DAILY RECORD-UNION

SATURDAY.....MAY 9, 1885

WEATHER REPORT.

All Observations Taken on the 75th Meridian (Eastern) Time.

SIGNAL OFFICE, U. S. ARMY, SACRAMENTO, May 8, 1885.

11 P. M. (Eastern time). 75th meridian; 8 P. M. (Pacific time), 120th meridian.

Place of observation.	Barom. Height	Barom. Change in 8 hours	Ther Exposed	Ther Change in 24 hour	Direction wind and velocity	Rain 8 hours	Weather
Tatoosh	30.17	+.07	50	0	N.E.	.01	Cloudy
Olympia	30.12	+.01	58	+6	Calm 0	.01	Fair
Sp. Falls	30.23	–.01	48	0	N.E.	.....	Clear
Ft Canby	30.13	.00	59	+7	N.E.	.10	Cloudy
Portland	30.07	–.03	62	+5	N.W.	.07	Clear
Roseburg	30.02	–.07	61	+6	N.	.....	Clear
Mend o cn	29.91	–.02	51	–3	N. 18	.30	Fair
Red Bluff	29.88	–.07	72	–1	S.	.....	Clear
Sacmnto	29.94	–.03	61	–2	S.W.11	.....	Clear
S. Fran	30.06	–.03	56	–3	W. 13	.....	Fair
L. Angels	29.92	.00	61	–1	Calm 0	.....	Cloudy
S. Diego	29.96	–.01	63	–1	W.	.01	Cloudy

Maximum temperature, 75.0; minimum, 54.0.

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

ADVERTISEMENT MENTION.

Metropolitan Theater—Standard Minstrels.
Tivoli to-night—"Lady Audley's Secret."
Base-ball at the Park to-morrow.
Base-ball at the new Recreation Grounds to-morrow.
Druids' picnic, East Park, to-morrow.
Verein Eintracht picnic, Richmond Grove, to-morrow.
Sport to-morrow—Agricultural Park.

Auction Sale.

Bell & Co.—This morning.

Business Advertisements.

Situation wanted as nurse.
Horseshoeing—R. N. Johnson.
Wanted—Girl for general housework.
Wanted—Six boys to distribute bills.
To rent—Suite of front rooms.
To let—Four furnished rooms.
Basket lost at Pavilion on Tuesday.
It's very swell—Piper Sec.
Most remarkable man—Effendi Maier.
Mechanics' Store's programme for to-day.
Red House—The greatest bargains yet.
Money to loan—Peter Bohl.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

FLORAL FESTIVAL EXTRA.

The great demand for the RECORD-UNION of Thursday, containing the extended report of the Floral Festival, and which soon exhausted the very large edition issued, was repeated yesterday in the orders received for the WEEKLY UNION, and the largely increased edition of that paper was also soon all taken. These calls continued throughout the day, many wishing as high as from fifty to seventy-five papers. In order to meet the wishes of our patrons and the public, a four-page FLORAL FESTIVAL EXTRA of the RECORD-UNION will be issued this morning. This will contain the full reports and description of the Floral Festival as published in Thursday and Friday's editions, together with the stenographic report of the Press banquet; a full description of the Art Gallery and its contents, as presented to the city; the Marguerite Home, and all the special features of the occasion. The FLORAL FESTIVAL EXTRA will be sold for five cents per copy, and those wishing large or small numbers of the edition should apply in season, as many orders have already been received.

RESIGNATION AND PROMOTION.—Charles A. Grow, Auditor of the Motive Power and Machinery Department of the Central Pacific Railroad for many years, has resigned his position, and will, it is said, become private secretary to Moses Hopkins. The vacancy made by Mr. Grow's resignation will, it is rumored, be filled by the promotion of N. H. Foster, chief clerk at the railroad works in this city for about nine years. While pleased to hear of Mr. Foster's promotion, his friends will not be surprised at it, as his competency is universally acknowledged, and his close application to business and efficiency in promoting the interests of the company have deserved recognition, and are a guarantee of his success in a higher sphere of action. The change is not expected to be made before the 1st of June.

BOOKS LATELY PURCHASED.—Among the books recently purchased for the City Library are the following, which will be ready for general circulation this morning: "Elements of Moral Science," Porter; "Memoirs of Caroline Bauer," two volumes; "Life of George Eliot," G. W. Cross, three volumes; "Boots and Saddles," E. B. Custer; "Captains of Industry," Parton; "Open Door," "Across the Chasm," "Stories by American Authors," two volumes; "Dr. Grattan," Hammond; "Queer Stories for Boys and Girls," Eggleston; "Brierfield Tragedy," Redd; "Lost Trail," Ellis; "Hannah Tarne," "Men of Invention and Industry," Smiles; "Origin of Man," Lubbock; "Rescue of Greely," Schley & Soley; "James Madison," Gay; "Samuel Adams," Hosmer.

