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Gents' Rubber Overshoes, 60 cents.
Ladies' extra fine, gossamer-weight Rubber Overshoes, 65 cents.
Ladies' Footholds, 20 cents.
Ladies' Gossamers, 90 cents and $1 25.
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PACIFIC COAST.

EVERYBODY MADE GLAD BY THE GLORIOUS RAIN.

Women Burned to Death—The Raisin Industry—Colusa's Boom—Suicide at Elko—Etc.

[SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE RECORD-UNION.]

WELCOME SHOWERS.

Light Showers of Rain Reported from Various Localities.

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YREKA, November 28th.—It commenced raining at noon.

RED BLUFF, November 28th.—It commenced raining this morning about 11 o'clock, and continued until dark. It was a good heavy rain, and was gladly welcomed.

GRIDLEY, November 28th.—A light rain commenced falling here at noon, but ceased early in the afternoon. It is now clear and starlight, with no signs of a further storm.

MARYSVILLE, November 28th—Up to 5 P. M. to-day .52 of an inch of rain had fallen, with a prospect of more to-night.

SUISUN, November 28th.—A light rain fell here to-day, about .25 of an inch. At 7 o'clock to-night the wind is southeast and raining hard.

LIVERMORE, November 28th.—The weather for several days past has been cold. The thermometer at 7 A. M. to-day was down to 30°. It began to get warmer at 9 A. M., and rain began falling at 11:30 and still continues. The prospects are good for a protracted storm.

SAN RAFAEL, November 28th—It commenced raining here about 8 o'clock this morning, and has continued at intervals during the day, the precipitation amounting to .52 of an inch. Total for the season .73 of an inch. The prospects are good for a copious downpour, and the dairymen are jubilant, the feed at present being very short.

WOODLAND, November 28th.—Rain commenced falling at 11:15 A. M. and has continued throughout the day. About .20 of an inch has fallen. The prospects for its continuation are good. Reports from other points in the county—Black's, Madison and Winters—show that the rain is general. At Winters it began raining at 9 o'clock A. M. .25 of an inch having fallen during the day.

SAN JOSE, November 28th.—Showers have fallen at intervals during the day. The measurement at 7 o'clock this evening is .15 of an inch, and for the season .81. It is now raining quite hard.

SPANISHTOWN, November 28th.—It commenced raining this morning at 10 o'clock, and was still raining at 1 P. M.

ST. HELENA, November 28th.—It commenced raining at 8 o'clock this morning, and indications are that it will not be a heavy fall.

MAXWELL, November 28th.—A gentle rain, the first of the season, has been falling all day.

PLACERVILLE, November 28th.—An unusually cold rain set in here to-night about 6 o'clock, and up to 7:30 P. M. it has rained steadily. Twenty miles east of here, on the Sierra, it is snowing very heavily. This storm will give general satisfaction, as every locality needs rain.

SANTA ROSA, November 28th.—It commenced raining this morning at half-past seven and continued at intervals all day up to eight o'clock. For season, 1.46 inches has fallen against 1.45 for the same time last season. It is still cloudy and the atmosphere very cold.

VALLEJO, November 28th.—It commenced raining here this forenoon and has continued at intervals during the day. The indications to-night point to a continuance. Farmers are delighted.

PETALUMA, November 28th.—Half an inch of rain fell up to 6 o'clock P. M.

NAPA, November 28th.—It has been raining hard for two hours.

CLOVERDALE, November 28th.—It has rained 1¼ inches, and more is coming. Farmers are jubilant, and plows starting. The atmosphere is purified, the dust laid, and sickness abated. Everybody is happy.

MODESTO, November 28th.—A brisk rain commenced falling at 2 o'clock, and it has been showering up to this hour (10 o'clock), with the wind from the south, and a promise of more rain. Farmers are jubilant.

FRESNO, November 28th.—It commenced raining at dark to-night, and is now pouring down. It will be a big help to feed in the foothills if it continues.

