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NEWS OF THE MORNING.

FOREIGN.—Silver in London, 46¾d; consols, 101 5-16; 5 per cent. United States bonds, extended, 105; 4s, 128½; 4½s, 114½.....Socialist leaders on trial in London..... Suspension of Commercial Bank of South Australia.....Great commercial depression in Sweden.....Rev. Stowell Brown dead. .....Mexico wants Chinese immigrants..... Panama Canal Company attached..... Thousands of Scotch women idle in London.

EASTERN.—Government bonds quoted in New York at 126 for 4s of 1907; 113½ for 4½s; sterling, $4 88½@4 90; 100½ for 3s; silver bars, 102¾.....Second volume of Blaine's book published.....Abbott Lawrence shot in Milwaukee by George A. Wardner.....Thomas A. Edison married at Akron, O.....Bartholdi statue to be completed in April.....Beecher's stolen watch found.....Jewish Theological Seminary proposed.....Cotton-picking machine a success.....Editors still in council at Cincinnati.

WASHINGTON.—Postal Savings Depository proposed.....All California appointments will be confirmed, in Senator Stanford's opinion..... Ralph S. Thompson appointed Postmaster at Wright's, Santa Clara county. .....Senator Jones, of Florida, probably insane.....Bill passed in the House permitting national banks to change their names and location.....Several nominations confirmed by the Senate.....Postoffice appropriation bill completed.

PACIFIC SLOPE.—Chinaman found murdered near Gridley.....Dastardly deed reported from Chico.....Wm. Laird drowned near Bethany.....Trial of Prewett murder case begun in Hollister .....Central Hotel burned at Williams.....Ex-Assemblyman H. A. Carter died in Ione.....New railroad project in British Columbia.....Columbus Jones (colored) died in Victoria, B. C..... Horsethief and murderer captured.....Rain in southern California.....Anti-Chinese meetings in many localities.....S. R. Hartzell killed at La Camas, W. T.....Suicide of William Earle near Portland, Or..... Cable proposed between San Francisco and Australia.....Death of Assemblyman John Rafferty.

THE TWO CONVENTIONS—DANGER AHEAD.

The people of Sacramento held a representative, cool and deliberative mass meeting December 3, 1885, to consider the Chinese question. That meeting was, we say, eminently and unlimitedly representative. It suggested and directed a State Convention to be held to secure the broadest and wisest counsel. Subsequently a meeting of expressly limited representation was held in San Jose, and also called a State Convention. The Sacramento Convention was called for March 10th; that of San Jose was to be convened a month or more earlier. After the calls were issued, the promoters of the San Jose scheme urged the friends of the Sacramento movement to abandon their call and unite with them. To this their response was that it was impossible, because theirs was the prior call; it was a call for a thoroughly representative body, delegates being chosen by the Supervisors of all the counties, and thus accredited by recognized authority; that the San Jose Convention was not and could not be truly representative, because its call was limited, and large sections of the State debarred representation, and, lastly, because matters had progressed too far to permit the idea to be entertained.

The San Jose Convention was thereupon held, and on adjournment it agreed to reassemble in Sacramento on the day fixed for the original and first-called Convention. An offer to the San Jose body to join hands with the Convention of March 10th has just been rejected, and there the matter stands.

This puts things into just about as bad shape as is possible. Of all things in the world, divided counsels are the worst for the anti-Chinese cause. Now the purpose of a Convention from the outset was to mold public opinion at the East by voicing the sentiment of the people of California. Our own people need no education in the matter whatever. The whole object was and is to give such calm expression through a body of delegates chosen from all the counties, by the legislative board of each county, and embracing business, labor, commercial, agricultural and all other interests affected. The idea was that the voice of such a convocation would be heeded at the East. But if we are to have two Conventions on the 10th of March, one radical and the other conservative, the effect will be to weaken the efforts made to give this State relief.

There is no escape from the conviction that the recalling of the San Jose Convention to meet here on the same day with the original Convention was unwise. It does not disclose a desire to further the common purpose. There is no pressing need for the reassembling. It looks very much like a purposeful plan to bring about a collision in methods, that will furnish our opponents at the East precisely the opportunity they desire—reason to exclaim that this people do not know their own minds. It looks very much as if the promoters of the San Jose scheme mean to oppose any and all temperate methods, and to insist upon the foolish radicalism that threatens to do so much injury to industrial interests in California.

This idea of driving the Chinese from one place and crowding them into another has not a particle of strength in it, but contains all the elements of weakness. Precisely as the mass meeting in Sacramento of December 18th resolved:

> He who declares the whole Chinese question can be settled without thorough organization among the entire people of the coast, and that all the Chinese employed in shops and factories throughout the State can be replaced by operatives to be brought here from the East in twenty or thirty days, is either a fool or a knave.

