COMMERCIAL.

Memorial Day Will be Observed on 'Change at the Bay.

Splendid Prospect in This County for Cereals—Fruits of Good Quality Very Scarce.

[Special Commercial Correspondence of the RECORD-UNION.]

SAN FRANCISCO, May 28th.

In the absence of any Produce Exchange there is nothing of interest to report in cereals of any kind. Monday is a legal holiday, and all business will be closed. Our streets already show the readiness with which our merchants avail of any rest; most have gone out of town, others are preparing to go. The English and Eastern markets are also of a holiday character. Quotations quite unchanged and weather in England reported "brilliant." It is too early yet by several weeks to have each day's climatic change carefully watched in Great Britain and all over Europe.

WHEAT—Receipts for the week, 110,790 ctls. The spot market is so very dull that it partakes of a holiday nature. On Call business is very quiet, and options are still on the down grade. The weather has been favorable to growing crops since our last report, and indications point to a larger crop than was anticipated a few weeks ago. The first new Wheat of the season arrived at Port Costa on Monday last. It was by no means choice nor plump, but, as usual, sold well. After considerable bidding it was knocked down at $1 52½—hardly a fair criterion of what better Wheat will bring later on. We quote: No. 1 California shipping, $1 42½ to $1 45; Oregon Valley, $1 42½ to $1 45; Walla Walla, $1 40 to $1 42½; rejections, $1 30 to $1 37½; choice California milling will bring $1 50 to $1 52½.

BARLEY—Receipts for the week, 7,904 centals. This market is no exception to the rule so far as general dullness is concerned. On Call, options sagged badly during the forepart of the week, but rallied a bit toward the close. Spot Barley is dull and weak at our quotations. Crop reports are more encouraging and the northern part of the State will no doubt have a heavy crop. We quote: No. 1 bright Feed at 97½c to 98¾c; fair Feed, 95c; No. 1 Brewing, $1 05 to $1 07½.

OATS—Receipts for the week, 3,065 centals. Very little of interest to note. Receipts continue light. Poor grades are neglected, but choice Whites and Grays meet with ready sale at good figures, considering the decline in the price of Barley. We do not anticipate any drop in the Oat market until just before the new crop puts in an appearance here. We quote: Gray, $1 30 to $1 35; poor White, $1 27½ to $1 30; No. 1 White, $1 32½ to $1 35; choice White, $1 40 to $1 45; Surprise, $1 40 to $1 55, according to quality.

HAY—Receipts for the week, 1,927 tons. The first car of new hay arrived at the close of last week. It was soft wheat and not properly cured, and brought but $8. There is such an abundance of good old hay offering at low prices this year, that new hay cannot be expected to bring a good price at the first send off. Later on it will do better, and we think all our shippers would do well to stack their hay this year, and give the market a chance to get rid of the old hay which is offering. We quote Gilt-edged Wheat at $14 50 to $15; Ordinary Choice Wheat, $13 to $14; Choice Wheat and Oat, $12 50 to $13; Other grades of Wheat, or Wheat and Oat mixed, $10 50 to $12; Wild Oat, $10 to $12 50; Tame Oat, $10 to $12; River Alfalfa, $10 to $11; Nevada Alfalfa, $9 to $10; Compressed Hay, all the way from $9 to $12; Straw, 40c to 50c per bale. Toward the close of the week receipts slackened up considerably and the market closed firmer and slightly higher for the better grades.

FRUITS—Were in good supply. Receipts, 400 chests Strawberries, 3,740 boxes Cherries, 15 chests Currants, 270 boxes Apricots, a few Peaches, Prunes and Figs. Strawberries show a wide range, from $6 to $10 a chest for Sharpless, $10 to $14 for Longworths, and very choice berries were so scarce that $17 a chest was paid for the latter variety. The large receipts of Cherries can only be disposed of to canneries. The quality is generally good, and no appearance of any serious damage by late rains or hot spell. White sold at 40@65c a box; Black Tartarians, 60@85c a box, and some choice ones offered at the latter price toward noon. Currants, 65@80c a drawer; Raspberries, 50@80c a drawer; Gooseberries, 3@4c for usual variety, 6@7c for large English. Apricots improve daily. Pringles from Vacaville are the only kind arriving, and sell at 75c to $1 25 a box. Figs look fine. They are from Southern California and Arizona, and bring 40c a lb. Peaches and Prunes receive no attention as yet. They are very scrubby.

CITRUS FRUITS—Oranges are dull and sell a little slow, but our last quotations are sustained. Lemons are working off faster, and at improved prices. Sicily (imported), $5@5 50 a box; choice Santa Barbara and Riverside, $4@4 50; good Los Angeles, $3 50. Limes getting scarce at $8@9 a box.