COUNTY JAIL REPORT.—Sheriff Wilson reports that during the month of April 102 prisoners were confined in the County Jail, as follows: For murder, 2; robbery, 1; burglary, 6; grand larceny, 7; embezzlement, 1; obtaining money by false pretenses, 1; arson, 1; petit larceny, 19; vagrancy, 17; disturbing the peace, 14; battery, 6; misdemeanor, 13; common drunkards, 8; safe keeping, 2; insanity, 2. Of these, 3 were sent to the State Prison, 39 were discharged upon expiration of sentence, 2 were en route to Folsom Prison, 1 was returned to State Prison, 2 were discharged by order of Court, 4 were sent to the county hospital, 2 to the insane asylum, and 2 were discharged on satisfaction of fine, leaving 47 in the jail May 1st.

ARRESTS FOR THE MONTH.—During the month of April the police made 207 arrests, as follows: For disturbing the peace, 18; safe keeping, 51; vagrancy 17; petit larceny, 17; kidnaping, 1; burglary, 7; misdemeanor, 8; battery, 12; on suspicion, 10; carrying concealed weapons, 1; exhibiting, 10; sleeping in cars, 10; malicious mischief, 8; drunks, 23; escape from insane asylum, 1; detained witnesses, 2; felony, 1; visiting opium den, 2; obtaining money by false pretenses, 2; common drunkard, 1; drawing deadly weapon, 1; deserter, 1; embezzlement, 1; murder, 2. During the month 68 "lodgers" were accommodated at the station-house, and 14 prisoners en route stopped over night in that institution.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.—The Board met yesterday, all the members present. Claims for the month of April, as reported by the Finance Committee, were allowed. Bills of the Sunset Telephone Company, to the amount of $11 80, were laid over, as they were for the use of a telephone in advance. Bills of John McComber, amounting to $75 20, were referred to the District Attorney, and subsequently allowed for $62 70. The Board then opened as a Swamp Land Board, and the bill of Wm. Poole, for $300, and Ah Fye, for $177, on Swamp Land District No. 407, were allowed. The Board then adjourned for the term.

THE FENCE LAW.—Referring to the inquiry of a correspondent of the RECORD-UNION, published a few days ago, relative to the fence law as applicable to Sacramento county, Senator Routier says that the bill introduced by Assemblyman Byron Waters, of San Bernardino, in the Legislature of 1877-8, and which became a law, is still in effect. It was made to apply to Sacramento county, as well as to several other counties, and under its provisions the owner of stock is compelled to look after it, and is liable for the damage it may do by trespassing. Farmers need not construct fences, unless so inclined.

LADIES' kid sandals, $1. Misses' three-strap sandals, 75 cents. Misses' goat shoes, $1. Ladies' goat shoes, $1 25, on sale to-day. Red House. *

SEE our advertisement in to-day's issue. Also, last evening's "Bee." Every article a special drive, Red House. *

MILITARY NOTES.

The Camp Site—Blackboard Exercises—Points from Army Decisions.

No news has been received from the officers who have the location of the camp site in charge, and interested parties are getting anxious to have this point settled. The Santa Rosa people have by no means given up the idea of securing the prize, as they have postponed their fair in order not to interfere with the time selected for the encampment.

The "blackboard" exercises have become so popular, and have been so easy to understand, that the officers of this regiment have resolved to meet again at headquarters next Monday evening for the purpose of forming "lines of battle," closing columns, passing obstacles, changing fronts, etc., etc.

Captain C. M. Casler of Company F, Woodland, was examined last Monday evening as to his fitness for the position. The Captain evidently has not forgotten his former experience, as he was found pretty well up in the duties required of a Captain. His commission will be ready in a few days.

There has been issued from the general headquarters a circular relating to decisions promulgated for the use of the United States army, and which apply also to the National Guard. We give a few of the most important below, as they may be of use to some of our boys:

Position of the First Sergeant.—The general custom is to step two paces to the front, face to the left and give the command for dismissal.

Firings, etc.—The carbine, as well as rifle, should be presented at half-cock at inspection. It seems proper that the piece, after loading, should be raised to the hight of the chin before being brought to the safety notch. If firing kneeling, the command 1, cease, 2, firing, should precede the command 1, squad, 2, rise. The pieces are then brought to the safety notch, following the general rule laid down in paragraph 106, Infantry, and 165, Cavalry Tactics, after which the squad rises and comes to a carry. G. O. No. 19, A. G. O., of 1884, modifies paragraph 92, Infantry Tactics, the modification consisting simply in substituting for the words "the right hand at the small of the st ck" (end of first motion), the words "half-cock the piece, then carry the right hand to the small of the stock."