The radicals in their haste propose to suddenly disrupt and revolutionize conditions under which vast industries have grown up, and to furnish nothing better in lieu of the system they would break down. To give apparent emphasis to anti-Chinese sentiments they propose to punish people innocent of all wrong-doing, and to visit upon fruit, and general agricultural interests, injury that must be felt in all trade and labor circles. It is simply an attempt "to bite off our noses to spite our faces." It is graver than folly—it is insanity.

If the desire is to kill the anti-Chinese movement; to irrevocably fasten Chinese servile labor upon California; to rivet the chains of workingmen beyond hope of their release; to make ruinous and demoralizing Chinese competition permanent, let this rabid radicalism go on and prosper. The boycott is one thing, and inhuman persecution is another. Where Chinese labor can be supplanted at once by white labor now here competent to its tasks, and without serious injury to home interests, it should be done, and that even at some discomfort. Where it is impossible of accomplishment without punishing the producers of California, it should not be even suggested. It is time enough to demand substitution when we have organized to bring and are bringing in the skilled labor to supplant the Chinese.

The result of continued radicalism is easily forecast. There will be a reaction among our own people that will set back the whole movement a decade, and make our last worse than our former condition. Unless the two Conventions can be fused, and a single voice go up from this people, the reaction will set in on the 10th day of March, and augment rapidly from that date forward. There is need for wise counsel, calm guidance and judicious control, and the time for it is near at hand.

THE JEWELS OF FRANCE.

The crown jewels of France are to be sold and the proceeds applied to the relief of aged workmen. It will not be a direct charitable giving, but the fund will be so used as to furnish light employment to the veterans of labor, that they may by some simple service be made to feel that they are not absolute pensioners. The regalia of France was the most superb of all Europe. It suffered severely from theft, accident and the changes of government. No one ruler handled it prior to the present republic in whose hands it did not suffer some loss. It is just to add that nearly all its custodians, however, added something to the collection. The great Sancy stone belongs to this regalia, but its identity is shrouded in mystery, since four or five Sancys have had their romantic histories, each being claimed as the genuine. The Deputies have decided to put the whole lot of jewels remaining, under the hammer. They are never again to serve the purposes of borrowing-royalty in France, as security for luxurious debt. It is a wise judgment that decrees the distribution of the vast wealth locked up in these precious stones. In its present condition it does no one good; it sequesters jewels of rare beauty that will be serving some purpose, even if only to glitter upon the plating of a coal-oil aristocracy. A republic has no use for these dazzling gems, but it has use for the money they represent. Moreover, to retain them under watch and ward, is to confess a fear that some day perhaps they might be convenient to adorn the court of a French king. Their historical reminders are not all pleasant in a republic. They typify a dead and gone governmental system; they are mementoes of a narrower political civilization than the world of to-day would tolerate. It was well, therefore, to decree their disposal. Some few of the stones having especial historic value will be preserved from sale as curiosities. But the mass of the collection will be disposed of, and one may reasonably anticipate a struggle to obtain possession of the several pieces. For it will be something worthy the contention of wealth to secure articles of the regalia, about which cluster some of the most romantic passages of the history of the old world. To those able to possess such curiosities, the touch of such as Marie Antoinette, the Napoleons, Mary de Medici, the Henries and Louises, Richelieu, Charles, Necker, Maurepas, will give to these precious stones the sanctity of tragic interest at least, and make them more curious in private possession than they ever were when under the control of kings and queens, and emperors and ministers. It will be something worth a lavish outpouring of money to hold as one's own the great diamond Bonaparte placed in the hilt of the "sword of state," and to lay claim, if it is of the regalia still, to the famous diamond necklace. While it is supposed that potentates in Europe will exert themselves to the utmost to secure the more choice articles, it is not improbable that a portion of them will fall into hands that can boast neither blue blood nor the favor that transforms a plebian into a noble.

THE Bigg's *Independent* puts a plain truth directly when it says: "There is too much of a disposition in northern California to sit on the fence and wait for 'desirable immigrants' to come along and buy land. We cannot have too many immigrants with brain, industry and money, but our own people should be alive to the unsurpassed advantages which this region presents on every side for the founding of fortunes. Why is not an orchard or vineyard as good a thing for the native son as for the newcomer?" And we join with our contemporary in the inquiry, Why not?

