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Weather Forecast.

Northern California—Fair, except light showers in the extreme northern portion; nearly stationary weather, except slightly warmer near Red Bluff; fresh and generally westerly winds.

Height of river, 25 feet.

THE LIBERTY HILL DAM.

The following notice appears in a San Francisco morning contemporary:

THE CALIFORNIA DEBRIS COMMISSION, having received applications to mine by the hydraulic process from T. G. Piels, in the Liberty Hill mine, Nevada County, and John Spaulding, in the Polar Star mine, near Dutch Flat, Placer County, to impound tailings behind the Liberty Hill dam, in Bear River, gives notice that a meeting will be held at room 92, Flood building, San Francisco, Cal., on May 13, 1895, at 1:30 P. M.

If we have not already given facts enough to prove that there is a strong general tendency to resume hydraulic mining free from all restrictions that restrict, the above notice of itself would go far toward substantiating the charges and emphasizing the warnings that we have been called upon to utter.

The Liberty Hill dam again! Is the case of Hardt vs. the Liberty Hill Consolidated Mining and Water Company so old as to be forgotten? No, not if it were a century old, nor even so long as there remains a fear that hydraulic mining may afflict and threaten the State again as in former years. But the case was decided only nine years ago, when Judge Sawyer took occasion to reiterate his convictions as to the insecurity of restraining dams, with special reference to the Liberty Hill, and to picture in memorable sentences the uncertain nature and threatening possibilities of such structures. After a complete hearing he vacated the order temporarily suspending the injunction against the Liberty Hill and made the injunction permanent.

Query: Will the Debris Commission undertake, now, to consider the granting of a permit which would have the effect of nullifying the order of the United States Court?

Said Judge Sawyer: "A court having power to enjoin the nuisance might, with just as much propriety, refuse an injunction against the erection by the owner on his own premises of a magazine for the storage of gunpowder and dynamite."

Nothing short of omniscience is equal to the task of determining the absolute sufficiency of such a dam, and nothing should be accepted as sufficient, except upon the most indisputable and demonstrative evidence."

And, as though he had already foreseen the utter impracticability of hydraulic mining with any assurance of safety dependent upon any sort of dams whatever, which experience shows to be the fact, he brought the whole matter to logical issue in the following paragraph. If he had had the proofs before him then which abound now and have been so rapidly accumulating during the last year, he could not have spoken more to the point. Said he: "If restraining dams must be relied on by the inhabitants of the valleys of California to protect them from destruction by mining debris, it would seem that such dams should be constructed by or under the supervision and in accordance with the ideas of the parties in danger and liable to be injured, rather than under the supervision and in accordance with the ideas of those who commit the trespasses and perform the acts which give rise to the danger and whose interests are not in danger or in any respect liable to suffer."

It is to the pecuniary interest of the hydraulic miner to get out as much of the precious metals as possible. ... What happens afterward is no concern of his."

The mere suggestion of using the condemned Liberty Hill dam is a serious menace, but if license should possibly be obtained to use it, the end of hydraulic mining will have been reached then beyond all compromise. Perhaps it may as well come to this, in order that the nuisance may be really abated unconditionally and forever.

A SUGGESTION to the managing committees of the Native Sons for Admission Day that they appoint a highly competent person, fitted by art instincts and cultivation, and by business capacity, who shall be known as Chief of Decorations, his duty to be, from say about Au-

gust 1st, to advise with and assist all people who propose to decorate their premises, as to the matter of designs, and what is tasteful and in keeping with the object to be adorned and the occasion. In this way, as is done in New Orleans, a degree of excellence in decoration can be reached that is impossible where each and everyone proceeds without knowledge of what his neighbor is about to do. It secures, also, in sections, harmony of decoration, prevents duplication, adds to variety and conserves economy to all who propose to decorate. The Chief having knowledge of what each person wishes to do, will be able to so harmonize effects and relate one to the other as to immensely lighten the general effectiveness and beauty of the entire display. Of course citizens would be only too glad to submit their designs to such a supervisor, and to accept his suggestions, since it is the desire of all to secure the very best results as a whole.

AN ALFALFA LIE.

The Bakersfield Californian in a recent issue published this extract from the special correspondence of the San Francisco Chronicle who accompanied the Half-Million Club in its swing around the circle. The correspondent was writing from Bakersfield:

"Another case," said the farmer, talking to Mr. Sullivan, "will show you how your people have long up the development of alfalfa. Some time ago I had a forty-acre field of alfalfa. It was bringing a good price in San Francisco, but the price was prohibitive, and I offered the entire crop to any one who would cut it and take it away. If the rate on alfalfa to San Francisco had then been what it is now, I could have made a small sum of money, which would have gone into improvements and back to my property again; but no, the short-sighted policy of the Southern Pacific impoverished me here and kept me and my neighbors poor."

