## SWIFT SKATERS.

### A Dead Heat Between the Champions Andrews and King.

**Miss Cameron, the San Francisco Flyer, Defeated by Miss Whipple of This City.**

The skating rink was packed Saturday evening. and the management afforded an excellent evening's entertainment.

The two principal events of the evening were a half-mile race between the champion lady skaters—Miss Cameron of San Francisco and Miss Whipple of this city—and a mile dash between Charles Andrews, the Pacific Coast champion, and Arthur King, the local flyer. Both contests were very exciting, and the immense audience, unable to bridle its enthusiasm, howled itself hoarse.

The ladies' contest came off first. They took what is known as a "flying start," instead of starting from a stationary position, and swept around the big hall like flying phantoms. Both ladies are very fast skaters, particularly Miss Whipple. The latter took the lead at the start and held it handily for five laps. Then the San Francisco young lady made a desperate spurt and succeeded in passing the Sacramento championess. But Miss Cameron was too anxious, and in turning one of the sharp curves loosened her right skate. This threw her off her balance and she fell. She was on her feet in a second though, and essayed to continue the race, but the skate came off altogether. Miss Whipple took a fall, too, but finished the race, winning easily by reason of the unfortunate accident which befell her opponent.

The race between Andrews and King came off next, and was by far the most exciting contest of the kind seen at the rink this winter. The Sacramento lad took the lead amid loud applause, and by dint of clever work kept the swift metropolitan behind him for four laps. Then Andrews saw an opening, and swept into it in a twinkling. But the effort carried him too far out from the pole, and quick as a flash King was in the lead again. Everybody in the place was on their feet cheering and waving handkerchiefs, and the noise was simply deafening. Andrews passed King again on the ninth lap, but the Sacramento lad pressed him too hard and he had to fall back again. Twice more did Andrews make desperate dashes for the lead, but each time he found the local flyer game and determined and had to fall back. The last two laps were raced over at a killing pace. Andrews, loth to lose his laurels, strained every muscle in his body to overtake King, and made one of the most sensational finishes ever seen at the local rink.

As the men crossed the finishing line, Andrews stooped and reached with his arms at the same time, thus throwing a portion of his body even with King, who was skating in an erect position. People who knew the tricks of racing saw that King had won by a lead of at least eight inches, but Andrews' ruse worked successfully on the judges—G. W. Railton, Charles Thompson and George Cramer—and they declared the race a dead "heat." There was considerable dissatisfaction over the decision, but under the rules the decision of the judges had to be final. Andrews challenged King to race him again, and the challenge was accepted.

The management announces that on Wednesday night there will be some more racing, and on Saturday night the Herbert burlesquers will appear. A masked carnival is among the future attractions.

## HEALTH OF THE STATE.

**Report of the State Board of Health for the Month of November.**

Dr. J. R. Laine, Secretary of the State Board of Health, in his report of the sanitary condition and mortality of the State during November, says:

Mortality reports from 109 cities, towns, villages and localities, having an aggregate population of 739,577, show the total number of deaths from all causes in November to have been 1,099, making a death rate of 1.47 per 1,000 for the month, or 17.64 per 1,000 per annum.

There were 178 deaths due to consumption, 76 to acute pneumonia, 39 to acute bronchitis, 6 to congestion of the lungs, 18 to diarrhea and dysentery, 14 to cholera infantum, 46 to other diseases of the stomach and bowels, 35 to diphtheria, 25 to croup, 5 to scarlatina, 2 to measles, 4 to whooping-cough, 37 to typhoid fever, 5 to malarial fevers, 4 to cerebro-spinal fever, 45 to cancer, 83 to heart diseases, 12 to alcoholism and 471 to all other causes.

PREVAILING DISEASES.

Reports from 97 localities outside of the large cities give 45 cases of cholera morbus, 26 of cholera infantum, 168 of diarrhea, 69 of dysentery, 45 of measles, 63 of scarlatina, 30 of diphtheria, 11 of croup, 132 of whooping cough, 25 of erysipelas, 2 of typhus fever, 86 of typhoid fever, 213 of malarial fevers, 3 of cerebro-spinal fever, 76 of rheumatism, 140 of pneumonia, 14 of pleurisy, 235 of bronchitis, 15 of congestion of the lungs, 6 of enteritis, 13 of nephritis, 115 of tonsilitis, 65 of neuralgia, and 449 of la grippe.

REMARKS.

