

THE INTELLECTUAL GIANTS.

Their Tournament at the State Fair Next Month.

Foraker and Teller Expected to Debate—Outline of the Proposed Discussion.

The "Record-Union" has already spoken of the "Intellectual Tournament" feature for the State Fair, proposed by William H. Mills.

"Plans have been prepared and are under consideration which, if carried out, will give to the people of the State of California one of the greatest intellectual festivals it has ever seen.

"Sacramento will be the scene of the oratorical innovation, and it will be under the auspices of the State Board of Agriculture, and will be provided during the continuance of the annual fair in the first part of September.

"Not only will the best talent of the rostrum of California be called upon to participate in the carnival of eloquence, but such speakers as Senators Foraker and Teller have been invited to address the people of California on the great and burning questions that are at present agitating the public mind of the United States.

"But a few days ago John Boggs, a prominent member of the State Board of Agriculture, approached W. H. Mills, who has a remarkable fund of new ideas always on tap, and asked him if he could not suggest something that would lend a new attraction to the annual State Fair to be held at Sacramento—something that would break the monotony of the exhibition and displays.

"Mr. Mills suggested as a very appropriate thing the discussion in public of the question of markets for the products of the agriculturists. This naturally brought up the question of the tariff, owing to the important bearing that matter has upon markets for American products, and this in turn brought up the various issues of the approaching election. The problem was to divest these discussions of any partisan character.

"As the result of this interview Director Boggs requested Mr. Mills to write out his ideas so that they would be clearly outlined. Mr. Mills did so, and they were promptly placed before the board. They met with favor, and Mr. Mills was then asked to formulate a complete programme, embracing his full plan of education. This he has done, and the result of his labors is now in the hands of the board, who will act finally upon the matter at its Saturday meeting.

"Mr. Mills' communication, which it is expected the Board of Agriculture will adopt as a whole, embraces not only the proposed programme, but the purposes of the project. It is as follows:

"The State Board of Agriculture believing the future welfare of the people of the State of California to be inseparable from the establishment of sound political and economic doctrines, recognizes the presence of State and national problems, the solution of which challenges the earnest, thoughtful and conservative attention of our people. It has therefore decided to promote the non-partisan consideration of the political and economic questions of the day, and to that end has determined to invite the proponents of various political and economic theories to discuss these theories before the assembled multitudes of our citizens at Sacramento during the coming annual exhibition.

"In the execution of this purpose the board is prompted solely by a desire to promote the education of the people, to direct public channels, and to inspire public devotion to the highest good of the country, and especially to the future welfare of the people of the State of California. To the end that the consideration of the questions to be discussed shall not degenerate into partisan dispute, it is hereby resolved that the following rules be and are hereby adopted for the direction and government of the discussions.

"Here follows a tabulated list of the leading issues of the campaign which will be discussed in order.

"The addresses are to be delivered in the State Agricultural Pavilion each morning between the hours of 10 and 12 o'clock. An admission fee of twenty-five cents will be charged. The exhibits shall be closed during the debate. Applause will be permitted. No political banners or devices will be permitted to be displayed, and no partisan outbursts will be allowed.

"Arrangements have already been made which will insure the presence of Senator Henry M. Teller at the fair. He will speak on behalf of free coinage of silver. The Republican State Central Committee is now in communication with Senator Foraker, whom they confidently expect to be present. General W. H. L. Barnes, M. M. Este, Senator Stephen M. White, Captain William L. Merry, General N. P. Chipman, John P. Irish, Miss Anna Shaw and other notable names have also been invited to take part in the discussion, and favorable replies have been received from the majority of them.

"The debate promises to be the star attraction of the State Fair."

Weather Report.

The Weather Bureau reports show the

highest and lowest temperatures yesterday to have been 90 and 58 degrees, with gentle southerly winds and clear weather prevailing.

The barometrical readings at 5 a. m. and 5 p. m. yesterday were 29.98 and 29.85 inches, respectively.

The highest and lowest temperatures one year ago yesterday were 82 and 59 degrees, and one year ago to-day 89 and 53 degrees.

The dry thermometer at 5 a. m. was 58 degrees, wet 56, dew point, 58, humidity 89 per cent., with a vapor pressure of .432 inches; wind southeast, nine miles per hour and weather clear.

The dry thermometer at 5 p. m. was 87 degrees, wet 70, dew point 61, humidity 42 per cent., with vapor pressure of .536 inches; wind southwest, twelve miles per hour and weather clear.

The average temperature was 74 and the normal 73 degrees, showing yesterday to have been 1 degree warmer than the normal temperature for August 21st.

