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LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

A BRILLIANT RECEPTION.

State School Superintendent Hoitt Entertains the County Superintendents.

Last evening State Superintendent of Public Instruction Hoitt and Mrs. Hoitt gave a reception in the spacious parlors of their residence, L street, between Ninth and Tenth, to the County School Superintendents now in the city. It was a brilliant affair, and proved very enjoyable to all who attended. The evening was passed in social converse, singing, recitations, etc. Refreshments were served in picnic style, there being a lot of Japanese tables placed around the room, to each of which four were seated. Among those present the following were noted: C. B. Wakefield, Placerville; J. B. Brown, Eureka; Alfred Harrell, Bakersfield; J. F. Utter, Redwood City; E. L. Case, Sierra; Horace R. Given, Weaverville; G. P. Morgan, Columbia; P. M. Fisher and wife, Oakland; W. M. Nuner Jr., San Andreas; W. A. Kirkwood, Martinez; Miss Myra A. Parks, Janesville; W. W. Seaman, Los Angeles; Robert Furlong, San Rafael; Clay Hampton, Bridgeport; Job Wood Jr., Salinas City; R. F. Burns, Auburn; J. N. Thompson, Hollister; Henry C. Brooke, San Bernardino; W. M. Armstrong, San Luis Obispo; L. J. Chipman, San Jose; John W. Linscott, Watsonville; George F. Mack, Ione City; G. B. Lyman, Yuba City; L. W. Valentine, Red Bluff; George Banks, Woodland; Frank B. Crane, Marysville; Mrs. F. McG. Martin, Santa Rosa; H. A. Moses, J. Purnell, Deputy State Librarian Clark, of Sacramento; Miss Effie Douglas, D. Libbie, San Francisco.

City Trustees.

The Board of City Trustees met in regular session yesterday, all the members present.

J. McCarthy was notified to remove a fence from the east levee within ten days.

Resolutions of intention were adopted to grade Twenty-third street from J to N and from O to Y.

The question of the cancellation of coupons redeemed by the city was the subject of considerable discussion. The Board held that they had all been properly cancelled.

Matt. F. Johnson appeared in behalf of F. Menke, asking that Sixteenth street from T to Y be widened. The matter was referred to Street Commissioner Ryan with power to act.

Martin Pemish was allowed $75 for damages sustained by the drainage canal.

The Chief Engineer of the Water Works reported that during the past week 20,260,000 gallons of water were pumped.

A petition to construct a sidewalk on the north side of S street from Tenth to Eleventh was referred to the Street Commissioner.

Christmas Services.

The usual Christmas services will be held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church this morning, at which the following musical programme will be rendered: Organ Voluntary; Processional, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear;" Chant, 45th, 89th and 110th Psalms; "Te Deum" in F, Baker; "Jubilant Deo" in F, Tours; Hymn, "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," Mendelsson; "Kyrie," Baker; "Gloria Tibi," Baker; "Laus Christi," Tours; Hymn, "Shout the Glad Tidings," Avison; Offertory, "Christmas," Shelly; Solo, Mr. H. W. Carroll; Violin Obligato, Byron Ball; Offertory, "Sentence," Humphreys; Sanctus; Eucharistic Hymn, "Gloria in Excelsis," old chant; Recessional, "We March to Victory," Barnby; Mrs. C. E. Pinkham, organist and director.

Superintendents' Convention.

The County School Superintendents' Convention resumed its session at 9:45 A. M. yesterday.

The Committee on New Districts was granted further time.

Moved by Crane, seconded by Fisher, that Article 3 be further amended, by adding the words, "provided, that the proceeds be paid into the library fund." Carried.

On motion of Hampton, "tenth" was inserted instead of "first" in Subdivision 17, Section 1617.

The entire forenoon was occupied in making changes in printed blanks, in accordance with the report of the committee. The afternoon was devoted to the discussion of proposed amendments to the school law.

Police Trifles.

In the Police Court yesterday Brick Mooney, charged with petit larceny, was discharged. Spanish Pete, a drunk, was fined $2 50; John Doe, drunk, $2 50; Butch Van Tine, battery, $10; Lizzie Jefferson, embezzlement, $5; John Green, a drunk, discharged. James Plunkett, charged with burglary, had his examination continued until the 26th instant. Lizzie Clifton was convicted of cruelty and will be sentenced to-morrow.