DRIED FRUITS—Have been in good demand for most varieties, and the limited stocks have been still further cleaned up. Dried Prunes, 4@7c as to sizes; Peaches, bleached, in sacks, 6@7½c; sun-dried, 3@5c; peeled, in boxes, 14@15c; Apples, quartered, 2½@3c; sliced, 3@3½c; evaporated, 5@5½c; Plums, in sacks, 4@4½c; unpitted, 2@2½c; Apricots, bleached, 6@7½c; Pears, sliced, 3@5c; quartered, 2@3c; evaporated, 6@7c; Black Figs, 4½@5½c; White, 5@6c.

RAISINS—London Layers, 80c@$1 25 a box; loose Muscatels, 60@80c a box, 2½@3½c a lb in sacks; Dried Grapes, 1½@2½c a lb.

HONEY—White, 6@6½c; Light Amber, 5½@5½c; Amber and Candied, 5@5½c a lb.

BEESWAX—From 23@25c a lb.

NUTS—We quote: Walnuts, hard shell, 6@8c; soft do, 9@10c; Almonds, hard shell, 8@9c; soft do, 10@11c; paper shell do, 14c; Brazil, 8@9c; Filberts, 11c; Pinenuts, 13c.

VEGETABLES—Are in good supply and sell well, except ordinary variety of Peas, which are overstocked. Asparagus has a very wide range, because so much of it is not first-class. Receipts—700 boxes Asparagus; 380 sacks Peas, 169 sacks beans, 111 boxes Rhubarb, 87 boxes Squash, 2,015 sacks Potatoes, 45 boxes Los Angeles Tomatoes. Asparagus sold at 75c to $1 for fair to good and $1 25@1 50 a box for choice. Even a higher price was paid for fancy. Peas go hard at 50c to 60c a sack, and canners have to clean up many lots; choice Alameda Garden Peas, 75c to $1 a sack. Beans are doing well at advanced prices, though not as high as yesterday, 6@7c for string; some choice Vacaville, 8c a lb; Squash sold at 75@90c a box. Rhubarb, 65c for fair, $1 a box for choice. Tomatoes, $1 50@1 75 a box; Garlic, 3@4c; Onions, 50c a sack; Green Peppers, 20@25c a lb; Cucumbers, 50c a doz. Potatoes are steady, but to-day was a quiet day. In sacks, $35@40c for good varieties; very fine Island Early Rose and Oregon Burbanks, $1 15@1 40 a 100 lbs in boxes.

DAIRY PRODUCTS—Continue dull, except Eggs, which are firmer and higher. Receipts—Butter, 22,500 lbs; Eggs, 4,680 dozen. Butter, no change in quotations, but market very dull, and hard to clean up arrivals. Cheese, very dull, and prices barely sustained.

EGGS—In good demand. Choice California Ranch, 22½@23c; good store, 20@21c; Eastern Eggs, same.

POULTRY—Yesterday cleaned up at full prices. Quotations unchanged. Hens, $6@7 a dozen; choice large do, $7 50@8; Old Roosters, $6 50@7; young, full grown, do, $8 50@11; Broilers, $2 50@5 a doz; small to medium, $5 50@6 50 for large ones; Ducks, $5 50@6 50; young, $6@8 a doz; Geese, $1 25@1 50 a pair; Goslings, $1 25@1 75; Live Turkeys, 16@19c a lb; dressed, out of market.

HIDES, SKINS, ETC.—Very quiet, and prices are low with little prospect of any improvement. Local tanneries take most of the Wet Salted Hides offered. None are being shipped East. Stocks are moderately large and quotations are about as follows for cash: Heavy steers, sound, 7@7½c a lb; culls, 6c; Medium Steers, 6c; culls, 4½@5c; Light Steers and Cows, 4@4½c; culls, 3½c; Dry Hides (sound), 9@9½c; culls, 6½@6½c; Sheep Skins—Long Wool, 90c@$1 40 a skin; medium, 70@90c each; short wool, 40@70c each; shearlings, 10@25c each.

TALLOW—Refined, 5½@5½c; best rendered, 4½@4½c; No. 2, 3½@3½c.

PROVISIONS—Following are latest quotations from Kingan & Co. and Armour of Kansas City, subject to change at any moment: Eastern Hams, 13@13¼c; Breakfast Bacon, boneless, light, 12½@13½c; lower grades, 10@11c a lb; Beef Hams, 12c; California do, 10½; Dry Salt Clear Sides, 8¾@9c; Extra Clear Pork, $18 50 a bbl; Clear, $18; strictly pure Lard (10-lb tins), 9¾@10c; Family Lard, 8@8½c.

WOOL—Continues firm. Stocks are much reduced, especially for clean Wools, of which the clip is considerably short of last year. The usual spring sales at Red Bluff took place last Friday and Saturday, and every lot was closed out, and at full prices. Prime Northern brought 17@19c. The sales here continue at 14@16c for choice San Joaquin; 13@14c for fair to good; 10@12c for common and trashy; Southern Coast, 13@15c, if free; 10@13c for burry.

