VICTORIOUS AMERICANS.

They Beat the Big Carbuilders in the Tug-of-War.

Three Magnificent Contests Last Evening—Scandinavians Beaten Again—The Brewers Victorious.

There was even a larger attendance at the tug-of-war contests last night than on the opening night.

There was a great deal more noise and enthusiasm, too.

The contests were far more exciting than those of the previous evening, and were more stubbornly fought. It was apparent that the men had gained much in experience by the first contests.

Interest last evening centered principally upon the contest between the American team and Carbuilders' team. These are two of the heaviest teams entered, and the strongest—with the exception, probably, of the Foundrymen. The knowing ones had picked out the Carbuilders as the winners, and many wagers were laid on the team. It was, as expected, a splendid battle, and the Americans won by dint of hard work at the right moments.

CHEERS FOR AMERICA.

It was just twelve minutes past 8 o'clock when the Hussar Band struck up "Yankee Doodle." The elephantine form of Jack Scroggs, the anchor-man of the Americans, was seen to emerge from the dressing-room. A great shout went up from the spectators as the big fellow headed for the northwest end of the pulling-platform followed by his doughty crew of boys in red, white and blue. It was noticed that Sunday who was lame in the contest Tuesdy night was missing, but his place was filled by extraman McLaughlin.

The big men composing the rugged Carbuilders' team followed close behind the Americans, and took their places opposite the other team.

The Captains of the two teams, Wilder of the Americans, and Oldfield of the Carbuilders', busied themselves for a few minutes placing their men in advantageous positions, seeing that their hands were well resined, and whispering instructions to them regarding the secret signals that were to be given.

A PROTEST.

When everything appeared to be in readiness Captain Wilder of the Americans discovered that the Carbuilders did not have their usual anchor man, but that in his place was a man who was not a carbuilder at all. He reported the matter to Referee Nichols and argued that the Carbuilders should have substituted one of the extra men instead of the stranger.

The referee and judges held a consultation over the matter and in the meantime the audience stamped with impatience. It was finally decided that the teams should go ahead with the contest and that the protests would be attended to afterward.

At 8:32 o'clock the referee stepped to the center and said: "Captains, are you ready?"

"We are," replied both Wilder and Oldfield.

The referee counted "One! Two!"

Bang! went the revolver.

The pinion which held the rope in place was slipped and both teams threw themselves back for the great struggle. The Carbuilders essayed to repeat their performance of Tuesday night and gain as much as possible at the opening struggle, but they did not have the Brewers against them this time and the rally only gave them a cleat. The Americans stopped them here, and then both teams laid down for a bitter struggle of endurance.

THE AMERICANS DO SOME WORK.

Captain Wilder walked leisurely up to where the opposing Carbuilders were tugging and carefully examined the position of each man. Suddenly he dropped his left hand and made a peculiar signal—somewhat different from the ones made Tuesday evening. Instantaneously the starred and striped boys gave a shout and a tremendous pull at the same time.

The audience fairly howled as the marker was seen to move back over the center again, and the Americans had taken back what they had lost.

Another lull, and then Wilder signaled his men again. Another shout, and another pull—and America had advanced a cleat—just six inches. Not content with this Wilder gave another signal, and another cleat was immediately added.

The panting and perspiring Carbuilders fought desperately to regain their lost ground, but in vain.

The audience was now yelling and cheering like Comanches, and to add to the din the band struck up "Yankee Doodle," which inspired the Americans to greater deeds—and more cleats.

It was a magnificent struggle. There was no hurricane work about it. It was simply a battle of giants, and each inch of ground was fought over desperately.

The marker moved slowly but surely toward the star-spangled banner, and the spectators grew more and more frantic.

The teams had been pulling for fifteen minutes when Captain Oldfield signaled the Carbuilders to a superhuman effort. The boys in the dark blue uniforms responded nobly, and amid a perfect avalanche of applause they hauled the rope back just six inches.

DIDN'T LAST LONG.