Remembered.

Mrs. Margaret E. Crocker yesterday sent to the Howard Benevolent Association a Christmas offering for the poor of $100. There is no citizen of the State whom the people of Sacramento hold in more loving esteem than Mrs. Crocker, or who has done more to prove to them that she loves the human race and delights in contributing to its happiness.

A Good Scheme.

Beginning with yesterday, the temperature and weather will be telegraphed each day from Los Angeles, Monterey, Fresno, Sacramento and Redding by Sergeant Barwick to T. H. Goodman, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, San Francisco, who will have it telegraphed to the advertising cars, "California on Wheels," wherever it may be.

The Marshall Monument.

J. Marion Wells, the sculptor, came up from the Bay yesterday en route to Coloma, where he is engaged in the construction of the Marshall monument. He says the granite work is almost completed, and the entire structure will be finished by the 15th of January.

The Weather.

The average Signal Service temperature yesterday was 52°, being 3° warmer than the normal for that day. The highest and lowest temperature was 56° and 47°, with gentle to fresh southerly winds, and weather cloudy to fair; barometer 29.98 inches and rising.

The Coming Elocutionist.

A. G. Smith, an elocutionist with a national reputation, will appear in the Seventh-street M. E. Church South Saturday evening, December 29th. Admission, 50 cents. His rendition of "Ostler Joe" has made him famous.

Better Than Ever.

The best show, as a rule, always draws the biggest crowd. Of course, sometimes it will fail. Last night the rule held good. Odell & Herzog, 1020 and 1022 K street, had the sightseers and those who admire fine meats. No better or more artistic display of choice meats was ever made in Sacramento than that seen at the New York Market, K street, between Tenth and Eleventh, last evening. Among the most notable features of the display were two dressed steers—one two years old, weighing 700 pounds; the other four years old, and 1,700 pounds in weight. Odell & Herzog take pride in the fact that the beef and mutton shown last night was raised by them on their stock ranch and fattened for their Christmas trade. The same display will remain for the inspection of the public to-day. Everybody ought to visit the market and witness the most beautiful show ever made of meats in this city. *

THOSE COUPONS.

CITY TREASURER GERBER MAKES A STATEMENT.

Ex-City Treasurer J. N. Porter Also Talks—Judge Beatty Returns to the Charge.

The interview with Judge H. O. Beatty, of the Funded Debt Commision, published in the RECORD-UNION yesterday, morning, caused a decided sensation and was the talk of the city. When the Board of City Trustees met, Judge Beatty appeared and asked them to pass a resolution instructing the City Treasurer not to pay the outstanding coupons payable prior to and including 1873, as they were barred by the statute of limitations, and there was strong circumstantial evidence that many of them had been paid already, although the coupons were not to be found in the coupon books in the possession of the City Treasurer.

J. N. Porter, ex-City Treasurer, was present, and produced the coupon books to show that all of the coupons had been cancelled by having holes punched in them with a small check punch. He called Judge Beatty's attention to these punch marks, and declared that they were a proper cancellation of the coupons.

Judge Beatty, after taking the books to the window to get a strong light upon them, admitted that each of the coupons had one or more holes punched through it, but he did not consider that a proper cancellation. He thought they should be plainly cancelled with a red ink stamp which should show the date of payment. He said that at the time he was interviewed on the subject he laid no particular stress upon the non-cancellation of the coupons as he had not examined them critically. He did not think they were cancelled, as he had not noticed the small holes made by the punch, and if he had he would not have known that they were intended to indicate cancellation. His examination of the subject had been to ascertain how many coupons were missing and he found they amounted to $72,186 of the coupons of 1861 and various small amounts of subsequent years. As to the coupons of years subsequent to 1861 he thought they had been lost, but he still believed the $72,186 of coupons of 1861 had been purposely extracted.