SACRAMENTO MARKET.

Currants on Sale in Small Quantities—Poultry Scarce.

SACRAMENTO, May 28th.

The market to-day was fairly well supplied with most every line of Vegetables for local use, though prices were somewhat stiffened. This is probably due to the fact that the high waters on the lowlands prevented many producers from reaching town. Poultry is still very scarce and prices well maintained.

Tame Ducks and Geese are very scarce and prices out of all reason.

The Apricots displayed are very small. Old Apples and Cranberries are about gone, little or either being displayed. The same may be said of old Cabbage and old Onions. Currants are noticeable in limited quantities, retailing at 10 cents per pound. Cherries are yet very scarce and prices firmer. Will Blackberries are in limited supply.

The prospect for cereals of all kinds is most flattering, and if the present favorable weather continues Sacramento County will be credited with a large yield of splendid quality, particularly so from the foothill regions. Following are quotations in the local market to producers and consumers:

Rates to Producers.

Following are current rates paid to producers:

GREEN FRUITS—Lemons—Sicily, $6 50@7 a box; California, $4@5 a box; Limes—Mexican, $11@12 a box; Bananas, $2@3 a bunch; Cocoanuts, 70c a doz; Oranges—Navels, $4 50 a box; Riverside, $2 75@4; Los Angeles, $2 25; Pineapples, $5 a doz; Strawberries, $1 10 a case; Gooseberries, 4c a lb; Cherries, $1 50 a box; Raspberries, $1 75 a case; Currants, 80c a box; Blackberries, 10c a lb.

DRIED FRUIT—Apricots, 10@8c a lb; Peaches, 7@8c; Apples, 5@6c; Plums, 4@5c; Prunes, 5@6c; Pears, 4@5c; Nectarines, 6c; Raisins, 10@18c.

DAIRY PRODUCE—Butter—Valley, 16@17c a lb; Fancy Petaluma, 17@18c; Eastern Creamery, 21c; Firkin, 18@20c; Pickle Roll, 21@22c; Cheese—California, 8@10c; Young America, 12½c; Eastern Creamery, 13@18c; Limberger 14½c; Genuine Swiss, 29c; American Swiss, 22c; Martin's Creamery, 15c; Eggs—Ranch, 21c a doz; Eastern, 17c.

POULTRY—Turkeys—Live Hens, 16c a lb; Gobblers, 13c; dressed 18c; Chickens—Hens, $6 a doz; Rooster, $5 50; Broilers, $4 50; Spring Chickens, $6; Tame Ducks, $5; Geese, $2; Pigeons, $1 50 a doz.

MEATS—Beef, 5@6c a lb; Mutton, 8c; Lamb, 9@10c; Veal, large, 5@7c; large, dressed, 7@7½c; Hogs, 5½c; dressed Pork, 7@8c; Hams—Eastern, 14½@14c a lb; California, 12½@13c; Bacon—Light, 10@10½c; selected, 11½@12c; boneless, 13½@14c.

HAY AND GRAIN—Oat Hay, $11@13 a ton; Wheat, $11@13; second quality, $8@11; Alfalfa, $8@10; Wheat (whole), $1 60 a cwt.; Barley, $1 10; Corn, $1 40; Bran, $18 a ton; Middlings, $20 a ton, Ground Barley, $1 25 a cwt; Straw, 55c a bale.

VEGETABLES—Onions (new), 90c@$1 a cwt; old, 2@3c; Cabbage (new), 70c; Carrots, 8c a lb; Beets, 8@10c a doz; Turnips, 8@10c; bunch Vegetables, 8@10c; Parsnips, 75c a sack; Horse Radish, 12½c a lb; Garlic, 8c; Artichokes, 35c a doz; Dried Peppers, 15c; Cauliflower, 75c a doz; Spinach, 2c a lb; Asparagus, 3c; Peas, 1½c; String Beans, 5c; Wax Beans, 8c; Summer Squash, 5c; Cucumbers, 75c; Tomatoes, 10c.

POTATOES—Early Rose, new, 50c@$1 a cwt; Peerless, new, 60c@$1; Oregon Burbanks, old, $1; River Reds, old, 50c.

SEEDS—Alfalfa, $11 a cwt; Timothy, $6 50; Popcorn, ears, $2 75; shelled, $3 50; Red Clover, $16; Red Top, $6.

BREADSTUFFS—Flour, $4 75 a bbl; Oatmeal, 10-lb sacks, 3½c a lb, $3 50 a 100-lb sacks; Cornmeal—White, $2 50 a 10-lb sacks; Yellow, $2 50 a 25-lb sacks; Cracked Wheat, $3 a 10-lb sacks, $2 75 a 100-lb sacks; Hominy, $3 50 a 10-lb sacks; Graham, $2 55 a 10-lb sacks; Buckwheat, 10-lb sacks, $4 50.

