

DEPORTATION OF CHINESE.

Authoritative Statement Issued by Attorney-General Olney.

ALL ACTION SO FAR HAS EMANATED FROM HIS DEPARTMENT.

The House Committee on Elections Orders a Favorable Report on the Bill Repealing the Federal Election Laws—The Bill Repeals All Laws Relating in Any Manner to Supervisors of Elections and Special Deputy Marshals.

Special to the RECORD-UNION.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—The first authoritative statement issued by officials of the Government in regard to the Geary Chinese Exclusion Act since the recent agitation concerning its enforcement or non-enforcement was made by Attorney-General Olney to-day. It is as follows: "The statement that any action was recently taken by the President or Secretary of State relative to the non-enforcement of the sixth section of the so-called Geary Act is without foundation. All that has been done since the original instructions were given concurrently to revenue officials and to Marshals and their deputies by the Secretary of the Treasury and Department of Justice has been done by this department.

"It having been held by Judge Ross of California that warrants could issue for violation of said sixth section on complaint of private individuals, and complaints having been in fact made and warrants issued in various instances, the Marshals and their deputies have been instructed that a warrant issued by a court must be served, and any orders for deportation subsequently made in such cases must be put into execution to the extent that is available for that purpose. Deportations have not actually been made, however, for this reason: In all cases of warrants issued as above stated writs of habeas corpus had been applied for and, being denied, appeals had been taken from such denial. In that state of things, rule 32 of the United States Supreme Court, expressly authorized by the statute, forbids any change of custody pending appeal. The language is: 'Pending an appeal from a final decision of any court or Judge declining to grant a writ of habeas corpus, the custody of the prisoner shall not be disturbed.' The result is that in all cases of the kind referred to the parties in custody of a Marshal or his deputies, at the time when appeals are taken from orders refusing writs of habeas corpus, are in fact in such custody pending such appeal, and can be deported, if at all, only after judgments upon such appeals in favor of the Government.

THEIR REQUEST MET WITH REFUSAL. PORTLAND (Or.), Sept. 12.—A committee from the Central Labor Council waited upon United States officials this afternoon for the purpose of securing arrest of several fishermen under the provisions of the Geary Act. They met a refusal, as the Federal authorities were unwilling to proceed without funds or the co-operation of the District Attorney, whose orders are adverse to such proceedings.

FEDERAL ELECTION LAW.

The House Committee Orders a Favorable Report on Its Repeal.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—The House Committee on Elections of President and Vice-President and members of Congress ordered a favorable report on the bill repealing the Federal election law. The Democrats expect to give it exclusive attention in the House after Thursday. A bitter partisan fight is expected. The bill, which was drawn up by Tucker of Virginia, repeals all existing statutes or parts thereof relating in any manner to Supervisors of Elections and special Deputy Marshals. The majority report will deal with the rights of Federal interference at the polls, and the question of policy. The question of intervention in New York will not be gone into in the report, although it will probably figure in the debate. The question of expense is dealt with vaguely, an estimate of \$1,500,000 being given as the quadruplicate cost of the present laws. Debate will probably commence Friday or Saturday. The Democratic leaders are determined to push it through, and the Republicans affirm the intention of fighting it to the bitter end. Some of the repeal Democrats of the House fear that the creating of bitter partisan feeling at this time will have a disastrous effect in the struggle for unconditional repeal of the Sherman law, as they depend largely on Republican votes to aid them. The Democrats in charge of the Tucker bill, however, think it will have no effect on the silver fight, and have resolved at any rate to take the chances.

CONGRESS OF BUSINESS MEN.