The City Auditor explained that at the end of the month the Treasurer presented the coupons during paid the month and he cancelled them by putting a punch mark on each side of the number and returned them to the Treasurer to be placed in the coupon book. If the Treasurer should present a coupon that had already been punched he certainly would not give him credit for it. The Board declined to pass the resolution requested, holding that the present system of cancellation was all that was necessary, and that if the Treasurer paid a coupon a second time he was responsible for it on his bond.

TREASURER GERBER SPEAKS.

William E. Gerber, City Treasurer, had his attention called by a reporter to the statements of Judge Beatty, and in reply to inquiries said:

"When I assumed the duties of City Treasurer I received from James N. Porter, my predecessor, a list of coupons outstanding. This list was claimed by Judge Beatty to be incorrect, and at his request I submitted all the books in my possession to him for an investigation. He employed A. J. Hopper, the city expert, and was also assisted by Mr. Porter, who went through the entire matter under consideration, and submitted to me a list, which did not materially differ from the one I had received from Mr. Porter, and which shows coupons outstanding as follows: For the year 1865, $324; 1866, $630; 1867, $342; 1868, $240; 1869, $336; 1870, $834; 1871, $390; 1872, $1,806; 1873, $1,776; 1874, $3,156; 1875, $3,084. These are all the outstanding coupons that cut any figure in this discussion, and they amount to $12,918."

"As City Treasurer are you going to pay these outstanding coupons if they are presented without evidence of previous payment?" was asked.

Mr. Gerber replied: "I cannot assume, as Treasurer, that these coupons are outlawed, and to be safe in the matter I am holding about $8,000 of this money to meet coupons of 1873 and since that time, so that in case they are presented and it is decided that they are not outlawed, I will have the money to meet them."

"In regard to the coupons of 1861 I have this to say. In looking over the coupons paid and pasted in the coupon books I fail to discover a single coupon uncancelled, commencing with the year 1860, down to the present time, and from this I conclude that these coupons of 1861 must have been cancelled in like manner, and were probably mislaid before these books, into which the coupons are now pasted, came in use. For this reason I would not pay coupons of 1861 even if presented uncancelled, as there is sufficient evidence to convince any one that they were paid, and for that reason also I am not holding any money to meet these coupons of 1861.

"I am exceedingly sorry that so many mistatements and misrepresentations have been made in regard to our city debt, as it cannot help but injure the credit and standing of the city. The books show that it has been a universal custom to punch holes through the coupons after payment, and I cannot see how the city has paid any of these coupons twice.

"All the coupons paid by me are, at the end of each month, taken to the Auditor, counted, computed and receipted for by him. Holes are punched through them by the Auditor large enough for anyone to see that they are cancelled coupons. These coupons are then pasted in the coupon book by me in their proper place. These books are at the end of the term examined by the expert, and it does seem to me that the city is well protected and has all the necessary checks and safeguards thrown around the payment of these coupons. In addition to this, I have cancelled every coupon paid by me with a red rubber stamp, as follows: 'Paid. W. E. Gerber, City Treasurer.'"

MR. PORTER'S STATEMENT.

J. N. Porter, ex-City Treasurer, on being asked for his views on the subject, said:

"Prior to 1876, or about 1876, the Treasurer paid the coupons and cancelled them, turned them over to the Auditor and he credited the Treasurer with the amount paid and kept the coupons in an old tin box. In 1876, when I was elected Treasurer, having a great many inquiries in regard to whether such and such coupons were paid, and not being able to tell from the books, I suggested to the City Trustees that they have books made similar to those in the State Treasurer's office. They had them made and hired Mr. Hickman, the Auditor at that time, to paste all the coupons on hand in the Auditor's office in these books. After that the Treasurer has paid the coupons, presented them to the Auditor monthly, who receipted for and cancelled them, and the Treasurer then returned them to his office and pasted them in the coupon books in the regular order of the years. If there were any coupons lost or mislaid the Treasurer could not get credit for them unless he presented them to the Auditor and the Auditor credited him with them. They were cancelled by the Auditor and the Treasurer would not pay an old cancelled coupon, nor would the Auditor receipt for an old cancelled coupon.