A mild type of scarlatina prevailed quite generally throughout the State, there being but five fatalities reported. Whooping cough has been reported as epidemic in several localities. Diseases of the respiratory organs have been very numerous; also diseases of the stomach and bowels. These may in the majority of cases be attributed to the quite general prevalence of la grippe, 449 cases of which were reported. It was reported as epidemic in fifteen localities, where the number of cases were not given. It is reported as being very frequently associated with bronchitis and pnuemonia. Rheumatism and neuralgia have been quite generally prevalent.

No cases of small-pox have been known to exist in the State for several months, and the entire United States has been quite free from this dreaded malady during the year. The Province of Quebec has, however, had 135 cases, all arising from one person that started the contagion. During November it has been reported in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Tennessee and Texas. It will doubtless be controlled as far as practicable, but all efforts in that direction have in the past proven of no avail where unvaccinated people have been exposed to the disease. It is quite as likely to leap across the continent as to leap from Quebec to Texas, and this likelihood should be a sufficient warning for those who are unprotected to be vaccinated without delay. There should also be a more strict compliance with the law denying admittance to unvaccinated children in the public schools. This should be done without exciting unnecessary alarm, but the necessity for such action should be generally understood, and be insisted upon, especially in the schools.

The weather averaged warmer than usual in November in all districts west of the Rockies.

## THE GREAT REGISTER.

**Attorney-General Hart Explains Why New Ones Will be Required.**

The late Legislature passed an Act amending the registration law in certain particulars, and in response to inquiries by various County Clerks, Attorney-General Hart has given it as his opinion that next year a new registration of voters will be necessary. He concludes his opinion as follows:

Looking either at the letter of the law or at its apparent intent and purpose (viz: to prevent frauds at elections), I arrive at the same conclusion, that a new and complete registration of the voters must be had, and that it should commence exactly one hundred days prior to the next general election, in conformity with the requirements of Section 1094 of the Political Code, as amended, statutes of 1889, page 424. Under said Section 1,096 "each name must be numbered in the order of its entry; that is, the first man who registers is "No. 1," the second "No. 2," and so on. In cities like San Francisco, having "precinct registration," the first man registering in any given precinct is "No. 1," the second "No. 2," and so on.

It is true Section 1113, Political Code, provides as follows:

"On the first Monday of October in each year in which there shall be a general or Presidential election, and on the thirtieth day prior to each general election held every two years thereafter, each County Clerk must make a copy of the uncanceled entries existing on the Great Register of their respective counties."

But the trouble is that there is no Great Register to copy from, for the present so-called register does not contain what the law now requires a register to contain, and if the Clerk should copy the "uncanceled entries," he would necessarily fail to give the following subdivisions of the new law, viz.: 3. The hight; 4. The complexion; 5. The color of eyes; 6. The color of hair; 7. The visible marks or scars, if any, and their locality; 12. The Postoffice address at date of entry of each person. And thus fail to comply with the new law in these regards.

## AT THE RANGES.

**The Military Marksmen Roll Up Some Good Scores.**

The following scores were made yesterday at the 200-yard range by Battery G:

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| Capt. T. B. Hall | 42 | Priv. Smith | 40 |
| Lieut. Zittinger | 41 | Priv. Guth | 39 |
| Serg. Kern | 43 | Priv. Klees | 38 |
| Serg. Klein | 38 | Priv. Lewis | 36 |
| Corp. Simpson | 44 | Priv. Braun | 36 |
| Priv. Mott | 44 | Priv. Mankel | 36 |
| Priv. Miller | 35 | | |

In the practice shooting these scores were made:

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| Col. J. W. Guthrie | 43 | G. Fields | 40 |
| J. L. Hughes | 43 | J. A. Douglas | 40 |
| J. A. Sheehan | 43 | W. H. Kern | 40 |
| T. B. Hall | 42 | J. P. Braun | 36 |
| W. A. Mott | 42 | W. Mankel | 35 |
| J. Zittinger | 41 | M. J. O'Brien | 33 |
| F. M. Simpson | 40 | | |

BATTERY B'S SCORES.

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|---|---|---|---|
| C. Hildebrand | 27 | F. Keifer | 44 |
| F. Waterman | 19 | G. Farrar | 45 |
| W. Birdsell | 46 | F. Holland | 38 |
| F. Schadt | 21 | Capt. J. Cooke | 44 |
| Lieut. S. Kay | 44 | J. Bauquier | 28 |
| H. Castorf | 34 | G. Gerlle | 15 |
| E. Ashby | 44 | | |

The pool shooting resulted as follows:

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|---|---|---|---|
| Lieut. S. Kay | 43 | H. Castorf | 35 |
| W. Birdsell | 43 | F. Keifer | 43 |
| E. Ashby | 34 | | |

BATTERY E'S SCORES.

