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OUR BOYS IN CAMP.

The First Artillery Regiment Arrives Safely at Santa Cruz.

ALL PLEASED WITH THEIR PRESENT SURROUNDINGS.

Brush Fire Raging in the Vicinity of San Rafael—Brutal Prize Fight at Vacaville—Two Severe Shocks of Earthquake at Hollister—Another Lady Drowned on the Beach Near Astoria.

Special to the RECORD-UNION.

SANTA CRUZ, Aug. 9.—The opinion prevails among Santa Cruz people that the First Artillery Regiment's camp is one of the prettiest and best-planned that has been laid out this summer. It faces southeast, and is located in about the same position as last year's camp. Tents were pitched and all work done under the direction of Lieutenant Maydwell, the efficient Quartermaster on Colonel Guthrie's staff. He was congratulated on all sides to-day for his work and correct alignment, in which the rows of tents were laid out. In all there are 135 tents in camp. The ladies alone occupy twenty-five tents, outside of the lines and in the rear of the headquarters.

The regiment arrived here at 6 o'clock this morning, having been delayed a short time on account of a hot box on one of the cars. There was no accident to mar the pleasantness of the down trip, but when the troops reached the depot here most of the men looked tired and they were immediately marched to the camp, where a hot breakfast was awaiting them. From early morn till noon the men were all busy in arranging the tents and attending to the baggage, and their quarters were soon tidy. In all there are sixteen men employed in the mess-room, and meals are served with promptness. The victuals are very good, and there is no sign of complaint from any of the men.

In front of Colonel Guthrie's quarters a dancing platform, thirty-six by fifty feet, has been erected, and Lieutenant Maydwell is being showered with praises by the young ladies of Santa Cruz for his thoughtfulness.

The ceremony of dress parade took place this evening, and was watched by a large crowd of people from town, who had driven out in carriages. The guard mount took place at 6 o'clock, and to-night sentinels are posted around the camp. There are eight posts. Captain T. B. Hall is Officer of the Day, and Lieutenants Stevens and Hevel Officers of the Guard.

The band has captured the town already. To-night it gave a delightful concert in front of the Colonel's quarters. To-morrow real camp life will begin in earnest.

THE CALIFORNIAN WON.

Henry Peterson Easily Defeats Victoria's Champion.

NEW WESTMINSTER (B. C.), Aug. 9.—The greatest boat race ever witnessed on Fraser River was rowed yesterday between Henry Peterson of San Francisco and Alex McLean of this city. Excursions were run from all parts of the country, and fully 12,000 people saw the contest.

Betting was in favor of Peterson all the time, and his backers had by far the most money. Westminster people, however, went heavy on their man and an immense amount was staked, nearly all at even money. Both men were in perfect condition, but McLean, not being accustomed to fine training, rather overdid it and did not show up in his usual snappy form. The race was three miles with a turn in outrigged skiffs, twenty feet over all, for a purse of $2,650. J. S. Clute acted as referee, starter and sole judge of the race. Peterson won the inside course and gained an advantage of comparatively still water, while McLean was in a stiff current all the way to the turn.

Both men got off well together, McLean getting slightly the better of the start. Peterson was not long in shoving the nose of his boat to the front, and in the first eighth of a mile had won a lead of three lengths. At the half mile he had increased it to six lengths, and at the mile to eight. Beginning with forty-one strokes he gradually tapered down to thirty, McLean pulling rather faster but not gaining. After reaching the mile stake McLean shoved his boat ahead and lessened the gap. Peterson responded by opening out, and from here to the turning buoy the race was simply magnificent and the pace tremendous.

The Frisco man turned the stake in 11 minutes and 30 seconds, and McLean 30 seconds later. The latter now pulled for all he was worth, and gradually closed up the gap to six and then four lengths. But Peterson had the race well in hand, and at the begining of the last half mile slackened down and took matters easy to the finish, winning easily by four lengths in 20 minutes and 28 seconds. He was heartily cheered by the [illegible]se crowd and bore the honors [illegible] upon him modestly. The time is [illegible]test ever made in an outrigged [illegible] and is a record which will be hard [illegible]t. Peterson leaves for home on Tuesday.

DOUBLE-SCULL RACE.

HAMILTON (Ont.), Aug. 9.—Fully 15,000 people witnessed the double-scull race here yesterday afternoon for the world's championship between Ed Hanlan and William O'Connor in one boat, and Jake Gaudaur and William McKay in the other. The one and a half mile stake was reached by Hanlan and O'Connor in 8 minutes and 3 seconds. On the home-stretch the leaders did not exert themselves, and when within a quarter of a mile of the finish stopped rowing and Hanlan dipped his hand in the bay. They finally won a comparatively easy victory by six lengths in 18:26. Gaudaur and McKay's time was not taken.

BRUTAL PRIZE FIGHT.

It Became So Sickening the Authorities Had to Interfere.