"The fact is there is nothing to warrant the supposition that any coupon of 1861 has been paid twice. They may have been lost or destroyed, because when Mr. Hickman pasted these coupons in the books he used a star punch for the coupons, and the few coupons on hand now that are marked paid in 1861 are punched with the star punch, the same as in 1860, and they are also crossed with a cross in black ink, the same as 1860, 1861 and 1862.

"These coupons, prior to 1876, when these books were prepared, were left in the hands of the Auditor, and the Auditor of 1860 and 1861 was Thomas Letson, and in 1862 Josiah Howell, while the Treasurer during all those years was C. L. Bird. If those coupons were taken or stolen no person would be fool enough to hold them for the twenty-seven years that has since elapsed. It is evident that these coupons of 1861 were lost."

JUDGE BEATTY'S POSITION.

Judge Beatty sends the following communication on the subject in hand:

EDS. RECORD-UNION: Permit me to make a correction in your paper in regard to an interview I had with your reporter concerning the city's debt.

I am correctly reported as saying: "So far as I know the coupons purchased by the city have not generally been cancelled." And in another place I am also correctly reported as saying: "Yes, paste them in, but so far as my recollection goes nine-tenths of them have nothing whatever upon them to indicate cancellation, or to show that they have been paid."

To-day I was at the meeting of the Trustees when this matter was called up. I was shown one of the coupon books, and it was pointed out to me that all the coupons pasted in the book had little holes punched in them. These holes they informed me, were cancellation marks. These coupons had from one to six holes punched in them, and to one who did not understand their cabalistic character indicated nothing, or if they indicated payment at all it it was just as good an indication that they had been paid six times, as that they had been paid once. Mr. McKee says that he punched two holes in each coupon, and punched them in a certain relative position to the numbers on the coupons, so that if a coupon was presented to him a second time he would know in an instant that it had already been paid. But outsiders would not understand anything about this. I will say, however, that I never saw one of these holes in the coupons until they were pointed out to me to-day. The coupons are pasted over white paper, and they are hardly perceptible. I had to take the book to a strong light before I could see the holes, even after they were pointed out.

As for the coupons of 1861, which are the ones missing, the coupon book shown to me to-day indicated they never had been punched until a comparatively late date. The only punch which I saw in them appeared to be a star punch, which seemed to have been made by a punch now in the possession of Mr. McKee. I understood Mr. McKee (though, possibly, I may not have rightly understood him) that he had the star punch made and used it until recently, when he had a new one made of different pattern. I understood Mr. Porter to say Hickman had this star punch made when he was pasting coupons. Anyway, this punch has been made long since 1861. As this is the only punch used on the 1861 coupons, it is conclusive they were not stamped at that time. They were paid in 1861, and strongly indicating that they were again paid at a much later date.

I have been told that I had, in my interview with your reporter, cast suspicion of dishonesty on all Treasurers and city officials from 1860 to the present day. Not only had I insinuated that the coupons of 1861 had been dishonestly withdrawn from their proper custody, but that there had been petty thievery going on ever since. In regard to the coupons of 1861, I claim that by some means they are in wrong hands And this city is in danger of having to pay them again.

In regard to the odd coupons that have been paid from time to time from 1860 to the present day that do not appear in the coupon book, I stated distinctly that I thought they had been lost by careless handling by the different Treasurers. And I might have added by the careless handling of the Auditors, Mr. Hickman and others, through whose hands these coupons have passed. But I had no suspicion any single one of these coupons had ever been purposely abstracted or would ever again be presented for payment. And I will say now that all my examination into this matter convinces me that there has been no crookedness, either in the payment or preservation of coupons since the disappearance of the '61 coupons. But the manner of cancelling and keeping accounts has been very loose and unsatisfactory. And I am strongly of the opinion that the $15,392 of '61 coupons now pasted in the coupon book have been twice paid; but of this the evidence is not conclusive. If they have been paid twice I believe it was an innocent blunder on the part of the Treasurers who paid them. H. O. BEATTY.

FINE MEAT.

What Alfalfa and Egyptian Corn Will do for Beef.