SAYS the *Call*, regarding the Sacramento Anti-Chinese Convention:

> Whatever color there may be for the statement that the cry of "The Chinese must go," is enforced by "mob violence, organized and systematic," should be effaced by the proceedings of the Convention. The Chinese now in the country have unfortunately a right to stay. But when they elect to go we can say that their going shall be final.

This reference is to the snarl of the New York *Sun* that the real intention here is to promote violence upon the Chinese. The *Call's* advice is timely, and not to be neglected.

APOSTLE CANNON gains something in the consideration of men by his prompt repudiation of all sympathy with the ruffians of his family who assaulted the United States District Attorney at Salt Lake. Cannon is shrewd enough to know that to approve the assault would be the hight of folly, and prejudice his own case.

ACCORDING to the San Francisco papers the Democratic bosses are capturing and running the Republican clubs in San Francisco. Well, even that is not half so bad as to have the capture made by Republican bosses.

Quarantine Station at San Francisco.

Following is a copy of the bill introduced in Congress by Senator Stanford on Tuesday to establish a quarantine station at the port of San Francisco:

WHEREAS, The port of San Francisco is peculiarly liable to the incursions of infectious and contagious diseases from South American, Pacific island and Asiatic ports, and it is desirable to establish a well-appointed quarantine station thereat;

Now, therefore, there is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sum, not exceeding $100,000, as may be necessary to purchase grounds and erect buildings suitable for quarantine purposes at the port of San Francisco. The same shall be forthwith expended, for the purpose aforesaid, under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury.

The said quarantine grounds and buildings, when completed, shall be under the supervision of the Marine Hospital Service at said port. The use thereof, from time to time, may be granted by the authorities of said hospital to the health departments of the city and county of San Francisco or State of California, upon condition that the said health departments, or either of them, assume the expense of maintaining the same.

PACIFIC SLOPE.

EFFORTS TO CAPTURE THE WICKERSHAM MURDERER.

Horse and Rider Drowned—Chinaman Murdered—Fiendish Act of Miners.

[SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE RECORD-UNION.]

CALIFORNIA.

The Anti-Chinese Cause.

SANTA CRUZ, February 24th.—An anti-Chinese club, with 130 members, was organized in Aptos last evening.

NAPA, February 24th.—A large and enthusiastic meeting of the Napa Anti-Chinese League was held last night in Hott's rink. The Committee on Enrollment reported a pledge which persons must sign in order to become members of the League, to the effect that they will, just as soon as possible, discharge all the Chinese now in their employ and put white men in their places, and that by all lawful and peaceable measures they will help to rid the community of Chinamen. This was adopted amid cheers, and the committed was instructed to canvass the city for signatures. It was decided not to issue credentials to any delegate to the State Convention at Sacramento who would not sign this pledge. The meeting adjourned to meet next Saturday evening and hear a further report of the committee.

CHEROKEE (Butte county), February 24th. The Anti-Chinese Club of Cherokee had its regular meeting Monday evening, and was addressed by E. J. Emmons, from Chico, who spoke principally of the virtues of the present agitation, and was followed by Mr. Gamble, from Durham. Great enthusiasm prevailed, and a delegate was elected to the Sacramento Convention on the 10th of March.

PENTZ (Butte county), February 24th.—An Anti-Chinese Club was organized at Pentz Tuesday evening. Thomas Lockerman was elected Chairman, and George Chesshire Secretary. A Committee on Resolutions was appointed, consisting of Jesse Wood, C. Clarenbach and Mr. Chesshire.

GRASS VALLEY, February 24th.—C. F. McGlashan, of Truckee, held a meeting here last night in Empire Hall, which was crowded to hear him speak on the anti-Chinese question. About 150 men signed the anti-Chinese pledge. There are not over 100 Chinese altogether here, employed in laundries and gardens, so that we do not feel the effects of their presence as much as other towns do.

YREKA, February 24th.—An anti-Chinese meeting at Sawyer's Bar indorsed the action of the Supervisors, in appointing delegates to the Sacramento Convention, and organized a club for the purpose of using any reasonable measures to rid Salmon river of the Chinese.

SAN DIEGO, February 24th.—The new settlement of Escondido, in this county, has taken a hand in the anti-Chinese crusade by ordering the Chinese to leave, giving them until the 25th inst. to comply with the demand. An orderly citizens' meeting was held.

The Fugitive Murderer.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 24th.—Chief Crowley still believes that Ang Tai Duck, the murderer of the Wickershams, will be brought home for trial. There is yet a chance that he will be secured in Yokohama; if not he will be welcomed by a warrant at Hongkong.

This morning the Chinese Consul-General here received a cablegram from the Chinese Consul at Yokohama, in response to a cablegram sent Saturday. The message, of which a copy was sent immediately to the Chief of Police, reads: "Ang Tai Duck arrested by Japanese Government. At present, Secretary of State determined to release him to go to Hongkong."

