, pleaded guilty of petit larceny, were sent up to the county jail for six months.

LEG BLOWN OFF.—There was brought down from Redding yesterday, on his way to San Francisco, a Chinaman who recently was badly hurt while working in the construction of a tunnel near "the front" of the California and Oregon Railroad. It appears from what the Chinamen say that a blast had been prepared, but the fuse failed to ignite the powder as soon as it should. Some of the men returned to the tunnel after a while, and this Chinaman had just resumed work when the explosion took place. One of his legs was blown off just below the knee, and he was otherwise hurt. He insisted upon taking the piece of leg and footalong with him in a sack when he went to the Bay yesterday. Notwithstanding his injuries, he seemed to be in pretty good spirits, and laughed and talked with those of his countrymen who gathered around the bed on which he lay.

EXEMPTS' ELECTION.—At the annual election yesterday of the Exempt Firemen's Association the following officers were chosen: President, John Batcher; First Vice-President, Hiram Cook; Second Vice-President, James McCleery; Treasurer, George A. Putnam; Secretary, William Avery; Trustees, P. Nash, B. W. Dreman, J. C. Devine, Frank Swift, J. W. M. Smith, George E. Kuchler and M. Castro.

SPARRING EXHIBITION.—At Armory Hall this evening there will be a sparring exhibition, during the earlier portion of which various local and imported "artists" will show their ability. At 9 o'clock D. Brown and M. Brennan will begin the principal attraction.

A REVOLUTION IN THE TEA TRADE.—Nothing succeeds like success, is fully proven by the immense business done by the Great American Importing Tea Company, at No. 617 J street. They have successfully revolutionized the retail tea trade of the coast. Before this company was organized the public had to rely wholly on the grocers for their supply of tea and coffee, but with the advent of this company, who opened handsome specialty tea stores, selling teas and coffees exclusively, the current of the retail tea trade has almost wholly changed, this company being successful in securing the lion's share of the teas sold on the coast. They are rapidly spreading a network of stores all over the State. They now run twelve stores. The proprietors are possessed of ample capital and are thorough experts in the tea business. They have experienced agents in China, Japan and South America, importing direct. They possess every facility for supplying their customers with the finest and purest teas and coffees. The large and rapidly increasing business is proof positive that they possess the confidence of the public. The company was organized for the purpose of importing and distributing pure teas and coffees direct to the consumers, saving all intermediate profits. As a still greater inducement they offer presents of ornamental and useful household articles, so that the consumer may participate in part of the profits. These presents are given to more thoroughly advertise and introduce their excellent goods by the system of trading. The purchasers receive the full benefit and value of advertising, consequently both buyer and seller are mutually benefited. Their stores are located at 140 Sixth street, 522 Kearny street, 226 Third street, 948 Howard street, 1419 Polk street, 333 Hayes street and 511 Montgomery avenue, San Francisco; and 917 Broadway, Oakland; 617 J street, Sacramento; 287 Main street, Stockton, San Jose and Santa Cruz.

MISS EMMA HEATH, California's favorite actress, in the Tale of Enchantment, at the Tivoli, Monday, January 28th.

A party of drunken roughs severely handled Richard Harris, a night watchman at Colfax, last week.

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BRIEF NOTES.

One car load of immigrants arrived last night.

The chain-gang yesterday were engaged in scrubbing out the new Pavilion.

It is said that the railroad machine and car shops at Vallejo will soon be dispensed with, their work to be done in Sacramento.

The remains of Mrs. Sarah J. Cole, who died in this city on Thursday, were yesterday taken to Roseville for interment.

Samuel Odlum, in the employ of Clark & Culver, Woodland, was thrown from his wagon last Wednesday and fractured his left leg.

The new sidewalk on the west side of Fifteenth street, between L and M, contracted for by the State Agricultural Society, has been finished.

A new bank, to be known as Rideout & Smith's, was opened at Gridley last Wednesday. N. A. Rideout, son of N. D., has it under his management.

Jones, Beebe & Grant's band left for Nevada City yesterday, to furnish music for the party to be given there last night by the Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias.

There was an army of ladies at the Exposition building yesterday morning, arranging for the decoration of the building preparatory for the charity entertainment.

T. Blout bought at auction yesterday the residence of William Bartels for $3,600. After the sale he was offered $600 for the two palm trees in front of the house, but declined to sell.

A dispatch received at the railroad office last evening from Vallejo stated that the Bernard House of that place—the principal hotel—was then in flames, with little prospect of being saved.

It was reported among horsemen in town yesterday that the valuable trotting stallion Buccaneer, owned by G. Valensin, of Orno, died at his owner's ranch early this week, but no one knew any particulars.

The chestnut colt Tyrant (2) by imp. Great Tom, dam Moselle by Jack Malone, out of Gazelle by imp. Albion, the property of J. B. Haggin, California, is reported as being lame in his loins. The horse is in the East.

A gentleman who came down from the upper country yesterday remarked that the crops on summer-fallowed land in the vicinity of Gridley, Biggs and Nelson are looking much better than he had expected to see them.