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|---|---|---|---|
| Lieut. Smith | 38 | Priv. Compton | 41 |
| Serg. Schoemaker | 37 | Priv. Morton | 40 |
| Serg. Halley | 36 | Priv. Haedrick | 36 |
| Corp. Fields | 43 | Priv. Wendle | 35 |
| Corp. McVay | 39 | Priv. Womble | 30 |
| Priv. J. L. Hughes | 41 | Priv. Simpson | 28 |

The following practice scores were made:

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|---|---|---|---|
| F. G. Smith | 42 | J. Morton | 28 |
| J. McVay | 35 | | |

PRIZE TO BE SHOT FOR.

Lieutenant John Zittinger and Sergeant J. L. Hughes have put up a silver shaving mug to be shot for in a contest commencing on January 10th. The contest is open to all, and the number of shots will be ten. The cup will become the property of the person winning it three times.

### Weather Notes.

The Weather Bureau's reports show the highest and lowest temperatures on Saturday and yesterday to have been, respectively, 54° and 28° and 50° and 32°, with light northerly winds and cloudy weather during Sunday.

The barometer is rising. The readings at 5 A. M. and 5 P. M. yesterday were 30.18 and 30.21 inches, respectively.

The highest and lowest temperatures one year ago on Saturday and yesterday were 38° and 33°, and 46° and 35°, and one year ago to-day 44° and 38°, with foggy and cloudy weather prevailing.

### Daughters of Pocahontas.

At the regular meeting of Wenonah Council No 2, Daughters of Pocahontas, Improved Order of Red Men, held on last Saturday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Pocahontas, Mrs. J. W. Crone; Wenonah, Mrs. Mary Cropper; Powhattan, Charles Aiken; Keeper of Records, Mrs. E. J. Brazile; Assistant Keeper of Records, Mrs. Della Maginn; Keeper of Wampum, Mrs. Annie Gill; Pianist, Miss Eva Evans.

### Citrus Colony Club.

The English colony of fruit-growers located near Loomis, Placer County, has elected the following directors: William Mitchell-Innes, President; M. S. N. Corne, Vice-President; Wallace Dewe, Secretary and Treasurer; Captain J. Booth Clarkson, Assistant Secretary and Treasurer, and T. Marsh Browne.

A meeting has been called for December 19th to discuss several important amendments to the existing by-laws of the club.

### River Front Notes.

The Sacramento Transportation Company is making some improvements about its sheds and landing on the river front. New flooring is being put down in one of the sheds, and a brick pavement is being laid between the track and the large shed on the river bank.

The steamers Varuna, Flora, Governor Dana, San Joaquin No. 2, San Joaquin No. 3 and the snagboat Seizer are lying idle along the water front.

### Death at Folsom.

Mrs. Caroline M. Schaffer, one of the best known and esteemed ladies of Folsom, died at that place Saturday morning. Mrs. Schaffer was the wife of J. P. Schaffer, the well-known wagon-maker, and was 64 years of age. The funeral will take place this afternoon. The deceased's daughter and a number of friends came up from San Francisco last evening en route to Folsom to attend the funeral.

### A Thieving Laundryman.

Gee Lee, the Chinaman arrested at the instance of Martin Obrist and charged with the embezzlement of some linen, appeared in the Police Court on Saturday, and pleaded guilty to the charge.

Obrist claimed that the Chinaman kept a few pieces of clothing which were given him to wash. The heathen was ordered to appear to-day for sentence.

### Watches Stolen.

E. S. Jacobs informs the police that a gold watch belonging to him was stolen on Saturday afternoon from Gunn's blacksmith shop on I street, between Front and Second.

G. Hunziker also reports that on Friday night a Keystone watch was stolen from his room at the Ebner Hotel.

### They are Married Now.

The case of Andreas Mettier, charged by Kate Cafedro with seduction, was again called in the Police Court on Saturday. The complainant was not present, and the case had to go over until to-day, when it will probably be dismissed. The couple were married on Saturday.

