SANTA ANA.

Sheriff Lacy Captures a Forger—Local Notes.

SANTA ANA, Dec. 12.—About 8 o'clock this morning Sheriff Lacy called at the county jail and ordered out the 22 tramps that were confined there and informed them that their services were wanted on the Santa Ana river about two and a half miles west of town. The information seemed to be something of a surprise to these gentlemen of leisure, and it was with some reluctance that they were persuaded to arm themselves with the bran new shovels, mattocks and axes that had been purchased for the occasion.

One overgrown hobo who had probably not done a decent day's work since he struck the Pacific coast, threw down his shovel and declared he would not break the pledge by doing manual labor; but Sheriff Lacy thought differently and so informed the fastidious gentleman. He was told he could take his choice of working on three square meals a day or bread and water and no work. When this option was mentioned every hobo of the lot dropped his shovel and exclaimed: "What is to hinder us all living on bread and water?" The sheriff informed them that they could have their choice, and after a few minutes' deliberation they decided it was best to work, so they were marched to the river and put to work digging stumps from the river-bed.

The whole number taken out this morning were brought in at 4:30 p.m. by Deputy Buckly and Frank Nicholson, who report that they did an average day's work.

BRUCE CAPTURED.

Some time in August last a man by the name of Frank L. Bruce called at Gildmacher's store in this city and presented an order on L. Gildmacher signed by — Clellant for $27. Clellant at that time was running a threshing machine on the San Joaquin ranch and was in the habit of giving his men orders on Gildmacher for their wages, which were always cashed. Bruce had been out to the San Joaquin and had heard of his custom, and immediately conceived the idea which he carried out the next day, that of forging an order which he presented by Charles, who did not suspect but that it was genuine.

Shortly afterwards Clellant came in to settle up his accounts with Gildmacher, when he found the forged order by Frank L. Bruce. But Bruce had not signed his real name to the order, but the ficticious name John Wood, machinist. He made his escape before his smooth work was detected, but a description of him was given Marshal Nichols, who started out to entrap him. He sent descriptions of him throughout the country, and last evening his efforts were rewarded by receiving a telegram stating that Frank L. Bruce had been arrested. Nichols went up to Los Angeles last evening and this morning brought his man back with him. Bruce will have his examination tomorrow before Judge Humphreys.

He says he will not make any defense but will plead guilty to the charge of forgery and receive his sentence as quickly as possibly.

NOTES.

Prof. R. A. Morton, who is in Oakand, will be joined by his family of Santa Ana in a few days. Prof. Morton is one of the old settlers in the Santa Ana valley, and has been one of the successful teachers for many years. Mrs. Morton entertained a few friends last evening, and a very pleasant evening was passed, at the close of which all expressed sorrow at the prospect of losing them as neighbors, but wished them much prosperity in their chosen home.

Today was the day set for the trial of James Bowers in the superior court of this county. Bowers was out on $1000 bail, his father and J. E. Elliott, his brother-in-law, being his bondsmen. When the case was called this morning Bowers did not respond, and his bail was ordered forfeited by Judge Towner.

Tomorrow (Wednesday) evening one of the most important meetings that has yet been held by the Tustin Orange-Growers' association will be held at Fairbanks' store.

Hubert Hudson of Garden Grove was married to Miss Annie Dance of the same place today by Rev. A. L. Dearing of this city.

Eleven instruments were filed for record in the recorder's office today.

J. L. Forbes has a force of 13 men throwing up a levee south of the Fifth street bridge. The work will be completed about the middle of this week.

The people in Santa Ana have decidedly changed their opinion in regard to the guilt of Aguilar, accused of cremating his wife. There is not a person in Santa Ana who believes him guilty who have heard the Anaheim people, who say they saw him on the day the deed was committed.

The Jefferson club has reorganized and will soon present a fine play for the benefit of company F.

The regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held on Tuesday at 2:30 p. m. in First Presbyterian church. Crusade day will be observed December 29th by an all-day meeting. Place and programme will appear later. The evening programme will consist of music by home talent and short bright addresses by Mrs. Cash and Mrs. Garbutt, state president of Los Angeles, and Mrs. Davis president of Riverside county.

W. E. Winslow is quite sick with la grippe.

There was an article in the Examiner this morning in regard to a negro by the name of Thomas Harrison, now a convict in San Quentin, who has been eating lamp chimneys. R. A. S. Wade of our city knew the same negro in Vermont and has seen him eat glass as any one would eat crackers, crunching the glass in his teeth and swallowing it.

SUPERIOR COURT.

People vs. Dudley Dutheroe—December 14th set to answer arraignment.

People vs. James Bowres—Defendant failing to appear, bail ordered forfeited; cause passed to be reset for trial.

James Bowers is the man arrested for breaking into Tom Drury's barber shop and was out on $1000 bail. His bondsmen were W. H. Elliot of Norwalk, James E. Bowers, father of the defendant, and E. P. Justice of Westminster. Suit will be brought against the bondsmen to recover the $1000.

PASADENA.

The Throop Celebration—General News Matters.