Colonel J. H. Tomlinson, who figured in Sacramento as a confidence operator a few weeks ago, has been bound over to appear before the Superior Court of Fresno county on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses.

The case of M. L. O'Niel, charged with embezzlement, was partially examined in Justice Gilmer's Court yesterday afternoon, and then, owing to the absence of witnesses for the prosecution, continued until next Wednesday, at 1 P. M.

The San Francisco "sports" are greatly disgusted because the price of tickets to the Sullivan Combination performance will be given there has been raised to $2 50 for an engaged seat, $1 50 for admission down stairs, and $1 to the gallery.

Deputy Sheriff G. W. Benson, of Sutter county, came down yesterday with two prisoners. One, an insane man, he took over to Stockton, leaving the other, Saul Doubt, who is to serve 15 months for grand larceny, in the city prison. He will be taken to Folsom this morning.

A valuable horse belonging to W. J. Irvine, of the Pacific Stables, which had been hired to a man who said he wished to drive ten miles out, was returned yesterday in a condition that indicated he had been driven 100. A veterinary surgeon was doing all he could for the animal last evening, but it was feared he would not pull through.

A little daughter of Martin Halloran, who resides in the vicinity of Twelfth and D streets, was quite severely bitten on the arm Thursday afternoon by a Newfoundland dog belonging to a neighbor. On the application of Mr. Halloran, and with the consent of the owner of the dog, the Poundmaster subsequently took the animal over the levee to kill him, but he broke away and escaped unhurt.

A Vigilance Committee has been formed by a number of society gentlemen of this city, who desire to mete out justice to a certain railroad man who had the superintendency of the punch manufacturing at a recent social gathering which was largely attended. He managed his material so neatly that even old "hard-heads" had to succumb, declaring subsequently that two or three little wine-glasses of the mixture had given them bigger heads than they had ever carried before.

The rain-clouds broke away in the vicinity of Sacramento between 8 and 9 o'clock last evening, and at midnight there were no indications that the Clerk of the Weather intended to furnish any more moisture at present. Residents of the city were very much pleased during the evening with the rain that had fallen, and were a happy-looking lot, with their faces in smiles and their feet in the mud. At 12 o'clock last night the weather on the mountains was clear and cold, the thermometer at the Summit being but 6° above zero. About six inches of snow had fallen there.

The over-zealous friends of officer Jackson are making life unpleasant for him by sending people to his room night after night with information where he can buy cats. Night before last a boy, who had been to see him three or four times before when he was out, called and announced that he had two nice cats and sixteen kittens which could be purchased at a reasonable rate. Jackson declares that he never had a cat, and never almost had one; consequently that he has not lost any. He does not want to buy one, and would not encourage any of his friends to do so. He has had much experience with animals—horses, foxes, coons, porcupines and monkeys—and survived it all, but fears that this cat business will "knock him out" unless he makes an awful example of the next person, young or old, who even so much as says "meow" to him.

FRANKLIN ITEMS.

The correspondent of the RECORD-UNION says:

Jacob Korn has gone to Byron Springs, Contra Costa county, for his health.

Mrs. Flower returned last Tuesday from Placer county, where she has been visiting.

Henry Ehrhardt and uncle George Crum returned from Arizona four or five days after starting, having gone only as far as San Francisco.

The time of meeting of Franklin Council of Chosen Friends has been changed from Saturday evening to Thursday evening.

It is reported that we have a haunted house in the neighborhood. It is on the Jacobs ranch, and at present is occupied by the family of J. R. Evans. The spirits are very uneasy, rattling the doors and windows, rapping on the walls, walking about the house, unseen, but with distinct footfalls. Whose spirit it is, and what causes its uneasiness, has not yet been discovered. Some enterprising medium should come and investigate the matter. Later—Mr. Evans has consulted a medium in Sacramento, and the medium says that the spirit is that of an old man named Gillelan, who formerly lived in the house, and who is now dead.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES TO-MORROW.

Preaching at the First Baptist Church,

By the pastor, A. J. Frost, at 10:45 A. M. Morning subject: "Sunday-school Work." Evening subject: "Blessed are the Peace Makers." All are cordially invited.

Sixth-Street Methodist Episcopal Church,

Between K and L.—Rev. T. S. Dunn, pastor. Will preach at 10:45 A. M. and 7 P. M. Evening subject: "Lot Getting out of Sodom." Sunday-school at 12:15 P. M. Revival service of the evening sermon. A welcome to all.

Congregational Church,

Sixth street, between I and J—Rev. Dr. Moore, of Oakland, will preach to-morrow at 10:45 A. M. and 7 P. M. All are cordially invited.

United Brethren in Christ,

Corner of Fourteenth and K streets—Preaching at 11 A. M. and 7 P. M. by the pastor, Rev. J. L. Field. Morning subject: "Let Both Grow Together Until the Harvest." Evening: "The New Heart." Sabbath-school at 9:45 A. M.

M. E. Church South,

Seventh street, between J and K—Preaching to-