

SOME BIENNIAL REPORTS.

The State Printer Makes a Good Showing for His Office.

Reports of the Board of Harbor Commissioners and the Surveyor-General.

A number of State officials have filed their biennial reports in the office of Governor Budd.

The report of the State Printer, A. J. Johnston, for the forty-sixth fiscal year shows that of the \$250,000 appropriated by the thirtieth Legislature there remained unexpended at the beginning of the year \$112,380.30.

To this the thirty-first Legislature added an appropriation of \$50,000 for legislative printing, making a total of \$162,380.30.

Of this amount there remains \$10 unexpended. The thirty-first Legislature made the usual appropriation of \$250,000 for the two fiscal years forty-seven and forty-eight.

Of this Mr. Johnston has expended \$146,000.53. Attention is called by the report for the last fiscal year to valuable improvements made in the State Printing Office building.

Formerly the binding department was located on the third floor, where for years the machinery and appliances have gradually increased until with the additional weight of materials and 100 employees it was a question whether or not the structure was safe.

For fear the last straw might be laid upon the camel's back and the building collapse, resulting in death and injury of many faithful employees, Mr. Johnston deemed it unwise to take further risks and has moved the machinery to the second floor, where it could be supported by posts firmly implanted upon concrete foundations.

He also constructed a half floor gallery, supported by similar pillars, entirely independent of the main structure. Upon these galleries are now stored 150 tons of material, which before found storage in the upper floors.

The third floor vacated by the binders is now used for a composing room, it being one of the best appointed, lighted and ventilated in the State.

The report on text books recites that during the fiscal year the revision of the series of readers has been completed, as has also the English Grammar, and the books are all on the market and are in use in the schools of the State.

The revised books appear to be satisfactory to the teachers and the sales have been quite large, as shown in the table of sales.

The books remaining to be revised are the Advanced Arithmetic and United States History, and an Elementary History is also included in the plan of revision and improvement, for the publication of which the State Printer expresses the hope that the State Board of Education will secure a specific appropriation.

There has been expended on text books \$134,088.89, as against \$90,247.47 expended last year.

**SURVEYOR-GENERAL.** The biennial report of Surveyor-General M. J. Wright shows that according to the latest surveys and data procured there is in the State of California 100,500,000 acres of land, classed as follows:

Agricultural and mineral lands surveyed to June, 1882, 61,887,302. Agricultural and mineral lands unsurveyed, 28,213,591. Private grants patented, 8,383,375. Private grants not settled, 341,650. Indian military reservations, 318,631. Lakes, islands, bays and navigable rivers, 1,531,700. Swamp and overflowed lands surveyed, 1,635,227. Swamp and overflowed lands unsurveyed, 85,524. Salt, marsh and tide lands around San Francisco Bay, 100,000. Salt, marsh and tide lands around Humboldt Bay, 5,000.

Application to purchase State lands in various districts have aggregated 418,565 acres, and the applications for 319,089 acres have been approved. Certificates of purchase have been issued for 133,490 acres. Patents have been issued for 34,480 acres.

The amount of fees collected by the Surveyor-General was \$7,391.50. Amount of deposits, \$5,580. Paid into the State Treasury, \$3,722. Fees paid to Secretary of State, \$703,000.

During the year the United States listed to the State 135,118 acres of indemnity lands and 73,515 acres of swamp land.

There are 45,661 acres of Government land in the State, apportioned as follows: Humboldt Land District, 3,500. Independence, 11,956. Los Angeles, 12,082. Marysville, 977. Redding, 3,118. Sacramento, 1,784. San Francisco, 5,141. Stockton, 1,029. Susanville, 5,245. Visalia, 822,867. There are now 5,438 acres in forest reserves.

There is a voluminous correspondence in the report between the Surveyor-General and W. W. Duffield, Superintendent of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey, relative to establishing the line between California and Nevada. California is asked to furnish a crew of men to mark the survey with appropriate monuments.

**HARBOR COMMISSIONERS.** The interest of the report of the Board of State Harbor Commissioners is centered in that part of it which details the construction of the union depot and ferry house which, when completed, will be one of the grandest structures on the coast. The foundation of the building is now completed. It consists of 111 concrete piers 16x28 feet at the base and 8 feet 6 inches by 28 feet at the top, with a depth of 20 feet below the city base. These piers are joined together by a series of groined concrete arches, two feet thick, into one immense area of floor space 100x670 feet. This enormous foundation rests on a sub-foundation of grillage supported by over 5,000 piles, each 30 feet and over in length.

EVERYBODY'S COLUMN.

Under this heading the "Record-Union" will publish short letters from correspondents on topics of interest to the general public.

**Concerning Bannan Slough.** Eds. "Record-Union": Has any one a right to place a fence across the mouth of Bannan Slough?

Can a so-called "special" officer prohibit boats from going up said slough? If so, why did the county build a public bridge across the slough if it is private property?

The writer has spoken to several people upon this subject and all seem to think that no one has the right to prevent a boat going up the stream. It is not like a lake; it has always been open to the boating and fishing public, and it seems rather late in the day to fence it in.

On Sunday, September 13th, I and several ladies and gentlemen were out in our boats and pulled up to the mouth of the slough (for the purpose of catching the wary catfish), and there we were brought to a stop by a man who called himself a "special." Of what variety he did not state, but from his ravings we concluded it must be the fish variety.

He said that if we dared to push our boat under the wire fence he would place us all under arrest.

**UNDER THREAT OF DEATH.** That is why Mary Sheehan Says She Gave John a Deed.

An unusual complaint was filed in the office of the County Clerk yesterday by Mary Sheehan against John Sheehan.