But their advantage was short-lived. A few seconds later the Americans gave another heave and took back what the Carbuilders had recovered.

At the end of twenty minutes the marker showed that the Americans had eleven cleats to their credit.

The Carbuilders made another desperate effort, but lost by it.

Then the boys in red, white and blue began to wind up the game. Captain Wilder had seen that some of the members of the opposing team were getting weak, and signaled his men more frequently. Each signal meant a tremendous tug and another cleat for the Americans. The marker moved closer and closer to the seven-foot line—the finish—and the enthusiasm became even greater than before. Captain Wilder seemed to be the only person in the place who possessed a cool head. His eyes sought each member of the Carbuilders' team, and then he gave the signal which finished the contest. The Americans saw Referee Nichols preparing to fire his pistol and with a lusty shout and a mighty pull landed the marker over the line.

It was just 27 minutes and 6 seconds from the starting time when the report of the referee's pistol announced the victory won.

There had been enthusiasm and noise before, but the din and scene that followed this victory completely outdid all previous outbursts. The victorious Americans danced about the place, punching and slapping each other and howling like Comanches. Men from the audience sprang over the railing, and rushing up to the big fellows, wrung their hands and cheered them to the echo. Captain Wilder lost his head then for the first time. He emitted a howl that would have made a steam calliope hide its head in shame, and whacked his cane on the floor so hard that it was broken into splinters. The excitement lasted for fully ten minutes after the contest.

During the intermission which followed the contest, Referee Nichols announced that Professor Thomas Dwyer, Captain of the Scotch team, which was not entered in the contests now going on, had issued a challenge to pull the team which is victorious in the tournament. Mr. Dwyer, he said, offered to have the pull Saturday night at the Pavilion, and for $500.

SCANDINAVIANS VS. FOUNDRYMEN.

The intermission lasted about twenty minutes, and then to a lively march by the band the Scandinavians and Foundrymen's teams marched out. The Scandinavians took the northwest or "lucky" end of the platform, and both teams were soon in their places.

At 9:30 o'clock exactly—both Captains having declared their teams ready—the referee's pistol signaled the battle to begin. As in the case of all the previous tugs, there was a desperate struggle for first honors. The Foundrymen got an advantage of one cleat, and, despite the struggles of the doughty Scandinavians, they held it. Captain Douglas, of the Foundrymen, did not believe in losing time, and soon signaled his men to take up some more rope. They responded with a will, and before they stopped pulling they had two and a half feet to their credit.

Captain Gustafson signaled the Scandinavians to show themselves, and they made a gallant effort. But the Foundrymen fought desperately, and prevented their opponents from taking back even one inch.

At intervals of every minute or so Douglas signaled his men, and invariably each pull advanced the Foundrymen another cleat. At the end of ten minutes' pulling the marker was just half over the distance necessary to win. Then the Scandinavians broke and amid a pandemonium of cheering and stamping of feet the Foundrymen began to haul their opponents toward the finishing line. They did not stop once, and as the marker neared the goal the din increased. The marker passed over the line, but only the flash of Dr. Nichols' pistol told the story—the report could not be heard because of the racket. It had taken the foundrymen just thirteen minutes and fifty-eight seconds to win.

Then followed another scene similar to that after the Americans had won their great victory. The place looked like an insane asylum for awhile. After the noise quieted down the referee formally awarded the contest to the Foundrymen and the teams retired.

VICTORIOUS BREWERS.

After another intermission the Brewers' and Brassfinishers' teams marched out and took their places on the cleats. There was no scheming for the "lucky" side this time, on account of the Scandinavians' defeat on that side. The Brassfinishers were assigned to that side, however, and got themselves in readiness.

At 10:19 the signal to start was given and the men engaged in a terrible struggle for the first advantage. The teams were too evenly matched, however, and when the first effort subsided it was seen that the Brewers had gained just half an inch.

The Brassfinishers hauled the marker back to the center mark a few seconds later, but only managed to hold it there for two minutes, the Germans then hauling it over their way again.