Scarcely One-Tenth of Those Invited Attend.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—The National Congress of Business Men met to-day, with 200 representatives of Boards of Trade of the principal cities present. Dr. R. James of New York called the assembling to order, saying that the object of the meeting was to call for the immediate repeal of the purchasing clause of the Sherman Act and to consider the financial interests of the country. B. H. Warner of Washington was chosen temporary Chairman. The attendance was rather disappointing, scarcely one-tenth of those who responded to the invitations sent out by the New York Board of Trade and Transportation coming. However, at the time the invitations were sent out the monetary stringency had not developed. The invitations announced the object of the meeting to be the discussion of the financial interests of the country, and to ask the National Congress to repeal the Sherman Act. Mr. Warner, in his address, spoke of this, and said it was also intended to ask Congress for the appointment of a National Non-partisan Commission to consider the future financial situation. Ex-Governor Stannard of Missouri was selected President of the meeting, and a Vice-President was chosen from each of the States represented. When the Committee on Resolutions reported an effort was made to hitch on a free silver clause in place of the anti-silver section, but the attempt was a failure. The resolutions declare that the Sherman law will plunge the business interests of the country into a more serious crisis than that from which they are now beginning to emerge. The President was authorized, if he deemed necessary in future, to call another Congress to continue the work already begun. After disposing of other matters the congress adjourned sine die.

Cholera in Europe.

LONDON, Sept. 12.—Letters from the Crimea say the cholera is committing

terrible ravages, and hundreds in the province of Taurida are dying daily. The official figures gave thirty-eight deaths last week, whereas there were more than thirty deaths in two towns alone. The authorities have forbidden the tolling of the bells in order not to cause panic through the frequency of the funerals. An outbreak called choleraic diarrhoea is reported from Derby.

THE CAMPAIGN IN OHIO.

Governor McKinley Addresses a Big Meeting at Akron.

AKRON (Ohio), Sept. 12.—Governor McKinley opened the Republican campaign here to-day with a big meeting. Delegations were present from Cleveland, Canton, Youngstown, Massillon and other cities of Eastern Ohio. The street parade occurred this afternoon, marching to Grace Park, where the meeting was held. Speaking on silver, McKinley said: "The great majority of the Republican Senate would vote for repeal; if repeal is not carried, the Democrats would have to bear the blame. We do not wish to strike down either gold or silver," he said, "we want to use both metals, but insist that one shall go at a parity with the other, and both be of equal intrinsic value."

He declared the trouble was not lack of money, but the taking of money out of circulation through distrust. Confidence would come back and the trouble end if the declared policy to introduce revenue tariff changes in the country was abandoned. He proceeded to quote the Democratic platform in favor of the tariff for revenue only, and to state President Cleveland's position and that of Chairman Wilson of the Ways and Means Committee, all pointing to the same conclusion, and continued by declaring the proposed revision was to be made utterly regardless of American industries and the American workingman and his wages. He then took up the question of a State standpoint, touching on manufactures and industries which would be injuriously or disastrously affected by a revenue tariff.

TARIFF QUESTION.

Wool Men Appear Before the Ways and Means Committee.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—A large delegation of wool men appeared before the Ways and Means Committee to-day. Charles H. Clark of Philadelphia, representing the Manufacturers' Club, said he believed the duties affecting manufacturing to be due in part to the apprehension entertained by manufacturers that there would be a fulfillment of the threat of radical changes in the duties on imported materials. The manufacturers are afraid to buy. Many mills had ceased operations completely and a large number were running upon short time. Many had already been compelled to reduce wages. He expressed the opinion that relief may be afforded, immediately by the assurance that the committee would not assail the tariff law in such a manner as to expose manufacturers to unequal competition from Europeans, working with a lower wage scale. S. N. D. North of Boston read resolutions adopted by the National Wool Manufacturers' Association, which lauded the McKinley bill and deprecated the passage of any measure to reduce the tariff schedule on wool. Theodore Justice of Philadelphia assumed that it was the intention of the committee to put wool on the free list, and anticipated that such an action would destroy the second largest agricultural interest in the country. He declared that the cost of transporting wool from one section of this country to another was 12 per cent. greater than the cost of transportation from foreign countries to America. He said the woolen mills throughout the country were being closed daily, and attributed it to the fact that President Cleveland said that within a few months wool would be placed on the free list.

REVOLT IN BRAZIL.

Rico and Niteroey Declared in a State of Siege.