Oblique Firings.—The following are the proper commands for the oblique firings (paragraph 107, Infantry, and 166, Cavalry Tactics. The pieces being loaded, and the company at a carry arms, the Captain commands: 1. Fire by company. 2. Company. 3. Ready. 4. Right (or left) oblique. 5. Aim. 6. Fire. 7. Load. To continue the fire, the Captain will command: 1. Company. 2. Right (or left) oblique. 3. Aim. 4. Fire. 5. Load.

Inspection of Arms.—The General of the Army decided, August 2, 1881, as follows: "After the piece has been inspected, returned to the recruit, and the hammer placed on the safety notch, the right hand is not dropped to the side before lowering the piece with the left hand, but is passed at once directly to 'rear of middle band,' and the piece lowered to the ground."

Halt Executed from Double Time, Etc.—Although tactics are silent on this point, the directions in paragraph 26, Infantry (27 Cavalry) Tactics, applying to the halt when marching in quick time, should be conformed to as nearly as practicable in the halt from the march in double time. The squad can be halted from double time without first coming to a quick time, and is prescribed in numerous instances; as, to withdraw the skirmish line to the position occupied by the reserve (paragraph 53, Infantry Tactics); to form line to the right or left from column of platoons marching in double time (paragraph 267); deployment of a close column, or change of front in double time (paragraphs 499 and 520, etc.). A squad can mark time marching at double time, and at short step (paragraph 5). In the latter case the full step would be resumed at the command 1, forward, 2, march. The short step can be used in double time (see paragraph 5).

The Touch of Elbow in the Wheel.—The touch of elbow in wheeling is toward the pivot, whether movable or fixed.

Regimental Order No. 5, from headquarters First Artillery, reads as follows:

I. Companies A and B are hereby ordered to assemble at the Armory, in fatigue uniform, for battalion drill and guard mounting, on Wednesday evening, May 13th, at 8 o'clock; and companies E and G will assemble at the same place and hour on Monday evening, May 18th. It is desired that the full strength of each company be represented, in order that divisions may be formed during the drills.

II. The field and staff officers, color sergeant, general guides, band, drum corps and markers are ordered to be present at the above drills.

III. The color sergeant, general guides and guides of companies will meet at headquarters on Monday evening, May 11th, for special instruction; the Examining Board for non-commissioned officers on Tuesday evening, May 12th.

IV. Corporal A. W. O'Brien, of Company E, is detailed as color sergeant of the regiment.

Discharges—In accordance with Section 1929 of the Codes governing N. G. C., private G. W. Carey, of Company E, is honorably discharged. Private Theodor Cohn, Company F, enlisted March 10, 1882; term expired. Private J. C. Lindsey, Company F, enlisted January 7, 1882; term expired. Private Joseph Morris, Company F, enlisted January 5, 1882; term expired. Private J. H. Perry, Company F, enlisted March 28, 1882; term expired. Sergeant Hugo Kuhl, Company A, enlisted February 7, 1882; term expired.

In accordance with Section 1929 of the Codes governing the National Guard, which provides that when two-thirds of the members of a company vote to allow a member to withdraw from the company, Private G. W. Carey has been honorably discharged from Company E, First Artillery. This is a provision of the law which experience has proven to have been much needed.

Grand Army Matters.

Sacramento appointments on the staff of the Department Commanders are: For Aids-de-Camp, D. N. Thorpe, of Sumner Post, and J. S. Esterbrook, of Warren Post. Colonel T. W. Sheehan has also been appointed Assistant Inspector for Sumner Post, and last Thursday evening he inspected the Post in a most thorough manner, and spoke in the highest terms of the systematic manner in which all the books and accounts were kept, of the very flourishing condition of the Post, and of the perfect discipline and unanimity of action, in his inspection report he says: "The Post Commander and Officer of the Day are particularly thorough in their duties." He also says, "I respectfully recommend that more attention be paid throughout the Department to the drill of members of the Grand Army of the Republic. The organization being of a military character, should, when on parade, be in condition to present a soldierly appearance—to march well in column of twos, fours, platoons and companies, and to appear 'at home' when the rifle is in hand. Complicated movements need not be attempted. At the present time many civic societies drill to a certain extent in order to appear well in public, and the old veterans cannot afford to be outdone in martial bearing on a march, by men who never bore arms."

The joint Memorial Day Committee are holding frequent meetings, and as the day approaches great activity prevails. Mrs. Nellie Holbrook Blinn, during her stay in this city for Memorial Day services, will be the guest of Mrs. Wm. M. Lyon, Second and P streets.

The National Encampment of the Grand Army will hold its nineteenth annual encampment at Portland, Me., commencing June 25th. The railroads all over the country offer greatly reduced rates to any comrades and their families who wish to attend, and the Southern Pacific Company furnishes free transportation from San Francisco to Chicago to all delegates and others entitled to seats in the encampment. The Woman's Relief Corps, auxiliary to the Grand Army, holds its annual meeting at the same time and place. There is very little doubt but that the twentieth annual encampment will be held in San Francisco.