PASADENA, Dec. 12.—A meeting of the committee on the Throop celebration was held in W. E. Arthur's office this morning with a full attendance of members. The most important report received was from the programme committee which made a partial report of the arrangements for the day so far as provided for.

It was decided to hold the afternoon meeting in the tabernacle instead of the open air as was at first proposed.

Prior to this meeting, which starts at 2 o'clock, will be an inspection of the buildings of the institute from 12 to 2, when a lunch will be served to out-of-town visitors in East hall.

The afternoon meeting, which will consist of speeches and a general literary and musical programme, will, as before stated, be held in the tabernacle if that building can be secured, if not the opera house will be used.

The evening banquet, which will be given in Hotel Green, promises to be a brilliant affair.

Arrangements are being made for the accommodation of several hundred guests, plates being laid at $2.50 each. The toasts will be given by some of the leading speakers of the state, including one upon California by Gov. H. H. Markham. Romandy's orchestra will furnish music for the occasion, while the menu can be left to the efficient manager of the hotel, Mr. Holmes, with the assurance that nothing will be lacking. A meeting of the general committee will be held tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, when the final details will be completed,

THROOP TRUSTEE MEETING.

A meeting of the directors of Throop polytechnic was held in the office of the institute yesterday afternoon, presided over by Mr. Throop, chairman of the board.

Two vacancies in the board were filled, one caused by resignation and one by death. The vacancy caused by the death of Judge Hodgin was filled by the election of John Wadsworth, while Mr. C. B. Scoville was elected to the vacancy caused by the death of his father, J. W. Scoville.

Reports from the various officials and committees showed the condition of the institute to be most satisfactory.

The number of students enrolled has almost reached the 200 mark and is fast growing larger. Should the increase continue during the coming year as it has in the last, another building in addition to the large one just completed will soon become a necessity. With a view to this the two buildings now being used were erected, so as to allow a sufficient space between for a third structure when it should become necessary.

The manual training idea seems to have taken the popular fancy in right royal style, and similar institutions of the kind will probably be in operation in several cities on the coast before long. Students are even now attracted to Throop from all parts of this state and a few adjoing ones, showing how widespread the desire of this class of education is becoming.

TOURNAMENT NEWS.

The committee on arrangements for the coming tournament of roses has established headquarters with Wood and Church on East Colorado street.

The management is to be congratulated upon having secured as director of racing events Mr. J. C. Newton, president of the Sixth District Agricultural association, which assures a freedom from the annoying confusion which somewhat marred last year's tournament. Mr. Newton is an old hand at the business and will see to it that things are kept moving in a ship shape manner.

The management announce that they have arranged with the Santa Fe company for a one and one-third return rate from any points around the kite-shape track, good for three days, from January 1st. This will allow those living up the valley a chance to attend the tournament at a small cost and will doubtless increase the attendance very materially.

A very careful attention is being given to details this year which cannot fail to result in a great improvement over previous events of the kind.

NOTES.

An election of officers for the ensuing year will be held by the W. R. C. tomorrow afternoon.

Marshal Buchanan took down eight vags to the county jail last evening.

The tramp fraternity is not quite so conspicuous hereabouts as a few days ago.

Miss Mamie Thompson has been appointed to a position in the Washington school, which gives general satisfaction to those acquainted with her abilities as a teacher.

The lecture of Rev. W. B. Lucas at the Presbyterian church last evening was well attended. The subject, The Orient, proved a very interesting one, and the lecture throughout was listened to with much attention.

The revival meetings at the Baptist church, which are being conducted by Rev. Cairns, attract large audiences nightly.

A slight frost last evening, the first of the season, put in an appearance in this city.

No Christmas and New Year's table should be without a bottle of Dr. Siegert's Angostura Bitters, the world renowned appetizer of exquisite flavor. Beware of counterfeits.

SANTA MONICA.

The Episcopal Church Bazar — Local Affairs.

SANTA MONICA, Dec. 12.—The Christmas bazar of the ladies of the Episcopal church opened last night under auspicious circumstances in the beautiful parish hall adjoining St. Augustine church on Fifth street. For some time the ladies and their friends have been at work, and their labors were crowned with a success truly merited. There were scenes of youth and beauty, flowers and the ladies' handiwork, not forgetting to mention the charming Rebecca at the well, who serves the accustomed acidulated drink from such wells to all comers.

Flowers abound everywhere, from the canopy back of Queen Golden Hair's throne to the various booths.

At Mrs. M. H. Kimball's booth (the floral one) they fairly bud and blossom everywhere, of every hue and kind, making all happier for their smiles.

The fancy booth, in charge of Miss S. S. Stanwood, Grace Stanwood and Mrs. Soule, is crowded with choice Christmas souvenirs of the ladies' handiwork.

The salad booth, in charge of Mrs. J. Sagrist, is attractive, and the salad perfect in every essential, so epicures say.

The refreshment booth, in charge of Miss Lizzie Hughes and Mrs. G. B. Stone, is well provided with delicacies and ably officered.

The Rebecca at the Well of the fair or bazar is Miss Maria Kennedy.

Mr. Richard Peckham has gathered together a unique fine art and loan collection, which is worthy of special mention and study. The catalogue is a work of art in itself.