Not long after reading this and endeavoring to formulate from it some additional theory concerning the troublesome Duck, the Chief received the following, which made him theorize still more:

WASHINGTON, February 24, 1886.

To Chief of Police P. Crowley, San Francisco: If the agent sent from San Francisco to take possession of the person of Ang Tai Duck did not have a formal request from the Governor of California, procure such request from the Governor. This, the Japanese Minister here informs me, will be desired by his Government.

LELAND STANFORD.

From the reading of this it seems evident that the Japanese Minister must have received some positive information relating to Secretary Bayard's recent decision. The action requested by Senator Stanford had already been taken. The Chief replied as follows:

SAN FRANCISCO, February 24, 1886.

Hon. Leland Stanford, Washington, D. C.: Governor Stoneman made request of Japanese Government by cable to arrest murderer; subsequently full set of papers, made by Governor, accompanied with several affidavits, all certified by Japanese Consul, were sent on the 20th inst. Received cablegram to-day. Japanese Government intends to release. To make certain would be well to induce British Government to arrest at Hongkong. State in dispatch to arrest Chinaman that was arrested at Yokohama—that will identify him. Steamer expected to arrive at Hongkong to-day.

P. CROWLEY, Chief of Police.

Chinaman Found Murdered.

GRIDLEY (Butte county), February 24th. A Chinaman was found dead on Streeter's farm, where they had a wood camp, yesterday. The body was found buried in an old cabin about four miles from town. It was identified as that of Ah Gin. The head was almost severed by a cut with a cleaver across the back of the neck, and both sides of the skull were mashed. Ah Son, a partner of Ah Gin, and his roommate, has been arrested for the crime. The evidence against him is very conclusive. Ah Gin has been missing several weeks, and the condition of the body shows that the crime was committed about the time of his disappearance. Robbery is supposed to be the motive, as $300 that Ah Gin had cannot be found. An inquest was held by Judge Norman. The body will be taken to Oroville and buried, by request of his cousin, who lives in Marysville.

The Fiends Should be Skinned Alive.

CHICO, February 24th.—On Sunday at Centerville, a little mining camp on Butte creek, eighteen miles from Chico, several miners entered the cabin of E. G. Heard, knocked him down, kicked and beat him, and then tied him hand and foot. They then stripped off his wife's clothing, and each in turn attempted to outrage her. Not succeeding in this, they tortured her with sticks and fire, laughing at her cries for mercy, and intensifying the torture when she appealed to their manhood. Heard is 75 years of age. His wife is past 51 years, gray-haired and feeble in health. Yesterday evening Judge Schooler issued a warrant for the arrest of two of the wretches, and an officer has gone to the mountains after them.

Ten Years in San Quentin.

NEVADA, February 24th.—Charles Calhower, alias Hart, convicted a short time since of burglary of H. Uphoff's saloon, Grass Valley, last November, was sentenced to-day to ten years' imprisonment in San Quentin, a motion for a new trial being denied. Calhower is a desperate character, and the sentence passed on him gives general satisfaction.

An Ex-Assemblyman Dead.

IONE (Amador county), February 24th.—Judge H. A. Carter, an old pioneer and ex-member of the Legislature, after a short illness, died here to-day at 1 P. M.

Man and Horse Drowned.

TRACY, February 24th.—William Laird, a vaquero employed on H. N. Naglee's ranch, was drowned in a slough near Bethany last evening. He was attempting to swim the slough on horseback, when the horse became exhausted and both went down. The body has not yet been recovered. Laird was well known and a popular young man.

Hotel Destroyed by Fire.

WILLIAMS, February 24th.—The Central Hotel building, owned by J. C. Stovall and occupied by Mrs. Lizzie Trapp, was burned at 12:30 this afternoon, with its contents. Loss, $6,000; insurance, $3,500.

The Prewett Murder Case.

HOLLISTER, February 24th.—The prosecution made no opening statement giving a clue to the line of procedure of the State in the Prewett murder case this morning. The examination of witnesses to-day indicated a desire on both sides to conceal their theory, evidently waiting each for the other. County Surveyor McCray presented a map of Bear valley and vicinity. Sheriff Ross testified as to the position of the body of Powers when found, to the examination disclosing the nature of the wounds, and also that nothing but a pocket-knife was found on the body. James and Charles Severmon testified that deceased was at their father's house the day of the killing, and exhibited a roll of papers of goodly dimensions which he had on his person when last seen alive. The defense made no cross-examination. The witnesses already introduced have not testified as strongly as at the preliminary examinations. Evidently the prosecution is holding back for an intimation of the defense's theory.