CANNED GOODS—Jobbing rates are as follows: Assorted table, $1 65@1 75; Apples, $1 60; Apricots, $1 60; Blackberries, $1 75@1 85; Cherries, $2@2 35; Currants, $2 25; Gooseberries, $1 80@1 90; Muscat Grapes, $1 40@1 50; Plums, $1 35@1 40; Quinces, $1 60@1 70; Strawberries, $3@3 10; Raspberries, $2 90@3; Peaches, $1 75@2.

NUTS—Chile Walnuts, new, 11@12c; California Walnuts, 9@10c; Almonds, new, 11@13c; Peanuts, California, 5@6c; Eastern, 7@7½c.

HIDES AND SKINS—Jobbing rates are as follows: Wet Salted Hides—Heavy Steers, 7c a lb; Medium Steers, 6c; Light Steers, 4c; Cows, 4c; Kip, 3¾c; Veal, 5c; Calf, 6½c; Culls, about 25 per cent. lower. Dry Hides—Sound Hides, 9c; do Culls, 6c; Dry Kip, 9c; Culls, 6c. Deer Skins—Summer Skins, 37½c; Medium Skins, 30@32½c; Winter and Long-hair Skins, 20@25c. Goat Skins—Prime Skins, 30@50c; damaged Skins, 10@25c; Kids, 5@10c. Sheep Skins—Long Wool, 90c@$1 40; Medium Wool, 70@90c; Short Wool, 40@70c; Shearlings, 10@25c.

Retail Rates.

Following are the prices asked by retailers for the various articles mentioned:

GREEN FRUITS—Lemons—Sicily, 25@40c a doz; California, 25@30c a doz; Limes—Mexican, 20c a doz; Bananas, 25@35c a doz; Cocoanuts, 10c each; Oranges—Navels, 50c a doz; Riverside, 25@35c a doz; Los Angeles, 20c a doz; Pineapples, 50c each; Strawberries, 10c a lb; Gooseberries, English, 12½c; common, 8c a lb; Cherries—Black Tartarian, 15c; White, 10c a lb; Raspberries, 15c a lb; Wild Blackberries, 15c; Apples, new, 5c; Apricots, 15@20c; Currants, 15c a lb.

DRIED FRUITS—Apricots, 10c a lb; Peaches, 10c; Apples, 8c; Plums, 5c; Prunes, 15c; Pears, 7@8c; Nectarines, 8@10c; Raisins, 12½@20c.

DAIRY PRODUCE—Butter, Valley, a roll, 25@35c; Fancy Petaluma, 40c; Eastern Creamery, 35c a lb; firkin, 16@18c a lb; Pickle Roll, 25c a lb; Cheese—California, 10@12½c a lb; Young America, 16c; Eastern Creamery, 20c; Limberger, 20c; genuine Swiss, 40c; American, 30c; Martin's Creamery, 20c; Eggs, ranch, 25c a doz; Eastern, 20c a doz.

POULTRY—Turkeys—Live hens, 18c a lb; do, Gobblers, 18c; dressed, 18c; Chickens, hens, $7 a dozen; 60@70c each; Roosters, $7 a dozen; 60@70c each; Broilers, $3 50@4 50 a dozen; 50c each; Tame Ducks, 75c each; Geese, a pair, $2 50; Pigeons, $2 a doz.

MEATS—Beef—prime rib roast, 12½c; Chuck roast, 8c; Rump, 8c; Pot Brisket, 7c; Corned, 6c; Porterhouse steak, 15c; Loin, 12½c; Round, 10c; Chuck, 8c; Veal-roast, loin and rib, 10@12½c; Leg, 10c; Cutlets, loin and rib, 12½c; Cutlets, shoulder, 10c. Mutton—Forequarters, 7@8c; hind quarters, 8½@10c; leg, 10c; loin and rib chops, 12½c; shoulder chops, 10c; breast and stew, 8c. Pork—Loin roast, 12½c; shoulder, 10c; leg, 10c; loin and rib chops, 12½c; shoulder, 10c; corned pork, 10c; pigs' head, 3c; pigs' feet, 50c a doz. Lead lard, 10c a lb. Sausage, pork, 10c; Vienna, 15c; Bologna, 12½c; smoked hams, 13c; do shoulders, 8c; extra light Bacon, 15c; medium, 11c.

LARD—Eastern, 11c a lb; California, 12c a lb.

HAY AND GRAIN—Hay, oat, 70@80c a cwt; Wheat, 70@80c; second quality, 60@70c; Alfalfa, 55@65c; Ground Barley, $1 40; Whole Oats, $1 60@1 85; Middlings, $1 10; Bran, $1; Straw, 80c.

SEEDS—Alfalfa, 15c a lb; Timothy, 10c; Popcorn, ears, 10c; Popcorn, shelled, 10c; Red Clover, 20c; Red Top, 10c.