Upon this the Californian comments as follows:

There are a lot of people who would like to know who the benevolent farmer is who wanted to give away forty acres of alfalfa to any one who would cut it. Alfalfa is always worth good coin right here at home, and last year the county was secured by buyers anxious to pay good prices for alfalfa hay to ship abroad.

If Mr. Farmer or any one else has alfalfa to give away, who will take it, and who will cut it, and they will make their identity known, the Californian will engage to find takers for their entire acreage.

The whole charge that the correspondent says was preferred, assuming that the thing did not originate in the fancy of the correspondent, is undoubtedly a lie. Had it the semblance of truth it would long ago have been exploited by the demagogues and anti-railroad howlers far more than it was worth.

We learn that as a matter of fact there is no truth in the yarn. No one has ever had to give away alfalfa in Kern County. Whoever the farmer was who made the statement, assuming that it was made, dealt a blow at Kern County, and his neighbors will not be slow to perceive it. The multitude of lies that are told at the expense of the transportation system of California is something amazing, but in nine cases out of ten, if assumed to be true, they are more damaging to and more reflect upon the locality than upon the common carrier.

THE San Francisco Bulletin remarks that one of its contemporaries has discovered that the very best way of increasing the population of the metropolis is to labor to increase the population of the interior. The wonder of the thing is that the Bulletin's contemporary did not long ago stumble upon that important truth.

NOTE AND COMMENT.

To read the recent expressions of many of the greater political leaders on the money question, one has extreme difficulty in distinguishing a Democrat from a Republican. Each disclaims being a gold monometallist; each swears he is not for unlimited coinage of silver; each insists that he is a partisan politically; both declare for some sort of bimetalism. In fact, the differences between the platforms of the two national parties, and between the men of the parties, as deduced from the interpretations of the one and the expressions of the other, are so slight that it requires political microscopical vision and acumen to discover where the lines of distinction are to be drawn.

The Nevada City Transcript perpetrates a joke, strange as it may seem. It intimates through the mouth of "a cynical hydraulic miner" that the Record-Union is opposing the resumption of destructive hydraulic mining because it is a "silver monometallist." Now, that is good. Among the multitude of reasons attributing to the Record-Union motives for its course, this is just a bit the most ludicrous yet advanced.

It is now asserted by the leading astronomers and scientists that there is neither atmosphere nor moisture on the planet Mars; that the spectroscopic pressure is such that therefore there can be no life on the planet as we know life on this globe. This knocks all the theories about the canals of Mars, and we must give up that fascinating idea about signaling the inhabitants of the red planet. But as against all this comes the statement of Astronomer Percival of the Arizona Observatory, that his observations convince him that there is vapor and atmosphere in Mars, and therefore there may be life there. Indeed, he asserts it positively. But though Mars may not have atmosphere and water, does it follow that there is no life there? Why may not there be a race that needs neither water nor air? Because we are so constituted that we cannot live without these elements, it does not follow that other animals may not exist ignorant of them. The fact is, that the dispute about Mars, more than any other, emphasizes the exceedingly limited range of our knowledge about the mysteries and wonders of the Creator's works.

A destructive pest that is afflicting the growing grain crops in the San Joaquin Valley is alarming the farmers much. It is of course another of the iniquities of the "octopus." Change it to the railroad company in the absence of any other probable cause.

Concerning the Southern California college hazing scrape, it occurs to us that some of these hazy days some freshman will blot out the life of some hazer, and then the average college chap will reflect upon the difference between fun and brutality, and reflection will bring about abolition of hazing as a pastime.

China has ratified the peace treaty with Japan, and now one question is what is

Russia going to do about it? Of course she can make war on the brown man, and already, say the dispatches, she has ordered shelled war to Japanese waters. On the other hand, it is related that Japan and Russia have come to an understanding. The latter story is the more probable. The Empire of "the Brother of the Sun" is to be parcelled out and Russia is to have her slice.

TELEPHONE SERVICE.

Improvements to be Made at Once by the Sunset Company.

The Sunset Telephone Company is about to greatly improve its service in this city. Mr. Stokes, the local manager, said yesterday that a carload of wire and other material for laying underground conduits would arrive to-day or to-morrow, and that the work of placing underground all the company's wires in the business portion of the city would be at once commenced. The alleys will be utilized for that purpose. Assistant Superintendent Cunningham was here last week making arrangements for the work, and will return in a day or two.