[SECOND DISPATCH.]

HOLLISTER, February 24th.—Witnesses are now here, who, it is said, will testify that Powers had repeatedly threatened Prewett's life, and this, with other circumstances, leads to the belief that the defense will advance the plea of justification and self-defense, although as yet they have carefully avoided any clue to their theory. The whereabouts of Alexander is a mystery, but it is confidently asserted that he has been removed from the Santa Clara county jail, and it is thought is in this vicinity. The interest centers on whether or not he will refuse to testify when placed on the stand.

Proposed Ocean Cable to Australia.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 24th.—The Board of Trustees of the Chamber of Commerce, at a special executive meeting held this afternoon, considered the project of laying a cable between Australia and this coast. Mr. Ward, of Australia, who is accompanying the ex-Premier of that country, Sir Alexander Stuart, to Washington, where they will endeavor to obtain favorable action on the scheme, was present. Sir Alexander Stuart did not attend the conference, but was represented by Mr. Ward. Wm L. Merry presided. A communication was read to the Board, in which it was stated that the route of the cable will be via Honolulu, to connect with the Fiji Islands, Samoa and New Caledonia. It is estimated that it will cost £2,000,000, and five per cent. of this sum is desired as a subsidy for twenty-one years. The Australian Colonies are willing to subscribe on condition that the rates for messages shall be lower than the present cable rates. The cost of transmission now is twelve shillings per word, and it is proposed to charge on the Australian cable two shillings and one penny per word. It is thought that the cable will last twelve years, and the subsidy asked is to be used as a fund for its renewal. The Government of Canada, it was stated, prefers that the line should proceed from British Columbia instead of San Francisco. C. L. Taylor offered the following resolutions, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, The Colonial Government of Australia and New Zealand, as well as the Hawaiian Government, are interested in and prepared to support the establishment of telegraphic cable communication, and request the assistance therein of the United States Government; and whereas, the commercial interests of the Pacific coast will be greatly benefited by the establishment of said maritime communication; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Chamber of Commerce of San Francisco, cordially indorsing the efforts being made, respectfully requests the California delegation in Congress to use its influence to assist the project by such means as may be deemed wise and expedient.

Resolved, That two attested copies of these resolutions be forwarded to the California delegation in Congress.

It is reported that the amount which will be asked from the United States is $200,000.

Death of Assemblyman Rafferty.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 24th.—Assemblyman John Rafferty, of the Thirty-first Assembly District, died of consumption this afternoon at the residence of his mother, 351 Tehama street. He had been wasting away during the past two months. He was born in Nevada county, and was 25 years of age.

The San Francisco Billiard Match.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 24th.—The first match of the billiard contest between Harvey McKenna, of Detroit, Mich., and Alonzo Morris, of San Francisco, for a stake of $2,000, six thousand points, to be played in four nights, was won by McKenna to-night, at Platt's Hall. He scored 1,500 points on the fortieth inning to Morris' 1,388. The match was concluded at 12:30 A. M.

Horse Thief and a Murderer Captured.

SAN BUENAVENTURA, February 24th.—Sheriff Snodgrass, while hunting a horsethief on Sunday near Bakersfield, arrested a man whose description nearly corresponded, but not quite, and released him; but subsequently found the thief, Joaquin Castro, and the stolen horses. Castro acknowledges his guilt, and will be sentenced to San Quentin for the third time. Returning home, the Sheriff found from the description of the first man that he too was wanted, and had him arrested. He is Pedro Domingo, who murdered one Ricardo at Pleasanton, Alameda county, in November last, and for whom $300 was offered by the Governor. He will arrive here to-night from Newhall.

Rain "Down South."

HUENEME, February 24th.—It is sprinkling rain here, with indications of more. No rain is needed at present, as the grain in many places already promises to grow too rank.

OREGON.

Chinese "Drivers" Arrested.

PORTLAND, February 24th.—This afternoon Nat. L. Baker and Allen White, who acknowledged to leading the crowd and driving the Chinese out of Oregon City last Monday morning, were arrested on complaint of Wong Chune, a prominent contractor, and taken before the United States Commissioner, charged with violating Section 5519 of the United States Statutes. They were released on bail, and the examination set for Friday next.

Shocking Death—Body Found.

PORTLAND, February 24th.—S. R. Hartzell, a laborer in the paper mill at Lacamas, Washington Territory, was caught in the belt of the big grindstone this morning, and instantly killed. He leaves a wife and three children.