BREADSTUFFS—Flour, $5 a bbl; Oatmeal, 10-lb sacks, 45c; Cornmeal, 10-lb sacks, 30c; Cracked Wheat, 10-lb sacks, 35c; Hominy, 10-lb sacks, 40c; Graham Flour, 10-lb sacks, 35c; Buckwheat, 10-lb sacks, 50c.

VEGETABLES—Onions, new, 2c a lb; old, 5c; Cabbage, new, 1c a lb; Carrots, 75c a sack; Beets, 12½c a doz; Turnips, 12½c a dozen; bunch Vegetables, 12½c a dozen; Parsnips, $1 a sack; Horseradish, 12½c a lb; Garlic, 10c; Artichokes, 50c a doz; Dried Peppers, 15@20c a lb; Cauliflower, 10c a head; Spinach, 3c a lb; Asparagus, 5c a lb; Peas, 3c a lb; String Beans, 5@8c a lb; Wax Beans, 10c a lb; Summer Squash, 7c a lb; Cucumbers, $1 a doz; Tomatoes, 15c a lb; Green Corn, $1 50 a doz.

POTATOES—Early Rose, new, 1½c a lb; Peerless, 1½c a lb; Oregon Burbanks, old, 1½c lb; River Reds, 60c a cwt.

SAN FRANCISCO STOCK SALES.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 28, 1892.

MORNING BOARD.

Alpha	25c	H. & N.	1 45@1 50
Alta	55c	Justice	10c
Andes	55c	Iowa	5c
Belcher	1 00	Kentuck	10c
C. & B.	2 35	Mt. Diablo	1 20
Bullion	75@80c	Mexican	1 85@1 90
Central	5c	N. Queen	1 20@1 25
C. C. & V.	4 30@4 35	Occidental	40c
Chollar	65c	Ophir	2 95@3
C. N. Y.	45c	Potosi	90c
C. Point	1 20	Savage	1 35
G. & C.	1 20	S. B. & M.	30c

A Week's Failures.

The Bradstreet Mercantile Agency reports twelve failures in the Pacific Coast States and Territories for the week ending the 27th, as compared with thirteen for the previous week, and fourteen for the corresponding week of 1891. The failures for the past week are divided among the trades as follows: Two varieties, two hardware, one clothing, one boots and shoes, one confectionery, one saloon, one photographer, one bakery, one butcher and one dry goods.

It has been computed that for every bird of the rarer species—such as the humming bird, the orange and scarlet cock of the rock, the oriole and the kingfisher—that is worn on a woman's headgear, at least ten have suffered the death pang; counting in the young ones who die of starvation, the wounded which fly away to drop down and die in the woods or among the reeds, and those which are mutilated and destroyed by the pellets so much as to be unavailable for purposes of decoration.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

"Harper's Magazine" for June (Harper & Bros., New York) is at hand. It is richly illustrated and altogether a number of superiority. Its leading papers are, "Funeral Orations in Stone and Word," Charles Waldstein; "Jane Field," Mary E. Wilkins; "A Honeydew Picnic," William Hamilton Gibson; "The Birthplace of Commodore Isaac Hull," Jane DeForest Shelton; "The World of Chance," William Dean Howells; "How Kentucky Became a State," George W. Ranck; "The Austro-Hungarian Army," F. Z. M. Baron Von Kuhn; "On Cremation," George Horton; "P'ti' Barouette," William McLennan; "The Old English Dramatists," James Russell Lowell; "Decoration Day," Sarah Orne Jewett; "Montana—The Treasure State," Julian Ralph; "From Leopold's Window," Catherine Pearson Woods; "Social and Intellectual Condition of Eastern Peru," Courtenay de Kalb; "From the Black Forest to the Black Sea," F. D. Millet; "My Sweetheart's Face," John Allan Wyeth; "Editor's Easy Chair," George William Curtis; "Editor's Study," Charles Dudley Warner; "Editor's Drawer," with introductory story by Thomas Nelson Page.

"Current History" (60 West Larned street, Detroit, Mich.), has now entered its second year. The uniqueness of its conception—that of a quarterly devoted to news—arrested public attention from the start; and, from its first issue, it has steadily increased in public favor. A year's experience in a journalistic field hitherto unoccupied has suggested several improvements, of which the publishers are taking quick advantage; that any practiced observer can see. The number for the first quarter of 1892 is full and complete. It gives a succinct history of all international affairs of the period, of affairs in Europe, Asia, Africa, and our own country; a record of progress and the necrology of the quarter. "Current History" is published by Alfred S. Johnson as manager and editor, under the auspices of the Evening News Association of Detroit. "Current History" preserves in a permanent and accessible form, that which is so apt to pass by us in the daily course of life, and which is absolutely necessary to a clear idea and intelligent grasp of the questions and movements of the day, in which all, young or old, should be interested.