The company has purchased the property on the corner of the alley on Sixth street, close by the Congregational Church, and its central station will be removed thither. The present system of "ringing up" the central office will be dispensed with, and the "express" service substituted.

This involves the substitution of new boxes for those now in use throughout the city, and all subscribers will be supplied with long-distance transmitters. With the "express" system all that is necessary to do in order to call up the central office is to remove the hand telephone from its hook and talk with the operator without ringing.

Mr. Stokes says the new circuit system of wires will be introduced also. He says there is no truth in the report circulated recently that when one person on a certain circuit is using the wire every other person on the same circuit can hear what is said; that no company could maintain a system so objectionable. On the contrary, he says, the circuit system is more private than the present, for when one person is using the wire nobody else can possibly get it, and even the operator is cut off until the user has finished sending his message.

Mr. Stokes says the Sunset Company is going right ahead, at great expense, and will make its Sacramento service second to none.

CITY FINANCES.

City Auditor Young makes the following statement of the receipts and disbursements of the city for the week ending Saturday, May 4th:

Table with columns for item, amount, and sub-total. Items include water rates, licenses, harbor dues, cemetery dues, city taxes, personal taxes, and various funds.

Hood's Sarsaparilla makes pure blood, consequently it cures disease. It is the ideal and standard spring medicine. It is impossible to estimate its importance to the health of the community.

Bolivia was thus called in honor of Simon Bolivar.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

ASHER, Photographer, has removed to 718 J street, between Seventh and Eighth.

Vehicles—BAKER & HAMILTON—Hardware, Carriage, Buggies, Phaetons, Rain Farm and Header Wagons. Wholesale Hardware. Send for Catalogue.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used over fifty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays pain, cures wind colic, regulates the bowels, and is the best remedy for diarrhea, whether arising from teething or other causes. For sale by druggists in every part of the world. Be sure and ask for Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

NEW TO-DAY.

SIXTH LECTURE.

REV. PROF. ALFRED MOMERIE Of England will lecture for the SACRAMENTO LECTURE ASSOCIATION, WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 15th, AT THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH. Subject: "Conflict of Science and Religion in Past Ages." Admission, 50 cents. my6-3t [BC]

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AUCTIONS. AUCTION! AUCTION! Auction sale of an Elegant and Valuable Residence Property, Magnificent Household Furniture, Carpets, Piano, Etc. TUESDAY, MAY 7TH, AT 10:30 A. M. on the premises, in order to close the Carroll estate, we will sell the Elegant Residence, known as 1207 L street, five ten-room house, lot running to the alley and facing the Capitol. This is a chance seldom offered. Also, at the same time, by order of E. B. Carroll, Esq., we will sell a fine lot of Household Furniture, Carpets, a Chickering Piano, etc. House open for inspection. Sale positive. D. J. SIMMONS & Co., Auctioneers, my3-3t Office corner Eleventh and J streets.

AMUSEMENTS. CLUNIE OPERA HOUSE. J. H. TODD, Manager. A GREAT SUCCESS. Week commencing Monday, May 6th, and Saturday Matinee. The Distinguished Artists CARL SMITH and BEATRICE LEE, supported by their own company, in the N. Y. The Old, Old Story. New Scenery, Stage and Mechanical Effects. PRICES, 10, 20 AND 30 CENTS. METROPOLITAN THEATER. J. H. TODD, Manager. One Night Only—WEDNESDAY, MAY 8th. PETER F. DAILEY. A COUNTRY SPORT. Supported by MAY IRWIN, JOHN G. SPARKS, ANDREW MACK, ADA LEWIS, MAMIE GILROY and others like them. New Dialogues, Ditties, Dances, Etc. PRICES—\$1 and 50 cents. Box sheet opens Tuesday morning. my7-3t PRIVILEGES. FORESTERS' PICNIC, ELK GROVE, MAY 15th. Sealed bids will be received for bar, ice cream, lunch counter and other privileges up to May 11th. Committee reserves right to reject any and all bids. Address DR. P. C. CAMPBELL, Elk Grove, Cal. SEND THE WEEKLY UNION TO YOUR friends in the East.

SPECIAL SALE GOODS FOR THIS WEEK.

Great savings here for wide-awake shoppers. Don't miss an item in this list. To obtain a comprehensive idea of just what we are doing for you, compare these values with like qualities elsewhere.