MONTVIDEO, Sept. 12.—Rico and Niteroey in Brazil have been declared in a state of siege for the last ten days, and this condition may be extended to any part of Brazil where it is deemed necessary. The rebel squadron shows no inclination to leave the bay. The situation is practically unchanged and commercial cable dispatches are still prohibited. The British Consul here has warned all British vessels of the risk of putting into Rio. The Brazilian gun-boat Bahia has gone up the Paraguary River with orders in case any ships at Matto Grosso join in the revolt against Peixoto to engage with them. The Brazilian war-ship Tirandentes remains here subject to the Minister's orders. The Italian, German and Spanish warships which were here have started for Rio.

IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Disquieting News Received from Fort Victoria.

CAPTOWN, Sept. 12.—Disquieting news has been received from Fort Victoria. Large bodies of Matabeles have been in full fighting order on the frontier of the Cape Colony. The numbers threaten the Matabeles, who have straggled into the Victoria, where preparation is being made against a determined attack. A force of mounted troopers was sent to investigate, with the result that all settlers were called into the fort, bringing all the arms, food and ammunition obtainable. It is feared the hostiles will capture the troopers' horses. Dr. Briggs May Change His Faith. NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—The Post's special from Cincinnati says: Rev. Dr. Briggs of New York, recently suspended by the Presbyterian Assembly, passed through this city yesterday on his way to Chicago. He called upon Bishop Vincent of this city at the Episcopal rooms and was closeted with him for some time. There is an apparently well-authenticated rumor to the effect that Dr. Briggs contemplates uniting himself with the Episcopal church. Mrs. Cleveland's New Baby. WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—It is reported Mrs. Cleveland has decided to name the new baby Naomi. Mrs. Cleveland is decidedly opposed to giving the little girl her own name, Frances Folsom, and likes Naomi as a companion to Ruth. Those who have been favored with a glimpse of the baby say she is remarkably like her sister Ruth. She is a decided brunette. Condition of Judge Smith. CHICAGO, Sept. 12.—The surgeons at Mercy Hospital to-night report Judge B. N. Smith of Los Angeles, who was injured by an electric car yesterday, as greatly improved, and there is every reason to think now he will recover unless some unforeseen complication intervenes. Canada Will Not Adopt the Agreement. WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—The Secretary of the Treasury has been notified that the Canadian Government cannot adopt the agreement for the inspection of immigrants between this country and Canada. Telegraphers in Council. CHICAGO, Sept. 12.—The thirteenth annual session of the Old-Time Telegraphers Association began here to-day. The United States Military Telegraph Corps is also holding a reunion.

DARING TRAIN ROBBERY.

New York Express on the Lake Shore Held Up by Bandits.

A LARGE SUM OF MONEY REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN TAKEN.

The Express Car Blown Open With Dynamite, the Messenger Knocked Senseless and the Safe Rifled, the Whole Performance Occupying an Hour—The Amount Secured Stated as High as a Quarter of a Million Dollars.

KENDALLVILLE (Ind.), Sept. 12.—Another daring and successful train robbery goes on record. The New York express train on the Lake Shore Road, which left Chicago at 7:45 last night, reached the siding at Kessler, five miles west from here, at 1 o'clock this morning. Approaching it, Engineer Knapp noticed a red stopped signal light at the switch and stopped the train. As he did so twenty men, armed with Winchester, sprang out of the woods and scattered along the train, covering the trainman, while one fired at the engineer, inflicting a wound in the shoulder. With everything in hand, the robbers proceeded to blow open the forward express car with dynamite; then, knocking the express messenger senseless, exploded five dynamite cartridges in succession against the safe before it yielded. They helped themselves to the contents, and the robbers also occupying an hour, when, without making any attempt on the other express car or interfering with the passengers who remained in the train, the robbers, they fired a few warning shots and disappeared in the woods.

It is rumored that the robbers secured \$250,000 in transit from one of the Chicago banks. The train came on here, the alarm was given and the Sheriff at once summoned a posse and started in pursuit of the bandits. It was reported later that the robbers secured nearly \$300,000, being a considerable sum in addition to the \$250,000 already reported. It is believed the robbers were the work of a gang of tramps. The express car was the body of Mrs. Hallock of Norwich, Long Island, who committed suicide at the Galt House a few days ago, after having committed suicide in New York.