Sumner Post put the matter of appropriate floral designs for the Crocker Floral Festival into the hands of the ladies of the Sumner Relief Corps, and all were perfectly satisfied with the result. It was an elegant and tasteful display, creditable to the two organizations, and especially appropriate, as Mrs. Crocker is an active member of the Sumner Relief Corps. The Grand Army were also fortunate in having a photographer of their own, and Comrade Baldwin, of Warren Post, took several fine pictures of these designs, which will be colored by Mrs. Baldwin to resemble the original as nearly as possible, and a copy will be presented to Mrs. Crocker. While taking these views comrade Baldwin, having an extra large camera, took a picture of the whole display at one "sitting," and will present a copy to Mrs. Crocker.

SCARLET and white striped Scotch wool undershirts and drawers in to-day's sale, 50 cents each. Gents' fancy bordered hemstitched linen lawn handkerchiefs, 20 and 25 cents. Red House. *

TO-DAY in sale, boys' mohair coats, all sizes, 25 to 50 cents each. Fine line of ladies' and misses' shoes, kid and goat button, $1 to $1 50. Red House. *

N. B.—See our advertisement in to-day's issue and last evening's "Bee." Red House. *

IT will suprise you to see our prices to-day on clothing at Red House. *

The Weather for April.

The following table shows the comparisons of the general meteorological features of this city for the month of April, from 1880 to 1885, both years included. The rainfall for the past month was very much below the average for thirty-five years past, which was 1.91 inches. The past month only gave .68 of an inch, or a deficiency of 1.23 inches. The following shows the rainfall during the month of April for the places named: Poway, San Diego county, 2.12 inches; San Diego, 1.20 inches; Los Angeles, 2 inches; San Francisco, 3.20 inches; Sacramento, .68 of an inch; Folsom City, 1.68 inches, or 1 inch more than Sacramento; Placerville, 3.32 inches; Marysville, .61 of an inch; Colusa, 1.22 inches; Princeton, .98 of an inch; Oroville, 1.79 inches; Cape Mendocino, .90 of an inch. Accompanying this report is a brief summary of the weather for April, 1885:

April.	1880.	1881.	1882.	1883.	1884.	1885.
Mean barometer	30.04	29.91	30.05	30.04	29.98	29.96
Mean thermom	53.2	60.69	55.8	55.0	56.7	60.6
Mean humidity	72	74.5	64.2	66.1	74.6	71.1
Maximum temp.	78.0	84.0	82.2	76.0	74.2	83.0
Minimum temp	40.0	44.0	40.5	39.8	40.0	39.0
Total rainfall	14.20	1.64	199	.67	4.32	.68
Prevailing wind	S.E.	S.	N.	S.	S.W.	S.W.
Maximum vel.	34	22	35	34	27	23
Monthly vel.	6.597	4.807	5.785	5.933	5.609	5.060
Clear days	10	17	16	16	13	14
Fair days	10	9	9	13	7	12
Cloudy days	10	4	5	1	10	4
Days rain fell	16	8	9	8	12	7
No. times wind observed fr—						
North	8	10	46	3	4	9
Northwest	5	3	12	15	6	10
West	2	4	4	7	5	4
Southwest	23	25	21	21	28	27
South	23	25	40	26	22	24
Southeast	24	17	20	14	19	11
East	3	2	1	2	5	0
Northeast	1	1	0	0	0	3
Calm	1	3	0	2	1	2

SUMMARY FOR APRIL, 1885.—The average hourly velocity and prevailing direction of the wind at 4 A. M., for the month, was 5.2 miles, from the south. At 8 A. M., 6.8 miles, from the south. At 12 M., 9.3 miles, from the northwest. At 4 P. M., 9.5 miles, from the southwest. At 8 P. M., 6.8 miles, from the southwest. Two earthquakes, on the 3d and 11th. Highest water in the river, 15.2 feet, on the 13th; lowest, 13.5 feet. Light frost on the 16th, 18th, 19th and 20th.

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Sergeant Signal Corps, U. S. A.

Further Festival Notes.

The fine wax figure which was draped and used as representing "Charity" in the Congregational Church floral exhibit at the festival, and much admired, was from the establishment of Mrs. G. F. Aaron, on J street.

General Bidwell states in a card published in the Chico *Chronicle*, that the floral pieces credited to him in the festival exhibits should have been given as Chico's offerings, as the ladies of that place as well as himself were contributors to it.

Cal. Duden, of Latrobe, walked five miles or more in the hills to secure a fine collection of ferns, which he sent to the Floral Festival. Mr. Berry, of Shingle Springs, and Mr. Bonner, of Niles, each sent choice flowers, and Mr. Galego, of Alameda, contributed ivy and fine flowers. All these were sent to Mrs. C. H. Cummings, in charge of the Bric-a-Brac display, and were prominently used upon the design shown by that organization.