INDICATIONS FOR TO-DAY.

SAN FRANCISCO, November 28th—[Special.]—The indications for the 24 hours commencing at 4 A. M., November 29th, for California, are: Light rain and southwesterly winds and nearly stationary temperature.

BRANCH LINES.

New Railroads to be Built in the Great San Joaquin Valley.

SAN FRANCISCO, November 28th.—Articles of incorporation of the Stockton & Tulare Railroad Company have been filed in the County Clerk's office. The Directors are Leland Standford, Charles F. Crocker, Timothy Hopkins and W. E. Brown. They propose to construct and operate a standard gauge line steam railroad in the counties of Stanislaus, Merced, Fresno, Tulare and Kern. The main line is to commence in Oakdale, Stanislaus county, and run to the town of Poso, in Kern county, there connecting with the Central Pacific Railroad, a distance of two hundred miles. There are to be branches connecting with the main line from the towns of Modesto, Merced, Sycamore, Fresno and Tulare. The capital stock of the company is $7,860,000, and the actual amount subscribed is $2,600.

TERRIBLE DEATH.

Fatal Result of Burns Inflicted Upon a Butte County Girl.

OROVILLE, November 28th.—Miss Belle Haycock, who was so badly burned on Tuesday at the Merrimac Mills, died on Saturday. Further details state that her parents keep a boarding-house, and the girl, who was not quite fifteen, opened the stove-door to replenish the already hot fire. As she did so the flames burst forth and caught her clothing. In her fright she rushed out of doors and threw herself in the deep dust, but this did not quench the flames. Medical aid was summoned, but the distance was so great—thirty-five miles—that the poor girl died before the physician reached her. She was dreadfully burned from her dress to her knees, and died in about ten hours from the time she received the injuries. Great sympathy is felt for the members of the family, who are comparatively new-comers in the State.

DRAWING THE NOOSE.

A Wealthy Chinaman Arrested for Violating Law and Decency.

SAN FRANCISCO, November 28th.—[Special.]—Wong Ah Hung, a Chinese merchant worth $250,000, who was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury, was arrested this afternoon and his bail fixed at $10,000 on each of two charges—one for importing slaves and the other for importing women for immoral purposes.

AT THE BAY.

Governor Waterman Puzzled by the Action of Mayor Pond.

SAN FRANCISCO, November 28th.—[Special.]—Professor Miller, a recent arrival from Australia, announces himself as anxious to meet Paddy Ryan in the ring.

Governor Waterman is somewhat puzzled at the action of Mayor Pond in refusing to recognize the new Board of Health. This afternoon the Governor visited the Hebrew Orphan Asylum and also attended a meeting of the Regents and Yosemite Commissioners. He said he was opposed to the acceptance by the State of the Yosemite Hotel until completed according to the plans.

The members of the Board of Health reported to the Governor the refusal of the Mayor to recognize them. The new members have not decided on a plan of action.

A petition has been presented to the Supervisors for the relief of the many families burned out by the fire on the Potrero last Friday, and a committee of three was appointed to obtain relief for the sufferers.

GOOD FOR COLUSA.

Colonies of Eastern People Being Settled on Colusa Lands.

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MAXWELL, November 28th.—The boom has struck Colusa county. Wm. H. Martin, Manager of the International Immigration Union and special Immigrant Agent for the Union Pacific Company, has just completed the purchase of 4,500 acres of the Peterson ranch in Antelope valley. It will be immediately surveyed into 20 to 160-acre tracts, and 100 families are ready to move in. The Sites and Ayers tracts in the same valley, covering 20,000 acres, are bonded to the same parties, and a French colony of over 300 families are expected before winter is over.

PROSPEROUS FRESNO.

Extent of the Raisin Industry in Fresno County.

