

HOLIDAYS OF THE NATION.

Should be Commemorated by Patriotic Exercises.

An Interesting Address Friday Evening to the Pupils of the Night School.

At the Night School exercises on Friday evening the principal address was delivered by Winfield J. Davis, President of the City Board of Education.

The teachers of your school have extended me an invitation to deliver an address this evening. While appreciating the compliment I have distrust in my ability for satisfactory acquittal.

The City Board of Education, feeling that love of our country and patriotism should be deeply impressed on the minds of the pupils being educated under its direction, determined that the holidays of our nation should be commemorated by appropriate exercises in each of the public schools.

In accordance with the direction such observance is held today of the anniversary of the birthday of Washington. In some States the anniversary of the birthday of Lincoln is celebrated in this month, and while such is not the requirement in California, fitting tribute to the memory of one who rendered eminent service to our republic should include its recognition.

There is eminent propriety in the people enjoying the blessings of the broad liberty that we do, to honor the memory of the men who laid the foundation stones of the greatest enduring republic; and that of those who in later years preserved its integrity and enlarged its boundaries and its influence.

It is easily understood how Government had its inception, and how primarily the tendency was toward a monarchical form. In a family naturally the father became the ruler. When families from multiplication became tribes an individual was chosen chief, and his authority descended to his eldest son. When tribes grew into nations the same principle was continued, and lines of Kings and Emperors were established.

Then came into active being that spirit that is inborn in every man; a desire for reasonable enjoyment of life and property, and a voice in the affairs of Government. That spirit we call liberty. It is dearer than life. In the centuries that have elapsed since this spirit was first aroused myriads of men have willingly, yea, cheerfully, sacrificed their lives in its sustenance.

There is no record in history of a more notable and determined war for liberty than the American Revolution. That thirteen feeble colonies on the Atlantic seaboard of North America should have successfully defied the arms of Great Britain—arms that had withstood the allied powers of Europe—presented to the crowned heads of the Eastern hemisphere not only a menace but a doom.

The Declaration of Independence by the American Colonies meant not only that they would be free, but that the branches of the tree of Liberty thus firmly rooted would cover a continent. The historical document on which our independence is founded has curtailed monarchical power the world over. At this moment the influence of the victory of the American heroes of 1776 survives to stimulate the gallant Cyprians, and to encourage those whom Turkey has so long oppressed. Let us trust that in the remaining years of the nineteenth century there will be witnessed an intervention by civilized nations that will stay the flowing of innocent blood; that the oppression of effete Spain will be ended, and the dread power of the Ottoman humbled and destroyed.

But potential for good to the civilized world as the foundation and maintenance of our Government has been, our own people have reaped the more substantial advantages. Yet, after the gallant fight made by our Revolutionary fathers, which resulted in the establishment of the Republic, there remained a problem: Would it endure? His farewell address to the American people in 1796 that each of you should read Washington carefully pointed out the dangers that might beset the pathway of the young nation. The very earnestness of his admonitions manifested that he foresaw events that transpired years after his eyes had closed in death. When the crisis of internal dissensions came, however, the guiding hand of beneficent Providence placed Lincoln in the Presidential chair.

We cannot think of that troubled man without commiseration. Cruel fate destroyed him at a time when the first rift of sunshine broke through the gloomy clouds. His great life work was hardly finished. But at that crucial moment in the history of the Republic, when there was depression and mourning throughout the land, the wisdom of the scheme of government that had been devised by its founders was voiced by James A. Garfield: "The President is dead, but thank God the Government at Washington lives."

It would be improper that any expression of religious or political opinion should be made here. A wise principle upon which our Republic is based is that each individual shall be free to entertain his views on these subjects being guided alone by the dictates of his conscience. In line with that policy the public schools are kept strictly free from their intrusion.

It is proper to advise you to carefully note current history so far as it relates to the great events of the world, and particularly that which concerns our country. The proceedings and debates in the houses of Congress and of the Legislature, the State papers emanating from the Executive Departments, the actions of great political bodies and the conduct of National and State campaigns, with the comments of the press, are matters that should engage the earnest and intelligent attention of every one. You will be called upon to exercise the highest duty and prerogative of citizens; that of the franchise, and you should then be prepared to act with intelligence and without prejudice.