One of the questions occupying the attention of the literary world is that of Walt Whitman's position as a poet. In order to present a good idea of the character of the discussion, "Current Literature" for May presents widely contrasting views of the subject. One of these is Colonel Ingersoll's oration at the tomb of the poet, from the author's manuscript; the other from the pen of an opposing critic. The May number comprises, as usual, the latest thought of the day. Among the many interesting articles in the different departments are: "Annihilating Vapor," "The Rosicrucian Salon" (the latest fad in Paris high-art circles), "Deep Sea Research," "When Man Will Disappear," and "The Great American Novel." The poetical selections are from the most recent books and the May magazines. Current Literature Publishing Company, 52 and 54 Lafayette Place, New York.

"Good Form" is the title of a charming magazine, which for the home and for women, ought to be very attractive. It is published by Walter L. Gallup & Co., Chicago. It is handsomely illustrated. It treats of dress, woman's sphere, home decorations, bodily grace and beauty, health, the nursery house affairs, plants and flowers, amusements, etc. It has, besides, special papers—thus the May number has these papers: "Photographing for Fun," Mather Dean Kimball; "Children on Tiptoe," Mary E. Cardwill; "Round Trip to Alaska," Mrs. Ida B. Gilson; "The Creation of Newspapers," Nixon Waterman; "A String of Beads," Amber, and a poem by Charles Eugene Banks. It is a magazine, taken all in all, that is full of excellent matter of high value and deep interest—in short, we like the magazine much.

"Lippincott's Magazine" for June (Philadelphia) has these papers among others: "John Gray, A Kentucky Tale of the Olden Time," James Lane Allen; "Early Editorial Experiences," Murat Halstead; "Westward the Course of Empire Takes its Way," Hon. John James Ingalls; "Smithers," Maurice Thompson; "The Great American Desert," William F. G. Shanks; "A Study from Life," Susie M. Best; "On the Idaho Trail," William Y. Lovell; "La Crosse" (athletic series), Frederick Weir; "The Woman of the Plains," Patience Stapleton; "The Struggle for the West," Prof. John Bach McMaster; "Curious Mixtures" (composite photographs).

The "English Illustrated Magazine" for May (Macmillan & Co., New York) was a very handsome and richly illustrated number. Its leading features were: "H. R. H. Prince George of Wales"; "Musical Performers," by Jaseph Bennett; "Pretty Pierre," Gilbert Parker; "On Muleback in Morocco," Stanley J. Weyman; "A Deplorable Affair," W. E. Norris; "Match-Box Making at Home," Clemintina Black; "The Vanished Abbey," by the Very Rev. Donald M. Spence, D. D.

"St. Nicholas" for June (The Century Company, New York), is even better than the best of the St. Nicholas issues that have preceded it outside of the holiday number. Mrs. Dodge makes this richly illustrated periodical one of the most potential agencies for good among youth the world of literature has ever had. "A Story of Old Spain," "Helen Keller, the Blind Girl," and "Rangoon as a Nurse," are, in the June number, especially charming papers in poetry and prose.

"Public Opinion" (Washington, D. C.) continues to be one of the most useful periodicals we receive. It is a weekly epitome of all leading expressions by press and magazine and review on politics, religion, art, literature and current questions in mart, church, Congress and general thought. We indorse it emphatically as an indispensable journal for all who wish to keep posted in the world's doing and thinking, who have not time to read all that is printed.

The "Sanitary Era" (W. C. Conant, New York) for May is, as are all issues of that very valuable journal, full of matter of profound interest to sanitarians, physicians and municipal authorities; indeed, the "Era" ought to be read by every official in the land who has to do with city and town drainage, sewage and health.

"Toilettes" for June (126 West Twenty-third street, New York), the handsome fashion magazine, has a richly colored title and is accompanied by a double page supplement. The fashion illustrations for adults and children are many, and accompanied by understandable explanatory matter.

"The New Moon" (Lowell, Mass.) for June is at hand. It is filled with original matter, clever stories, taking sketches and thoughtful comment. It is a cheap magazine, but one for old or young, and worth far more than the $1 a year asked for it.

At a Foothill Picnic.

EL DORADO, May 27th.

EDS. RECORD-UNION: Your correspondent left Placerville on Thursday morning, the weather being clear and cold, and at 5 o'clock arrived at the little town of El Dorado, situated in the center of a rich mining district. After half an hour persons began moving hither and thither, and from their eagerness I felt that something unusual was to be expected. At 6:30 o'clock I was served with an excellent breakfast, and the absorbing topic of the guests was the picnic to be given by the I. O. G. T., at Parker's Grove. About 9 o'clock the wagons from the surrounding country began coming, in many instances from a distance of twenty miles. After the usual handshaking and watering of horses, the picnickers would wend their way to the grove mentioned.