BEYOND ITS SCOPE.

Things Asked of the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children.

The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children is annoyed by letters to which it cannot give any attention, and the directors of the society have requested that the press will say to the people:

First—That the association is not a charity organization, and cannot relieve distress, however great, for it has no funds for the purpose and not enough of a treasury to meet its necessary expenses.

Second—It is organized under a specific purpose—the enforcement of the laws in defense of the rights of children, and to conserve their humane treatment, and cannot lawfully go beyond that.

Third—That anonymous letters cannot receive any sort of attention.

Anonymous letters were received yesterday—and are duplicates of many others—calling attention to cases supposed to fall within the purposes of the society, but giving the authority of no complainant by name and address; hence they are not followed up, because it has been found that where people will not back their complaints, it is, as a rule, waste of time and energy to follow them up.

In some rare cases an anonymous letter has led up to the righting of wrongs, but the society abhors the anonymity, and wishes it said that it will pay no attention to it, as it has plenty to do, and more than it can handle, to attend to cases where witnesses have the courage to stand by the society. It has a complaint book calling for certain fact entries, and cannot take up cases that parties will not permit to be entered in that record.

CONTEMPTIBLE ACT.

Tacks Placed on a Wheel Path by a Scoundrel.

While riding in the center of G street, near Twelfth, a lady yesterday ran her bicycle upon a strip of heavy leather containing a row of tacks, which contrivance had been placed there purposely to puncture bicycle tires.

The leather and its array of tacks may be seen at Atwood's cigar store on the corner of Fifth and K streets.

There is a law which provides severe punishment for any person who places any such thing in a public street, and the prospect is very good for the perpetrator of this outrage to be brought into court. It is said that a bicycle detective has been working on the case, and that he is on the track of the guilty person.

The wheelmen of this city will not permit such despicable work to go unpunished though it costs a pile of dollars to find the culprit.

Wilson for Judge.

The positions of presiding and associate judges of the Pacific Coast Jockey Club of San Francisco have been offered to and accepted by Captain J. H. Rees of Memphis, Tenn., and J. W. Wilson of this city, respectively. Mr. Wilson is recognized as the best judge on the coast. He served the same club in that capacity last season.

Assaulted an Old Man.

An Oak Park saloon-keeper named Jesse Phillips has been arrested there for what is claimed to have been a brutal assault on an old man named John P. Ewing. A street-car motorman named Castleman interfered and put a stop to the beating.

Officer Harlow's Salary.

Judge Hinkson yesterday heard the case of Officer J. M. Harlow against the city, in which he seeks to compel the City Trustees to pay his salary as policeman. The case is to be submitted on briefs.

Cathedral Services.

At the Cathedral on Sunday the 10:30 o'clock services—the regular mass—will be performed by a Dominican priest from San Francisco.

Alex. Holmes, Photo Studio, 1308 10th.

Of all the "good things" sold at the "C. C. C." Granger building, Tenth and K, "C. C. C." Java Blend Coffee takes the lead; 16 ounces for 25c.

Optician.

F. de Wolfe Hennah, at Masonic Temple. Office hours, 9 to 1, 2 to 5; Sundays, 9 to 12. Examination and consultation free.

Excellent! Excellent! is the unanimous verdict pronounced upon "C. C. C." Java Blend Coffee, 64 to 1. How's that? 64 ounces for one silver dollar. Granger building, Tenth and K.

Camping stoves and cooking utensils. M. Hirsch, 1013 and 1015 J street.

LONDON MARKET IS AHEAD.

There Was a Drop in Prices There Yesterday.

Still All Packages Sold Returned Some Profit to the Shippers.

Once more London furnishes good comparative prices for fruit. Mr. Quigley of the California Fruit Transportation Company received cable advices last evening regarding the sale yesterday in London of the fifth fruit consignment, which left Sacramento on the 4th of this month.

While some of the prices are lower than previous sales, still not a package was sold that will not show a net above transportation and other charges, and it is to be regretted the same cannot be said of our Eastern markets. Prices realized in London yesterday were as follows:

Bartlett pears, 25-lb boxes. 78c to \$1 32
Hardy and Clairgeau pears, 25-lb do. 90c
Peaches \$1 10 to \$1 62
Plums, single crates 70c to \$1 15

In New York the following prices were received yesterday:
Bartlett pears, 50-lb boxes. \$1 15 to \$1 45
Peaches 40 to 85c
Plums, single crates 70c to \$1 15

From the above figures it will be seen that once more, in the face of competition with the foreign product, California more than holds her own. It is interesting to note New York prices of the 11th (the day this fifth consignment passed through there): Pears, 50-lb boxes, 70 cents to \$1 15; peaches, 50 cents to 85 cents; plums, single crates, 70 cents to \$1 05.