VACAVILLE, Aug. 9.—There was a brutal prize fight here last night between Gus Mullen, a featherweight of San Francisco, and Bob Allen, a lightweight of Napa, for $50 a side and a purse of $100. Mullen has gained quite a reputation for long, hard fights against such men as Huntington, Roberts, McKenna and Tommy Hogan, while Allen is well known as a local knock-out. Mullen was seconded by Billy Woods and Frank Roberts, while Paddy Gorman and Tom McGee acted for Allen.

Mullen cut the pace from the start, and worked on Allen's wind for four rounds, fighting him against the ropes and nearly out several times, but Allen caught Mullen a terrific right-hander on the jaw in the fifth, knocking him against the ropes ten feet away, and it would have been up had Allen known how to have finished, but Mullen recovered too quickly, and before the round was over had his opponent at bay. For four more rounds both men pummeled each other at a terrific rate, until it became so sickening a spectacle that the authorities interfered, and the fight was declared a draw by Manager Armstrong, who acted as referee.

Mullen has challenged Allen again.

JUDGE OGDEN HOFFMAN.

Died at St. Luke's Hospital of Paralysis of the Heart.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 9.—Judge Ogden Hoffman died early this morning at St. Luke's Hospital of paralysis of the heart. He has been ill with heart trouble since April 2d, but at times so far recovered as to be pronounced cured, but Friday another attack set in and this time it proved fatal. He was unmarried and always lived at a club. He had been a Federal Judge since March, 1851, a term of over forty years. No other living United States Judge has been on the bench for so long a time.

Judge Ogden Hoffman was born in New York, October 10, 1822. His father and grandfather were both eminent lawyers. He was a graduate from Columbia College, and studied law, being admitted to the bar in 1846. He traveled for two years in Europe, and then returned to the United States, and on May 16, 1850, landed in San Francisco. In less than a year, in March, 1851, President Fillmore appointed him United States District Judge for Northern California. In 1852 the two California districts were consolidated into one, with Judge Hoffman as sole Judge, a position he has held ever since.

TROTTING AT THE BAY.

Exciting Contest in the 2:24 Class Race at the Bay District Track.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 9.—Those who attended the last day's racing of the summer meeting of the Trotting-Horse Breeders' Association, on Saturday, at the Bay District Track, witnessed one of the most exciting events of the season.

The first race was the four-year-old stake, the San Mateo filly Serena having a walk-over.

The second race was the 2:24 class, for a purse of $1,500. The starters were James Hunter's Cupid, the San Mateo Farm's Una Wilkes, A. T. Hatch's Guide and H. J. Agnew's Lynnette.

A better, closer fought out, squarer and heavier betting race has not been seen in California for many years. The preliminary nibbles were Una Wilkes $25, Guide $20, Cupid $15, Lynnette $8. Agnew bought his mare at these rates freely and figures were rushed to Wilkes $60, Lynnette $33, Cupid $30, Guide $27 50.

Five heats were trotted before the race was settled. Guide took the first heat, Una Wilkes second, Cupid third and Lynnette fourth. Time, 2:24½.

Cupid won the second heat, Guide second, Lynnette third and Una Wilkes fourth. Time, 2:22¼.

The third heat resulted in Una Wilkes crossing the wire first, Lynnette second, Cupid third and Guide fourth. Time, 2:26.

The fourth and fifth heats were won by Cupid, Una Wilkes second. Time, 2:23½ and 2:21.

Captain Millen Griffith's team of pacers were driven an exhibition half. They went up the back stretch in 30 seconds—a 2-minute gait—and did the half in 1:03.

FERRY TO PENNOYER.

Another Call for the Requisition for Adam Cushing.

OLYMPIA (Wash.), Aug. 9.—Governor Ferry has addressed a letter to Governor Pennoyer of Oregon in regard to the latter's refusal to issue a requisition for Adam Cushing, who is wanted in Washington on a charge of stealing freight from the Northern Pacific Railroad Company. Cushing was charged with a similar crime in Portland. He fled to Nebraska, but was arrested and brought back to Oregon, and tried and acquitted last month. Governor Ferry then called upon Governor Pennoyer of Oregon for a requisition for Cushing, which Pennoyer refused on the ground that Cushing was not voluntarily in the State of Oregon. Governor Ferry simply refers to the United States statutes in relation to the extradition, and cites several cases of a similar nature where prisoners have been extradited.

Boy and Girl Horribly Burned.

REDDING, Aug. 9.—A girl and a boy, aged 5 and 3 years respectively, the children of Charles Piftschek, a tailor, were horribly burned at 6 o'clock last evening while trying to light a fire in the kitchen stove. Pittschek's sister, who was sick in bed at the time, had her hands badly burned while trying to put out the fire in the children's clothes. The girl has died. The boy is not expected to live.

LATER—The children burned here last evening are dead.

A girl 16 years old, the daughter of Dick Collict, a miner living at the Stump Ranch, between Redding and Shasta, while trying to light a fire with coal oil last evening, was dangerously burned by the can exploding. The chances of recovery are doubtful.