The ladies of Oleta sent to the festival a beautiful floral design, which in the multitude of pieces has heretofore escaped notice. They supplemented their offering by a large collection of flowers for decorative purposes. No testimonials were of more interest or commanded more attention than those which came from other towns and the outside country, for they all testified to sincerity and to extraordinary labor and sacrifice to prepare them and get them to Sacramento in good condition. The Oleta ladies, for instance, began work at 3 o'clock in the morning in order to carry out their design and keep it in a fresh state.

Recreation Grounds.

To-morrow the new Recreation Grounds at Sixteenth and F streets will be opened. The parties who have leased the same have fitted them up in a thorough manner for athletic sports, and they are probably equal, if not superior, to any in the State. The main entrance is on Sixteenth street. The grand stand, built like that at Agricultural Park, is on the left, and sufficiently commodious for 1,000 people to be seated, furnishing them a view of the entire grounds. To the right are what may be termed "circus seats," where 500 can have an equally good view. Under the stands commodious dressing-rooms have been built. The paddock, where teams can be hitched, is large enough for about 100 buggies. The field for baseball, with a fine diamond, is said to be superior to anything of the kind in the State. The circular track makes one mile in six laps, and the track of 100 yards is excellently constructed for foot-racing purposes. The entertainment for the opening to-morrow includes a game of baseball between the Unions, of Sacramento, and the Clippers, of San Francisco, which is expected to be closely contested. The Unions have strengthened their nine by the addition of Hanly, who gained an enviable reputation by the strength with which he played third base for the Haverlys. The contesting nines will be as follows: Unions—Hanly, 3d b.; McLaughlin, c.; Leonard, 1st b.; Barry, p.; Crone, r. f.; Costello, s. s.; McKinzie, 2d b.; Stanton, c. f.; Gormley, l. f. Clippers—Powers, c.; McMullin, p.; Bailey, 1st b.; O'Dea, 2d b.; Caveny, 3d b.; Tillson, s. s.; O'Hara, l. f.; Schindler, c. f.; Carroll, r. f. After the ball game, there will be some exciting foot-racing over the new sprinting path. The admission will be 25 cents; ladies, free; children, 10 cents; seats in grand stand, 10 cents. The game will be called at 2 P. M.

BASEBALL AT THE PARK.—At Agricultural Park to-morrow afternoon there will be a very interesting game of baseball between the Altas, of this city, and the San Franciscos, of San Francisco. Mr. Allen has covered all the seats with canvas awnings, and spectators will thus be enabled to enjoy the game in comfort. Admission, 25 cents; ladies free. The nines will be composed as follows: San Francisco—Bigelow, s. s.; Maguire, r. f.; Finn, p.; Buckley, 2d b.; Quitzen, 3d b.; Devaull, l. f.; Moriarty, c. f.; Moran, 1st b.; Carroll, c. Altas—Mack, r. f.; Depanger, c.; Hilbert, l. f.; Borchers, p.; Flint, 2d b.; Renfro, s. s.; Ahern, 1st b.; Gorman, c. f.; Hennessey, 3d b. Depanger, the well-known catcher of the Marysville Intrepids, has been engaged to assist the Altas, because of Mack being somewhat disabled by a sore hand. After the ball game, there will be a foot-race between Frank Eldred and James Duane, 100 yards, for $50 a side.

PRESENTATION.—The young converts (ladies) of the A. M. E. Church, Seventh street, between G and H, gave a social on Wednesday evening, April 29th, at the parlor of the church. The attendance was very large. The parlor was tastefully decorated with choice flowers and evergreens. There were several booths, presided over by the different young converts, which were well patronized by the audience. This was made the occasion of a presentation to their pastor, the Rev. Jordan Allen, of a purse of $70. The purse was presented by Miss Amelia Graham, on behalf of her associates, the young converts, and was feelingly responded to by the recipient.

SPREADING INSECT PESTS.—A correspondent writes the RECORD-UNION: "The indiscriminate throwing around of the rinds from Los Angeles oranges is now showing its results in the rich crop of every insect that infests that harbor of refuge for these pests. It is to be feared that the orange trees in this city will look as dirty as those in Los Angeles, which, from the covering of scale insects, and the black smut over their leaves, have ceased to be an ornamental tree in most of the orchards. Mr. Cooke is correct in all of his statements on this subject, and more care should be exercised, or we will regret it 'in sackcloth and ashes' soon."

AUCTION SALE.—Bell & Co. will sell at their salesroom, No. 827 J street, at 10 A. M. to-day, the balance of the stock contained therein, consisting of furniture, beds, bedding, carpets, chairs, tables, cook and parlor stoves, assorted pickles, etc. Also two canvas awnings for store fronts.

