

THE MUIR DREDGER.

OFFER WHICH THE INVENTOR HAS MADE THE STATE.

His Letter to the Auditing Board to the Commissioner of Public Works.

The following letter of Wm. Muir to the "Record-Union" explains itself. Eds., "Record-Union": I have offered gratis to the State of California, through its Auditing Board, the privilege to construct, control and own one of my dredgers...

I have heretofore offered to present to the State, free of all charge, the right to construct and operate one of these machines, and desire to urge upon your board the advisability of taking advantage of my offer...

I stand ready to present to your engineer or committee, plans and specifications of my machine, to the perfection of which I have devoted seventeen years of investigation and labor...

My estimate of the capacity of this machine can be demonstrated by the application of well known mechanical rules, and I respectfully submit that your board cannot better serve the interests of the people than by investigating and giving a fair trial to this system of dredging...

Statements were permitted to be made in reference to other dredgers, claiming to be the only dredgers under the hydraulic system having a United States patent, which statements were misleading...

Major Heuer stated that the miners estimated the cost of depositing the material in the only dredger under the hydraulic system having a United States patent, which statements were misleading...

The capacity of the Muir dredger (estimated at less than \$150,000) would be as follows: Dredging capacity, 1,000 horsepower, allowing 2 1/2 cents per cubic yard...

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tended to serve forty days in the County Jail for stealing a stick of wood from the back yard of John Devine. Jim Lin pleaded guilty to the charge of petit larceny.

Superior Court. (Department One—Hughes, Judge.) Friday, Jan. 21st. Guardianship of Lulu Gomet, a minor—Letters of guardianship to Mrs. George Green; bond, \$100.

Samuel Sweeney vs. Teresa Treichler—O. G. Hopkins entered as attorney of record for plaintiff on plaintiff's motion; case dismissed without prejudice. All other cases continued.

Richard & Knox vs. Mrs. H. B. Gregory et al.—Judgment by default set aside, and case dismissed without prejudice at cost of plaintiffs on their application.

Notaries Public. Governor Budd yesterday appointed Notaries Public as follows: H. M. LeBaron, Valley Ford, Sonoma County; J. P. Cox, Folsom; E. Bernstein, Oakland; Eugene L. McMakin, San Diego; J. Rio Baker, Antioch; A. C. McDonald, Big Pine, Inyo County; P. W. Forbes, Independence, Mono County; T. P. Whittall, Jalton, Monterey County; Charles W. Lockwood, Kenworth, Riverside County; A. K. Robinson, Auburn; C. A. Stratuck, Fresno; John L. Greer, San Rafael; C. Linkenbach, Randsburg; Robert I. Jones, Santa Monica; E. R. Howard, E. V. Baker, Stanley, Placer County; Los Angeles, and Don. C. Porter, Pasadena.

Articles of Incorporation. Articles of incorporation were yesterday filed in the office of the Secretary of State as follows: Larsen, Balm & Co. Formed to deal in lumber, etc., with the principal place of business at Fortuna, Humboldt County, and the following-named directors, all of Eureka: Louis Larsen, Wm. Balm, Wm. Swanson, Adolph Curtan, Victor Lunquist and Henry Strat. Capital stock, \$10,000. Stock actually subscribed, \$1,470.

Petition to Administrator. A. J. Rhoads has petitioned the Superior Court for appointment as administrator of the estate of Peter Heasi, deceased, which consists of \$279.29 in cash, jewels valued at \$40, and four lots in Oak Park.

Send Time. Sow before reaping—and a sure, full crop is secured only by using good, pure seed. Guaranteed pure seed can be obtained from the Pacific Strong Seed and Plant Co., wholesale and retail, at the Pacific, J. near Eighth.

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ASKED TO EXPLAIN.

THE LATE SECRETARY OF THE YOSEMITE COMMISSION.

He Claims That Everything Will be Satisfactorily Explained.