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FRESNO, November 28th.—The raisin pack for this season is about over. The Pacific Fruit Company close to-morrow, and Meade & Co. will run two weeks yet before using up all the stock on hand, but with a reduced force. There has been employed in the industry this season almost a thousand men, women and children, who have been paid about $76,000 in wages. Next season the capacity of both packing houses will be doubled, and the force increased in proportion.

The California Wine and Raisin Company, whose purchase of a tract six miles long and two miles wide in this county was noted several weeks ago, have a force of 100 men at work building houses, etc.

NEVADA.

An Aged Bodieite Kills Himself Because of Poverty.

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ELKO, November 28th.—John G. Irwin, aged sixty years, lately from Bodie, committed suicide this afternoon by shooting himself through the head. Cause, out of money.

ARIZONA.

A Railroad Station Agent Charged With Purloining Freight.

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WHIPPLE BARRACKS, November 28th.—Officers from Phœnix arrived Saturday night, having in custody Ed. Low, station agent at Prescott for the Phœnix and Calabasas Railway, indicted by the Grand Jury for burglary and for alleged theft of apples consigned to Prescott merchants. He was arrested at Maricopa while on his way, it is alleged, to Mexico, although he claims he had gone there to locate a ranch on a desert. He has retained ex-Chief Justice Sumner Howard and Harris Baldwin for his defense. He will be arraigned to-day. The officials of the road are doing everything in his defense, although numerous merchants complain of shortage of goods as well as overcharges in expense bills coming through his hands. Low is a young man and heretofore popular. The goods missed from the cars were found at the restaurant where he boards.

The A. and P. Accident.

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PRESCOTT, November 28th.—The most diligent inquiry of your correspondent among railroad men fails to elicit particulars of the collision on the Atlantic and Pacific. The passenger and work train collided Friday night seven miles east of Williams, killing three men and wounding eighteen more or less seriously. The names of the killed or wounded could not be learned.

MEXICO.

An American Said to Have Been Murdered by Mexicans.

EL PASO (Tex.), November 28th.—A dispatch from Temple, Tex., November 23d, states that a telegram has just been received there from Durango, Mex., announcing the death of Monroe Baggett, and adding that he had been murdered by Mexicans, presumably for the purpose of robbery. He leaves a wife and four children.

American Conductors Banqueted.

CITY OF MEXICO, November 28th.—The excursion party of American conductors here are being cordially entertained. A ball will be given to-night in their honor. The Kansas City excursionists were given a banquet last evening by the City Government, General Ceballos, Governor of the Federal District, presiding.

Marysville Items.

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MARYSVILLE, November 28th.—A deer was shot yesterday at Brown's valley, at the edge of the foothills, about twelve miles from Marysville. It had been a long time since a deer was seen so low down in the hills.

When the excursion train returned from Willows last night the victorious baseball players received a seranade from the brass band, and hundreds of people gathered to congratulate them.

The Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F. will meet here on Tuesday, December 13th. On the evening preceding the Cantons from Chico, Red Bluff and Sacramento will assemble here and give an exhibition drill.

Alameda Riparianists.

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CENTREVILLE, November 28th. — The third meeting of the riparian owners of Alameda county was called to order Saturday afternoon by the President, J. C. Whipple. The report of the committee appointed at the last meeting to consult able lawyers in regard to the advisability of fighting the Spring Valley Water Company was favorably reported upon and plans were laid for so doing, a pledge being signed binding riparian owners to certain conditions. The next meeting will be held at the call of the Executive Committee.

Meeting of the Regents.

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SAN FRANCISCO, November 28th.—[Special.]—Governor Waterman was present at a meeting of the Board of Regents of the University this morning. After a number of students had been granted the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery, Regent Hoitt announced that the National Teachers' Association had decided to hold its next convention in San Francisco, and a committee was appointed to take action in the matter.

A Third Trial for Murder.