There perhaps is no State in the Union where better beef can be obtained the year round than in California. No other section of our country has green pastures the year round, and nowhere in the world can better beef be produced for so little money. The Heilbron Bros. of this city have been in the cattle business for over a quarter of a century and no firm is better posted on the best breeds for beef or have better facilities for producing the same. They had two carloads of cattle shipped to this city a few days since for Christmas beef from their celebrated "Wild Flower Stock Farm" in Fresno county. The cattle were all of the Hereford and Durham breed, these gentlemen having long since learned that thoroughbreds make the best meat. This meat has been hung up in the shop of Mohr & Yoerk at Eleventh and J streets, and in their own establishment, the "City Market," J, between Front and Second. Those who desire to see one of the finest meat displays ever made in this State should inspect these "Christmas goods."

At Mohr & Yoerk's is shown a Hereford calf six months old which dressed 520 pounds. Some of the yearlings dressed over 700 pounds. The Heilbron Bros. say they have learned that if you want good growths and choice beef you must feed for it. They feed their cattle on alfalfa and Egyptian corn, and get more and better beef at one year than can be obtained in three years on what is termed cattle ranges. This is a saving of two years' time and the extra cost is more than set off by producing three times as much meat. The beef is firm, tender, and cannot be excelled in none of its qualities.

Metropolitan Theater.

The Carleton opera troupe opens at the Metropolitan to-night with the beautiful opera "Nanon," by Genee. Carleton's company, which has always been popular here, is announced to be larger and stronger than on any previous visit. Over half a hundred people appear on the stage. Stress is laid upon the costumery of the company, next after its musical power, and in this latter essential the management claims for the troupe fine balance and exceeding smoothness, due to the supervision of Mr. Carleton, who is exacting as a musical artist and a manager of opera, and makes all things bend to give exactly what he promises the public. Among the principals of the troupe are Charles H. Drew, the light comedian, Jay C. Taylor, J. K. Murray, E. de Masa, Robert Broderick, Miss Alice Vincent, Clara Wisdom, Rose Beaudet, Maggie Baxter, and the new prima donna, Miss Clara Lane, soprano. It is claimed that the chorus is of notable strength, and that the work is characterized by intelligence, spirit and great precision, slovenliness being a thing that Carleton will not tolerate in any degree in musical work. Some seven weeks ago the Carleton, the Casino and the McCaul opera troupes opened simultaneously in Chicago, each in a new opera, which led the *Times* of that city to say: "In all respects, in the Carleton troupe was the greater excellence." The prices for to-night are $1, $1 25 and 50 cents. The box-sheet has filled well, and the promise is for a successful season.

Against Constitutional Religion.

From the fact that the so-called "Blair amendment" to the United States Constitution, providing for "the teaching of the principles of the Christian religion in the public schools," has been favorably considered by a majority of the Senate committee to which it was referred, the following petition is being circulated for signatures in this city:

To the Honorable, the Senate of the United States: We, the undersigned, adult residents of the United States, 21 years of age or more, hereby respectfully, but earnestly, petition your honorable body not to pass any bill in regard to the observance of the Sabbath, or Lord's day, or any other religious or ecclesiastical institution or rite; nor to favor in any way the adoption of any resolution for the amendment of the National Constitution that would in any way tend, either directly or indirectly, to give preference to the principles of any religion or of any religious body above another, or that will in any way sanction legislation upon the subject of religion; but that the total separation between religion and state, assured by the National Constitution as it now is, may forever remain as our fathers established it.

Victorious Altas.

The Altas defeated the Santa Abies at Oroville on Saturday by a score of 8 to 3. Hapeman, pitcher of the Altas, struck out twenty-one men in seven innings. James Walsh, Captain and pitcher of the Santa Abies, is a fine player. He has great speed and good curves and fields his position to perfection. Arrangements will probably be made so that the Santa Abies will come here to play.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Department One—Armstrong, Judge

MONDAY, December 24, 1888.

W. O. Davis vs. S. J. Jackson, Geo. O. Bates and G. C. McMullen—Judgment for defendants.

People vs. Joe McGinnis (information for burglary)—Defendant withdraws plea of guilty and substitutes plea of not guilty. Trial set for January 22d.

In the matter of Olla M. Ham and John B. Ham (on habeas corpus)—Custody of the children awarded Thos. B. Ham.

People vs. Tilton—Sentenced to 24 hours in the County Jail for contempt of Court.