At the end of ten minutes the Brewers had increased their lead to one cleat—equal to six inches. Three minutes later they added another cleat, but the Brassfinishers took it back again, by dint of desperate pulling.

The contest now began to look as though it was going to last a long time. The Captains seemed content to let their men rest on their oars, as it were, and wait for the other side to get tired. The general belief was the longer the struggle lasted the better it was for the Brassfinishers, as they were all hard, ruddy fellows with no superfluous flesh, while the Germans looked soft. But the latter were evidently belying their looks, for they clung to the rope tenaciously and at every signal from their Captain administered a healthy pull to the rope. Sometimes they would not gain, but got in enough good ones to advance slowly but surely toward the goal.

After twenty-five minutes of pulling the Germans had three cleats, or one foot and a half, to their credit. At the end of the half hour they had increased this to four cleats, or just two feet.

When forty minutes had passed the Brewers had not gained any more, and the Brassfinishers began a desperate but vain struggle to recover their lost ground before the expiration of the fifty minutes to which each contest is limited. The Brewers contented themselves with simply holding the rope, making but few more efforts to get any more advantage. They succeeded admirably, as the opposing team was unable to take back even an inch of of the lost rope.

The position of the marker was unchanged at the end of the fifty minutes and the referee awarded the contest to the Brewers amid thunders of applause.

HOW THEY STOOD.

The following table will show how the tournament now stands:

Teams.	Won.	Lost.
American	2	0
Scandinavian	0	2
Carbuilders	1	1
Foundrymen	2	0
Brewers	1	1
Brassfinishers	0	2

The drawing of teams for to-night's contests is as follows:

Americans vs. Brassfinishers.
Scandinavians vs. Brewers.
Foundrymen vs. Carbuilders.

BRIEF NOTES

R. S. Carey has added 640 acres of land to his Yolo County possessions.

James Simpson and Jack Hagerty, two individuals who had been drunk, were fined $5 each in the Police Court yesterday.

J. W. Mitchell, the Boiler Inspector, came down from his El Dorado ranch yesterday afternoon on his way to the Bay.

Deputy Sheriff Fay will go over to Stockton to-day for Pedro Lara, who escaped from the chain-gang here and was caught over there.

The fire-alarm yesterday forenoon was caused by the burning-out of a chimney in the residence of Wm. Olsen at Nineteenth and I streets.

Some of the tug-of-war men should stand a good show for election to the police force next spring. They have stronger "pulls" than anybody.

The case of Frank Leden, charged with petit larceny in stealing $11 from the till of a saloon at Eighth and K streets, will be heard to-day in the Police Court.

The funeral of J. F. Parsons will take place at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon from his late residence, Fourth and N streets, thence to the Cathedral, where services will be held.

Suit has been commenced in San Francisco by Julia McCann for divorce from Henry McCann, Jr. Judge Hunt has granted the wife's petition to restrain McCann from disposing of the community property in Placer County. The parties are well known in this city.

The Liebig Dispensary.

The lecture on "Marriage" at the Metropolitan Theater on Tuesday night, under the auspicies of the Liebig World Dispensary of San Francisco, was a signal success. Not one of the hundreds of people who heard it went away dissatisfied; all unite in saying that the knowledge imparted was what every man and woman should know. Their offices, at the old St. George House, 1007½ Fourth street, have been so crowded since the lecture as to induce the examining physicians, Drs. Stoddart and Gwin, to remain until Saturday.

Auction Sales.

To-morrow (Friday, the 4th) at 10 o'clock A. M. Bell & Co. will sell at auction on the premises the fine residence and business property at 921 Tenth street, between I and J. The house contains eight rooms and bath-room. There will also be sold all the fine Brussels carpet in the house. The place is now open for inspection.

The Opium Case.

Revenue Agent Thomas, who came to the city on Tuesday night to hunt up the alleged illicit opium factory, has not called upon the police department, and is probably on a still-hunt for the offenders.

Lecture to Women.