Engineer Knapp brought the train here, but was unable to go farther on account of his wound. It is believed he will recover. One mile, Elizabeth L. won, Miss Dixie Forest Rose third. Time, 1:44. Free handicap, sweepstakes, mile and seventy yards, Promenade won, Bessie Bissland second, Faraday third. Time, 1:47. Cincinnatus Autumn Stakes, eleven-sixteenths of a mile, Pirate King won, Ganeon second, King David third. Time, 1:11. Five-sixteenths of a mile, Lorna Doone won, Miss L. second, Fred Gardner third. Time, 0:58. Nine sixteenths of a mile, Egbert won, Annie Buckingham second, Delmar third. Time, 0:57. AT GRAVESEND. GRAVESEND, Sept. 12.—The track was fair. Mile and a sixteenth, Raedland won, By Jove second, Integrity third. Time, 1:50. Five furlongs, Dorian won, Ormus second, Lucky Dog third. Time, 1:02. Six furlongs, Correction won, Derfargill second, Fairy third. Time, 1:14. Mile and a sixteenth, Deception won, Adam second, Diablo third. Time, 1:43. Four and a half furlongs, Wernberg won, Innocent second, Half Mine third. Time, 0:55. THE CHEROKEE STRIP. TERRIBLE CRUSH OF LAND-SEEKERS AT THE REGISTERING BOOTHS. ARKANSAS CITY (Kas.), Sept. 12.—When the Cherokee strip registering booths were opened this morning there was a terrible crush. Those in the rear seemed to think that pushing from behind would expedite business at the front. On the contrary, it only impeded the work. Four more clerks were added to the working force, and many more certificates were issued than yesterday. The line in front of the booths held its place all last night. Men, women and children, negroes and Indians, were packed in a commotion. To-day the system of numbering persons in line was adopted, and those having numbers were allowed to go and come at will. This proved a great convenience to the land-seekers. At Stillwater, twenty miles east of Orlando, 2,000 certificates were issued yesterday, and about the same number to-day. Many men were waiting at both places. The scarcity of water and the intense heat have caused the death of several children. Trains of wagons a mile in length and in squads of forty and fifty passed through Guthrie to-day bound for the strip, and a hundred arrived on trains from the south. The Cherokee Indians have chosen the most desirable sites for their allotment, and several of them have combined to establish a string of towns along the Santa Fe.

AMOUNT STOLEN NOT YET KNOWN. BUFFALO (N. Y.), Sept. 12.—John Byrne of this city, Superintendent of Devises of the United States Express Company, left to-night for Chicago on the express robbery. Officials of the company here declare that it may be days before the extent of the robbery is known, and that it may be \$50,000, or it may be \$250,000. The robbed express car reached here early this evening. Its interior is pretty nearly torn to pieces.

COLUMBIAN EXPOSITION. Another Day of Attractions at the World's Fair Grounds. CHICAGO, Sept. 12.—This was another big day at the World's Fair, as far as attractions were concerned, Colorado, Maryland and Kansas celebrating. The Centennial State had decorated its building in a most elaborate manner, and a great crowd thronged it. Governor Waite and members of Colorado's commission were present and welcomed all comers, especially Coloradans. The celebrated drum corps of Denver was present on its way back from Indianapolis, and attracted much attention. At the exercise in the afternoon Governor Waite made an address on the silver question. Several other speakers were heard, among them C. S. Thomas of Denver. To-night Governor Waite was tenacious of a complimentary reception, at which everybody had a good time, and the pleasures of the day wound up with a dance for young people. The Kansas people, who began their State celebration yesterday, continued it to-day, and will keep it up the remainder of the week. The building was the gathering place for a great crowd all day. It was profusely decorated with sunflowers,

the emblem of the State. Inside the resources of the State were lavishly displayed. In the rear of the building seats had been provided for several thousand persons, and they were filled. On the platform, beside Governor Lewelling, sat members of his staff, State Commissioners of Education, State Treasurer, the British in 1814, the outcome of which resulted in the production of "The Star-Spangled Banner." Mary hundred Marylanders visited the fair and took part in the exercises in the afternoon. Cardinal Gibbons offered prayer, Governor Brown and others made brief addresses, and Miss Martha Ford of Baltimore recited "The Star-Spangled Banner." To-night a beautiful pyrotechnic display was given representing the bombardment of Fort Mifflin.