The complaint alleges that the plaintiff and defendant were married on May 31, 1896, she being the widow of William Herlihy, deceased, and a resident of San Joaquin County. After Herlihy's death his estate in this county, consisting of the northeast quarter of section 17, in township 5 north, range 8 east, was distributed to her by the Superior Court and was her own separate estate and property.

After her marriage to Sheehan, she alleges, he commenced a systematic course of cruelty and intimidation toward her, which culminated on August 27th in a threat to kill her if she did not convey the property to him, and she being afraid that he would carry out his threat unless she complied with his demand, and being over 70 years of age, deeded him the property without consideration in order to save her life.

She now asks that it be decreed that the deed was extorted from her while acting under her fears of his threats, and without consideration, and that it be vacated and set aside, and she be declared the owner of the property.

**CARBOLIC ACID.** Sigmund Koester Expedites His Exit From the World With It.

The employees of Stanley's stables found the dead body of a man not yet cold, lying on a pile of hay in a shed yesterday afternoon and an empty bottle of carbolic acid by his side told the manner of his death.

The body was that of a short, thick-set man of swarthy complexion, dark, curly hair and about 35 years old. A letter on his person telling the motive that led to his suicide was signed Sigmund Koester, and stated that his brother was S. Koester, Reimsburg Strasse, Stuttgart, Wurtemberg. It was ascertained that about 1 o'clock he went to Tufts' drug store and purchased a ten-cent bottle of carbolic acid, saying that he wanted to use it on a sore on his leg. He was a Hebrew and has been aided by the society here several times.

**WILL PROBABLY HANG.** Worden to be Resentenced at Woodland Next Monday.

In the Superior Court at Woodland, Salter D. Worden, who was convicted of wrecking a train at the time of the strike in 1894 and causing the death of Engineer Clark and several United States soldiers, will be resentenced next Monday to death.

This action is necessary, the Supreme Court having recently confirmed the action of the Superior Court. Worden's brother, who is a minister and who went from here after his sentence as a missionary to Japan, is on his way back and is expected to arrive here in a few days to plead with Governor Budd for his brother's life. It is not expected, however, that the Governor will interfere.

**GOES TO JAIL.** The Superior Court Takes No Action in Roy Gould's Case.

As no action has been taken by the Superior Court toward sending Roy Gould, the little firebug who was convicted of taking four bits away from a companion, to the Whittier or Preston schools, Judge Davis, who has postponed sentence several times, in the expectation the higher court would act in the matter, yesterday sentenced him to six months in the County Jail.

INDUSTRIAL IMPROVEMENT.

Important Meeting of the Note-Signers To-Night.

A Proposition to Subscribe Some of the Funds of the Association.

The directors of the Industrial Improvement Association of this city have called a special meeting of the members to be held at Pythian Castle this evening, at 7:30 o'clock. The announced object of the meeting is to consider the advisability of subscribing a certain portion of the resources of the association, represented by subscription notes of its members, for bonds of the Sacramento, Fair Oaks and Orangevale Railroad.

It is desirable that there be a full attendance of the note-signers, though the notice given of the meeting is so short that many who would like to be present have made other engagements and will not be able to attend.

An effort was made yesterday to ascertain just what proposition was to be presented to the meeting, but the Secretary was absent from the city and other officers were reticent. It is stated, however, that some favor subscribing the funds now on hand, some \$4,000, to the bonds of the railroad, and continuing the regular work of the association in the future; others suggest collecting in another 10 per cent. on the notes for the purpose of adding the railroad, and then returning cancelled all the notes, and discontinuing the association. In this way the signers would be relieved from further payment of the greater proportion of the notes held against them.

It is said that several of the directors and members of the association favor this plan, while on the other hand there are a great many who express themselves as being utterly opposed to it. They claim that they gave their notes to secure the establishment of factories in claim that they gave their notes to secure the establishment of factories in this city, and say they do not propose to contribute towards booming outside colonies. These hold that it is not in the power of the association to levy an assessment on the note-signers for any other purpose than that for which the notes were given. They also say that if a road to Fair Oaks and Orangevale will pay there will be no difficulty in getting capitalists to invest their money in it.

Judging by the expressions heard on the streets yesterday the meeting to-night is likely to be a spirited one, and at all events those who have signed notes should attend, if possible, and look after their own interests.

**SENTENCE COMMUTED.** Walter Stockbridge Will Have a Chance to Die Outside the Prison.

Governor Budd yesterday commuted the sentence of Walter Shoebridge, who was sent to State Prison in 1894 from Alameda County for ten years for burglary.

The Governor's action was based on the affidavit of the Prison Physician that Shoebridge could not live, being in the last stages of phthisis, and as he was serving his third term, it was also sanctioned by the Supreme Court. If he should recover he will be taken back to prison to serve his term out.

**Put Out of Harm's Way.** Yesterday afternoon Deputy Sheriff Fisher and Police Officer John Bagley arrested one B. Wasserman, better known to the detectives of this coast and Chicago under the name of Bitzkie, and charged him with vagrancy. He is considered to be a very clever pick-pocket, and according to Captain Callahan, chief of the Morse Patrol, is not allowed to come inside of the Ingleside racetrack in San Francisco.

**Kindergarten.** The Sacramento Kindergarten Training School will reopen September 21st. Those desiring to enter please apply to Miss H. V. Prichard, 1501 N street.

**Races.** George Rose & Co.'s rooms at 630 K street, Capital Hotel building, California Fair races booked daily and the result known almost as soon as on the track.

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WELCH-MURPHY—In Salt Lake, September 15th, Frank C. Welch of Sacramento to Mary A. Murphy of Salt Lake City, by Bishop Leonard of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

**BORN.** MEISTER—Sacramento, September 8th, to the wife of George Meister, a son.

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