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NAPA, November 28th.—The third trial of William Williams for the murder of Sidney Clark, at Monticello, in September, 1886, began to-day. On the first trial the jury disagreed. On the second trial a verdict of murder in the first degree was found, but reversed by the Supreme Court. About 160 jurors have been summoned.

A Humboldt Citizen Gone.

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ROHNERVILLE, November 28th.—S. H. Crabtree, a prominent citizen, died suddenly last evening. He was Secretary of the Ninth District Agricultural Society, a member of the Republican County Committee, and an Odd Fellow and Mason.

Frightful Death of a Woman.

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NAPA, November 28th.—Mrs. Thomas Riley was fighting a stubble fire near Yountville yesterday, when her clothes caught fire. She was terribly burned and died last night. She leaves a husband and two children.

A Child's Shocking Accident.

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NEVADA, November 28th.—The four-year-old son of W. B. Hocking while playing in the yard fell backward into a heap of burning rubbish. His back and head were terribly burned, and he is in a precarious condition.

Longest Electric Railroad.

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ONTARIO, November 28th.—Ten carloads of steel rails for the Ontario and San Antonio Heights Electric road have been received and are being distributed. Work will be pushed rapidly as possible. This road, when completed, will run from the line of the Chino Ranch to the head of the Euclide Avenue, and will be the longest road of the kind in America.

The Woolsteen Girls.

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LOS ANGELES, November 28th.—Hattie Woolsteen was arraigned this morning before Judge Cheney on the charge of murdering Dr. Charles N. Harlan. The Courtroom was crowded with spectators. District Attorney Duprey filed the information, and counsel for the defense asked a continuance of two days, which was granted.

Died of His Injuries.

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MURPHY'S, November 28th.—Charles Schwearer, injured by the explosion in the Calaveras mine on the 5th instant, died this afternoon from the effects of his injuries.

Ex-Congressman Higby's Death.

MOKELUMNE HILL, November 28th.—Ex Congressman Higby died yesterday of paralysis at Santa Rosa, aged seventy-three years. The funeral will take place in Oakland at 10 o'clock to-morrow, the 29th.

[William Higby served in Congress from the Second District, and was appointed Collector of Internal Revenue for the First District of California by President Grant, which office he filled from 1878 until 1880.]

The Hawaiian Loan.

SAN FRANCISCO, November 28th.—Shortly before the steamer Alameda left Honolulu for this city, on her last trip, it was learned that the Hawaiian Legislature assumed the indebtedness created by the English loan. The British capitalists will be paid, but Macfarlane will not get the $75,000 he asked for floating the bonds.

ANOTHER STATEMENT.

SAN FRANCISCO, November 28th.—[Special.]—Private advices from Honolulu state that the Hawaiian Supreme Court has repudiated all acts of Macfarlane, Skinner, Mathieson and others, who had a hand in floating the $2,000,000 loan, as illegal. The loan itself is declared illegal. The Legislature, however, will accept the indebtedness due to outsiders, but Macfarlane will be $75,000 out of pocket, he having considered it a stroke of policy to subsidize the London press to that extent.

Accident to an Empty Train.

YREKA, November 28th.—Last Saturday a construction train on the Oregon division of the Southern Pacific Company, just above the Siskiyou line, was standing on the grade, and the engineer and fireman were busy oiling up, when the air leaked out of the brakes and the train started down the grade. The engineer started after the train and succeeded in getting his hand on the cow-catcher, when he slipped and fell, and the train, consisting of the engine and tender and half a dozen flat cars, went flying down the grade, and, striking a curve, the whole went pell-mell over the grade, smashing everything. This will delay the completion of the work on the road several days, as they are short of engines.

Burglaries at Chico.

CHICO, November 28th.—Mrs. Cutter, a resident of Chico, drew $500 from the bank Saturday, which she locked in a bureau drawer in her house. Last night a young man sleeping in the house heard a noise, and surprised a burglar, who succeded in escaping, carrying off some jewelry, but he did not secure the money.