The body of William Earle was found on the banks of the Columbia slough, eight miles from this city, this morning, with his throat cut from ear to ear. It is no doubt a case of suicide. No cause is assigned. He was a farm hand, unmarried, and aged 45.

WASHINGTON TERRITORY.

Military Precautions.

VANCOUVER, February 24th.—Owing to the disturbed condition of affairs, on account of the Chinese agitation and the present weakness of the Vancouver garrison, Post Commander Taylor has ordered all officers and men to remain in the limits of the garrison to-night and to-morrow, when four companies of the Fourteenth Infantry will arrive from Seattle, the farce there having ended.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Advices from Victoria.

VICTORIA, February 24th.—It is proposed to work a line of railway from Shoal Harbor, in the district of North Taanich, to a point in the city of Victoria. The capital stock is $5,000,000, divided into 5,000 shares of $100 each.

A dispatch from Cowichan says: Considerable excitement was caused to-day by a report that a strange Indian and a Klootchman have been seen prowling in the woods back of here. What is peculiar about them is that they have been approached by several parties, and in every case they retreated, and in one instance of another Indian approaching to speak to them, the man put his gun in a threatening position. The stranger is described as a large man, with a beard, and carrying an old musket. The Siwash who saw them says he is sure they don't belong to this tribe, and that they are the murderers of Doring and Miller.

The wreck of the ship John Rosenfeld will be sold on Monday, the 1st of March, by J. H. D. Auch, in this city. In addition to libelling the tug Tacoma, the owners of the ship have entered a suit against Hanson, Ackerman & Co., of the Tacoma, to recover $150,000 damages. Theodore Davie, a barrister of this city, has been retained for the owners.

The British steamer Sardonyx has been chartered to sail thence March 6th for Manzanillo, Mexico, touching at San Francisco, Mazatlan and other ports, and terminating at Manzanillo. The Sardonyx will take a cargo of coffee, sugar, spices and other tropical productions for Victoria, and for transportation via the Canadian Pacific to Canada. She will connect at Manzanillo with a line of steamers for Hongkong, which has been subsized by the Mexican Government to make frequent and regular trips between China and Mexico. The company that has contracted with Mexican Government for the service is the Company Mexicana Denari Navigation del Pacific. It seems that the Mexican authorities are anxious to encourage the immigration of Chinese, wishing to utilize them to labor in the sugar and cotton plantations. The company holds two concessions from the Mexican Government for the introduction of Chinese labor. The Sardonyx will carry from Victoria as many Chinese passengers as she can accommodate, and will take in a cargo of lumber and coals for the Mazatlan gas works. At San Francisco she will take on board flour and wheat for the Mexican market. Mexico is going to import Chinese labor on a large scale, and will take all that British Columbia and the United States reject.

Columbus Jones, an old colored resident who came to the province in early days, died yesterday morning. He had in his younger days been a slave in the State of Kentucky. He was an honest old fellow, was looked upon as somewhat of a character, and by frugality managed to die possessed of considerable wealth, which is left to the children of a respectable white family.

The Canadian Pacific Railway authorities have offered the interior farmers the exceptionally low rate of $4 per ton on farm products they may wish to ship to Moody from Sarona, Ashloft, Pince's Bridge and Lytton. They also offer the same rate on ore shipped out for the purpose of assay or working. This would enable ore to be placed in San Francisco at about $6 12 per ton.

INTEREST-BEARING NOTES.

Pickerel, weighing from four to five pounds, are being caught in Great Pond, at Riverhead, L. I. The fish are caught in traps set in holes cut through the ice.

In Zanzibar the leaves of a species of fig are used for polishing wood, just as we employ sand-paper, and are said to give a finish which sand-paper cannot impart.

A butterfly—a creature supposed to live at most only two or three days—was last year kept alive in a glass cage in England for 121 days, its age at confinement being unknown.

The first umbrella ever seen in England was carried by a footman named John McDonald, and it is a remarkable fact that it belonged to somebody else, and was taken "by mistake for his own."

The beautiful red plumage of a South African species of birds has been chemically examined and found to be due to copper. When the birds are kept from food containing copper they entirely lose the tint produced by that mineral.

A high mass was celebrated on Christmas eve in the chapel "Maria of the Black Lake," at the foot of the Matterhorn, fully 8,000 feet above the level of the sea. It is rarely that at that season of the year even the most intrepid chamois hunter ventures to ascend so high.

Not a single instance of color-blindness has been found by Schwarzbach in an examination of 2,000 Hottentots, Malays, Melanesians, Australians, Maoris and Polynesians; and he concludes that the defect is confined to the white race, and is due to influences connected with civilized life.