The Society of the Army of Tennessee held its first session of its twenty-fifth annual meeting in Festival Hall this afternoon, presided over by General G. M. Dodge. General D. B. Henderson of the Swiss Legion and several other distinguished members of the society and ladies remained on the grounds to see the evening display.

M. Bartholdi, the great French sculptor, to-day visited the new Columbian Liberty bell, and rung it twice, one stroke for the anniversary of the "Star-Spangled Banner" and one for the anniversary of the Swiss Constitution of 1848.

The total admissions to-day were 193,672, of which 163,324 were paid.

ON EASTERN TRACKS. Arion Carries Off a Rich Stake at Washington Park. WASHINGTON PARK, Sept. 12.—The track was good. Consolation stake, Baron Dillon won, Mili Lady second, Dentine third. Best time, 2:28. Two-twenty-five trot, Jennie K. won, Brazil second, General Case third. Best time, 2:13. Four-year-olds stake, purse of \$11,000, Arion won, Trevilian second, Belleflower third. Best time, 2:12. Car and hicle were also out.

Two-seventeen trot (unfinished), Clara D. won, Kate F. second, Florida third. Best time, 2:16. AT ST. LOUIS. ST. LOUIS, Sept. 12.—The track was heavy. St. Louis Watchie won, Willie C. second, Benita third. Time, 1:27. Four furlongs, Queen Mab won, Alcorn second, Dottie Dimple third. No time given. Five furlongs, Freshizer won, Jim Murphy second, Freedom third. Time, 1:36. Five furlongs, Sall Ross won, Lochey second, Susie Nell third. Time, 1:38. Seven and a half furlongs, Invercauld won, Lida second, Edwin third. Time, 1:40. The race was declared off.

AT LONDON. LONDON, Sept. 12.—The track was heavy. Severn and Soreth won, Marion G. second, Judge Cardwell third. Time, 1:31. One mile, Elizabeth L. won, Miss Dixie Forest Rose third. Time, 1:44. Free handicap, sweepstakes, mile and seventy yards, Promenade won, Bessie Bissland second, Faraday third. Time, 1:47. Cincinnatus Autumn Stakes, eleven-sixteenths of a mile, Pirate King won, Ganeon second, King David third. Time, 1:11. Five-sixteenths of a mile, Lorna Doone won, Miss L. second, Fred Gardner third. Time, 0:58. Nine sixteenths of a mile, Egbert won, Annie Buckingham second, Delmar third. Time, 0:57. AT GRAVESEND. GRAVESEND, Sept. 12.—The track was fair. Mile and a sixteenth, Raedland won, By Jove second, Integrity third. Time, 1:50. Five furlongs, Dorian won, Ormus second, Lucky Dog third. Time, 1:02. Six furlongs, Correction won, Derfargill second, Fairy third. Time, 1:14. Mile and a sixteenth, Deception won, Adam second, Diablo third. Time, 1:43. Four and a half furlongs, Wernberg won, Innocent second, Half Mine third. Time, 0:55. THE CHEROKEE STRIP. TERRIBLE CRUSH OF LAND-SEEKERS AT THE REGISTERING BOOTHS. ARKANSAS CITY (Kas.), Sept. 12.—When the Cherokee strip registering booths were opened this morning there was a terrible crush. Those in the rear seemed to think that pushing from behind would expedite business at the front. On the contrary, it only impeded the work. Four more clerks were added to the working force, and many more certificates were issued than yesterday. The line in front of the booths held its place all last night. Men, women and children, negroes and Indians, were packed in a commotion. To-day the system of numbering persons in line was adopted, and those having numbers were allowed to go and come at will. This proved a great convenience to the land-seekers. At Stillwater, twenty miles east of Orlando, 2,000 certificates were issued yesterday, and about the same number to-day. Many men were waiting at both places. The scarcity of water and the intense heat have caused the death of several children. Trains of wagons a mile in length and in squads of forty and fifty passed through Guthrie to-day bound for the strip, and a hundred arrived on trains from the south. The Cherokee Indians have chosen the most desirable sites for their allotment, and several of them have combined to establish a string of towns along the Santa Fe.