On the same night a burglar entered the sleeping room of a young man named Edward Brown, and carried off the trousers of the sleeping man, leaving his own in the room.

Refused Recognition.

SAN FRANCISCO, November 28th.—[Special.]—To-day the newly appointed members of the City Board of Health presented their certificates to Mayor Pond, but he refused to recognize them. It is understood the old members of the Board will contest Governor Waterman's right to remove them.

McCord and Creighton.

SAN FRANCISCO, November 28th.—The retrial of James McCord for embracery went over in Judge Sullivan's Court this morning until the 5th of December next, and the sentence of J. D. Creighton, convicted of jury-bribing, and who is supposed to be working his way down the coast of Mexico to South America, was set for January 6th next.

State Educational Committee.

SAN FRANCISCO, November 28th.—[Special.]—The Executive Committee of the National Association has appointed Ira G. Hoitt, Fred. M. Campbell, J. W. Anderson, J. G. Kennedy, J. K. Wilson, J. W. Freisner and B. F. Howard, of Sacramento, a State Educational Committee for California.

A Disastrous Fall.

CHICO, November 28th.—This morning a man named Mualtee fell from a car as he was alighting, and cut his nose completely off his face. He will be disfigured for life.

OUTRAGE ON AMERICANS.

An Event That May Test Uncle Sam's Spinal Column.

NEW ORLEANS, November 28th.—Captain Brown, of the steamer Harlan, from Bluefields, which arrived here to-day, gives to the press the following letter:

SCHOONER MERIDA, November 20, 1887.
Captain Brown, steamship Harlan, Escondo river—SIR: This morning an armed force, wearing the uniform of Nicaragua, boarded the steamer William S. Moore and the schooner Merida, both owned by American citizens, and took forcible possession, which they now hold. I have abandoned everything to them. When asked for their authority, they showed me their rifles. Please have this published as soon as you arrive.
N. H. ALLEN,
Owner of the Merida.

DEATH IN A SHAFT.

Two Young Men Fall 140 Feet Down a Shaft and Are Killed.

ST. LOUIS, November 28th.—A dispatch from Webb City, in the lead and zinc region of Southwestern Missouri, says that a most distressing and fatal accident occurred there to-day. C. R. and C. K. Garrison, sons of David R. Garrison, and nephews of the late Commodore Garrison, of New York, went down into one the mines on a tour of inspection. Having completed their observations, they began the ascent in the tub, which was hoisted by a windlass. During the ascent either the windlass or rope gave way, and the tub and the men fell to the bottom of the shaft, 140 feet. One of the gentlemen was killed outright, and the other lived but a few minutes.

WEST INDIES.

Twelve Thousand Cigar Makers Thrown Out of Their Jobs.

HAVANA, November 28th. — Ninety-five cigar factories here shut down to-day, owing to the demands of cigarmakers for an increase in wages. A committee appointed by the manufacturers will try to arbitrate the matter. About 12,000 persons are thrown out of employment by the shutdown.

BRITAIN'S GREATEST VINE.—The largest specimen of a growing vine in Great Britain is the Black Hamburg vine of Kinnell, in Perthshire, Scotland. This vine, planted some 56 years ago, has a main stem 22 inches in circumference, completely fills a glass house 270 feet long, and is still growing as rapidly as ever. Its yield the present year was 2,548 bunches, of which only 500, averaging about two pounds each, were allowed to mature. A substantial subsoil of leaf-mould was used when the vine was planted, but the only extra material the soil now receives is broken bones in half-inch pieces. This Kinnell vine exceeds in size the famous Black Hamburg at Hampton Court, the principal branches of which are about 110 feet long, though its trunk is 38 inches in circumference.

VARIATION IN LUNG CAPACITY.—From many observations on healthy men, Dr. Theodoroff, of St. Petersburg, learns that the vital capacity of the lungs increases from morning till evening, decreasing again during the night. After each meal, too, there is a special increase, followed by a slight decrease; the vital capacity being at its highest shortly after dinner, and at its lowest after getting up in the morning. The force of inspiration and expiration follows nearly the same law.