* IT will be more interesting to-day at the Red House than any day yet. *

SPECIAL lines of dress goods in to-day's sale. Red House. *

BRIEF NOTES.

Four carloads of immigrants arrived this morning.

There were no arrests made by the police yesterday.

Nine carloads of oranges from Los Angeles went East yesterday.

Measles and bowel complaints are prevalent in Sacramento at present.

The Forester Gun Club will have its monthly pigeon shoot at the Park to-morrow morning.

Five carloads of blooded cattle went up to Senator Stanford's ranch at Vina from Sunol last evening.

Twelve carloads of oysters for planting came through from the East last night, going to San Francisco.

Messrs. Richie, Duncan & Callman, of Winters, shipped ripe tomatoes to San Francisco last Thursday.

A mare on the ranch of H. M. LaRue, in Yolo county, recently gave birth to twin foals—a mule colt and a horse colt.

The Capital Turf Club will meet this evening at 7 o'clock to hear the report of the special committee on speed programme.

Deputy Sheriff Armstrong, of Placer county, took to the asylum at Stockton yesterday an insane man named Nathan Hawkins.

A little child was knocked down by a passing team in the vicinity of Tenth and J streets yesterday afternoon, but was not much hurt.

Supervisor McMullen lost a fine three-year-old mare Thursday night, in consequence of its being struck by a train in Brighton township.

A large number of floral pieces exhibited at the Festival were yesterday removed to Mrs. Crocker's residence, arranged with fine effect about the buildings and grounds, and a photograph taken.

The police have been directed by the Chief to serve notice, in accordance with city ordinance, on persons upon whose premises cottonwood trees and weeds are becoming a nuisance.

A train of five coaches and a baggage car conveyed the St. Paul's Church picnic party to Natoma Grove yesterday. They returned home shortly after 6 P. M., tired and happy, having had a fine time.

On the little peninsula near the northern end of the Third-street bridge some one is fitting up a gang of four pumps, to be worked by horse-power, and proposes to soon give an exhibition of their effectiveness.

The Pacific Sportsman's Club has moved into spacious and comfortable quarters on the east side of Fifth street, between I and J, where they will fit up a reading-room and make other arrangements for the pleasure and comfort of members.

Deputy Sheriff Dunn brought up from San Francisco last evening, en route to the State Prison at Folsom, Ah Hing, alias Chun Hing, who is to serve six years for grand larceny, and James C. Johnson, under sentence of twelve years for burglary.

Rev. H. J. Becker delivered an interesting address at the Seventh-street M. E. Church last evening upon the "Compass and Cultivation of the Human Voice," illustrating it with recitations and singing. The audience was not large, but those present were well entertained.

E. S. Grant, the well-known musician, is very seriously ill. He played in the orchestra at the Metropolitan Theater last Saturday night, but on Sunday morning was attacked with paralysis, and his condition has been growing worse since. He has been almost an invalid for about a year.

A great number of dead fish, nearly all of large size, are floating in the water of China slough, or lodged against the banks, and will soon create a stench. It is singular that the fish of the slough should die now, when there is so much water, which is still cold. Possibly the fish spoiled on some dealer's hands and were thrown in.

By some accident—the dropping of a burning match or a lighted cigar—the grass on the outskirts of Natoma Grove caught fire while the St. Rose Church picnic party was there Thursday, and the blaze spread with such rapidity that the grove was soon in serious danger. A large force of men and boys procured branches of trees and fought the fire, and after a hard fight were successful in conquering it.

The only business transacted in the Superior Court yesterday was the hearing of the case of Quan Wo Chan vs. Julia A. Henley et al., in Department Two. A jury was impaneled, the plaintiff introduced his evidence and rested, and the defendant then moved for a nonsuit, which was granted. The case was brought by plaintiff to recover a large number of brick, alleged to belong to him, and was on appeal from a Justice's Court.

Mrs. John T. Cardwell was driving on K street yesterday afternoon, when her horse became frightened and ran away when in the vicinity of Second, dashing down the latter street at a high rate of speed. Mrs. Cardwell was thrown out at M street, where the horse turned, and she received severe bruises, especially about the face, and a cut over the left eye, but was fortunate in escaping without more serious injury. The horse went up M street to Fourth, where he got freed from the buggy, in consequence of a collision with a tree, which damaged the vehicle considerably, and was finally caught at Fourth and K streets. At Fourth and M streets the runaway animal was barely prevented from running into a funeral procession.

A well-known citizen recently inquired at a popular restaurant what demand there was for frogs, stating that a friend of his had a first-class frog ranch, the crop being something remarkable for size. An agreement was made by which the citizen and his ranch friend appeared at the restaurant yesterday morning, and announced that they had brought four dozen nice fat fellows. The proprietor of the hotel inspected the lot, but immediately exclaimed: "Why these are not frogs; they're toads!" The sellers laughed at the idea that they were so much mistaken, but, when some of the genuine frog article was produced from the restaurant stock and compared, the Sacramentan put his hands to his nose and moved away, while his friend ejaculated: "Py shiminy, I sees der difference! Who'd dink dot, onyhow?"