Brush-Fire Raging Near San Rafael.

SAN RAFAEL, Aug. 9.—This morning a brush-fire started near the residence of Mrs. La Moureaut, on the property of the Nevada Bank, formerly the Coleman ranch. The flames spread rapidly, crossing over the Wagner ridge to the McAllister and Stetson ranches, where it took an easterly turn back to the Coleman ranch, and is now working its way toward the property of William Lichtenberg, and following the ridge toward Point San Pedro. All the men that can be obtained are being taken to the scene. There are now seventy-five at work. As the wind is blowing rather hard it is doubtful if the men can get the fire under control.

Another of Ball's Murderers Dead.

MARYSVILLE, Aug. 9.—William Ousley (colored), who recently made a confession detailing the killing of George Ball in this city one year ago last July, in which he implicated two other colored men—George Maddox and George Collins—died in the County Jail early yesterday morning. Ousley could not talk when it was discovered that he was dying. He suffered much, and evidently desired to add something to his statements made during the past few days. Maddox is the only one of the trio of fiends now alive, Collins having been killed at Stockton some weeks ago.

Severe Shocks of Earthquake.

HOLLISTER, Aug. 9.—Two severe shocks of earthquake were felt here about 9:30 this morning, the last being quite severe. No damage.

MONTEREY, Aug. 9.—A heavy shock of earthquake was felt here this morning, causing buildings to rock with alarming motion. Old residents claim it to be the heaviest shock experienced here in years. The vibrations were from south to north.

A Lady Drowned.

ASTORIA (Or.), Aug. 9.—Mrs. Jennie H. Parker, wife of P. W. Parker, proprietor of the *Morning Astorian*, was drowned at Clatsop Beach this afternoon. Mrs. Parker was in company with F. W. Dunn and wife, holding the latter's hand, when an undertow took all three off their feet. Dunn and his wife were rescued. Mrs. Parker was borne to sea on the crest of a wave. The body has not been recovered.

Small-Pox in an Indian School.

CARSON (Nev.), Aug. 9.—There is a well-developed case of small-pox at the Indian school four miles south of Carson. Measles and mumps have been epidemic at the school within the last seven months.

KILLED HIS FATHER.

Family Troubles Lead to a Tragedy in Cincinnati.

DRIVEN TO EXTREMES, THE SON FIRES THE FATAL SHOT.

A Fish Poacher in Ohio Shot Through the Heart by an Officer of the Law—William McMillan Put to Sleep by Tommy Ryan in the Third Round at Richardson, Ill.

Special to the RECORD-UNION.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 9.—About 8 o'clock this morning Charles Nieman, aged 20, shot and instantly killed George Nieman, his father. Nieman had been divorced from his wife, but still lived in the same house with her and the children. He had frequent quarrels with his divorced wife and family, and the tragedy was the culmination of one of these disputes. He came down stairs after the boys had risen, and while they were dressing demanded that the door be opened, which was done. The old man entered the room and began to abuse his son, and finally assaulted him. The boy's mother interfered, but was roughly pushed aside by the divorced husband, and fell to the floor in a swoon. The old man pushed his son out of the room and backed him down stairs. At the foot of the stairs is a yard. As soon as he reached the bottom of the steps Charles stepped back, and, drawing a revolver, fired, killing his father instantly. The boy was arrested, but takes the arrest very quietly.

KILLED BY A STATE OFFICIAL.

DAYTON (Ohio), Aug. 9.—State Deputy Game Warden Buntain of Dayton, fatally shot David McIlvaine, who with others was caught seining in Mad River in violation of the State law. Buntain had heard of the seining party, and in company with Ben Seitner, a member of the Fish and Game Protective Society, went to the spot. They came upon the party in the act of drawing the seine, and Buntain exclaimed: "Hello, boys, we got here just in time to see you make a haul." One fisherman struck Buntain in the eye with a stone, and McIlvaine drew a revolver and began shooting at the officers. Buntain pulled his revolver and shot McIlvaine through the heart. The others were then captured. Buntain gave himself up, but is not held in confinement, as he is a State officer, and according to McIlvaine's own statement, did the shooting in self-defense and in the discharge of his duty.

SAD STORY OF DOMESTIC LIFE.

A Husband Uses His Fists on His Bride of a Year.

CHICAGO, Aug. 9.—A woman's wild cries of murder, as she dashed frantically through the halls of the Palmer House Saturday, led to the unearthing of a sad sensational story of domestic life. Those who responded to the woman's cries for help found in her room a second woman, young and beautiful, stretched at full length upon the floor, where, in a disheveled shape, she lay convulsively sobbing, while a dark, swarthy, determined-looking man stood at one end of the room. The man was W. K. Cooley of New Orleans, and the young woman his bride of less than a year. The other woman was her mother, Mrs. Sara Casey of Covington, Ky.