A school-teacher in the suburbs of Boston recently punished a pupil for telling an untruth by putting cayenne pepper on his tongue. In the course of about two weeks he died of diphtheria. The friends of the boy naturally claimed it to be a result of the punishment. An investigation satisfied the school committee that it was nothing but a coincidence, but they passed a vote disapproving of this mode of punishment.

The destructiveness of earthquakes depends rather upon the suddenness of application than the amount of motion. In one at Rio Bamba it is reported for a fact that a man was hurled across a stream of 100 feet, and landed on an elevation fifty feet higher than his original position. It is an undoubted fact that objects are frequently thrown great distances. In the Mississippi valley, during the earthquakes of 1811 to 1814, the tops of trees were twisted and entangled and strong log cabins were thrown to the ground. Rivers are sometimes checked in their flow, and in past geological ages some have been completely turned from their course by earthquakes.

PASSENGERS FROM THE EAST.

[SPECIAL BY TELEGRAPH TO THE RECORD-UNION.]

NEWHALL, February 24th.—The following overland passengers passed Newhall to-day, to arrive in San Francisco February 25th: H. E. Austin and wife, California; A. J. Agard, San Francisco; H. T. Breble, Stockton; Miss M. E. Black, Mrs. E. J. Bliss, nurse and child, New York; Mrs. R. B. Colley, Oakland; A. T. Colin, wife and child, Illinois; Mrs. M. Cameron, Phœnix; Mrs. T. J. Christy, Mineral Point, A. T.; H. A. Clark, Boston; L. M. Denison and wife, Los Angeles; Miss Rose Duffey, Ireland; I. P. Eisenbach, San Francisco; J. Y. Eccleston, Tucson; T. J. Evans and wife, Council Bluffs; J. P. Edoff, San Francisco; J. Feare, Los Angeles; G. T. Hawley and wife, Oakland; C. W. Holbert, Dagget; Rev. C. D. Desinny, J. Kane, San Francisco; J. H. Jenkins, Custer City; William Lieber, Chicago; J. S. Longhead, Canada; H. H. Lawrens, Jr., Los Angeles; A. Lawson, Idaho; A. P. Miner, San Francisco; O. C. Miller, Baltimore; Dr. J. A. McKee and wife, Sacramento; J. Murphy, Washington, D. C.; C. Minch, Milwaukee; Miss Belle Neil, Mrs. W. D. Neil, Tucson; F. H. Page, Portland; Mrs. N. H. Phillips, Massachusetts; R. Quallin, Tucson; L. J. Rose, San Gabriel; J. A. Reed, Iowa; W. T. Rowen, San Mateo; Mrs. M. L. Stuart, Miss Imogene Stuart, Oakland; J. F. Sheehan and wife, San Francisco; J. V. Shank, Maryland; C. Smith, Texas; H. P. Stone, San Francisco; Mrs. L. E. Skinner, Santa Ana; Miss H. Summers, New York; Wm. Thomas and wife, Los Angeles; E. H. Test, Oregon; H. M. Von Arman, Oakland; G. Wilson, D. R. Wilson, New York; P. Waters, El Paso; H. E. Wilber, Lincoln, Neb.

PROMONTORY, February 24th.—The following passengers passed here to-day, to arrive in Sacramento on February 26th: Miss M. Byan, Virginia City, Nev.; M. A. Baker, New Bedford, Mass.; F. Cross, Stratford, Ont.; John Cody, Wilfred, O.; Mrs. D. Egan, Montana; Mrs. E. Fulton, Denver; Charles Gilman, Dillon, Mont.; C. S. Goodrich, Lincoln, Neb.; F. Gibson, Lancaster, Pa.; O. N. Hall, San Francisco; F. H. Hill, Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. G. H. Ames, Denver; I. S. Hentig, Detroit, Mich.; Mrs. L. Harrington, Sacramento; G. J. Johnson, San Francisco; J. Kurner, wife and family, Omaha; E. C. Marliave, Washington, D. C.; H. P. Meader, San Francisco; C. M. Miller and wife, Omaha; C. E. McLean, S. J. McLean, Laramie, Wyo.; G. A. Nickell, Kansas City, Mo.; H. Olsen, Omaha; O. A. Palmer and family, Salt Lake; Mrs. M. Scott, San Diego; V. M. C. Silva and wife, Ogden; Mrs. C. Salman, Denver, Col.; Wm. Snyder, Omaha; E. A. Stewart, Blair, Neb.; William Tren, Sacramento; D. Taylor, Warrensburg, Mo.; O. H. Violet, Los Angeles; J. Weinberg, Kansas City; and ten others.

The Nicolaus Chinese Affair.