Sovina E. Spencer vs. James Spencer—Decree of divorce granted.

When the people ask for light bread they don't like the bakers to give them light-weight bread.—*New York Tribune.*

ORANGE, LEMON AND OLIVE TREES.—We shall have the finest and best assortment ever offered to growers this season, and are booking orders. We especially advise immediate orders for sour orange trees for ornamental and shade. W. R. Strong & Co. *

If you intend to purchase a piano, organ or musical instrument of any kind, do not fail to inspect the fine stock just received at Hammer's music store, 820 J street, Agent Chickering & Son's pianos. *

CHRISTMAS and holiday musical goods just received. Largest stock in the city at Mathushek Piano Agency, Cooper's Music Store. *

For Christmas buy your wife, daughter, or sister a Domestic sewing machine on installments. A. J. Pommer, Ninth and J sts.*

A BOLD DEED.

THE OVERLAND EXPRESS ROBBED LAST NIGHT.

Two Men Rifle the Express Car at Clipper Gap, But Miss a Sack With $10,000.

Train No. 1, known as the Eastern Overland Express, which left this city last evening at 7:45 o'clock, had a little experience with train-robbers on the mountains. The train, which was in charge of Conductor Burnett, was climbing the hill at a pretty lively gait, and had reached a point a little beyond Clipper Gap, when two masked men appeared at one of the side doors of the express car, smashed in the upper (glass) portion and covered express messenger Robert Johnston, of this city, and —— Carpenter, his "helper," with revolvers.

Under the protection of their "guns" the two men climbed into the car and one of them proceeded to go through Wells, Fargo & Company's safe and packages, while the other held the two young men at bay at the point of his weapon.

The robbers ransacked the car pretty thoroughly, taking all the coin in sight in the safe, and letters and other packages that might appear to contain coin or valuables. Strange to say, however, they overlooked a bag in the safe containing $10,000 in coin, beside several others with much smaller sums.

When near New England Mills they disappeared through the side door and dropped to the ground—the train meantime going at its usual speed—and disappeared in the gloom of the forest.

On reaching Colfax, where the train was due at 10:20, conductor Burnett telegraphed to Superintendent Wright the particulars of the robbery.

The messenger and his companion describe the robbers as follows: One of the men was tall, of light complexion, smooth shaven, and had a face of the elongated pattern. His weight is about 175 pounds. The other was a man of medium size, dark complexion, and weighs about 165 or 170 pounds. He had the lower half of his face covered by a handkerchief, but it was noticed that it was adorned by a mustache of dark color. Both men are young, probably from 30 to 35 years of age.

A dispatch was also sent at a late hour from Colfax to Felix Tracy, Superintendent of Wells, Fargo & Co.'s business here, and it found him busy at the office of the company. The dispatch stated that Constable Dwyer, of Colfax, with two assistants, had already started into the mountains in pursuit of the robbers.

About 1:30 this morning Superintendent Wright and Mr. Tracy were holding a conference in the former's office when a RECORD-UNION reporter reached there, comparing notes and discussing the situation. Meantime steam was being gotten up on one of the locomotives, which was about to start from here with railroad detectives True and Burke and some other officers.

Both Superintendent Wright and Mr Tracy stated that the railroad and express companies would offer the usual rewards for the arrest and conviction of the robbers and also a percentage on any money recovered. These combined rewards amount to a very handsome sum.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The Postoffice hours to-day will be the same as those on Sunday.

James Woodburn has sold his famous racer J. M. R. for $1,750 to a Montana man.

The third annual ball of Y. M. I., No. 27, will be held at Armory Hall, Friday evening, December 28th.

Bell & Co. will sell to-morrow at salesroom, 927 K street, at 10 A. M., a large lot of household furniture, carpets, etc.

Governor Leland Stanford Camp No. 11, Sons of Veterans, will give a ball at Turner Hall, Thursday evening, December 27th.

A delivery team belonging to the Sacramento Market ran away yesterday and the wagon was upset at Fourth and W streets. Luckily no one was hurt.

Yesterday Judge Armstrong fined a man by the name of Tilton twenty-four hours in the County Jail for contempt of Court. It is claimed that Tilton is a crank.