The books and accounts of the Yosemite Valley Commission, as kept by General John F. Sheehan, who, up to January 1st, was Secretary and Treasurer of that body, are to be officially investigated. No formal charges have been preferred, but Commissioner W. W. Foote has called the attention of Commissioners Clinch and Givens to certain alleged irregularities in the accounts of the retired Secretary and the three bills that have been presented by the commission.

Mr. Foote says that when Mr. Sheehan turned over the cash book and ledger to the new Secretary he did not turn over the deposit book, claiming that it was his private property. He further says that bills have been presented which Sheehan's books showed to have been paid and he demands an explanation.

The "Chronicle" yesterday, after enumerating the bills referred to, says: "Charles G. Clinch and Charles S. Givens, members of the commission, are positive that Sheehan will be able to explain every seeming inaccuracy in his accounts when he returns to this city from Sacramento on Saturday morning. Clinch is particularly certain that matters will be straightened out all right. He said yesterday: 'General Sheehan has been sick for some months and it is possible that he has not given all the attention that was necessary to the bookkeeping details of his position, but I feel certain that there is nothing in the shape of a shortage, or anything of the kind, to be accounted for. In fact, to my surprise, all the vouchers were brought up to December 31, 1897.'

"Some salary that is due the General still remains in our hands and has not yet been called for. There is a whole lot of paper error about the funds handled by this Yosemite and Mariposa Commission. The appropriations of \$7,500 for Yosemite and of \$500 for Mariposa are both handled through the State Treasury, and all the bills passed on those amounts have to be handled through the Board of Examiners. The only amount that has not been accounted for of these sums is about \$2,000 per annum from rents and tolls in Yosemite Valley. Very few of these are yet due or have been paid for the past season. Although I am not prepared to speak absolutely, I don't think there is a shortage, but the books seem to me to be all straight."

Mr. Sheehan was in Sacramento yesterday but left on the afternoon train to meet the Commissioners to-day. Before his departure he was interviewed in regard to the statements made by Mr. Foote, and he said he did not turn over the bank book to the new Secretary because he had not turned over to his successor the deposit book, as he said, "The reason I did not turn over the bank book is that I am responsible for deposits made in my name. All checks for claims are issued, and when cashed they must be returned to me, in order that canceled checks shall serve as vouchers to me that I have paid all claims. I have done this as my predecessor, Colonel John F. Irish, did. However, I have nothing to hide from the commission, as all checks will be paid when presented."

Mr. Sheehan's many friends in this city are confident that the apparent irregularities in his books will be satisfactorily explained when he meets the Commissioners to-day.

First Baptist Church. Sunday-School Workers' Conference To-day and To-morrow. A Sunday-school Conference, conducted by David P. Ward of Oakland, Cal., will be held in the First Baptist Church, Ninth street, between L and M, to-day and to-morrow. To-day's programme is as follows: 2:30—Devotional Scripture lesson, Roman, xii, 1-8, Rev. F. M. Mitchell; 2:45—Normal lesson, "The Bible," D. P. Ward of Oakland; 3:—The Prepared Teacher," George Purnell; 3:20—"Primary Teacher," Mrs. Jenks; 3:40—Open conference, "Our Mistakes and Difficulties, and How to Overcome Them," D. P. Ward; 4—Adjournment.

He Will Receive His Sentence in the Police Court To-day. Howard L. Hedden, the young man recently arrested on a charge of obtaining money from J. P. Dalton under false pretenses, was found guilty in the Police Court yesterday and will come up for sentence this morning.

The evidence showed that Hedden had represented himself to be an authorized agent for the "National Review," a sporting paper published in San Francisco, and that he had solicited for subscriptions in this city, charging \$1 per year, and agreeing to run a free advertisement for the subscriber for a period of six months. Dalton, one of the subscribers in this city, failed to get the paper, and could not get back even the cut he had furnished Hedden, and the latter's arrest followed.

MRS. LYNES ESCAPES

The Hospital and a Fearful Operation.