The "dark" young pacer which Charley Schlutius appeared behind at the Park last Saturday, attracting the attention of horsemen, who wondered where the animal, which paced in 2:35, and probably could have done a few seconds better, came from. It appears that the pacer was owned by a young man named Will Utter, who was willing to sell him for $200, and let Schlutius take him to train, on the agreement that if the trainer could sell him he was to pay Utter the amount mentioned. Outside parties who saw the horse pace hunted Utter up and offered him, it is said, three or four hundred dollars. Naturally he desired, under the circumstances, to get the animal back from Schlutius and take the higher price, but meanwhile Schlutius had sold to W. T. Todhunter, and offered Utter the $200 agreed upon, which he refused to take, he claiming to have given notice rescinding the bargain made with Schlutius. As Utter is a minor, his mother, Mrs. Amanda Moore, has brought suit, in the Superior Court of Yolo county, to replevin the animal.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mrs. L. P. Martin left yesterday on a visit to Marysville.

Judge A. B. Dibble returned to Grass Valley yesterday.

Eugene J. Gregory got back yesterday from Nevada City.

Judge Belcher, of Marysville, returned home yesterday from this city.

Mrs. H. M. Hood, of Sacramento, will arrive from the East this morning.

Hon. A. Walrath, of Nevada City, paid Sacramento a brief visit yesterday.

T. P. Magee and a party of friends left Woodland for Bartlett Springs yesterday.

J. W. Fulweiler, of Auburn, and S. B. Ridgway, of Applegate, went home yesterday.

S. S. Bede, one the managers at the Red House, returned from San Francisco last evening.

Hon. David McClure and Norton Bush returned to San Francisco from Sacramento yesterday afternoon.

Sol. Davidson, of Biggs, was called to San Francisco yesterday by a dispatch announcing the dangerous illness of his sister.

Dr. Thos. Palmer, of Boston, is visiting relatives in Sacramento and vicinity. He came via New Orleans and Mexico.

C. W. Thomas, of the firm of Thomas & Hurst, has been appointed Court Commissioner for Yolo county by Judge Gaskoutte.

B. Hinkleman, of Grass Valley, returned home yesterday from attendance upon the Knights Templar Conclave at San Francisco.

Mrs. S. B. Smith, Miss Libbie Smith and Miss Gertie Whitney, left yesterday morning for San Francisco, for a short visit to many friends.

Miss Emma Nagle, of Arbuckle, is visiting at the residence of W. F. Peterson, in this city. So also is is Willie Hardes, of San Francisco.

J. F. Muddux, of Newcastle; A. D. Skinner, Green Valley; W. H. Fry and wife and S. W. Marks, Franklin; and G. H. Meiss, Clay Station, were in town yesterday.

Colonel J. J. Ayers, Dr. Latham, Mrs. John Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Bloor and Major Robert Beck were passengers for the Bay yesterday afternoon.

Captain R. P. Johnson, who was Mayor of Sacramento in 1854, came down from Mount Shasta yesterday, en route to San Francisco, where he has lived for many years. He is still hale and hearty.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Marvin, now of San Francisco, are spending a few days in Sacramento with their son, W. M. Marvin, Jr., and visiting friends. H. A. Marvin is also here, but will return to the Bay to-morrow.

Hon W. H. Jordan, who was admitted to practice, upon examination before the Supreme Court, the present week, was one of the most active and efficient members of the Assembly at the last session. It is understood that he will enter upon the practice of law eitheir in Oakland or San Francisco.

Mrs. C. Zeh, who gave an extensive party and reception to her many friends a few evenings since, and was the recipient of many fine presents, will leave this evening for the East and Germany. Mrs. Zeh has resided in Sacramento for upwards of thirty years, and will now spend about a year in the Fatherland.

Arrivals at the Golden Eagle Hotel yesterday: George H. Lindsay, Reno; Chas. P. Creamer, Lynn, Mass.; J. E. Prevett, Auburn; Wm. M. Cubery and wife, Burt Haverly, Gus Mill, D. R. Hawkins, Charles Seamon, Ed. Girard, John Wilson, Billy Cameron, W. F. Bishop, Franz Wetter, J. J. Kelly, E. G. Crandall, Geo. Dewey, George McNeice, T. Delaney, P. Johansen and son, Gus Walthers, J. Kidd, M. Bradley, Sam Meyers, Charles Heusen, Mrs. T. C. Van Ness, J. C. Dunphy, M. B. Kellogg, G. W. Gordon, Mrs. J. E. Doyle and daughter, Henry Perry, Louis Bien, H. P. Clarke, Mrs. McNeice, San Francisco; J. T. Jones and wife, Colusa; J. C. Cunningham, Grass Valley; B. F. Jones and wife, St. John; W. E. Hale, wife and child, Geo. W. Grayson, Oakland; A. H. Moody, Colfax; A. W. Allen and wife, Kansas City, Mo.