An entertainment for the Sunday-school will be given at the Christian Church this evening. Music, recitations, tableaux and Jacob's ladder, with presents for the children.

Wm. H. Dixon, the Cosumnes stockman, came into the city on Sunday night with a drove of 151 Chester white and Berkshire hogs. They average three hundred pounds apiece, and sold for $2,700.

A runaway team collided with Henry Schulmeyer's meat delivery wagon at Fourth and K streets last evening. The meat wagon was upset and considerably demoralized, but no one hurt.

The annual ball of the Sacramento Turn Verein will be give at Turner Hall tonight, music by Jones, Fisch & Watson band. There will be a large Christmas tree full of presents and brilliantly illuminated.

A Christmas cantata will be given at the Fourteenth-street Presbyterian Church, between O and P, this evening at 7 o'clock. All members of the school will be admitted free. All others will have to pay 25 cents.

Among the turkeys received by Gregory Bros. & Co. yesterday from Kansas City was one that weighed, dressed and drawn, twenty six pounds. The corn-fed beauties attracted a great deal of attention in front of the store.

A large bay mare was stolen from a rancher named McLanahan, near Elk Grove, on Sunday night. The thief left a note saying that he would leave the mare at Stockton, which was his destination, but the officers do not take much stock in this statement, as it was probably intended to put the rancher on the wrong track.

A post mortem examination was held yesterday upon the remains of Mrs. M. M. Drew, in the presence of physicians of both schools of medicine who had been in attendance. It was found that the cause of death was not cancer or any malignant disease, but resulted directly from intestinal obstruction from lodgment in the intestine of an enormous billiary calculus measuring one and one-half inches in diameter one way and two inches the other.

MARRIED.

Sacramento, December 12—By Rev. T. Grace, at the residence of the bride's parents, Samuel B. Slight to Josie Wittenbrock, both of this city. [No cards.] *

Sacramento, December 22—By Rev. A. C. Herrick, Albin Nelson to Annie Nygvist. *

Sacramento, December 24—By Rev. W. C. Merrill, Mark J. Neher of Dunsmuir, Siskiyou county, to Lucy E. Yocum of Colfax. *

DIED.

Sacramento, December 23—Mary, the beloved wife of William Mitchell, a native of Ireland, 64 years and 9 months.

[Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from her late residence, Twenty second and J streets, this afternoon at 1 o'clock; thence to the Catholic Church, where funeral services will be held.]*

Sacramento, December 23—Mrs. Clorinda Pizarro, the beloved mother of Hillie, Tillie, Luie, Willie and Dora Pizarro, a native of Drytown, Amador county, 35 years, 8 months and 20 days.

[Friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from her late residence, Second street, between N and O, to-morrow (Wednesday) afternoon at 2 o'clock.] *

Sacramento, December 23—Harry, infant son of John H. and Lella Stocker, and 10 months 15 days.

[Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from the residence of his parents, 415½ K street, on Wednesday, December 26th, at 10:30 o'clock A. M.]

Sacramento, December 24—Emily W., widow of the late John Hatch, a native of Kentucky, 84 years, 9 months and 19 days.

[Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from her late residence, 1215 Third street, on Wednesday, December 26th, at 11 o'clock A. M.]

Sacramento, December 24—John H. Long, 50 years, 9 months and 24 days. [Eastern papers please copy.]

CLOSED TO-DAY.

The largest general retail trade west of the Rocky Mountains is done by Weinstock, Lubin & Co., Sacramento, Cal. They sell everything one needs to wear or to use at home. They deal largely with manufacturers in Europe and America, thus bringing producer and customer in almost direct contact. This helps to make their prices low.

Small orders are filled as carefully as large ones. Goods not as ordered are returnable at their expense.

Wherever you are, or whatever you need, send to them. *They don't intend that any one anywhere shall supply your wants so well as they.*

Illustrated Catalogue and Samples free. Weinstock, Lubin & Co., 400 to 410 K St., Sacramento, Cal.

CLOSED TO-DAY.

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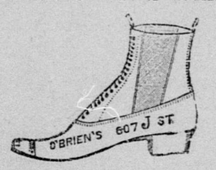

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