Cooley is a nephew of Judge Cooley of Michigan, Chairman of the Interstate Commerce Commission. His father and grandfather were both among the ablest Louisiana jurists. His father was killed years ago by R. H. Rhett in a political quarrel, Rhett being the editor of the New Orleans *Picayune*.

Cooley was married last November. He came to Chicago a few months ago armed with recommendations from prominent Southern politicians and petitioned for a place in the World's Fair. The couple entered handsome apartments, sumptuously furnished. Failing to secure the desired appointment, and his funds running low, he began to pawn his wife's jewelry. His expensive establishment was given up and the family took rooms at the Palmer House.

His mother-in-law and wife assert that the failure of the latter to give him money caused him to cruelly abuse her. Mrs. Casey has repeatedly encouraged the wife to leave her husband. The husband asserts that the quarrel was not caused by a refusal of his wife to give him money, but on the contrary, the wife and mother-in-law had been insulting a young lady friend of his of New Orleans, whom he was once engaged to marry, and the taunts became unbearable.

The following is a statement from Mr. and Mrs. Cooley in reference to a rumor concerning their troubles:

"An article has just come to our notice, purporting to have been an interview relative to a suit for divorce between myself and wife, which we deny and denounce as a base falsehood.

"(Signed) MARY J. COOLEY,
"WM. H. COOLEY."

FIRE ON A STEAMER.

Passengers Not Aware of Their Peril Until Landed Safely in Port.

NEW YORK, Aug. 9.—Friday evening the steamer Catchmire arrived here from Marseilles. It was to-day learned for the first time that when but one day out from that port the soft coal in the bunkers was discovered to be on fire. The Captain gave orders that the strictest secrecy be observed, as if the news spread among the passengers it would be impossible to avert a panic. Immediate steps were taken to quench the fire. Day and night, for ten days, heavy streams of water were poured upon the piles of coal and the deck above it. The Captain and crew were on almost continuous duty during that time, and when they arrived at port were completely worn out. None of the passengers had any suspicion of danger, nor did they learn of it until port was reached.

IN THE RING.

Ryan Knocks McMillan Out in the Third Round.

RICHARDSON (Ill.), Aug. 9.—Tommy Ryan of Chicago and William McMillan of Washington, D. C., were the principals in a prize fight which took place here this morning. The fight was one-sided from start to finish, McMillan, who had been nearly starved in order to weigh in under 144 pounds, being so weak from this training that he could hardly have fought a schoolboy.

First round—After cautious sparring for an opening the men clinched, Ryan delivered his opponent a vicious left-hander on the mouth, and in return received an easy thump on the ribs. Rushing tactics were then adopted by Ryan, who dealt right and left-handers on his opponent's forehead and neck. He followed with his right on McMillan's small ribs and his left on his jaw. Just before time was called McMillan managed to give Ryan a severe dab just under the heart.

Second round—McMillan opened with a lead, cross-lead and clinch. Ryan received a hard whack on the wrist, and planted solid blows squarely on McMillan's nose, causing it to bleed freely. Another blow cut McMillan's cheek near the right eye. McMillan landed severely on Ryan's neck, and the latter fell heavily backward. Had McMillan possessed more strength, the fight would have been finished then, but he stood apparently by his good fortune, and was caught off his guard by Ryan, who, rapidly recovering the effect of the blow, forced the fighting, twice dropping his opponent to the floor.

Third round—Ryan landed right and left wherever he pleased. Finally a vicious blow in the neck sent his opponent to the ground again, completely knocked out.

Ryan shows not a scratch, while McMillan has several cuts and bruises. The fight was for $75 and 25 per cent. of the gate money, Queensberry rules, with two-ounce gloves. Malachi Hogan was the referee. The fight was witnessed by about 350 sports, mostly from Chicago.

Eastern Ball Games.

CHICAGO, Aug. 9.—Games were played by the American and Western Associations to-day, resulting as follows:

At St. Louis—St. Louis 2, Baltimore 14.
At Columbus—Columbus 0, Boston 10.
At Louisville—Louisville 11, Washington 4.
At Cincinnati—Cincinnati 5, Athletic 6.
At Duluth—First game—Duluth 11, Lincoln 2. Second game—Duluth 4, Lincoln 6.
At Milwaukee—Milwaukee 1, Kansas City 5.
At Sioux City—Sioux City 9, Denver 5.
At Minneapolis — Minneapolis 15, Omaha 1.

A Victim of Drink.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 9. — Mrs. Nellie Webb, an aged and wealthy widow of Louisville, Ky., committed suicide at the College Hill Sanitarium to-day. Her family are prominent people of Louisville. She was a victim of drink, and was placed in the sanitarium; deprived of her stimulants, she developed a melancholic tendency. Last night she went into the bathroom, locked the door, threw herself into a tub and turned on the water. The overflowing of the water attracted attention. An entrance was forced into the room, and she was found dead from drowning.