It is wise to provide against emergencies which are liable to arise in every family. In sudden attacks of cold, croup, asthma, etc., a bottle of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral will prove a never-failing remedy.

HOME AFFAIRS.

INTERESTING TESTIMONY BY MOST'S FRIENDS.

The Cold Wave—New Use for Electric Lights—Trouble With Strikers—Etc.

[SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE RECORD-UNION.]

GOOD SERVICE.

The Last Year's Operations of the Life-Saving Service.

WASHINGTON, November 28th.—The annual report of General Superintendent Kimball, of the Life-Saving Service, shows that the establishment embraced, at the close of the last fiscal year, 231 stations, as follows: One hundred and sixty-six on the Atlantic coast, forty-four on the lakes, seven on the Pacific coast and one at the Falls of the Ohio at Louisville, Ky. The number of disasters to documented vessels reported within the field of station operations during the year was 332, On board these vessels were 6,327 persons, of whom 6,272 were saved and 55 lost. The value of the vessels involved in these disasters was $4,786,925, and that of their cargoes $2,288,775, making the total value of property $7,075,700, of which $5,788,820 was saved and $1,286,880 lost. The total number of vessels totally lost was 72.

Besides the foregoing there were, during the year, 135 casualities to smaller crafts, such as sail boats, row boats, etc., on which there were 274 persons, 271 of whom were saved.

A summary of the statistics of the service from the introduction of the present system in 1871 to the close of the fiscal year, shows the total number of disasters to be 2,852; total value of vessels and cargoes involved, $65,549,779; saved, $47,330,992; lost, $18,218,787; total number of persons involved, 35,427; saved, 34,883; lost, 544. The loss of life, as stated above, includes 183 persons lost at the wrecks of the steamers Huron and Metropolis, and also fourteen other persons really not chargeable to the service, leaving the total number of lives lost during the sixteen years of the existence of the system only 347, out of over 35,000 involved.

THE GENILE ANARCHISTS.

A Witness for Most Who Regards Perjury as a Trifling Matter.

NEW YORK, November 28th.—The trial of Johann Most, the Anarchist, was resumed to-day. The Court-room was thronged, and many women were present, but there was a noticeable diminution in the glare of red ribbons and flowers displayed.

Frederick Harting was the first witness called. He testified that he went into the saloon in the rear of which Most was making a speech, and, attracted by curiosity, went into the meeting held there. He said that Most did not use the violent language charged to him. He had never seen Most before and was not an Anarchist, but might yet become one.

Herman Strelitz, a reporter, formerly on the *Leader* and now on the *Volks Zeitung*, testified that he heard Most's speech, and that he began with "Fellow citizens," not "Brother Anarchists," as was alleged. He said Most threatened no immediate revenge, but accused Grinnell and Gary as murderers of the Chicago Anarchists. He also accused Powderly and George of their murder, for turning the Knights of Labor from the Anarchists. The witness said that Most spoke in a sorrowful tone. Every word "came from the heart and went to the heart." Witness said he was a Socialist, and he did not believe God bothered about such trifling things as perjury.

Gustav Stephan and Siegfried Rosensweig testified that they heard Most's speech, and that it did not contain the incendiary language alleged. The latter said he did not know exactly what anarchy is, although he had studied the subject for eight years.

THE JUDGE THREATENED.

At the afternoon session Judge Cowing announced that he had received a threatening letter. It was one that he should disregard. The letter read:

"If you [uphold the] charge against Herr Most you will die. Death for all officers is their due. LIBERTY."

TAKEN IN OUT OF THE COLD.