### Progress of the Convent Fund.

The subscriptions to the fund for the improvement of the Convent buildings and grounds now amounts to $17,841. Those made since the last publication in these columns are: Mrs. Margaret E. Crocker, $1,000; Thomas Rudeck and wife, $20; John D. Shearer & Son, $2 50.

### The Case of Frediana.

The arguments on the motion for a new trial in the case of Eduardo Frediana were not completed in Judge Catlin's court on Saturday, and will be resumed this forenoon.

Is that rheumatic shoulder troubling you again? Hood's Sarsaparilla has cured rheumatism in thousands of cases, and it will cure you. It costs only a trifle to try it.

**Five-Dollar Suits**

For men. Ten different kinds to select from. The Beehive, 418 K street, is showing undoubtedly better suits for $5 than larger houses are charging $7 50 for. Call and be convinced.

## DISTRESSING ACCIDENT.

### Christian Williams Disemboweled by a Charge of Shot.

**While His Companion Goes for Help the Wounded Boy Dies, and His Body Falls in the River.**

A deplorable accident happened near the city yesterday, resulting in the death of Christian Williams, the sixteen-year-old son of Richard Williams, who resides at 1822 F street, and is employed at the railroad shops.

It appears that young Williams and a companion of about the same age, Ed Hartness, went out gunning in the vicinity of the mouth of the American River. There they found a boat, and crossed to the opposite side, landing about a half-mile up the river.

After hunting for several hours along the north bank, they returned to the boat and were preparing to recross the stream, when in some manner not explained Williams' gun was discharged, the load entering his abdomen.

He fell between the boat and the bank of the river, where Hartness caught him by the clothing and endeavored to pull him up the bank. The task was, however, too much for him, as the bank was quite steep at that point, and the wounded lad begged his friend to desist, as the effort was causing him unbearable pain.

Hartness, managed, however, to get his wounded companion out of the water, and at the latter's request left him on the sloping bank while he hastened to procure assistance.

As soon as the facts became known a crowd of men hastened to the spot. When they arrived there the wounded lad was not in sight, but it was plainly to be seen that he had slipped off the bank into the water.

Officer Frazee telephoned to the Police Station for grappling irons, which were sent out by Hi. Greer, and the body was recovered about sixty feet from the shore. Young Hartness is certain that Williams died before slipping into the river.

The wound in the boy's stomach was so severe that his coat had to be tied around the body to prevent the intestines from escaping.

The above is understood to be the statement made by young Hartness, but Coroner Clark understood that Williams was dragging his gun from the boat with the muzzle toward him, when it was discharged.

The unfortunate lad was employed in Hale Bros.' establishment, where he had been for upward of two years. He was a boy of excellent character, and his terrible death was a severe shock to his family, who are overwhelmed with grief.

## EVERYBODY'S COLUMN.

**Correspondence of Interest to the General Public.**

[Under this heading the RECORD-UNION will publish short letters from correspondents on topics of interest to the general public. The matter in these communications will be understood to represent only the views of the writers. All communications must be accompanied by the name of the writer, not for publication, unless so desired, but as a guarantee of good faith.—EDS.]

### Plow Under the Grasshoppers.

EDS. RECORD-UNION: Whoever has studied the ways of the hopper must know that about the month of September it prepares for the reproduction of its species by drilling a hole in the ground about three-fourths of an inch and there deposits its eggs and also a slimy substance with which to protect them until the time comes for the new brood to take life and begin the work of destruction again, which will be as regular and certain as for the hen to hatch out her chickens in three weeks. As to the time of the hopper, I am not certain, but it might be five years. They can never hatch out in cultivated lands by reason of such cultivation. It is only from the uncultivated sheep ranges along the foothills they can be hatched.

Now, if lands were only to receive a light plowing and harrowing, that would be the end of that much of them. It would work no great hardship on the land-owner to do so, and at the same time the land might be seeded back again to oats and be better than before as a pasture, and thereby be a production to the cultivated lands. Undoubtedly it is a matter for legislative action, as much as the law for the extermination of the scale pest on fruit. When we take into consideration the damage to orchards, vineyards and green crops of all kinds, the enactment of such a law would be in order if the work was not voluntarily done by the land-owner who is engaged in wool-growing, or any other industry that does not call for the cultivation of their land. They should not nurse a pest to the injury of their neighbors. I think the aid of the law-making power can be called in as a last resort. A RANCHER.

## HON. G. G. BLANCHARD.

**Death of the Well-Known Lawyer in Placerville.**

The telegraph announces that Hon. G. G. Blanchard died at his home in Placerville yesterday of pneumonia. Deceased was well known in this community, as indeed he was all over the State, having been a prominent figure in Republican politics for many years, as well as a lawyer with a wide practice.