Narrowly Escaped Lynching.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 9.—Daniel Burman stopped at the house of Michael Becker late last night, where a number of people had gathered socially, and after offering to whip anybody present began vigorously applying his whip, which he carried to the heads and shoulders of those nearest him. The crowd at once seized him and started toward a lamp post with the evident intention of lynching him. He was finally secured by a squad of policemen, but not until he had been bodily hurt by the crowd, who clubbed him about the face and body.

James Russell Lowell Dangerously Ill.

CAMBRIDGE (Mass.), Aug. 9.—James Russell Lowell is dangerously ill, and it is felt that he can never recover from the general breaking down of his vital forces which has now set in. The immediate trouble was brought on by inflammation produced by a cold while out riding last week. Lowell took to his bed immediately, and has not since risen from it, but the greatest danger of all is from the breaking up of his strength, incident upon age and feebleness.

Fatal Shooting Affray.

BOYD'S STATION (Md.), Aug. 9. — A shooting affray occurred to-day at Barnesville, near here, where a camp meeting was going on. While waiting for a train, a party of colored men became engaged in a dispute over some cigars, when Louis Brown of Richmond, Va., became incensed and struck one of his companions with a stone. The fight became general, and five pistol shots were fired. Brown was killed and three others were wounded.

Four Were Drowned.

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 9.—At Lake Pewaukee, twenty miles south of here, to-day Albert and Emma Barth, Martha Kimbling and Clara Seigler were drowned by the capsizing of a small sail boat in which they, with three others, were sailing. The drowned are children of prominent Milwaukee business men. Their ages range from 15 to 20 years.

Defaulting Railroad Cashier.

LOUISVILLE, Aug. 9.—The shortage of Sylvester Young, the defaulting cashier of the Newport News and Mississippi Valley Railroad, instead of being $25,000, as was first supposed, is now known to be at least $38,000. It may reach more upon further investigation. There is no clew yet as to Young's whereabouts.

Texas Trunk Line Sold.

DALLAS (Tex.), Aug. 9.—C. P. Huntington and associates of New York have purchased the Texas Trunk Railroad, extending from Dallas to Cedar, in Kauffman County, a distance of fifty-two miles, and will, it is said, immediately commence building in the direction of New Orleans. They will take charge of the road on August 20th.

Determined to Die.

RIPON (Wis.), Aug. 9.—Mrs. William Drager of this place took three ounces of Paris green early this morning. Then she went to an out-house and laid her stomach open with a razor, following this cut with three or four more slashes. She had quarreled with her husband a few days before.

Run Down by a Train.

OSKALOOSA (Ia.), Aug. 9.—The Central Iowa train at a crossing this afternoon crashed into a buggy in which were John Langstaff and four children. All the occupants were injured. Two of the children will die.

Santa Fe Strike Ended.

TOPEKA (Kas.), Aug. 9.—The Santa Fe boiler-makers' strike is ended. The discharged men and strikers will all resume work on Monday. The strikers acknowledge that they made a mistake.

TIRED OF LIFE.

An Unknown Man Suicides by Cutting His Throat.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 9.—The body of a man was found between two lumber piles in the yard of the Pacific Pine Lumber Company, at Folsom and Steuart streets, at an early hour yesterday morning by William Eastland. Blood stained the boards where the remains lay, and a glance showed that the man had committed suicide by cutting his neck and throat with a razor.

The suicide still held the bloody instrument of death in his right hand, and a deep wound in his throat plainly indicated how he had ended his life. From the surroundings it was evident that the man had crept in among the lumber, and then hanging his head over a piece of scantling, deliberately cut his neck from ear to ear.

At the Morgue, to which the body was taken, a nickel, a bunch of keys, a gold ring and a card with the telegraphic alphabet were found in the pockets of the clothing. There was nothing, however, by which the deceased could be identified.

The suicide was about 35 years of age, of slim build, light complexion, with a light brown mustache. He was poorly attired, wearing gray striped cassimere pants, a white derby hat, a dark brown cassimere sacque coat and vest, a striped calico shirt and calfskin boots.

DUEL WITH SWORDS.

Mexican Army Officers Meet on the Field of Honor.

ONE OF THE PARTICIPANTS VERY SERIOUSLY INJURED.

Much Misery Among the Mexican Population in the Rio Grande Valley—Crops Ruined by the Long Drought, and Stock Dying by the Thousands—Men of Wealth Reduced to Poverty.

Special to the RECORD-UNION.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 9.—The following advices have been received from the City of Mexico: A duel was fought at Piedad, near here, on Thursday morning, between Colonels Francisco Nevoa and Manuel Blanco. The duel was brought about by a dispute, the two Colonels using language of the harshest nature. Nevoa had for his seconds General Flores and Colonel Rodriguo Valdes, and Blanco was supported by Deputies Francisco Romero and Antonio Tovar, author of the dueling code of Mexico. The arms chosen were swords, and according to report it was to have been a duel to death.

