

IMPROVING THE CITY. Superiority of Adjustable Awnings Over the Old Eye-Sores. The Improvement Association Discusses the Sewers, Water Works and Taxes.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Improvement Association was held last evening in Justice of the Peace Henry's court. President C. A. Luhrs in the chair. There were present Mayor Comstock, Secretary Hughes, S. Tryon, Dr. Parkinson, Senator Dray, J. O. Coleman, J. Popert, J. B. Gilbert, Dr. Huntington, and others.

A communication was received from the Undine Boat Club, asking for the privilege of using the Exposition building near the depot for a boat-house.

Chairman Luhrs said some of the boatmen had waited upon him, and he advised them to appear before the association. He did not know whether or not the association could grant the privilege. He was in favor of granting the request, however, if it were possible.

Senator Dray said he did not know who else would grant the request. J. O. Coleman thought it would be advisable to confer with the railroad company first, and find out what the association's rights were.

Secretary Hughes agreed with Mr. Coleman, and added that, in his opinion, the railroad company would have exclusive say in the matter.

ONLY TEMPORARY. A member of the boat club who was present stated that the club only wanted the building for a short time until they could afford to build a first-class boat-house on the river bank.

After some discussion it decided to grant the request so far as the association was concerned, and to advise the railroad company as to the proposed ordinance.

Chairman Luhrs stated to the meeting that he had an ordinance drawn up, laying the proposed ordinance concerning all awnings except adjustable ones of canvas or steel, and had submitted it to Trustee McLaughlin, who promised to bring it up at yesterday's meeting.

Mr. Luhrs said he had provided his stores with canvas awnings and they beat anything he had ever tried.

county. It is desired that all who are eligible to membership lose no time in sending in their application to the Secretary.

The following named were chosen Directors for the first year: Misses Minnie Richardson, Florence McKune, Lelia J. Lindley and Mrs. Gussie Carroll; Messrs. W. E. Oster, E. M. LaRue, Jr., and W. L. Simms.

W. S. McClatchy was elected temporary President, pending the formal organization and election of officers by the Directors.

The meeting adjourned to meet next Saturday evening. The shadows that fall across the pathway of the old pioneers are rapidly changing, and in the natural course of events not a few more years can elapse until the last of their number will be groping his way through the Valley of the West.

EDWARD F. BURTON. Death of a Former Californian at Denver, Colorado. Secretary of State E. G. Waite yesterday received a dispatch from Denver, Col., from the son of Colonel Edward F. Burton, stating that his father had just died at that place.

Colonel Burton was Superintendent of the San Francisco Mint during President Arthur's administration. He was repeatedly elected to the Legislature from Nevada County in the fifties, and was widely known throughout the state as one of the most generous and companionable of men.

Pleasant Entertainment. A pleasant and largely attended musical and literary entertainment was given last evening in the Sixth-street Methodist Church, under the auspices of the Young Women's Christian Temperance Union.

MURDEROUS FOOTPADS. Robert Allen Struck Upon the Head With a Hammer. The Garroter Take Over \$500 From the Victim and Then Leave Him to Die.

An atrocious crime was committed in this city early yesterday morning. Robert Allen, the well known turkman, and proprietor of the Exchange on Seventh street between J and K, was waylaid by footpads, robbed of \$500 and probably fatally wounded.

Mr. Allen closed up his saloon as usual shortly after midnight, and after stopping in at the Golden Eagle Hotel for about an hour started for his home on the corner of Seventh and H streets. He was walking along slowly, and had just reached the alley which runs back of the Court-house when two men suddenly sprang out from the shadow of the county's building and assailed him.

One of the footpads seized Mr. Allen by the lapels of his coat and before he could realize what was going on the other dealt him a terrible blow on the back of the head with a hammer.

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PLUMBING INSPECTOR. The Board of Health Wrestles Long Over a Selection. Conundrums Propounded for the Applicants to Answer - L. W. Mahoney Elected.

The City Board of Health met last evening at the office of the Secretary, Dr. C. B. Nichols, for the purpose of examining applicants for the position of Plumbing Inspector. Dr. Nichols stated that a request had been made that two members of the Examining Board of Plumbers be permitted to remain in the room to simply listen to the examination, and not to make any remarks or ask any questions.

Dr. Brune thought that some of the applicants might feel embarrassed if they were compelled to undergo an examination in the presence of the two representatives mentioned. He thought also that if the board should decide that a certain one of the applicants was especially qualified, the two representatives might differ and cause some feeling by expressing their opinions on the outside.