I was invited by our host to a seat in his wagon, and was driven rapidly to the grounds, where I found fully 1,000 people assembled under the shade of pine or oak trees. Proceeding to a place from which we heard the strains of music, we found a platform forty feet by eighty in the center of some large, overhanging oak trees, at one side of which was a platform for the musicians, of which there were four from the band at Coloma. The music was excellent. On the platform were many of the young ladies, lovely with their clear, rosy complexions and bright, sparkling eyes, putting to shame the powdered beauties of the cities.

At 12 o'clock all gathered in groups and partook of their lunches. Dancing was again resumed, and kept up until 6 o'clock. Many swings had been put up, which were well patronized. Many of the young men engaged in shooting at clay pigeons, money prizes being offered, and some excellent shooting was done.

In the evening the event of the gathering was to come off, that being the moonlight dance in the grove (minus the moon), but torches had been furnished in abundance, while directly in front a large fire was kept continually burning, furnishing plenty of light. The music on this occasion was furnished by four of the local talent, the one who played the organ being a rosy-cheeked blonde, as pretty a girl as one would wish to see. Dancing was kept up to a very late hour, all seeming to have a good time.

In the village the I. O. G. T. also gave an entertainment, consisting of recitations and instrumental and vocal music, which was very good. Immediately after the entertainment the floor was cleared, and dancing was the order of the evening. The affair was well patronized, and I observed the same abundance of beauty among the dancers as at the grove. Your correspondent was invited to enjoy himself, which he did immensely.

At 4 o'clock the teams were led out, and by 5 o'clock the town had resumed its usual quiet appearance. J. W. R.

CAUSE OF A QUEER SENSATION.

Why Bolting Ice Cream Creates a Pain in the Temple or Eyes.

During the scorching weather of July and August you often rush into an ice cream saloon with the avowed intention of cooling your body to at least a few degrees below the melting point. If you are in a great hurry you are apt to make the first few spoonfuls of the cooling mixture rather large. This almost immediately gives you a violent pain in the temples, or somewhere in the region of the eyes. Why is this? Did you ever stop to think? asks a writer in the St. Louis *Republic*.

One who has studied the physiology of the case says it is caused in the following manner: The frozen mixture, coming in contact with the nerves of the throat (the larynx, pharynx, etc.) temporarily paralyzes them. The sensation instantly shoots to the center of those nerves, which is in the brain, but finds there a side connection in the shape of a great facial nerve, which starts from in front of the ear and extends its branches over the sides of the face. One branch of this facial nerve, extending across the temple, is a "nerve of sensation," while the other branches are simply "nerves of motion," utilized chiefly to govern the play of the mouth.

The great facial nerve side-tracks the pain which proceeds from the chill, throwing it out along the nerve branch which traverses the temple, the pain being most agonizing at the points where the nerve branches. If the irritation be extraordinary the "reflex" action which takes place may cause a violent pain in the eyeballs as well as in the temple, the eye pain being simply sympathetic. The person who rashly swallows great mouthfuls of frozen milk should remember that every time it comes in contact with the nerves of his throat the whole nervous system is injured to a greater or less extent.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Postoffice at Sacramento on Monday, May 30, 1892:

Ladies' List.

Adams, Miss Laura	Hall, Mrs J W
Andrew, Mrs M A	Hamilton, Mrs L L
Armstrong, Mrs A	Hill, Mrs Wm
Bagley, Miss Mamie	Hunt, Mrs Samuel
Bouvard, Mrs Josie	Jones, Mrs Agnes
Brown, Miss Mamie C	King, Miss B
Brown, Mrs W W	Lankard, Mrs Bell
Bragg, Mrs O L	Lee, Mrs Mary E
Broughton, Miss J	Lester, Mrs J W
Buswell, Mrs Amelia	Lucas, Miss Nora
Carter, Mary	Marsh, Mrs L
Church, Mrs Ella (2)	Macdonald, Miss J
Churchill, Mrs Mary	McPherson, Mrs
Cochran, Miss Mollie	Nelson, Maggie
Columbus, Mrs —	Neuman, Miss Minnie
Cooper, Mrs Chas P	Orland, Miss Mollie
Cooper, Miss Janet	Parent, Mrs C E
Coax, Miss Roada	Phillips, Mrs Lucy
Coyle, Mrs N E	Petterson, Miss Tilli (2)
Dodge, Mrs E	Pearson, Miss Ava
Dolan, Mrs Jane	Richard, Little W
Eaton, Mrs W L	Smith, Mrs Mary
Edelyo, Miss Maggie	Spencer, Mrs Lizze
Elliott, Mrs M	Sperry, Mrs Almeda
Fogerty, Miss Alice S	Taylor, Miss Cora
Fisher, Mrs	Taylor, Mrs Ida
Fisher, Mrs Chas T	Vernon, Miss Ida
Gardner, Miss Gussie	Weston, Miss Amey
Gilson, Clara G	Wielock, Miss Carrie
Goley, Mrs Pete	Whittaker, Mrs
Grant, Miss Fannie A	Wilson, Mrs L M
Gray, Miss Millie	

Gentlemen's List.