Hospital in great cities are sad places to visit. Three-fourths of the patients lying on those snow-white beds are women and girls. Why should this be the case? Because they have neglected themselves! Women as a rule attach too little importance to first symptoms of a certain kind. If they have toothache, they will try to save the tooth, though many leave even this too late. They comfort themselves with the thought that they can replace their teeth; but they cannot replace their internal organs!

Every one of these patients in the hospital beds had plenty of warnings in the form of bearing-down feelings, pain at the right or the left of the womb, nervous dyspepsia, pain in the small of the back, the "blues," or some other unnatural symptom, but they did not heed them.

Don't drag along at home or in the shop until you are finally obliged to go to the hospital and submit to horrible examinations and operations! Build up the female organs. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will save you from the hospital. It will put new life into you.

The following letter shows how Mrs. Lyness escaped the hospital and a fearful operation. Her experience should encourage other women to follow her example. She says to Mrs. Pinkham: "I thank you very much for what you have done for me, for I had given up in despair. Last February, I had a miscarriage caused by overwork. It affected my heart, caused me to have sinking spells three to four a day, lasting sometimes half a day. I could not be left alone. I fainted constantly. The doctor called twice a day for a week, and once a day for two weeks, then three or four times a week for four months. Finally he said I would have to undergo an operation. Then I commenced taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and I was cured completely. By taking the Pinkham medicine, I avoided an operation which the doctor said I would certainly have to undergo. I am gaining every day and will cheerfully tell anyone what you have done for me."—Mrs. THOS. LYNES, 10 Frederick St., Rochester, N. Y.

Stark Started. His Alleged Poetry Saved Him From Being Fined. John Stark had looked too long on the cup which exhilarates, and as a consequence had an audience with Justice Davis yesterday morning.

Stark admitted that he had "looked too long," and incidentally informed the court that he was from Marysville, and a poet.

It so happens that Justice Davis has a fellow-feeling for poets, whether of the spring or other varieties, and he inquired of Stark whether he happened to have an ode in his inside pocket.

Stark informed the Justice that he did happen to have a few couplets with him, and after fishing in his cavernous pockets, produced several pages of foolscap, which he offered to the court.

"I like poetry, Stark," said Justice Davis, "but I guess I'll have to ask you to read it."

"I have it committed," said Stark, and without more ado started out with a jangling story which led unprepared auditors to believe that he was a walking delegate who had gone wrong, but who had seen better days.

THE BIG SIX.

They Will Serve a Term on the Rock Pile for Vagrancy.

John Haynes, Dan O'Connell, John McCaffery, W. A. Jones, M. Flynn and P. Hughes were found guilty in the Police Court yesterday of vagrancy, and will each serve seventy days on the county rock-crushing plant.

George Davis, John Gilman, S. Vanderschloss and John Heppie, also charged with vagrancy, were discharged, the evidence showing that all were inhaling men and victims of hard times rather than Chinese gin.

Directors and Officers Elected. At the annual meeting of the Farmers' and Merchants' Savings Bank stockholders the following directors were elected: B. U. Steinman, Dwight Hollister, C. H. Cummings, James M. Stephenson, R. T. Devlin, J. H. Parkinson and George A. Smith.

The directors organized by electing officers as follows: President, B. U. Steinman; Vice-President, Dwight Hollister; Cashier, D. D. Whitbeck; Secretary, C. H. Cummings; Surveyor, J. M. Stephenson; Attorneys, Devlin & Devlin.

Foresters' Masque Ball. The Foresters' masque ball to be given at the old Pavilion next Thursday evening will undoubtedly be a grand success. The committee having the same in charge have prepared a fine programme to take place before the grand march, consisting of fancy and burlesque bicycle riding, lightning zouave drill, club swinging, boxing bouts, fancy dancing in costumes, and exhibition drill by a squad of twenty-four men from Company E, N. G. C. The grand march will be at 9:30 p. m.

The Salvation Army. There will be a special meeting at the Salvation Army Hall, 320 K street, tonight. It will consist of a salvation meeting and photograph entertainment, to finish with coffee and cake. Seats free.