The assaults after the signal for the attack was given were ten. Blanco was wounded in the right arm, in the throat and was laid out by a thrust in the liver, giving up after being so weak that he could not stand up. Nevoa had several scratches, none, however, worth mentioning.

In view of the fact that President Diaz forbade dueling in the army by a special decree some months ago, it is probable that the Colonels will be placed under arrest and punished.

Those who have lived twenty-five years in the Rio Grande Valley have never seen so much misery among the Mexican population as this year. The staple crop is corn and Mexican frijole, but the drought has been terrible for the last eighteen months. Scarcely anything has been raised, and stock are dying by the thousands. Many men who, years ago, were considered well off have nothing left but lands. Hundreds of laboring men have left the frontier counties and are finding work elsewhere. If the drought continues until the cold northers come in there will be but little cattle which will live through the winter, and many families will suffer for the necessaries of life.

Rumors were current on the street this afternoon that important changes will soon occur in the Cabinet. For some time past the press has given much space to whispers that M. Gompers Ferrias contemplated resigning as Secretary of the Treasury. No confirmation has been obtained officially.

Yesterday Theodore Dehsa, Collector of Customs at Port Vera Cruz, was closeted with President Diaz some hours, and political weather prophets predict that the conference has some bearing on the rumored change, coupling Dehsa's name with the Secretaryship. In this connection it is said that Lielabastida will become official Mayor and Gamosa goes to Vera Cruz as Collector.

Dr. Charles J. Stephens, an American, died at the Ann Hospital here this morning from dysentery. Dr. Stephens had been in Mexico since November last engaged in collecting material for an extensive and important illustrated work on Mexico and Central America, which he arranged to publish in connection with the George Barrie Publishing Company of Philadelphia and New York.

EMPEROR WILLIAM.

Germany Alarmed Lest He Should be Suddenly Stricken Down.

PARIS, Aug. 9.—*Gaulois* publishes the following dispatch from Berlin: Emperor William arrived to-day at Kiel, and is at present unable to leave his yacht. The Emperor's condition is much more grave than has been admitted, for not only does he suffer from the knee-joint and ear trouble, but terribly severe rheumatic pains absolutely nail him to a chair, and will compel him to remain utterly inactive for at least a fortnight without the least prospect of stirring. The doctors, while stating that the alarming news circulated is exaggerated, say that if the Emperor continues to refuse to submit to the treatment prescribed, the rheumatism must soon assume a more serious aspect and attack the heart. For the moment he is quite unable to undertake any work, and it is thought his stay at Kiel may benefit him if he keeps to the regime laid down. But they fear his ardent temperament will not resign itself to enforced repose.

There is much anxiety as to the condition of the Emperor, and uneasiness is felt as to what will be the outcome should his disease have a fatal ending. These thoughts are remarkable, as the Emperor does not husband his resources, and will surely continue a series of fatiguing journeys and duties as soon as the first sign of improvement begins to be felt. It is an absolute fact that the Emperor cried with pain when moved. His ear trouble is increasing, and causes frequent epileptic fits, which are recurring at shorter intervals and with greater intensity than ever before, so that the most serious apprehensions are entertained as to the result throughout the German Empire.

"If William II. were to die," said Herr Miguel, German Minister of Finance, "Germany would be in a most unenviable position. The crown would revert to a child 7 years old, and the nation would have to appoint as Regent Prince Henry of Prussia, the Emperor's brother. His hand could not for a moment hold the name of the German lion. To recall Bismarck to Berlin would be simply madness.

"Bismarck is in truth very old, and the deprivation of power has broken him so that there cannot be imagined a more painful position than his present one—speaking less than ever, flying into a passion at the merest trifles, and making life unbearable to those who surround him.

"Bismarck is done, and it is not on him that we must count hereafter in our hours of trial. The worst of it is that it is almost impossible to say on whom we can count in such a case, and further, it is precisely this which makes the present position of the empire so precarious."

The above conversation is said to be the resume of a conference between von Caprivi and Miguel.

Chancellor von Caprivi will go to Kiel to-morrow to confer with the Emperor. One subject of the conference will be the recent visit of the Chicago Commissioners in Berlin, and Germany's exhibit at the World's Fair.

BALMACEDA'S NEW CRUISERS.

Several Attempts Made to Blow Up the New Vessels.

LONDON, Aug. 9—Startling information is in possession of the Chilean Legation in reference to a conspiracy to destroy the two Chilean ironclads, the Presidente Pinto and Errazuriz. At appears that $15,000 was offered an English maritime officer in the service of the Chilean Government if he would undertake to blow up the Errazuriz. He refused the offer with indignation. While the vessel was in the harbor at Lisbon suspicious boats were seen approaching on several occasions at night, but by a careful outlook the vessel kept them at bay. There were no doubts of the purpose to explode the vessel at Lisbon.