"Judge" Blanchard, as he was generally known, was the Republican candidate for Congress in his district at the late election against A. Caminetti, and was defeated by only a few votes, caused by some Republicans voting for a Prohibition candidate.

He was a man of fine legal attainments and unblemished character. George A. Blanchard, the well-known attorney in this city, is a son of deceased.

Judge Blanchard was in this city a week ago, and on returning to his home was seized with a violent cold, which developed into pneumonia. Being a man of some 70 years of age he was not strong enough to fight it off, and sank rapidly.

## AMUSEMENTS.

At the Congregational Church this evening a complimentary concert will be given to A. Sanborn by his musical friends. The Standard Orchestra, of which he has been director for a year past, will appear. There are many volunteers upon the programme, and there will be choice vocal and instrumental numbers. The promise is that all who attend will receive full compensation from the entertainment provided. There are special reasons why a generous community should fill the house to overflowing. Mr. Sanborn's sweet and sympathetic tenor voice has for years been heard in this city in aid of political clubs, charities, churches, social organizations, lodges, and public and private gatherings. He has put many a dollar into society, church and club treasuries by his kindness in singing in and out of season. He has scarcely ever refused, indeed, and yet he has never taken a benefit. He is in poor health now, and a benefit will be of great assistance to him. His gentle, kindly manner, his obliging disposition, his readiness to aid all worthy institutions all these years, gives him a claim upon this community that cannot with honor be ignored. If the clubs, societies and churches he has sung for do only one-fourth of their duty in reciprocating, the Congregational Church auditorium will be crowded to-night and tickets outside will be sold away up in the big figures. Let us see if the sense of gratitude is alive among those the genial, retiring, sweet-voiced tenor has aided so much and so freely.

The Kindergarten Fete takes place tomorrow evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Charles McCreary, Tenth and L streets. It ought to be largely attended and generously patronized. An entertaining programme has been provided, and there will be a large number of attractive novelties. The bazar booths at the fete will afford opportunity to secure full value of handsome Christmas presents, while the purchase money will all go to aid one of the most deserving efforts the women of Sacramento have ever made.

The recent "mum" social at the Central M. E. Church was a success in every particular. The ladies managed to "hold their tongues" much more successfully than did the gentlemen, hence the latter had to put up most of the fines.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Frank House, of Pomona is on a visit here.

Miss Gertrude Allen of Oakland is visiting Mrs. C. N. Post.

Surveyor-General Reichert is confined to his home with la grippe.

Attorney-General Hart came up from San Francisco last evening.

George E. Peck and H. K. McLennan were down from Chico on Saturday.

Dr. W. R. Cluness has sufficiently recovered from his recent illness to be about again.

Mrs. William Irwin, widow of the late Governor Irwin, is the guest of Mrs. W. B. C. Brown.

Miss A. Gertrude McCormick left on Saturday afternoon for a few days visit to friends in Suisun.

Mrs. H. Stevenson of this city left for Tacoma on last Tuesday to visit her cousin, Major Willis and family.

General E. P. Johnson of Los Angeles, Governor Markham's law partner, and father of Executive Secretary Johnson, is visiting Sacramento.

The many friends here and elsewhere of Mrs. George W. Chesley will be pained to learn that she is dangerously ill, having had a partial stroke of paralysis.

Arrivals at the Golden Eagle Hotel yesterday: E. S. Redeker, Chicago; Miss S. Jamison, Miss R. Jamison, Colusa; H. E. Hays, New York; W. A. Scott, Mitchell, S. D.; Fred Gollmer, Los Angeles; D. A. Dobbins, Portland; George R. Elliott, Chicago; Louis Chester, A. Cortisin, W. H. H. Hart, J. Sana, E. C. Allis, C. M. Martin, George Johnson, Horace D. Ranlett, E. J. Isham, San Francisco.

## BRIEF NOTES.

On Saturday nine carloads of hops were dispatched for the East.

The Governor has appointed Frank G. Smith of this city and William B. Gester of Newcastle Notaries Public.

Ben R. Crocker and other capitalists have been in El Dorado County lately making large purchases of timber lands.

The Supervisors of Amador and El Dorado Counties have agreed to construct a new bridge over the Cosumnes at Wisconsin Bar.