A question arose as to whether the examination should be conducted orally, or whether the answers should be submitted in writing. A vote was taken, and it was decided to require the applicants to write down the answers to each question.

This course being resolved upon, it was agreed that there could be no objection to allowing the two members of the Examining Board of Plumbers to be present when the questions were asked. They could not then hear the answers.

The five applicants were then called into the room, and also the representatives of the Plumbers' Union and the Examining Board of Plumbers, and the following questions, prepared by Dr. Nichols, were asked:

"Where did you learn your trade?" "How long have you worked at your trade?" "What are the duties of plumbing laws of this city?"

"Describe to the board the construction of a trap, its material, its position, its drainage, the drainage, how connected with drain from the house; how joints should be protected."

"How would you prevent sewer gas from entering a house through the different pipes?" "What form of trap would you recommend, and why?"

"How large should the main soil-pipe be?" "How large should the smaller pipes be for each fixture?"

"What effect does the amount of water in a pipe have upon its force or momentum?" "In practical plumbing what agencies tend to deprive traps of their water seal?"

given to receptions and reviews. They are fatigued to the men and of not much practical utility. The official visits of the Commander-in-Chief and the Major-General commanding should receive the honors belonging to them, but no other reviews should be ordered.

NOT CRAZY ENOUGH. Ah Wing Escapes the Insane Asylum Again. Ah Wing, a rattle-brained Chinese hop-licker, was examined the second time yesterday with reference to his mental condition.

Several weeks ago he was examined and discharged. He was taken in again by the police a few days ago and committed to the County Jail for vagrancy.

A Serious Omission. Elsewhere appears a list of conundrums that were last night propounded by the board of health to the candidates for the position of Plumbing Inspector. It would seem that the board of health would be to have propounded some such query as this:

Proposed High License. Mayor Comstock presented an ordinance to the Trustees, yesterday, which provides that each and every person or firm, engaging in the business of retail liquor selling shall pay a quarterly city license of \$50 when the receipts are less than \$500 per quarter.

The Warm Wave Rolls By. The Signal Service temperatures at 5 A. M. and 5 P. M. yesterday were 62° and 64°, while the highest and lowest were 68° and 52°, with brisk southerly winds and a nearly cloudless sky.

Another Divorce. Clara Williams was granted a divorce from Joseph Williams by Judge Grant yesterday, on the ground of the husband's failure to provide her with the common necessities of life.

Amended His Complaint. E. A. Burr has amended the complaint in his petition for a writ of replevin, by adding a charge of libel against the money charged for the publication has been paid.

Ready to Settle. The Capital Turf Club is ready to settle all its bills--or will be by Friday next. The club desires that all persons who claim against it will present them by that time.

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Also a mixed lot of Dress Silks, such as Gros-grain, Rhadame Satin, Figured-India Silks and Plain Satins, which will be sold at the following prices: 25c, 35c and 50c per yard.

The woolen remnants have been marked very low and will consist of Cashmeres, Plaids, Serges, Black Goods, Albatross and a nice assortment of short lengths of Chalis.

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Men's Double-breasted Black Cheviot Suits, square-cut sack coat, fastened with three buttons, silk-faced, \$20. Blue Serge Suits of a lighter shade than navy blue. The coats are single breasted sacks, and the vests double-breasted, \$22 50.

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Miscellaneous. PROPOSALS FOR Purchase of Bonds East Riverside Irrigation District.

SEALED PROPOSALS FOR THE PURCHASE of the bonds of East Riverside Irrigation District, to the amount of fifty thousand (\$50,000), will be received by the Board of Directors of said district, at their office in East Riverside, San Bernardino County, State of California, till 1 o'clock P. M. of the 22d DAY OF APRIL, 1891, at which time and place said Board will open the proposals and award the purchase to the highest responsible bidder.

Said bonds are a portion of a series of bonds amounting in the aggregate to two hundred and fifty thousand (\$250,000), authorized by an Act of the Legislature of the State of California, entitled "An Act to provide for the organization and government of irrigation districts, and to provide for the acquisition of water and other property, and for the distribution of water thereto for irrigation purposes, and in accordance with the vote of the qualified voters of said irrigation district, at a special election held December 24, 1890.

Said bonds bear interest from the 1st day of January, 1891, at the rate of six (6) per cent. per annum, payable on the 1st day of January and July in each year.

The time of receiving and opening the above proposals is POSTPONED until the 22d DAY OF MAY, 1891.

By order of the Board of Directors of the East Riverside Irrigation District, East Riverside, San Bernardino County, California, May 17, 1891. HENRY W. ROBINSON, President. J. A. VAN ARSDALE, Secretary.

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