METROPOLITAN THEATER.—The Charley Reed Minstrels had a good house last evening. The company acquired its present title while in San Francisco, when Mr. Reed was related to it, he not now being a member of it. But the audience had no reason whatever to complain of the company. It is a thoroughly good troupe, and gives a fresh and varied performance, full of wit, grotesque acts and charming music. The orchestration is especially good. D. R. Hawkins, a well-known and popular minstrel, is interlocutor, with Bert Haverly as tambo and Charles V. Seamen, a new face here, as bones. Both end men are good, original and very vivacious. The quartet is a good one, the baritone of W. F. Bishop and the basso, Franz Wetter, being especially noticeable. The latter has a powerful voice, rich in tone and full of the dramatic quality. It is well adapted to the work he has to do, and is very effectively handled. His solo, "The Last Chord," was an innovation on the usual style of vocalism heard in minstrel entertainments, rising as it did into a far higher realm and being classic in style and lofty in theme. The encore it received was thoroughly sincere, and testified to the appreciativeness of the musical people in the audience. Seamen and Girard, in their character acts are very pleasing, but "Gus Mills," female impersonator, is unquestionably the best of the troupe in disguises. His burlesque of a concert hall singer has not been surpassed, and his falsetto is as near an approach to the female voice as is heard in any company. Seamen, Girard, Haverly, Wilson and Cameron in grotesque and extravagant acts were very interesting. A very ludicrous burlesque, being "Girard's version of Clotilda," created a great deal of merriment, and was ludicrously absurd. All the songs, gags and circle business of the company are new and crisp. As a whole, the troupe is one of pleasing singers, good instrumentalists and excellent minstrel performers, and can be trusted to give a thoroughly enjoyable evening of modern negro minstrelsy. A matinee this afternoon, another performance to-night, and a fine special entertainment to-morrow night.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.—Fidelity Grove, No. 31, U. A. O. D., had an installation and banquet Thursday evening. The following officers were installed by the D. D. G. A., A. Gonnett, assisted by N. G. A. W. A. Henry and other Grand officers: N. A., William Avery; V. A., M. B. Horne; Treasurer, A. Trope; Secretary, James McCall; I. G., John Swetmich; O. G., Victor Josti; Trustee, long term, L. Neubourz; Representatives to the Grand Grove, which meets at Santa Cruz, Brothers P. A. L. Neubourg, A. Gonnett, William Avery and James McCaw.

POLICE COURT.—In the Police Court yesterday the case of John Wall, charged with battery, went over until the 11th.....F. W. Steinmyer, accused of malicious mischief, was discharged.....George J. Berger was convicted of battery, and ordered to appear this morning for judgment.....John Carroll, Charles Edwards, John Grady, James Smith, Joseph Mack and Wm. Watson, gathered in for vagrancy, were sentenced to ten days each in the County Jail.....Lou Lewellyn, similary charged, was acquitted.

MAY FESTIVAL AND PICNIC.—The fifth annual May festival and picnic of the Sacramento Verein Eintracht will take place at Richmond Grove to-morrow, and a very enjoyable time is anticipated, as the Committee of Arrangements are determined to make it one of the finest affairs of the season. Various games will be arranged and prizes awarded, the contests commencing at 1 P. M. promptly. The Tivoli band will furnish both concert and dancing music for the occasion.

DRUIDS' PICNIC.—The Druids will hold their annual picnic at East Park Grove to-morrow, and have fitted up the grounds nicely and made all necessary arrangements. The prizes to be awarded successful contestants in games are on exhibition at C. A. Sawtelle's. Street cars will run to the Park at intervals of but a few minutes. Admission, 50 cents for gentlemen and 25 cents for ladies.

THE TIVOLI.—"Lady Audley's Secret" will be played for a matinee performance this afternoon, again to-night and for the last time to-morrow evening. Miss Vernon has the leading part, and George Marion has the difficult role of Marks, the game-keeper. The play is put upon the stage with a great deal of care.

MR. WILLIAM OSBORN has been stopping at the Golden Eagle, accompanied by his wife, spending a few days with us enjoying our Floral Festival. Mr. Osborn is one of the firm of Messrs John Osborn, Son & Co., of New York and Montreal, the oldest wine merchants in the United States, having been established in shipping and commission business there since 1836. Messrs. Osborn are the sole agents for the United States and Canada for the old reliable Piper-Heidsieck and Piper Sec champagnes. The importations for this wine during the past three years has amounted to 125,000 baskets, or over three times