Josie Jackson and Kittie Farley, who were charged with vagrancy, did not appear in the Police Court on Saturday when their names were called, and Judge Cravens ordered the $100 deposit of each forfeited.

Last week Police Court fines were imposed to the amount of $95, of which no part was paid. There was paid to the City Clerk $182, fines paid to the Sheriff for city prisoners condemned to the County Jail.

The Sacramento Coursing Club has elected the following officers: President, Tom Kennedy; Vice-President, Tom Farrell; Secretary, John Haley; Treasurer, M. B. Griffeth. There will be a club match on January 3d.

Two men named Howard Crawford and J. H. Brannan have been arrested in Washington on complaint of F. E. Russell, who charges them with having stolen a quantity of wheat from his granary, six miles west of Davisville.

### Real Estate Transfers.

The following real estate transfers have been recorded since our last report:

Estate of Christian Gruhler, deceased, to heirs (children)—Decree of distribution—Block L and M, Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets, and north half of south half of lot 2, J and K, Fifth and Sixth streets, also mortgages aggregating $6,100.

Ambrose H. Burger and wife to Nellie Fox—Grant as her separate property of south half of north half of lots 5 and 6, and west twenty-five feet of north quarter of lot 6, P and Q, Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets; $10.

W. B. Mathews and wife to John R. Snead—470 acres more or less in sections 10 and 11, township 5 north, range 7 east; $10.

John R. Snead to J. F. Mosely—Same land as in the preceding deed; $10.

J. F. Mosely to P. B. Fraser—Same land as in the preceding deed; $10,000.

J. R. McConnell to S. V. Parker—North half of southeast quarter and east half of southwest quarter of section 24, township 7 north, range 8 east; grant.

### Death of an Esteemed Young Lady.

Miss Nellie E. Wright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wright, sister of Charles E. Wright, Miss Lizzie Wright, and Mrs. James Henderson, Jr., and cousin of Edward H. Yardley, died in San Francisco on Friday last. Miss Wright had been declining in health for some time, and various changes of locality and climate were resorted to in the hope of restoring it, but without avail.

Deceased was a native of Aurora, Ill., but came to Sacramento with her parents when but a child. Here she grew to young womanhood and developed those charming graces that made her so loveable to all that knew her. A sweeter disposion or lovelier character is rarely met with.

The funeral will take place at 2 o'clock this afternoon from the family residence at 805 M street.

### Two of Hermann's Sons.

National Grand President F. Dickroeger and National Grand Secretary L. H. Hespos, of the order of Hermann's Sons, arrived in this city from St. Louis on Saturday and were the guests of M. J. Gastman, President of Sacramento Lodge, of this city. Messrs. Dickroeger and Hespos have been spending a week in San Francisco, Los Angeles and other places of interest, where they paid fraternal visits to the several lodges of the order.

The gentlemen were very much pleased with Sacramento, and expressed their desire to reside here. They left on the 10 o'clock train for Denver to institute a Grand Lodge of the order at that place.

### Petition for Probate.

A petition for letters of administration on the estate of the late Deputy Sheriff George W. Newbert was filed Saturday by Attorney W. A. Gett on behalf of the widow, Mrs. Mary Newbert. The estate is valued at about $1,400.

### Horses Stolen.

A telegram from Mud Springs, El Dorado County, last evening, stated that horse thieves had on Friday night stolen thirteen head of young horses from C. Forni, near that place.

### Time for Repentance.

Wife—John, dear, I wish particularly that you would come with me to church this morning.

Husband—Why this solicitude regarding my spiritual welfare?

Wife (gently)—Because I overheard you putting up the hall stove last evening—Pittsburg Bulletin.

The Maharajah of Mysore is about to visit England, having overcome the prejudice which all good Hindoos feel with regard to an ocean voyage. They abhor the ocean, and crossing it breaks the caste of the offending personage. A council of eminent Hindoo priests was called together by the Maharajah, and they argued the important question how his highness could preserve his caste if he went to England. The question was satisfactorily settled, and the Maharajah, who is one of the richest and most powerful of the Indian rulers, will soon be the occasion for another display in Great Britain.

The pin factories of the United States manufacture about 18,000,000,000 pins a year.

HOLIDAY GOODS

By coming early this week you will have a full assortment to select from and avoid the crowd and confusion that there always is just before Christmas.

FOR BOYS.