Patrick Carroll, of Nicolaus, was in the city yesterday, and speaking of the driving out of the Chinese from that place recently, stated that the substantial citizens there, while they had taken part in public meetings upon the Chinese question, and were in favor of replacing the Chinese laborers as rapidly as possible by white workers, were opposed to all violent measures, and had nothing whatever to do with driving out, and sending away by steamer to Sacramento, forty-two Mongolians. He was quite pointed upon the subject, and says that hop-raising will probably have to be given up there for the present, if Chinese are not to be allowed to be employed, as there cannot, at once, be found white laborers sufficient who are experienced in certain parts of the work in hop-growing to successfully carry on the industry. The fruit-growers he also considers to be liable to the same difficulties, and says that if so violent a change is to be wrought, in going over from the Chinese labor to employment of all white work hands, it will create a shock to many prominent industries of the State, which will make our employing classes heavy losers, and that the reaction which will thereby be caused in the Chinese exclusion question will great retard, if not stop, the good work in that direction which might be brought about by less overhasty action.

He claims that when industries have to be given up on account of the sudden rupture in the labor supply, the stopping of these sources from which the demand for labor arises will actually leave less work for white laborers than is at present performed by them. As an instance, he says that he last year gave employment to quite a number of white laborers—as many as could be given work outside of skilled labor—in which they were not experienced. Now, if he cannot employ Chinese to do the portion of the work which they alone can perform, he will plow up his hop fields and sow them to alfalfa, in which case he would require no laborers of any kind. This, he says, would be the next best use to which he could place his hop lands; and, as will be seen, would not only cause the discontinuance of Chinese labor, but with it white laborers would also lose employment, and actually suffer thereby.

Mr. Carroll was very candid in his remarks upon the subject; declared that he desires to see all Chinese labor replaced with white labor as fast as it can possibly be brought about without injury to our industries and our own people, and that he would assist all movements tending to that end. He is an intelligent and prominent farmer at Nicolaus, and says all the leading property-owners in that vicinity entertain the views he has here expressed.

Fish are becoming quite plentiful in the American river since mining has partially ceased and the water become clearer. Pike, silver-sides and even a few trout can be caught in the river near Coloma.

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CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Bimetallism is strongly gaining favor in England.

Senator Jones says that bimetallism is daily gaining strength at the East.

The second volume of Blaine's "Twenty Years of Congress" has been published.

Childers' committee severely censures the London police for not preventing the recent riots.

Senator Dolph proposes to press his bill for the admission of Washington Territory as a State.

A London dispatch says that Rev. Stowell Brown, the celebrated Baptist preacher, is dead, aged 63 years.

Congressman McKenna is preparing an argument in favor of the abrogation of the Hawaiian Reciprocity Treaty.

The Irish leaders severely denounce Lord Randolph Churchill for his attitude of hostility towards the national movement.

Minister Denby reports that an era of progress is dawning in China, and that railway building will soon be inaugurated.

A dispatch from Adelaide says that the Commercial Bank of South Australia, the head office of which is at Adelaide, has suspended payment.

The London press generally expresses regret at Colonel Henderson's retirement from control of the London police, but concurs that his blunders more than sufficed to balance his distinguished record.

The commercial depression in Stockholm, Sweden, has reached a crisis. The number of failures is steadily increasing. The gravity of the financial situation has not been paralleled since the panic of 1857.

Thomas A. Edison, the well-known electrician, was married yesterday afternoon at Akron, O., to Miss Nina, daughter of Louis Miller, a prominent manufacturer and President of the Chautauqua Sunday-school Assembly.

The hearing in the case of Burns, Hyndman, Champion and Williams, Socialistic leaders accused by the authorities of having incited the recent riots at Trafalgar Square and Hyde Park, was resumed in London yesterday.

Chamberlain, in reply to a deputation of London workingmen, said he would not cease urging the local boards to start relief works, such as paving and improving the streets, to furnish the means of subsistence to those in absolute need.

Charles Francis Adams, President of the Union Pacific Railway Company, and ex-Senator McDonald, attorney for the Union Pacific roads, appeared before the House Committee on the Pacific Railways yesterday, and expressed their views at length on the general subject of the indebtedness of the Pacific railways.

At a meeting of the Chambers of Commerce in London, Mr. Forwood, Conservative member of Parliament from Lancashire and a prominent merchant and shipowner of Liverpool, presided. He attributed the present depression in British trade to the appreciation of gold, assisted by the competition of foreign products and manufactures turned out by skilled labor improved by technical education. The meeting urged the Government to unite with other countries in an endeavor to restore silver to its former functions as a legal tender, thereby giving it a permanent instead of a fluctuating value.

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