Cable advices received yesterday are to the effect that London prices for the next forty days will bear anything in this country. Another special train leaves Sacramento next Tuesday, the 25th.

There was forwarded to Eastern points 8 1/4 cars of peaches, 2 1/2 of plums, 3 3/4 of grapes and 20 of pears, making a total of 34 cars. On the corresponding date last year 44 cars were shipped.

Of the fruit shipped, Chicago will get 1/4 car of peaches, 1/4 of grapes and 7 of pears; New York—1 1/2 of peaches, 1 1/2 of plums and 6 of pears; Boston—3 1/2 of peaches, 1/4 of plums and 2 1/4 of pears; Denver—1/4 of peaches, 1/4 of grapes and 1/4 of pears; Philadelphia—1/4 of peaches, 1/4 of grapes and 1/4 of pears; other points—2 1/4 cars of peaches, 1/2 of grapes and 3 1/4 of pears.

AMUSEMENTS.

The New York "Sun" of November 25th last said: "J. A. Bailey, who controls the Barnum & Bailey Show and is sole owner of the Adam Forepaugh Shows, has acquired an interest with the Sells Brothers and has purchased the same tents. The Sells Brothers, consisting of Ephraim, Lewis, and Peter Sells, are among the wealthiest showmen in the country. The Barnum & Bailey Show will be an ally of the new combination."

The recognition accorded to the Sells Brothers' Show by this extraordinary compact gives it a world-wide prestige, in addition to the unexcelled one it has for a quarter of a century maintained and increased wherever it has exhibited. Among the world's three greatest shows it is recognized as an equal, and what is of greater moment to the public, one of them is now combined with it, the result being the grandest and most formidable exhibition of its kind ever organized, and one that would be impossible in any other country. Of the great entertainments named it will be the only one to visit Sacramento this season, its date being August 27th, afternoon and evening.

A very unusual thing about the coming entertainment is the fact that reserved seats for it are sold in advance of the coming of the shows, and these sittings can now be purchased at Parnell's book store on J street, Sixth and Seventh.

The people are not likely to patronize inferior shows with such a double bill of varied amusement in sight. The management says that the wild beasts will include the only two simultaneously shown big herds of best performing elephants, the only educated sea lions and seals, and they are wonders; the only pair of giant hippopotami, and they are monsters; the only two-horned Sumatra rhinoceros, the only full-grown polar bear, the only Niger antelope, gnu, and eland, and the biggest and rarest combined zoological collections ever exhibited. The hippodrome and circus performances are unsurpassed, and highly superior and sensational, including a hundred high-class races and bareback equestrian, aerial, acrobatic, comical, and novel acts, introducing the very best amphitheatrical and arena talent in the world, besides droves, families, and aquariums of amazingly and amusingly trained beasts and animals. The morning parade is pronounced a wonder in magnitude and magnificence and the entire enterprise a gigantic, high-class success.

At the Metropolitan Theater next Tuesday evening Arthur Arnold, the athlete, and Maud Caswell, the dancer, his wife, both widely known in their lines, take a benefit. It will be a complete vaudeville performance, crisp, rapid, full of vim and merriment. There will be large representation of athletic clubs and in the best symphonic and acrobatic feats, and Mr. Arnold will appear in some choice new "turns." Miss Caswell will introduce with Mr. Arnold a wholly new feature in dancing, a somersault forward through a hoop, in a dance. May Dennis, a pupil of Miss Caswell's, will make her first appearance, and is said to promise much. The Sacramento Athletic Club Quartet, assisted by Lynn and Lebling, will give a wholly new act in black face, introducing plantation songs and gymnastics. There will be music in plenty and variety, comedy and farce also. Mr. Arnold has been at great pains to provide novelties and make up a high class vaudeville performance. Among other features Ventriloquist Brown will appear in new business. Tickets have been placed at 25 and 50 cents with no extra charge for reserved seats, and the box office opens Tuesday morning.

ICE-CREAM MADE WITH SCHILLING'S BEST EXTRACT ISN'T COLDER THAN ANY OTHER, BUT IT TASTES BETTER.

heavy white threads, giving it the appearance of a check.

Both bullets must have entered the body of the wearer a little in front of the side. One entered just under the arm, and the other four inches lower. Either shot must have been fatal, as the ball could not have entered vital parts.