Iron Express Wagons, with steel wheels, sheet iron bodies, painted vermillion red and neatly lettered:
Body 10x20 inches, wheels 7 and 9 inches.....$1 75
Body 12x25 inches, wheels 9 and 12 inches..... 2 50
Body 13x28 inches, wheels 10 and 16 inches..... 2 75
Body 14x31 inches, wheels 12 and 18 inches..... 3 25
Body 15x33 inches, wheels 14 and 20 inches..... 3 50
Wooden Express Wagons, iron axles, 14x28-inch bodies, three styles.....$1 25, $1 35, $1 75
Wooden Wagons, bodies of maple, 12x27.....90c, $1, $1 25, $1 35
Willow Doll Carriages, upholstered, parasols to match..... $1 75
Willow Doll Carriages.....90c
Velocipedes.....$3 to $7
Rocking Horses, with hair mane and tail, on hardwood rockers.....$1 50
Blacking Cases, made of olive wood, varnished, carpet top, malleable iron footrest, 10x14.....$1 25
Tool Chest, 13 tools.....75c
Tool Chest, 15x18, containing 16 tools.....90c
Tool Chest, containing 23 tools.....$1
School Desk, solid antique oak, width 18x14, covered with green baize.....$1 25
Elephant Shoefly Rocking Horses.....$1 50
Shoefly Rocking Horses.....$1, $1 50
Stick Horses.....15c
Child's Wooden Wash Sets, inclosed in 9x18 hardwood box, folding table 9x18.....50 and 60c
The Pansy Blackboard, hight 43 inches.....$1 25
Wheel Barrows of sheet iron, strongly made, painted bright vermillion.....$1
Child's Folding Table, made of oak.....90c
Hood Toy Cradles, three sizes, 11x24.....65, 75 and 85c
Doll Carriages, two sizes.....50 and 90c
Wood Seat Chairs, hight 22 inches.....
Child's Toy Rockers, hight 10 inches.....50c
Folding Chairs, maple, varnished, hight 24 inches.....75c

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John Nelson & Son's Men's Fine Calf Shoes, gaiter style only, reduced to $3. Former Price, $5.
Ladies' Fine Dongola Shoes, in opera or half-round toe, reduced to $1 95; worth $2 75.
Youths' Kip Lace Shoes, sizes 11 to 2, reduced to 75c; former price, $1 25.

Ten Per Cent. reduction on all goods for the next thirty days. Orders by mail filled at prices quoted. Address

W. J. O'BRIEN, 607 J STREET.

AHEAD OF ALL, MAGEE RANGES.

Just received the second carload of those celebrated MAGEE RANGES, the world's best. This makes the second carload this month. Our sales on the MAGEE RANGES are rapidly increasing. Buy a MAGEE and you will use no other. Prices for a No. 7, $29 and up.

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## A CAPAY COLONY.

### Busy Fruit-Growers in a Pretty Yolo Valley—Tancred and Its Adjoining Farms.

IN THE SPRING OF LAST YEAR Robert A. and Neal D. Barker associated themselves with William McKay, all of Oakland, with a view of searching out a suitable location in which to engage in the profitable occupation of fruit-growing. After visiting many localities, they decided on the Capay Valley, Yolo County, and the Rhodes tract at Tancred.

Negotiations were opened with the Capay Valley Land Company, owning the tract in question. With W. H. Mills, the General Agent of that company, they arranged for the purchase of about 220 acres of foothill land This being more than they had thought of taking for their own use, they spoke to a number of friends about it, with the result that the tract was divided among the following people: B. L. Hickok, 40 acres; W. T. Barnett, 20 acres; N. T. Greathead, 20 acres; Mrs. L. Greathead, 20 acres; W. McKay, 20 acres; N. D. Barker, 20 acres; R. A. Barker, 20 acres; J. P. Brownlee, 20 acres; E. H. Haslett, 10 acres; Joseph Barker, 10 acres; A. W. Kelly 10 acres, and Frederick Kelly, 10 acres.

So far this had been merely a private venture of the gentlemen above named, but in talking up the question of dividing the land already purchased, it was found that so many more would like to join it than the area of the purchase would admit of, that it was suggested on all hands, "Why not get some more land and divide it up in the same way?" Then followed the idea of a stock company to take hold of a larger tract and arrange for the cultivation of the whole of it, after subdividing it according to the requirements of the subscribers. A provisional board was formed, a prospectus issued, and finally, on the 5th of June, 1890, the Western Co-operative Colonization and Improvement Company was duly registered and proceeded to business, with the following officers: President, William McKay; Vice-President, M. P. Brown; Directors—H. C. Ellis, Charles Brooke and R. A. Barker; Secretary and General Manager, Neal D. Barker; Solicitor, C. E. Snook; Treasurer, First National Bank of Oakland.