While the Pinto was at Toulon a party of men attempted to join the crew. They looked so unlike sailors that suspicion was aroused, and the commander concluded to reject them, although in need. Proof afterward came to his knowledge that these men had been engaged to sink the ship. There is also reason to believe that her running aground at Toulon was owing to the enemy. The commander was so convinced of this that he sent a report to that effect to Paris.

The Errazuriz is already safe at sea, and it is understood that the Pinto will soon be in position to follow, and that their arrival will put an end to the revolution.

MADRID, Aug. 9.—*Imparcial* says President Balmaceda and the leaders of the Chilean insurgents have appealed to the Spanish Government to act as arbitrator and end the war.

LONDON, Aug. 9.—The owners of the ships Strathheard, Bierdstowe, and other British vessels, demand compensation from the Chilean Government for harboring refugees during the attack of the Congressional forces on Pisagua.

FRENCH TOPICS.

France and Russia to Consult on the Attitude of the Driebund.

PARIS, Aug. 9.—M. Ribot, French Minister of Foreign Affairs, will go to Lousanne at the end of the month on a vacation, during which he will meet the Russian Foreign Minister, M. de Giers. The meeting is the subject of much speculation, apart from the Franco-Russian military entente, already partially effected.

M. Ribot, according to diplomatic reports, will consult with M. Giers on the menacing attitude of the driebund zollverein toward France and Russia.

Yesterday evening's *North German Gazette* frankly avows (what the French Foreign Office long suspected) that the ultimate object of Germany is the promoting of an European commercial league with all States outside of Europe. A semi-official communication in the *North German Gazette* repudiates any design to isolate France or to interfere with Russian commerce, but the palpable result of the zollverein in placing the parties to a compact in an advantageous position for the negotiation of commercial treaties with foreign States is dwelt upon.

A Disaster to the Country.

BERLIN, Aug. 9.—Prince Bismarck, in conversation with Herr Lutz, a member of the Reichstag, said: "You may tell everyone that I consider the reducing of the corn duty a disaster to the country."

The Emperor has bestowed the decoration of the order of Pour Merite for art science upon General Duvernoais, in succession to the late Count von Moltke. This is significant, as General Duvernoais is an extremely liberal and outspoken politician.

Blaine and the Presidency.

LONDON, Aug. 9.—A Philadelphia correspondent of the *Times* positively asserts that Blaine is not seeking the Presidential nomination. In an editorial the *Times* says it thinks this not impossible; that the familiar excitement of a campaign would prove a most effectual antidote to the melancholy said to be oppressing him, and believes he will yet be be found in the van of the battle, either in his own or Harrison's name.

Evicted Tenants in Ireland.

DUBLIN, Aug. 9.—Messrs. Dillon and O'Brien had a splendid reception at Mallow to-day. Dillon, in a speech, invited Parnell to consent to the formation of a committee consisting of Dillon and O'Brien and any two gentlemen Parnell may select, to allocate a portion of the Paris fund to the relief and protection of evicted tenants until it is possible to appeal to the country for a fresh fund.

Training-Schools for Socialists.

BERLIN, Aug. 9.—Herr Liebnecht today opened six schools for the training of Socialistic laborers. The object is to give sound and practical education. Four thousand applications were made for admission, but the schools accommodate only a thousand. Efforts will be made to open other schools.

Germany and the World's Fair.

BERLIN, Aug. 9.—The Chambers of Commerce of Geissen and Greise, and a majority of the members of the Central Union German Wool Manufacturers have decided not to take part in the Columbian Fair. The Berlin merchants have resolved to send exhibitions to the fair.

Phylloxera in France.

PARIS, Aug. 9.—Phylloxera has appeared in the champagne districts. The leading growers are alarmed.

COLVIN DIES.

The Victim of Howell's Pistol Succumbs to His Wounds.

OAKLAND, Aug. 9.—R. S. Colvin died Saturday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock. During the morning, after a decidedly marked improvement in his condition for several days, he began to weaken, and he grew so low that it was evident that his end was near, and his dying statement was taken by the District Attorney and others about noon-time. As the afternoon drew on the wounded man sank rapidly until 3:30 o'clock, when he dropped into unconsciousness.

The death pallor on his countenance, the dying gasps for breath, the rigidity of his teeth, all evidenced the fact that but a few minutes intervened before the flickering spark of life would disappear. He died surrounded by his friends. Half an hour later the remains were removed to the Morgue.

Everything possible was done by Drs. Harmon and Overend, his attending physicians, that could be done to prolong the life of the patient, but the bullet wounds were fatal, despite their efforts.

An Oakland Citizen Fatally Injured.

PORTLAND, Aug. 9.—Rev. Dr. A. L. Lindsley, Professor in the Presbyterian Theological School of Oakland, Cal., was thrown from a carriage to-day and probably fatally injured. The accident happened near Lewis River, in Washington, about thirty miles from here, where he was visiting his son. He was on his way to church, when the horses became frightened and ran away, throwing Dr. Lindsley out of the carriage. He was picked up in an unconscious condition. A steamer was chartered and the doctor brought here to-night and taken to the residence of his daughter. Up to a late hour to-night he had not regained consciousness.