In the consideration of public matters it will be well to dispassionately consider both sides of all questions, for in their determination the electors are the jurors, and individual responsibility should not be shirked or regarded as trifling. It is gratifying that the tendency of our legislation and the sentiment of our people is toward a higher standard of intelligence on the part of the voter. Therefore, when the time comes when you will assume the important duties of citizenship you should be as fully prepared as possible to exercise them with due respect for their gravity, and with justice to yourselves and your country.

You cannot excuse yourselves that you will lack in education. The advantages afforded by our public schools for the acquisition of practical knowledge are greater in this day than ever before. From the plane of broad equality on which each of us stands, honor and station is within the reach of rich and poor alike. I am not so sure but that the history of our republic will show that the children of obscurity have gained the more and the better laurels. Perhaps the spirit of self-dependence has had much to do with their successes. In the lines of statesmanship, war, invention, art, literature, mechanics and commerce they have been important factors. The life of Lincoln furnishes a striking example. With the most limited opportunity for education he rose to rank with the most prominent characters in general history by his unaided exertions.

AWFUL CRUELITIES TO HORSES

Tabuman Practices That Are Violations of the Law.

How Some Ranchers and Their Employes Treat Their Dumb Animals.

Officer Dan Miller of the Humane Society yesterday went down to Sutter street, near Courtland, and arrested a man named Williams Rounds for cruelty to animals. He brought his prisoner to the city and placed him in the County Jail.

Rounds admitted that he drove a horse to death and says he will plead guilty so he can get back to his work as soon as possible. But as Monday will be a legal holiday, Sutter Island will have to get along without Mr. Rounds until Tuesday.

For some time past letters from various persons down the river have been received by the Humane Society telling of the awful cruelties practiced by men—both employes and employes—on some of the ranches in that locality. But as the society has had no funds with which to work, and had plenty of cases in the city to look after, it has been obliged to neglect these far-away cases.

In this instance, however, it was decided to have Mr. Miller go down and arrest the offender, as the case was an aggravated one, in the hope that heartless men, who would not treat their dumb brutes with something like humanity, whether they wish to or not. In one letter recently sent to the society the writer, after enumerating a score or more of cases of brutal treatment of horses that had come under his observation, said: "Is this thing to be continued down this way? For God's sake, no! Please take the matter in hand and appoint me or someone else to look after these things! I can prove by plenty of responsible witnesses everything I have written you."

Information was received that one man on a ranch near Courtland is said to have recently ruined six good horses. Three of them were worked to death. After being worked all day on a tule plow and roller, one horse was made to carry a load of four or five miles over heavy sandy roads, under the whip.

When within a couple of miles of home the poor horse could go no further and fell over into a ditch. Here he would have been left to die had not some of the neighbors gone to his rescue and taken him to the ditch. He was too late, and the poor, abused animal died a half hour afterward.

This is the case for which Rounds was arrested. Officer Miller found on one ranch yesterday a score of horses that had been worked and left to die. Their owner wanted him to kill them, but Miller refused to do so.

"These horses," he said to the proprietor of the place, "should not be killed. They should be cared for by a veterinarian, and he will notify you when they fall sick to have them attended to. If you don't do it of your own accord our society will see that you are compelled to do it."

It is reported that in that neighborhood horses are being worked on tule plows and rollers with their shoulders all raw and bleeding. They are kept at it, suffering excruciating pain, until they can go no more, and then turned out in the cold winter storms to die.

SOME DAYS ago Officer Miller charged a man named George Muddox with cruel treatment of his horses in working them without shoes. They became lame, but still they were worked daily. The horses were placed in Schad's stable. Muddox was discharged, and on Friday he sent to Mr. Miller the following notice:

"To George Muddox: The property mentioned and described in your notice to me dated February 19, 1897, was taken into possession by me when you were arrested for cruelty to animals. The same will be delivered to you when the costs and expenses of keeping the same are paid.