The balance of the tract, 373 acres, was purchased. A contract was entered into for the purchase of a large number of fruit trees, vines, etc. This early purchase of trees was the means of saving between $3,000 and $4,000 to the company, the prices in some cases having more than doubled since then.

The ideas which the prospectus set forth have been but slightly modified and the progress of the company has been uninterrupted. Those who went into it doubtingly have become enthusiastic, and almost all the members arranged to set out all their lands in fruit trees, etc., the first year. Consequently in this, the first season, some 40,000 trees and between 20,000 and 30,000 vines will be planted.

The satisfactory working of this scheme has had the effect of attracting considerable attention to the work of the Colony Company, and a number of people are now desirous of joining in with them. An additional 200 acres have been added to the sixty acres originally purchased.

For the company is predicted a very bright future, as well as for the beautiful valley in which their operations are conducted. How this marvelous little garden has come to be so long neglected is a puzzle to every one who has visited it, but one thing is very sure, and that is that this neglect will never again be felt in the valley.

The fruits set out are mostly of the standard varieties—peaches, apricots, Bartlett pears, prunes, figs, raisin grapes, etc., while along both sides of the avenues, throughout the tract, walnuts will throw their graceful shade. A considerable number of citrus trees are also being set out; quite a sufficient number to demonstrate that these fruits can be successfully grown in the valley, about which the colonists appear to have no doubt, provided proper care is given to the young trees. Neal D. Barker, General Manager of the company, resides on the tract, and to his care is to be ascribed much of the success of the venture.

Mention should be made of the town-site, about which there is a pleasant innovation which might with profit be followed by more ambitious places. A small park of some three acres has been laid out right in the center of the town. This park it is proposed to beautify by planting in it from time to time as many of the beauties and curiosities of tree and shrub life as may be obtained by diligent search and a wise expenditure of money. It is not expected that Tancred will ever be a large and busy city, but it is thought that it can be made a very pleasant little place to dwell in.

A petition has been circulated recently and very largely signed, asking the county to accept Island avenue, on the colony tract, as a county road, and to build a bridge across Cache Creek at this point, in order to give the settlers on the east side of the creek access to Tancred Station. The Tancred colonists are quite willing to give the necessary right of way, and are very desirous of having a bridge there, as the colony lands extend along both sides of the stream. It is thought that it would be a very wise expenditure of public money to grant them this very necessary improvement, as the operations of such companies are of widespread benefit to the whole county and State. The attractions and comforts of the cities are well known, but to those who are willing to settle on the land and show that the country also affords attractions and comforts and ways of making money pleasantly, every inducement should be held forth.

The following is a list of the principal members of the Tancred Colony, with the number of acres owned by each, and a fact worthy of mention is that in each contract or deed issued by the Colony Company there is a provision that no intoxicating liquor shall ever be manufactured or sold on the land. The apparent success of the enterprise shows that the ideas and plans of the colony, as set forth in the prospectus some time ago, are not impracticable: C. T. Hull, Berkeley, 5 acres; W. P. Hammon, Oakland, 14 acres; C. S. Kasson, San Francisco, 11 acres; Jos. Barker, 10 acres; A. W. Kelly, Kincardine, Ont., 5 acres; N. T. Greathead, 5 acres; R. G. Greathead, Oakland 10 acres; R. A. Barker, San Francisco, 10 acres; N. D. Barker, Tancred, 10 acres; Dr. K. Favor, San Francisco, 27 acres; J. P. Brownlee, Kincardine, Ont., 9 acres; W. T. Barnett, Berkeley, 5 acres; M. P. Brown, 10 acres; Chas. Brook, Sr., Oakland, 10 acres; W. C. Boutelle, Berkeley, 20 acres; Mrs. T. A. Crelin, Oakland, 5 acres; C. H. Peach, Tancred, 5 acres; H. C. Ellis, Oakland, 10 acres; J. Vanstone, Winnipeg, 10 acres; E. A. Vanstone, Tancred, 5 acres; E. Wadsworth, Sacramento, 5 acres; M. A. Thomas, Oakland, 6 acres; James Graham, San Francisco, 11 acres; A. Stark, 12 acres; J. Stark, 10 acres; Mrs. M. Vrooman