The only supposition to be reached on finding this blood-stained garment, without further evidence of what appears to have been a murder, is that the man was killed, robbed, stripped of his clothing and thrown into the river. The vest was probably discarded because of the bullet-holes and the blood-stains.

The police for a time believed the vest belonged to the Japanese whom James Lee shot at the night before he killed his mistress. This theory was exploded, however, by the discovery of the Jap who was the object of Lee's deadly pistol. Lee's bullets never touched him.

SOCIAL EVENTS.

A pleasant surprise party was given Miss Ella Murphy at her residence, 1525 Tenth street, on Wednesday evening. The house was tastefully decorated with lanterns and flowers, and the evening was spent in dancing, singing and other amusements. Those present were: Anabel Carroll, Katie Keefe, Agnes Norton, Nellie Laauser, Mae York, Annie Holland, Nellie Holland, Ethel Wallace, Rose Graft, Etta Horton, Hattie Flynn, Nora Haley, Lulu Roach, Mayme McMorry, Daisy Burke, Eva Burke, Ella Murphy, Mamie Murphy, Tom Pilkington, George Davis, Mr. Baker, James White, Sam Calderwood, Will Haley, Charles Clark, Will Wickwire, George Smith, Joe Kennedy, Frank Kennedy, Richard Armstrong, George Anderson, John Renfro, Ray Renfro, Ben Sweeney, Joe Pendergast.

PERSONAL MENTION.

T. B. Hall has gone to join his family at Pacific Grove.

Superior Judge Frick of Alameda is visiting the city.

Rev. J. J. Emery returned to San Francisco yesterday.

George R. Carey and wife are spending a few days in the city.

Miss Agnes F. Burns of Burnsville is sojourning at the sea coast.

Ex-Chief of Police Tim Lee has returned from Placer to live here.

School Director W. J. Davis is at Shasta Springs with his family.

Congressman Grove L. Johnson returned last evening from San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Bowles and daughter of Napa are guests at the Golden Eagle.

Sergeant J. J. Plunkett of the Police Department and family are back from the coast.

Rev. J. L. Trefren and wife will leave for a vacation and to attend the conference at Pacific Grove next Monday.

John Driscoll of the Union Iron Works, accompanied by his wife, will leave this morning for Bartlett Springs for a month's vacation.

Samuel Pope, foreman of the "Record-Union" composing department, has returned with his family from a three weeks' visit to Pacific Grove.

Mrs. M. Murray and son, Master Elmore Murray, have returned after a three weeks' visit to San Francisco, Santa Cruz and Monterey.

Among the Sacramentans enjoying the delights of Pacific Grove are: Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Terry, Mr. and Mrs. Judy Brusie, Mrs. C. K. Lipman, Mrs. Deming, Miss Deming, Mr. and Mrs. Sparrow Smith, Mrs. M. L. Bassett, Miss Bassett, Miss Richards, Miss Maude Richards, Miss Louise Millhill, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Damm, and Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Miller.

Misses Lottie and Laura Steffens, who recently graduated from the Leland Stanford University, will to-night leave for Leipzig to enter the German University in October. They will go by way of Tacoma and the Sound, thence by the Canadian Pacific Railroad to Kingston, and from thence by steamer to New York, by the St. Lawrence River, Lake Champlain and Hudson River. They are to sail from New York for Bremen on September 8th on the steamer Havel. The Misses Steffens will be accompanied as far as New York by their sister Lulu, who goes to Baltimore to enter the Johns Hopkins Training School for Nurses. Miss C. H. Hittell of San Francisco, who goes to New York, will also be of the party.

A Few Squares

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Advertisement for linoleum featuring an illustration of a woman and the text: "What a COMFORT! 'I purchased my Linoleum at Breuner's, and paid 50c a yard laid, and really you don't know what a comfort there is to have a floor that you can wash up, and when you're through there is something to show for your work. They have great variety.'"