CHICAGO, November 28th.—Paul Wolf was arrested to-day charged with disorderly conduct and making threats. On Friday night Wolf, who is an Anarchists, went to a saloon and preached anarchy, and foretold the violent deaths of Grinnell and Gary and all the jurors in the Anarchist trial. Wolf was sober at the time.

RIOTOUS STRIKERS.

Trouble at El Paso with American and Mexican Workmen.

EL PASO (Tex.), November 28th.—At 12 o'clock to-day the day shift at the El Paso Smelting Works went out on a strike for higher wages and the redress of alleged grievances. The day shift consists of about 20 Americans and 80 Mexicans. The company's Superintendent telephoned to the city for officers, and three Deputy Sheriffs and the City Marshal went up. The strikers had given the company one hour to accede to their demands, and threatened trouble otherwise. When the officers arrived the American strikers fell back, but some Mexicans, who had been drinking mescal, were noisy and demonstrative. Quiet was restored, and the American ringleaders were discharged, and at 3 o'clock most of the Americans and Mexicans went back to work. Two Mexicans were arrested and placed in jail for threats against their fellows who went back.

Early this afternoon some American strikers were in the city and said they proposed to arm themselves and prevent the Smelting Works from starting unless their demands were granted. The works are located just across the river from Mexico, affording an easy retreat for the strikers after perpetrating mischief. The authorities are determined, and if the strikers attempt violence they will be dealt with vigorously. All is quiet to-night.

A NEW IDEA.

Utility of Electric Lights for Submarine Naval Purposes.

WASHINGTON, November 28th.—The experiments with the incandescent electric light which have been made at the torpedo station at Newport, have developed a novel use for the little lamps, and one that is said to promise to be of great value in naval warfare. With lamps of about 100-candle power fastened on the ends of poles submerged in the sea to a depth of twenty feet the water is so illuminated that objects in it can be distinguished within a radius of 150 feet. There is little or no glare from the submerged light to betray the presence of the boat using the spars. It is believed that by this means a boat might countermine an enemy's field of submarine mines by cutting their cables or sweeping them to one side. It is probable that torpedo launches will be equipped with these lights in the future.

SCHOOL LANDS.

A Case in Which the State is Interested Up for Hearing.

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WASHINGTON, November 28th.—[Special.]—Britton & Gray, land attorneys representing California, and W. J. Johnson, representing James T. Stratton, made arguments before Secretary Lamar this morning in a case involving indemnity school selections by the State of California, in township 18 north, range 1 east, Humboldt Land District. The controversy is over about 1,800 acres of land selected by California as indemnity school lands, and on behalf of certain purchasers and actual settlers under the law of the State. The case came up on appeal from the decisions of the Commissioners of the Land Office, who sustained the acts done by Stratton while claiming to have authority from the State Surveyor-General. An early decision is promised.

TICKLING GROVER.

Vandever's Contestant Braces up to President Cleveland.

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WASHINGTON, November 28th.—[Special.]—Justice Field introduced Jos. D. Lynch, of Los Angeles to the President to-day and they had a pleasant conversation. Lynch informed Cleveland that if he would recommend in his annual message the abolition of the tax on grape brandy used in the fortification of still wines it would send an electrical thrill of joy through the veins of California. He told the President about the insufficient accommodations of the Los Angeles postoffice, and subsequently gave Postmaster-General Vilas his views on this subject. Mr. Lynch thinks the President a thoroughgoing business man, and he told him the Democrats in Southern California approved of his administration.

YAWPING REDS.

The Style of Talk that Anarchists Are Allowed to Use.