At 2 o'clock P. M. to-day and to-morrow Mabel B. Frew of San Francisco will give free lectures to women at the Y. W. C. A. rooms, 1011 Ninth street.

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FARMER REED.

His Counsel's Challenge of Grand Jurymen.

Lawyer Johnson Holds that Messrs. Black, Beckley, Gardner and Heinrich are Biased.

Judge Catlin yesterday heard arguments on the motion by Grove L. Johnson, counsel for W. M. Reed—the Florin farmer who is charged with having libeled Supervisors Black, Jenkins and Miller—to set aside the indictment.

The members of the Grand Jury were called into the courtroom and many of them examined by Mr. Johnson, who sought to prove by their own testimony that they entertained a bias and prejudice against Reed before they indicted him.

Among the Grand Jurors is John Black, the father of Supervisor Black, and three others—Messrs. P. R. Beckley, William Gardner and E. Heinrich—who are said to be members of the Liquor Dealers' Association. These jurors Mr. Johnson challenged.

In his argument he claimed that Juror Black could not have been free from prejudice against the man who was alleged to have libeled his (Black's) son, and neither could those who were members of the Liquor Dealers' Association be free from prejudice in the same direction, because the money to which Reed is said to have referred as having been paid to the three Supervisors for their votes, must have come from the Liquor Dealers' Association.

The association, said Mr. Johnson, did raise money to carry on its opposition to the liquor ordinance, and that money could have been used for the purpose which Reed said it was used for. Hence, three members of the Grand Jury were personally implicated in the charge attributed to Reed. At least one of these members (Heinrich) attended a meeting of the Liquor Dealers' Association at which a resolution was adopted condemning Reed for his alleged utterances. These men must have entered on the examination with opinions formed and expressed against the accused.

"Men," said Mr. Johnson, "who are accused of bribing public officials, are sitting in judgment on the man who accused them of bribery! If anyone was bribed, it was by money contributed by these three Grand Jurymen, as members of the Liquor Dealers' Association!"

Counsel interposed other objections to the indictment, namely—that the names of the witnesses were not indorsed on the indictment, as required by law; that Reed was himself a witness before the jury; that no case was then pending against him before the Grand Jury, as no complaint had been filed nor arrest made. The jury had a right to inquire into the matter, and to make a witness of Reed, which it did.

In concluding, counsel said that if the Grand Jury desired to punish someone it should have indicted J. J. Campbell, publisher of the Galt *Gazette*, for having published the libel.

District Attorney Ryan replied briefly. He called the court's attention to the fact that each and every member of the Grand Jury who had been examined testified under oath that he had not entertained any bias or prejudice against Reed, and was still free from it. He combated the idea that Grand Jurors were necessarily prejudiced against Reed because they happened to be members of the Liquor Dealers' Association, whence the alleged bribe was said to have originated.

Judge Catlin said his mind was not quite clear as to some of the points raised, and would take the matter under advisement. From some of the remarks dropped by the Court it was inferred that he was inclined to the opinion that there was some ground for the challenge as to Juror Black, at least.

AMUSEMENTS.

The "Skipped by the Light of the Moon" Farce Company had a good house at the Metropolitan Theater last night. The company goes to Woodland to-day. Neither play nor troupe are of merit, if we except Leach, who is excellent in his imitations.

The arrangements for the testimonial concert to Miss Emma Felter to-morrow night are all completed. A varied programme is assured. Three artists come from San Francisco to assist, among whom is Mrs. Frances Edgerton, the accomplished reader. The interest augments to hear Miss Felter, who returns with two diplomas from the school of Mme. Clara Brinkerhoff, the distinguished instructor in music and developer of the voice.

The active members of the Sacramento Turn-Verein will give an invitation social dance at Turner Hall this evening.

The box office for the sale of reserved seats for the Noss Jollities will open this morning at 9:30.

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DIED.

PARSONS—In this city, December 1st, J. Fred Parsons, a native of New York, aged 31 years and 8 months.

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