- WASH SILKS. 20-inch Two-tone Fancy Stripe Japanese Wash Silks in small corded effects, fine weave and good finish. All new patterns that have just been placed in stock. They are grand silks for waists, trimmings or full suits. You'll say they are well worth 50c a yard, but we have marked them for special sale, per yard, 35c.
- ARMURE SILKS. 18-inch Black Fancy Weave Armure Silks, heavy quality and soft finish. Former price, 75c. Special price, per yard, 50c.
- FAILLE FRANCAISE SILKS. 21-inch Black Faille Francaise Silks in pretty corded effects; a superior quality at \$1. Special price, per yard, 69c.
- GROS-GRAIN SILKS. 22-inch Black Firm Weave Gros-grain Silks, heavy quality, soft finish; good \$1 25 value. Special price, per yard, 79c.
- PEAU DE SOIE SILKS. 21-inch Black Peau de Soie Silks in rich satin effects; worth regular \$1 50 a yard. Special price, 93c.
- \$3 JACKETS AT 30c. Ladies' Blazer Jackets in navy, tan and black. Such values as used to command \$3 50 special each at 50c.
- \$5 JACKETS AT \$1 50. Ladies' Black, Tan-mixed and Navy Cotton Jackets, double-breasted style, with notched collar, revers and full sleeves; former price, \$5 each. Special price, \$1 50.
- \$7 50 AND \$10 JACKETS AT \$2 50. Ladies' Mixed Gray and Tan Jackets, double-breasted style, very large sleeves, either plain or braided trimmed. Former prices, \$7 50 and \$10. Special price, \$2 50.
- \$12 50, \$15 AND \$16 50 JACKETS AT \$3. Ladies' Black Diagonal Worsted Clay Jackets, silk-lined throughout, double-breasted style, neatly bound. The sleeves are large and stylish (some tan colors in this lot, too). Former prices were \$12 50, \$15 and \$16 50. Special price, each, \$3.
- BLEACHED MUSLIN. One case 36-inch Soft-finish Bleached Muslin; a good quality for underwear; worth 9c a yard. Special price, 6 1/2c.
- SILKALINE DRAPERY. Dainty Silkline Drapery Cloth, 36-inch wide, all new patterns, and very special value per yard at 10c.
- TABLE COVERS. Heavy Cream Double Damask Fringed Covers; size 68x87. There are one dozen only; worth \$2 50 each. Special at \$1 90.

- DAMASK DOILIES. White and Colored All-linen Damask Doilies, 13 inches square; just the thing for picnics or to serve with fruit; worth 50c a dozen. Special price, 42c.
- GINGHAMS. 50 pieces Amoskeag Staple Check Gingham, even and uneven checks, in good assortment of colors; also another case of Plain Blue Chambray Gingham. They all go special per yard at 3c.
- VEILINGS. One lot of Black Chenille Dot Veilings in double width; such value as sells regular at 50c a yard. Special price, 3c.
- DRESS SHIELDS. Stockinet Dress Shields, good size and quality; such as retails at 20c a pair. Special price, 25c.
- SASH RIBBONS. Colored Sash Ribbons, 9 inches wide, in opera shades. Original price, 50c a yard. Special value at 25c.
- MEN'S PANTS. Men's Fancy Striped Worsted Pants, guaranteed not to rip. Excellent for working pants; worth regular \$1 25 a pair. Special sale price, 75c.
- BOYS' OVERALLS. Boys' Blue Denim Overalls, copper-riveted; sizes 16 to 30 waist. Special value, per pair, at 25c.
- MEN'S NIGHTSHIRTS. Men's Plain Twilled Nightshirts, cut good full sizes, and worth one-third more than the special price, each 50c.
- SUSPENDERS. Men's Wire Buckle Suspenders, with grip back, silk ends and drawer attachments. They are worth 15c or more. Special price, each, 9c.
- LADIES' OXFORDS. Ladies' Vici Kid Oxford Lace Shoes with cloth top and patent leather tip and lace stay; made on shapely narrow square toe last; all sizes. They would cost elsewhere \$1 50 a pair. Our special price, \$1 15.
- MISSES' SHOES. Misses' Soft Dongola Kid Button Shoes, shapely square toes, low heel; a splendid wearer and very dressy; sizes 11 to 12; worth \$2. Special price, per pair, 95c.
- MEN'S FEDORA HATS. Men's Fedora Hats, made of wool; colors, brown, black and auburn. The shape is the latest and they are well finished; worth \$1. Special price, 50c.
- GARDEN SETS. Child's Garden Set, consisting of rake, hoe and spade. Our special price is but, per set, 10c.
- CLOTH BRUSHES. Black Bristle Cloth Brushes, with polished wood backs. Worth double the special price of 7c.
- TOILET SOAP. Oatmeal Toilet Soap in full-size, hard-milled cakes; worth 5c each. Special price, 3 cakes for 10c.
- PENCIL TABLETS. Extra Thick Pencil Tablets (400 leaves), with fancy lithographic cover. Special price, each, 10c.

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