DECLINES THE NOMINATION. Coffin Will Not Run on the Prohibition Ticket in Iowa. DES MOINES (Iowa), Sept. 12.—L. S. Coffin, nominated for Governor by the Citizens' State Prohibition Convention, to-day wrote a letter declining the nomination, on account of his belief in the impossibility of a separate party achieving anything for prohibition, and further because he considered it necessary for the Republicans to be united this year. Leaving the party now on account of its temperance resolution would insure the success of the party of saloons, and this work is a considerable injury. The prohibition people will now probably select Benny Mitchell, who was second choice.

HOME RULE BILL. Circular Issued by the National Federation Against the Lords. LONDON, Sept. 12.—The National Federation to-night issued a circular against the House of Lords. In the circular the Federation declares that seven years' discussion and eighty-two days' deliberation by the House of Commons definitely ascertained the wishes of 2,000,000 electors, yet this counts for nothing when opposed to the views of 400 conservative peers. The circular concludes that as the home rule bill passed the House of Commons, and was rejected by the House of Lords, it is doubly certain to become a law. It also says, not only will the Irish question be settled, but that a real era of reform is opening for the democracy of the United Kingdom.

OUTCOME OF AN OLD FEUD.

A Farmer Murdered in Cold Blood in Stanislaus County.

SHOT IN THE BACK WHILE DRIVING HOME WITH HIS FAMILY.

Red Bluff Celebrates the Arrival at That Town of the Government Snagboat Selzer, the First Steamer Which Has Reached That Point Since 1881—Sensation at Seattle Over the Disappearance of the City Treasurer, Whose Accounts Are Said to be Many Thousand Dollars Short.

Special to the RECORD-UNION. NEWMAN, Sept. 12.—S. A. Whipple, a farmer living in Oak Flat, this county, was shot and killed at 1 o'clock to-day by S. A. Bauguess near Crow's Landing. The weapon used was a Winchester rifle. The murder is the result of an old feud which has existed between the two men for the past year.

The killing occurred near A. Van Winkle's ranch two miles west of the town. Whipple was returning home from town with his wife and two small children, when they passed Bauguess on horseback. In a few seconds Mrs. Whipple heard the report of a rifle, and at the same time her husband fell over mortally wounded from a shot in the back. As soon as Bauguess saw that he had killed Whipple he started for the coast range with all speed.

The shock was so terrible that for a time Mrs. Whipple was out of her mind. There was no one at home at the Van Winkle ranch when the murder occurred, but Mrs. Whipple carried the dead body of her husband into the house, and a few minutes later, when two friends came along, she was still talking to him and kissing him between sobs. Friends saw at a glance that Whipple was dead, but they could not convince Mrs. Whipple that he was fatally hurt. The scene was indeed a sad one, with two fatherless children crying as though their hearts were broken, and the poor mother wild with grief.

For the past year Bauguess has been expected between these two men. Last November Whipple met Bauguess in the road, and with a shotgun ordered him (Bauguess) to stand while he gave him a horse-whipping. Whipple claimed that Bauguess had talked about his wife, which was the cause of this first trouble, and from that day to this the two men have been deadly enemies. The killing has created great excitement in the vicinity of Crow's Landing.

Several men in hot pursuit of Bauguess, who will doubtless be caught, as it is reported that he has no friends in the vicinity where he lives.

DOINGS AT MARE ISLAND. The Alert to Go Out of Commission as Soon as She Arrives. VALLEJO, Sept. 12.—Preparations are under way for the reception of the United States ship Alert, recently detached from the Asiatic squadron, and now due here from China. As soon as reported here the commission pennant will be hauled down and the vessel put out of commission, the crew paid off, the officers detached and ordered home. A report of her condition will be made to the Secretary of the Navy.

It is more than probable that both the United States ships Thetis and the monitor Monterey will sail from the navy yard during the present week. Both vessels have been reported ready for sea, and are now coaling at the coal wharf. The Thetis will resume survey duty, and the Monterey will go to Monterey Bay for target practice, thence to southern ports.