Struck by a Tidal Wave.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 9.—A *Chronicle*, Yuma, special says: Peter Burke and two companions arrived late last night from the mouth of the Colorado. Their boat was struck by a tidal wave and broken into three pieces. They managed to swim ashore and secure the pieces of the boat, which they repaired and came on to this place. The wave came seventy miles up the river. Three men, who lived near Leordo, Mexico, have not been heard from, and have been given up as lost.

The river at Yuma is falling slowly. The Salton lake is still rising, however. Three-fourths of the river is still flowing into the desert.

KEYSTONE BANK FAILURE.

Drew Makes a Statement in Vindication of Himself.

SOME SERIOUS CHARGES AGAINST COMPTROLLER LACEY.

A Hot Wave Passes Over the Eastern States, the Thermometer at Chicago Reaching the 100 Mark—Two Deaths From Sunstroke—By the Capsizing of a Yacht in Dorchester Bay, Six of the Party Were Drowned.

Special to the RECORD-UNION.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 9. — Ex-Bank Examiner Drew to-night forwarded to Secretary of the Treasury Foster a detailed statement of his work in connection with the Keystone National Bank. The statement is in vindication of himself, and deals with the action of Comptroller of Currency Lacy in asking for his resignation, owing to his omission in the January report of the condition of the Keystone Bank of the clearing-house loan.

In relation to this omission, Drew, in his statement, says it was purely an oversight in transcribing. He was not aware of the omission until June 23d, when he received papers in the case, but the clearing-house loan certificates were liabilities of an extraordinary nature, and known to the Comptroller's office to have been issued to the Keystone National Bank in November, 1890, and to have been greatly increased in amount in December following by reason of a run on the bank.

"My January report," Drew says, "was marked 'preliminary,' intimating that a more trustworthy report was to follow, and which did follow, with the omitted item in full. It would have been fair to the Examiner that the consecutive reports, whether preliminary or not, particularly concerning a bank known to the Comptroller to be in an unsatisfactory, not to say perilous condition, should be promptly collated in the Comptroller's office, and all important discrepancies clearly pointed out at once."

The statement further comments upon the fact that the omissions were not discovered until five months had passed, and that the unsatisfactory condition of the Keystone and Spring Garden banks was called to the attention of the Comptroller in 1890.

In conclusion, Drew says he believes he has demonstrated that the omission in the report referred to was largely supplied by the letter transmitting it, when understood, or could have been logically inferred from other information in the Comptroller's office, and was virtually without practical effect in governing the department in its action toward the bank in question.

CALIFORNIA FRUITS.

Saturday's Sales at New York, Chicago and Minneapolis.

NEW YORK, Aug. 9.—The Porter Bros.' Company sold Saturday at auction, for account of California Fruit Union shippers, three carloads of California fruit. Bartlett pears sold for $1 25@1 45; Purple Duane plums, 70c@$1 45; Foster peaches, 35@40c; Crawford peaches, 30@95c; Tuscan clings, 40@95c; nectarines, 75c@$3; Kelsey Japan plums, $2 50; Washington plums, $2@3 55; average, $2 22.

CHICAGO, Aug. 9.—The Porter Bros.' Company sold Saturday at auction for account of California Fruit Union shippers, two carloads of Bartlett pears. Prices ranged from $1 10@1 60. A few, over ripe, sold for 90c.

CHICAGO, Aug. 9.—The Earl Fruit Company sold at auction yesterday California fruits at the following prices: Egg plums, 85c@$1 05; Gross prunes, 80c@$1 20; Bradshaw plums, 85c; German prunes, 85c@$1 10; Early Crawford peaches, 70c@$1 10; Columbia plums, 75c@$1 25; Bartlett pears, $1 35@1 60; Purple Duano plums, $1 25; Stephens clingstone peaches, $2.

MINNEAPOLIS, Aug. 9.—The Porter Bros.' Company, agents for the California Fruit Union, sold Saturday one carload of Bartlett pears, realizing $1 25@1 50.

A SECOND JESSE JAMES.

Bold Bank Robbery and Murder in an Ohio Town.

LIMA (Ohio), Aug. 9.—One of the boldest bank robberies and murders ever perpetrated in this section of country occurred yesterday morning at Columbus Grove, a town of about 2,000 people, twelve miles north from here. Cashier Maple had just opened the Exchange Bank and laid out $3,000 near the Cashier's window. About 8:30 o'clock a man appeared in the door with a revolver in each hand. He immediately began shooting. Cashier Maple was struck twice, once in the arm and once in the right side.

As he fell to the floor an old farmer, William Vanderbarke, aged 60, entered the door, having come to get the money for some hogs he had just sold. The robber turned and shot him. A third man sat in the lobby of the bank, paralyzed with fear. He was not molested. The desperado then grabbed $1,500 in greenbacks, shoved them into