Allen, James	Jones, E L	Schloetzer, S N
Bandy, C P	Joice, —	Schmidt, H
Baker, Henry	King, M (3)	Schooner & Co, G
Black, Thos	Lassell, —	Selenek, Alex
Bonariewitz, A	Larsson, Chas	Sellicks, —
Butterfield, W	Leonard C	Sherdian, W
Burden, J H	Looney, S	Shoupe, A A
Carey, W S	Louie, C F	Simms, D T
Casserly, Wm	Lundahl, A	Simeon, J M
Castle, Joseph	Marshal, J W	Slater, W E
Clemmens, —	McManus, Jas	Slater, Henry
Conlan, John	McMahon, O (2)	Smith, H
Cooper, C	McManus, Ed	Sonneborn, L
Cross, Frank	Miller, Enoch	Stocker, Chas
Durden, —	Montigem, J P	Stelley, C W
Eckstein, C H	Murphy, N	Sutherland, E
Francis, Jose	Milzer, A G	Theilbark, C J
Gifford, L B	Niron, A B	Tyler, —
Glover, A E	Parker, G W	Thirkell, W R
Halmer, H	Petterson, O T	Thomas, D H
Hafley, Wm	Perkins, Jas	Thomas, C G
Hart, —	Pritchard, F	Thorn, A
Heisig, J M (2)	Prewett, J E	Todd, —
Henricksen, P	Portado, A	Turner, Albert
Henley, F	Raymond, H	Walker, C D
Hill, B S	Reid, Daniel	Whitmore, E A
Hilbert, J W	Rivers, M (2)	Wheeler, J B
Howel, Frank	Richert, F	Woldron, A
Hulbart, John	Russell, B	Woodward, F
Hunt, A	Rutledge, R	Wood, S O
Jacobwitz, H	Sanb, J	Wright, A
Johnson, —	Schaffer, Wm	
Johnson, H		

Foreign.

Marceleon Veira da Fonte	Antonio Marin Gomes
Stamapa Mappa	Jacintho Jose Souzar
C Recereur des Postes	Giovanni Jezza
L Pareisti	Louy Louo
C chef de gare	Adelaida Mde Fowes
Eamo Dante	Antonio Silveira
Francisco Godarte da Costa	Ultreno, Silvero de Avila

Chinese.

Wing Chung Lung	

Japanese.

K Nunanu	H S Hayashi
Mr Hayce	G Otsuka

Third and Fourth Class.

J H Ames (2)

J. O. COLEMAN, Postmaster.

A Mixture of Terms.

A friend, who calls the silvery moon to witness that the story is true, has made a generous present to the *Light of Paris* of the following, dedicating it particularly to the confirmed whist player:

Mrs. Ponsonby, visiting Paris, is receiving her friends at a "little evening," and thinking to have a pleasant change after talk, suggests to a guest: "And now, Monsieur Dubois, shall we have a rubber?"

"Ah, Madame," said Monsieur Dubois, with perfect politeness, but piteously, "a thousand thanks, mais—je—je—n'aime pas le massage!"

Waves Mountain High—

Or somewhat less—threaten, during a storm, to engulf the adventurous voyager on the tempestuous Atlantic. Sometimes he is torn with deep despair at such a juncture, sometimes he is rather glad of it. The latter condition of mind obtains when he is seasick. The diabolical qualms which he has undergone, and which are now aggravated ten-fold by the pitching of the ship, render him in a measure indifferent to his fate. This picture is scarcely exaggerated, as people who have been violently seasick will assure you. Travelers and tourists by sea and land should always be provided with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters as a means of counteracting seasickness and the nervous disturbance or stomach trouble, begotten of uncomfortable transit by land or water, or unwholesome food hastily swallowed at railway stations. Emigrants should supply themselves with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters as a family safeguard against malaria, stomach, liver and bowel complaints, kidney trouble and rheumatism.

25 cents for a box of Beecham's Pills worth a guinea.

Real Estate, Etc.

A RARE OPPORTUNITY

Good Agricultural Land for $10 to $20 per Acre.

The Pacific Improvement Company has recently purchased twelve thousand acres of land in the heart of Tehama County, for the purpose of promoting subdivision and settlement. This land embraces lands from first-class Sacramento Valley agricultural land, to land of fair average quality, and is offered at from $10 to $20 per acre, in subdivisions of 40, 80, 120, 160 and 320 acres.

The terms upon which these lands are offered are especially attractive. They will be sold in subdivisions, as above indicated, by the payment of interest only for three years, at which time the purchaser can begin the payment of principal by paying the first of five equal annual installments. Thus no part of the principal is to be paid for three years, and then the purchaser is to have five years in which to pay five equal annual installments, with interest at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum, making payments extending over a period of eight years. Intending purchasers are assured that this is an opportunity to pur