Chief Constructor Taylor has a large force of men at work making preparations for putting on the armor plates of the monitor Monadnock. It will be done while the ship is in the dry dock. Yesterday an attempt was made to capsize the caisson of the dry dock to enable workmen to make repairs. The strain brought to bear on the bottom angle iron was too great and something gave way, necessitating a suspension of operations. This repair must be made at once, as the Boston is expected up from Honolulu, and the present condition of the dry dock makes it impossible to work in. To repair the caisson will require ten days, working night and day, as it will be necessary to hoist it clear out of the water.

HEAVY STORM IN MENDOCINO COUNTY. UKIAH, Sept. 12.—One of the heaviest thunder storms ever known in this section passed over this valley this afternoon, doing great damage, if not totally ruining the half-picked hop crop. PRIZE FIGHTERS AFFRONTED. PORTLAND (Or.), Sept. 12.—Billy Mahan of San Francisco and another pugilist have been indicted by the Grand Jury for engaging a prize fight.

RESULT OF A DRUNKEN ROW. Tragedy Enacted at a Long-Deserted Hotel at Brighton. ROCHESTER (N. Y.), Sept. 12.—A tragedy was enacted this morning at the long-deserted Hotel Erie, in Brighton, which recently has been used as a boarding-house for a gang of Italian laborers. They had visitors Sunday afternoon, and in a drunken row which followed several shots were fired, and it is believed one was killed. Last night the visitors returned and renewed the fight, when one was stabbed. This morning the hotel was burned. Two men are missing, and it is believed they are in the ruins, possibly with others.

RACING FOR THE BRONTON REEF CUP. RYDE, Sept. 12.—The Navahoe and Britannia started at noon to-day in the race for the Bronton Reef cup, which was won in the United States in 1855 by the British cutter Geneva. The course is 120 miles. When last seen the Britannia was leading at 5 p. m. the Britannia entered the west channel, closely followed by the Navahoe, which soon took the lead and passed out to the east. The Navahoe rounded the stakeout at Chelborough at 11:15 this evening and the Britannia followed her thirty seconds later. The yachts had not finished at midnight.

CHANGES IN PENNSYLVANIA AGENCIES. WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—Extensive changes among Pension Agencies are soon to be made by Secretary Hoke Smith. Consideration has been given to this matter for several weeks, and a number of Agents have been decided upon for early appointment. The Appointment Division Department has been instructed to prepare briefs of all applications for agencies, preference to be given to those incumbents whose means are limited.

Decision Against Salvationists Who Were Arrested at Redlands. REDLANDS, Sept. 12.—The city ordinance prohibiting the Salvation Army

from beating drums on the streets was sustained by a decision of Judge Otis of the Superior Court of this county yesterday, who refused a habeas corpus to the Salvation Army men arrested for a violation of the ordinance. The ordinance prohibits the beating of drums, blowing of horns or ringing of bells on the public streets. The city officers arrested two members of the Salvation Army, who were fined and appealed the case to the Superior Court. The decision sustained the city ordinance.

HIGH LICENSE AT MERCED. Prohibitionists Preparing to Have More Fun in the Supreme Court. MERCED, Sept. 12.—The Merced Prohibitionists are preparing to have more fun in the Supreme Court soon, similar to that occasioned by the Spring case last Tuesday, wherein James F. Peck, the acknowledged leader of the \$3,000-a-quarter contingent, wanted to defend his father-in-law in order to get a decision from the court on the validity of the ordinance. After returning to Merced Peck said he would soon try the scheme again. He might E. C. Mason, hotelkeeper at Plainsburg, in Merced county, was arrested and charged with violating the ordinance. He employed Peck to defend him and the case will be taken before the Supreme Court, if it can be gotten there. Mason has always been considered a high license man, the same as Peck.

New Bonds to Be Issued. SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 12.—At noon today the directors of the Southern Pacific Railroad Company decided to issue bonds slightly in excess of \$80,000,000. These bonds are to be issued by the Southern Pacific of California, and will be secured by a first mortgage on the railroad's property in this State. They are to be exchanged for old bonds, and the excess is to be used in the construction of new lines. The original bonds bore interest at six per cent. The new ones will bear five per cent, and will be placed on the market in New York and London as soon as practicable.

