

ESTABLISHED—Benjamin F. Taylor, the poet, is dead. There is an amount of \$100,000 upon the ocean yacht race. A. J. Arkel has sent a check for \$1,000 to the Grant Monument Association.

SOME INTERESTING FACTS CONCERNING DRINKS. Between 1840 and 1885, the recent statements of the Bureau of Statistics of the Government exhibit some remarkable facts of the consumption of spirituous, malt liquors and wines.

A DEFENSE OF THE SLICKENS BILL. A Mr. Cox, in the San Francisco Bulletin, advances a lengthy defense for the bill to legalize hydraulic mining methods, declared by the Courts and Congress to be unlawful, dangerous and destructive to agriculture and river navigation.

It is scarcely necessary to extend the showing to percentages, the proportion of increase and decrease in each group is sufficiently apparent. While the population between 1840 and 1885 increased a little less than three and a half times, our consumption of distilled spirits in 1885 had not nearly doubled.

LETTER FROM LOS ANGELES. A Sacramento woman's impression of the Sacramento Exposition of 1887.

LOS ANGELES, February 22, 1887. Mrs. RECORD-UNION: Perhaps a few words from a Sacramento delegate to the Women's Relief Corps Encampment held here may interest your readers.

There are no other points made by Mr. Cox that have not been repeatedly reviewed and answered. The old plea of "the process of nature," and the charge that the damage done thus far has resulted from the old placer deposits, are familiar to the people and cut no figure in the present debate upon the bill that proposes to supplement the "erosive process of nature" by the work of man, according to methods that do in a single month more than the natural action of the elements accomplishes in an age.

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE.

SENATE. THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1887.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock, the President in the chair. The Journal of the previous day was read.

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Advertisement for Perry Davis' Pain-Exter, describing its benefits for various ailments like rheumatism, neuralgia, and general pain.

Advertisement for the Grand Opera House, featuring a benefit performance by Mr. John R. Wilkins.

Advertisement for the Quartet, featuring vocal performances by Mrs. Hubbard, Miss Emma Felner, and others.

Advertisement for the Spanish Dance, featuring performances by Mrs. May Hubbard and Mr. Geo. Watson.

Advertisement for the Living Statuary, featuring a large landscape in water color by W. K. Jackson.

Advertisement for the Minstrelsy, featuring Saturday afternoon and evening performances.

Advertisement for the Colored Specialty Co., featuring a variety of goods and services.

Advertisement for W.D. Comstock, featuring furniture, bedding, and other household goods.