"Section 7 of an Act for the more effectual prevention of cruelty to animals, approved March 20, 1874, provides: 'Whenever any such person shall be taken into custody therefor by any officer, such officer may take charge of such vehicle and its contents, together therewith, and may deposit the same in some safe place of custody, and any expenses which may be incurred for taking care of and keeping the same shall be a lien thereon, to be paid before the same can be lawfully recovered.'"

"Said property was taken and is held in pursuance of such provision and will be delivered upon payment of such expenses. DAN. MILLER."

Clark & Ross, attorneys for Humane Society.

Invitations are out announcing that Mrs. E. C. Voorheis, Mrs. A. W. Barrett, Mrs. William Beckman, Mrs. F. S. Stratton, Mrs. Thomas P. Jr., will be at home Friday, February 26th, from 8 to 11 o'clock p. m. at the Golden Eagle parlors.

Mrs. M. S. Hammer and Miss Hammer have sent out cards that they will be at home informally on Wednesday afternoon, February 24th.

The P. G. Club—Mrs. W. T. Forsman, Miss Alice Root, Mrs. E. J. Weldon, Miss Hattie Bell, Mrs. J. E. Avery, Miss Amanda Thittington, Miss Laura Hoops, Miss Lettie Krebs, Miss McCraney, Miss Jennie Fay, Miss Mollie Thittington and Miss Tillie Lang—have sent out cards for an "At Home" at 306 O street on Friday, February 26th, from 3 to 6 p. m.

Foresters' Hall was very handsomely decorated with lovely flowers and beautiful ladies last night. Miss Weinstock and Miss Edna Lewis gave a delightful party there. About fifty couples were present by special invitation, and one of the most enjoyable evenings of the season was passed.

PERSONAL MENTION.

W. A. Fish came down from Red Bluff yesterday.

Fred Tuttle came down yesterday from Placer's county seat.

Tirey L. Ford, the San Francisco lawyer, is at the Golden Eagle.

C. Wilson Frankel leaves this morning on a business trip to the Bay.

Mrs. E. S. Miller of Grand Rapids, Mich., is a guest at the Golden Eagle.

Sheriff D. P. Donahue of Yuba and Deputy Sheriff C. C. Scribner of Kern are in the city.

John G. Howell and Miss Beth Howell of Monopola are visiting the city. Miss Howell will remain several days, the guest of Miss Gertie Littlefield.

The Weather Bureau reports show the highest and lowest temperatures yesterday to have been 46 and 37 degrees, with gentle southerly and northerly winds and cloudy weather. Some rain fell last night.

The highest and lowest temperatures one year ago yesterday were 69 and 45 degrees, and one year ago to-day 69 and 51 degrees.

The barometer was rising slowly last evening, with clouds moving from a westerly point and wind blowing from the north, a good sign of approaching clear and cooler weather. The forecast office at San Francisco predicted ice for last night where the sky was clear.

A Message of Sadness. H. W. Bragg was called to San Francisco yesterday in consequence of the sad news that Mrs. Bragg's sister, Mrs. H. D. Rowley, was not expected to live. Mrs. Bragg was already with her.

Mrs. Rowley in early days lived at Folsom, where her husband was engaged in mercantile pursuits and made a fortune. He has been dead about fifteen years.

To-morrow, Washington's Birthday, will be a legal holiday. Therefore the courts, banks and public offices will be closed, likewise the Legislature.

At the Postoffice, for hours will be observed. There will be a morning delivery of the mail by carrier, however.

Patents have been issued to Thomas P. Crowley for 640 acres of school lands in San Bernardino County, and to E. D. Schwartz for 160 acres of school land in Calaveras County; also to Jos. P. McCabe for 30 acres of swamp and overflowed lands in Contra Costa County.

The new Allis city pumps were started up for regular work yesterday noon. The actual test will be made during the coming week. Yesterday's work was to relieve the Holy pump, which needed some repairs.