Whisky, 2 BITS. Sacramento Factory SHIRT SALE. B. K. Bloch & Co., Wholesale and Retail Liquors. NEW TO-DAY. SAN FRANCISCO, AUGUST 20, 1896. AUCTION SALE. METROPOLITAN THEATER, Tuesday Evening, - August 25th. TESTIMONIAL BENEFIT. ARTHUR ARNOLD AND MAUDE CASWELL. Dress Circle, 50c; Gallery, 25c. Reserved seats at box office day of performance without extra charge. AUGUST 22, 1896. CITY JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. Election Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1896. AMUSEMENTS. METROPOLITAN THEATER, Tuesday Evening, - August 25th. TESTIMONIAL BENEFIT. ARTHUR ARNOLD AND MAUDE CASWELL. Dress Circle, 50c; Gallery, 25c. Reserved seats at box office day of performance without extra charge. AUGUST 22, 1896. CITY JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. Election Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1896. AMUSEMENTS. METROPOLITAN THEATER, Tuesday Evening, - August 25th. TESTIMONIAL BENEFIT. ARTHUR ARNOLD AND MAUDE CASWELL. Dress Circle, 50c; Gallery, 25c. Reserved seats at box office day of performance without extra charge. AUGUST 22, 1896. CITY JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. Election Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1896. AMUSEMENTS. METROPOLITAN THEATER, Tuesday Evening, - August 25th. TESTIMONIAL BENEFIT. ARTHUR ARNOLD AND MAUDE CASWELL. Dress Circle, 50c; Gallery, 25c. Reserved seats at box office day of performance without extra charge. AUGUST 22, 1896. CITY JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. Election Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1896. AMUSEMENTS. METROPOLITAN THEATER, Tuesday Evening, - August 25th. TESTIMONIAL BENEFIT. ARTHUR ARNOLD AND MAUDE CASWELL. Dress Circle, 50c; Gallery, 25c. Reserved seats at box office day of performance without extra charge. AUGUST 22, 1896. CITY JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. Election Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1896. AMUSEMENTS. METROPOLITAN THEATER, Tuesday Evening, - August 25th. TESTIMONIAL BENEFIT. ARTHUR ARNOLD AND MAUDE CASWELL. Dress Circle, 50c; Gallery, 25c. Reserved seats at box office day of performance without extra charge. AUGUST 22, 1896. CITY JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. Election Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1896. AMUSEMENTS. METROPOLITAN THEATER, Tuesday Evening, - August 25th. TESTIMONIAL BENEFIT. ARTHUR ARNOLD AND MAUDE CASWELL. Dress Circle, 50c; Gallery, 25c. Reserved seats at box office day of performance without extra charge. AUGUST 22, 1896. CITY JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. Election Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1896. AMUSEMENTS. METROPOLITAN THEATER, Tuesday Evening, - August 25th. TESTIMONIAL BENEFIT. ARTHUR ARNOLD AND MAUDE CASWELL. Dress Circle, 50c; Gallery, 25c. Reserved seats at box office day of performance without extra charge. AUGUST 22, 1896. CITY JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. Election Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1896. AMUSEMENTS. METROPOLITAN THEATER, Tuesday Evening, - August 25th. TESTIMONIAL BENEFIT. ARTHUR ARNOLD AND MAUDE CASWELL. Dress Circle, 50c; Gallery, 25c. Reserved seats at box office day of performance without extra charge. AUGUST 22, 1896. CITY JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. Election Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1896. AMUSEMENTS. METROPOLITAN THEATER, Tuesday Evening, - August 25th. TESTIMONIAL BENEFIT. ARTHUR ARNOLD AND MAUDE CASWELL. Dress Circle, 50c; Gallery, 25c. Reserved seats at box office day of performance without extra charge. AUGUST 22, 1896. CITY JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. Election Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1896. AMUSEMENTS. METROPOLITAN THEATER, Tuesday Evening, - August 25th. TESTIMONIAL BENEFIT. ARTHUR ARNOLD AND MAUDE CASWELL. Dress Circle, 50c; Gallery, 25c. Reserved seats at box office day of performance without extra charge. AUGUST 22, 1896. CITY JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. Election Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1896. AMUSEMENTS. METROPOLITAN THEATER, Tuesday Evening, - August 25th. TESTIMONIAL BENEFIT. ARTHUR ARNOLD AND MAUDE CASWELL. Dress Circle, 50c; Gallery, 25c. Reserved seats at box office day of performance without extra charge. AUGUST 22, 1896. CITY JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. Election Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1896. AMUSEMENTS. METROPOLITAN THEATER, Tuesday Evening, - August 25th. TESTIMONIAL BENEFIT. ARTHUR ARNOLD AND MAUDE CASWELL. Dress Circle, 50c; Gallery, 25c. Reserved seats at box office day of performance without extra charge. AUGUST 22, 1896. CITY JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. Election Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1896. AMUSEMENTS. METROPOLITAN THEATER, Tuesday Evening, - August 25th. TESTIMONIAL BENEFIT. ARTHUR ARNOLD AND MAUDE CASWELL. Dress Circle, 50c; Gallery, 25c. Reserved seats at box office day of performance without extra charge. AUGUST 22, 1896. CITY JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. Election Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1896. AMUSEMENTS. MET