Special Values on Sale. 25c all-wool black hose for children, ages 3 to 8 years, 10c pair; ladies' \$1 25 corset waist, sizes 18, 19, 20 and 25 to 29, 45c; 300 men's (samples) sort hats, black, brown and russet colors, selling at one-third their value. The Old Red House.

Electrical lamps at Scott's, 303 J. Try McMorry's 35c tea, 531 M.

Bad Blotches come from bad condition of Stomach, Bowels and Kidneys. Emul-Fress's Hamburg Tea will put them in good condition. All Grocers sell it.

DIED. BRADDOCK—In this city, January 20th, Joshua C. Braddock, husband of Rosetta Braddock and father of Fred M., Alfred M. and Rosie Braddock and brother of W. E. Braddock of Stockton, a native of Ohio, aged 59 years, 8 months and 19 days.

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MRS. M. A. PEALER, 621-623 J Street, Sacramento.

RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY (PACIFIC SYSTEM).

JANUARY 1, 1898.

Trains Leave and Arrive at Sacramento:

Table with columns: LEAVE TRAINS RUN DAILY, ARRIVE (FROM), and various train routes and times.

For morning, P. For afternoon. Sunday exceptions, Monday excepted. T. H. GOODMAN, Gen. Pas. Agent.



A HAPPIER NEW YEAR. Edge Tools. Don't start the new year with a hatchet that won't cut, a saw that won't saw or a chisel that won't chisel. Get out these three tools that are often needed—If they're really old, come as they are. You can have new ones that'll do your work quickly. Our prices are all right.

SCHAW, INGRAM, BARTCHER & CO. 211-219 J St., Sacramento.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE State of California, in and for the County of Sacramento. In the matter of the estate of H. GRIBBLE, deceased. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, administrator of the estate of H. Gribble, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them, with the necessary affidavits and vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice, to the said administrator, at the office of White & Seymour, Stock Building, Sacramento City, California, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of said estate.

Dated December 24, 1897. I, RHODAS, as administrator of the estate of H. Gribble, deceased. White & Seymour, Attorneys for Administrator. 425-512A.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS—ESTATE OF SILAS CARLE, deceased. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, Melissa S. Carle, executrix of the will of said deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them, with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice, to the said executrix, at the office of White & Seymour, Stock Building, Sacramento City, California, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of the said estate.

January 14, 1898. MELISSA S. CARLE, Executrix of the will of Silas Carle, deceased. Holl & Dunn, Attorneys for Executrix. 445-512A.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS—ESTATE OF C. CHAUNCEY TIETJENS, deceased. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, executors of the will of C. Chauncey Tietjens, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them, with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice, to the said executors, Theresa Tietjens, at the office of Holl & Dunn, in the Breuner building, 609 K street, Sacramento City, California, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of the said estate in the city and county of Sacramento, State of California.

January 7, 1898. THERESA TIETJENS, Executrix of the estate of C. Chauncey Tietjens, deceased. Holl & Dunn, Attorneys for Executrix. 445-512A.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS—ESTATE OF MELVINA E. MAXFIELD, deceased. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Melvina E. Maxfield, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them, with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice, to the said administrator, at the office of Holl & Dunn, Breuner building, 609 K street, in the city of Sacramento, California, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of the said estate in the city and county of Sacramento, State of California.

January 7, 1898. HOLL & DUNN, Attorneys for Administrator. 445-512A.

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Advertisement for 'Kilgore & Tracy' grocers and 'Dingley's Mills' coffee.

Advertisement for 'Dr. Jordan's Great Museum of Anatomy' and 'Dr. Charcot's Kola Nervine Tablets'.

Advertisement for 'F.C. KNAUER'S CELEBRATED CULMBACHER' cigars and 'Mater Misericordiae' hospital.

Advertisement for 'C. H. KREBS & CO.' and 'N. Dingley's Mills'.