Red Men's Ball. The hall of the Improved Red Men and Daughters of Pocatohos will take place on Tuesday evening, the 23d, instead of the 22d, as Turner Hall could not be had for the latter date.

The Rooney Insolvency. Sheriff Johnson has been appointed assignee in the matter of the insolvency of Peter J. Rooney.

New Line. In connection with our jewelry establishment, to carry a complete line of dental goods, are prepared to diagnose and correct errors of refraction. Eyes tested free by our Mr. R. B. Klune, graduate of the Chicago Ophthalmic College. Klune & Floberg, 428 J street.

At Feldhusen's. Eggs, 12c doz.; large tumblers of fruit jelly, nearly a quart, 15c; catsup, large bottles, especially fine, 10c.

Alex. Holmes, Photo Studio, 1308 10th.

BORN. KEMNITZER—In this city, February 18th, to the wife of William Kemnitzer, a son.

DIED. ORCUTT—In this city, February 20th, Mary Scott Orcutt, wife of Frank L. Orcutt (niece of Irving M. and H. G. Scott), a native of Baltimore County, Maryland.

Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral Monday, at 2 p. m., from her late residence, 1863 H street. Interment private.

HIERONYMUS—In San Francisco, February 18th, Rev. Carl Hieronymus, beloved father of Mrs. C. Kelly and Mrs. J. S. Hofsteter, brother-in-law of Mrs. H. Klippel of Sacramento, and uncle of Miss Emilie Klippel and Mrs. E. J. Morris, a native of Germany, aged 75 years, 9 months and 7 days.

Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral to-day (Sunday), at 2:30 p. m., from Geo. H. Clark's undertaking parlors, 1017 and 1019 Fourth street, thence to the Ninth-street Baptist Church, Ninth street, between L and M streets, where funeral services will be held at 3 p. m.

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WEINSTOCK, LUBIN & CO.

MONDAY, 9:30. SPECIAL SALE

New Muslin Gowns and Drawers.

We take pleasure in announcing the arrival from New York of a large number of Women's Muslin Gowns and Drawers to be sold at special sale on Monday.

These goods are odd lots, picked up by our buyers from various manufacturers. They are all bright, fresh, new goods, with nothing out of the way with them but the prices.

LOT 1. Women's White Muslin Gowns, with large Empire collar, edged with a ruffle, yoke of inserting and embroidery edging. Sale Price, 58c.

LOT 2. Women's Gowns, of good quality muslin—of a quality that will give wear and satisfaction; front of five tucks and four rows of insertion; back of yoke with plaits. Sale Price, 69c.

LOT 3. New style Gown of white cambric muslin; cut with large rolling collar; wide inserting and ruffle on the collar; large sleeves and loose hanging front. Sale Price, 84c.

LOT 4. Women's Cambric Gown, made in a very neat and pretty style, with square yoke, front of five tucks and rows of insertion; yoke edged with wide Nainsook ruffle and embroidery. This gown is thoroughly well made and will please. Sale Price, 98c.

LOT 5. Women's Cambric Drawers with yoke bands, trimmed with a six-inch ruffle; this ruffle headed with clusters of tucks and edged with three inches of handsome new style embroidery; made very full and large. Sale Price, 78c.

We have on our counters Women's Muslin Skirts with deep lace. 68c and 88c.

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UNDERTAKING PARLORS, 1017 and 1019 Fourth street, between J and K streets. Telephone 134.

MILLER & McMULLEN, Undertaking Parlors, 905-907 K Street, Old Fellows' Temple. EMBALMING a specialty. Telephone 188. A. D. FENTON, Funeral Director.

W. J. KAVANAUGH, Undertaker and Funeral Director, No. 511 J STREET. EMBALMING a specialty. Office open day and night. Telephone, No. 643 red.

THE NEW FISH MARKET WE HEREBY ANNOUNCE TO THE public that on and after SATURDAY, January 23d, our fish market will be found at the foot of N street, instead of Front, between K and L. The market has been tastefully fitted up, and fresh fish of every variety and in large quantities will be kept constantly on hand.

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