Accidentally Killed Himself. UKIAH, Sept. 12.—Crispin Miranda, aged 19, a Spaniard, accidentally shot and instantly killed himself last night near Ukiah, twenty miles north of this place. He had been living near Santa Rosa, and was up here on a hunting expedition. He had been cleaning a pistol. He had just loaded it and was looking down the barrel, when it exploded, the ball passing through his left eye and into the brain. The remains were shipped to his parents this afternoon.

Stabbing Affair in Sutter County. YUBA CITY, Sept. 12.—Nick Garrah stabbed Andrew Morris at Tisdale's Landing, in this county, twelve miles west of this place, yesterday morning. Both men were deckhands on the steamer Flora, and were unloading lumber. The wounded man was taken to Meridian and is not expected to live. He was cut in the side. Sheriff J. C. Garrah this morning at Knight's Landing while boarding the train. He was lodged in jail here to-day.

Raid on Opium Joints. SAN RAFAEL, Sept. 12.—Internal Revenue Inspectors Gilchrist and Meyer of San Francisco and City Marshal Healy of San Rafael made a raid on opium joints, tan games and lottery agencies here last night. Gilchrist and Meyer captured considerable quantities of opium and cigars, while Healy captured the tan game players and layout. This is considered the most successful raid ever made in the county.

Want Action Deferred. SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 12.—The State Board of Trade adopted a resolution to-day appointing Colonel John P. Irish a committee to urge the Committee on Ways and Means of the National House of Representatives to defer action on the tariff relating to fruits until the California delegation could be heard from.

Death of an Army Lieutenant. ASTORIA, Sept. 12.—Lieutenant Alvin H. Sydenham of the Fifth Artillery, stationed at Fort Canby, died at the fort Sunday morning very suddenly of erysipelas. He was only 25 years old and leaves a young widow and two small children. The funeral took place at the fort yesterday.

Jail Break at Ukiah. UKIAH, Sept. 12.—The lock on our City Jail was picked yesterday, and three prisoners liberated. Another attempt was made to break the lock to-day, but unsuccessfully. A number of bad characters are infesting the town, and the authorities are thoroughly aroused.

Barn Burned. WOODLAND, Sept. 12.—A barn near Black's Station, belonging to Michael Slaven, was burned this afternoon with fifty tons of hay, harness and farming machinery. The origin of the fire is not known. The loss is \$1,000, with no insurance.

Heavy Storm in Mendocino County. UKIAH, Sept. 12.—One of the heaviest thunder storms ever known in this section passed over this valley this afternoon, doing great damage, if not totally ruining the half-picked hop crop. PRIZE FIGHTERS AFFRONTED. PORTLAND (Or.), Sept. 12.—Billy Mahan of San Francisco and another pugilist have been indicted by the Grand Jury for engaging a prize fight.

RESULT OF A DRUNKEN ROW. Tragedy Enacted at a Long-Deserted Hotel at Brighton. ROCHESTER (N. Y.), Sept. 12.—A tragedy was enacted this morning at the long-deserted Hotel Erie, in Brighton, which recently has been used as a boarding-house for a gang of Italian laborers. They had visitors Sunday afternoon, and in a drunken row which followed several shots were fired, and it is believed one was killed. Last night the visitors returned and renewed the fight, when one was stabbed. This morning the hotel was burned. Two men are missing, and it is believed they are in the ruins, possibly with others.

RACING FOR THE BRONTON REEF CUP. RYDE, Sept. 12.—The Navahoe and Britannia started at noon to-day in the race for the Bronton Reef cup, which was won in the United States in 1855 by the British cutter Geneva. The course is 120 miles. When last seen the Britannia was leading at 5 p. m. the Britannia entered the west channel, closely followed by the Navahoe, which soon took the lead and passed out to the east. The Navahoe rounded the stakeout at Chelborough at 11:15 this evening and the Britannia followed her thirty seconds later. The yachts had not finished at midnight.