NEW YORK, November 28th.—Cooper Union was filled to overflowing to-night with people who sympathize with the Chicago Anarchists who were hung. The meeting had been called by the Trade Federation, and in behalf of the widows and orphans of the Anarchists recently executed. It was an Anarchist meeting through and through. There were red ribbons and feathers on the women, and red neck-ties and hat-bands on the men. The portraits of the hanged Anarchists were draped in black and displayed. The police were present in force, but the meeting was not interrupted, although a violent harangue was delivered by Sergius E. Schevitch, who was the orator of the evening. He concluded as follows:

"What is this red flag, for which more noble hearts have died than for any other? What does this red flag mean? It means the blood of humanity! It means put a stop to the shedding of blood! There is blood on that flag—the blood of thousands and millions slaughtered for that flag! That bosh about law and order is only dust that is thrown in the eyes of the people. I hope it is the habit to send spies to take down the words of your speakers. Let us stand together! Let us be more fierce in our language than ever before! Let the blood of Anarchists cry out throughout the world. It is our flag! We will raise it! We will carry it through your streets!"

THE COLD SNAP.

The Northwest Blizzard—Early Freezing of the Mississippi.

CHICAGO, November 28th.—At 6 o'clock this morning the mercury was only 2° above zero. The Signal Service predicts that the cold snap will last through to-night, but hopes for a rise in temperature to-morrow. Throughout the Northwest the temperature during the past twenty-four hours has fallen about 43°.

A FROZEN RIVER.

LA CROSSE (Wis.), November 28th.—The ice stopped running in the Mississippi last night, and to-day the river is closed—the earliest ever known. The thermometer marked 20° below zero last night.

PHENOMENAL NOVEMBER WEATHER.

ST. PAUL, November 28th.—The minimum temperature in St. Paul last night was 16° below zero. At 7 o'clock this morning the thermometer registered 16° below, and within an hour afterwards had dropped to 22°. Sergeant Lyons says this was the coldest November morning ever recorded at the St. Paul Signal Office, excepting one morning in November, 1885.

New Postmasters.

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WASHINGTON, November 28th.—[Special.] Geo. McCord has been appointed Postmaster at Mannon, Siskiyou county; Adner H. Crawford at Glen Ellen, Sonoma county. Wm. A. Wimer has been commissioned Postmaster at Lake City, and John B. Campbell at Redlands.

Been in Yurrup, You Know.

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WASHINGTON, November 28th.—[Special.]—Condon Smith, of San Francisco, is in the city, on his way home from Europe.

Judgment Against the Western Union.

BOSTON, November 28th.—The Western Union Telegraph Company lost an important suit in the United States Circuit Court to-day, Judge Colt giving a decree for the complainant in an action of the Attorney-General of Massachusetts against the company. This was on information filed by the Attorney-General under the public statutes to collect a tax of $10,618 assessed in May, 1885, on the corporate franchise of the company, doing business in this State, and to enjoin the defendant from the further execution of its business until said tax was paid.

California Pensions.

WASHINGTON, November 28th.—The following California pensions have been granted: John Hall, Placerville; James Ramser, Nicolaus; Peter Upp, Petaluma; James Kibby, Merced; Jacob F. Smith, Sacramento; William Russell, Yountville; Samuel W. Pearsall, Mokelumne Hill; George W. Ware, Hollister; William E. Orear, Santa Rosa; Henry Cram, San Bernardino; Caleb Martin, Fairplay; L. M. Matthews, Hamptonville; Walter L. Harges, San Jose; Constantine Beck, Mokelumne Hill; Jos. J. Evans, Stockton.

Death of a Brave Soldier.

NEW YORK, November 28th.—Colonel R. Penn Smith died at West New Brighton, Staten Island, last night of heart disease. He was of Quaker parentage, but took part in the "border ruffian" troubles in Kansas. In 1861 he joined the Seventy-first Pennsylvania Volunteers, known as Baker's California Regiment, and became its commander after Colonel Baker's death, being the youngest Colonel in the army. He won distinction in many battles.

St. John in Chicago.

CHICAGO, November 28th.—Ex-Governor John P. St. John, of Kansas, is in the city for the purpose of attending the meeting of the National Prohibition Committee next week, called to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Chairman Finch, and to fix the time and place for the next National Convention. St. John declared that he would not be a candidate for the Presidential nom