Every evening during the continuance of the bazar a different act of the operetta Golden Hair will be given. A commodious stage has been erected for the occasion, which will hereafter be a permanent feature of the hall. The following cast shows some of the personations of the operetta:

Golden Hair (soprano).....Mabel Wilson
Wood and Queen (soprano).....Miss Ramsey
Ancient Bard (tenor).....F. R. Ellis
Faithful (soprano).....Maude Saunders
Lightfoot (soprano).....Miss Dickinson
Fairy (alto).....Ella Reed
Frailty (alto).....Miss Wilson
Airy (alto).....Ada Showalter
Will-o-the-Wisp (soprano).....Pearl Dixon
Big Bruin (baritone).....J. Fred Dickinson
Mammy Muff.....Fred Bassett
Tiny Cub.....Roland Showalter
Pianist.....Miss Volkman

Queen's pages—John Dixon, Fred Bassett, Frank Wright, Clair Morris.

Special courier—Joe Mooser.

Forest children—Cartha Owen, Melzina Grimes, Edna Mooser, Tillie Hawthorne, Hobartha Merlinjones, Anabel Owens, Kittie Stone, Rebecca Donnelly, Diana Carrillo, Katie Nirk, Ella Reed.

Fairies—Frances Thomson, Miss Dixon, Jessie Wilson, Ada Showalter, Tueress M. Dickinson, Mabel Wilson, Miss Saunders, Miss Jamison.

The bazar continues throughout the week, Mrs. Peckham being president of the affair, with the rector Rev. J. M. Merlin-Jones, assisting in every way possible.

Mrs. Thomas Jones, mother of Robert S. Jones and sister of Senator Jones, arrived yesterday from Cleveland, O., intending to spend the winter here.

The fire laddies will give their annual ball on New Year's eve at the opera house. They have received a handsome lot of prizes which will be on exhibition at Fuller's jewelry store today.

These are busy days at the wharf and the large force of stevedores are kept continually at work.

The Leonard Grover company have the town well billed, and are promised big houses when they appear, the 14th, 15th and 16th.

REDLANDS.

The Bear Valley Company's Troubles. The Orange Growers.

REDLANDS, Dec. 12.—It was with a sigh of relief that the people learned that Frank P. Morrison had been appointed receiver of the Bear Valley Irrigation company. This company has issued something over $3,000,000 of its capital stock, representing a paid-up capital of near $2,000,000, and has an indebtedness variously stated at from $600,000 to $900,000, while other liabilities to the Perris and Alessandro Irrigation company, in the form of water, require the expenditure of a considerable sum to perfect the delivery system. The necessity of delivering this water led to the incurring of over $200,000 indebtedness in constructing a canal last spring. Notwithstanding this water liability, members of the company insisted on declaring a 15 per cent dividend each year. This led to trouble in the directorate, and some of the prominent members withdrew from the company, disposing of their stock. For over six months conservative men have been very apprehensive, and for about three months the appointment of a receiver has been anticipated, providing English capitalists did not come to the rescue of the company. This state of uncertainty has demoralized all lines of business here, but the appointment of Mr. Morrison, who has the confidence of the entire people, as well as the stockholders, as a conservative and uncommonly capable financier, will restore confidence in the company and wipe out the element of suspense. While Bear Valley stock has sold as high as $160 in small blocks in Europe, it has never reached such fictitious values at home.

There can be little doubt that Mr. Morrison will be able to wipe out the company's indebtedness and leave the stockholders from 50 to 100 cents on the dollar of the face value of the stock, which, with the exception of the foreign holders, would at least refund the money really invested.

The plant is one of the most valuable in California and has cost a mint of money. The present water supply will not be affected and ranchers have no occasion whatever for worry.

Meetings are being held every few days looking to the organization of orange growers. The Redlands Orange Growers' association is a close corporation consisting of five men, the other growers who ship through the association having no voice in the election of the managers or transaction of business, nor has the association any connection with the general movement. It is now proposed to organize an association on more democratic lines to co-operate with growers in other towns, and a number of prominent citizens are interested in the movement.

An Unfortunate Stevedore.

SANTA MONICA, Dec. 12—[Special.]—Erick Erickson, one of the stevedores handling coal on the Mineola at the wharf at Port Los Angeles, had his right leg broken today just above the right ankle. He was sent to Los Angeles on the afternoon train.

FOR CRIMINAL LIBEL.

FIGHT BETWEEN SPANISH EDITORS OF THIS CITY.

Strong Insinuations of Horse Thievery Prompt the Action—A Verdict of Not Guilty Is Found.

A legal fight between Spanish editors was the principal case in Justice Austin's court yesterday.

Evaristo Olivas, editor of Monitor Mexicana, charged J. J. Childs and C. M. Foster with criminal libel. The last two men are editors of El Latigo, in which the alleged libelous article was published.

The court room was crowded with Spanish people, all of whom took more than usual interest in the case. Horace Appel, the prominent young attorney, appeared as counsel for the defendants, while A. A. Montaño represented the complaining witness.

The charge made by the article insinuated that Olivas had stolen two horses at some period in his life at Alamos, in Mexico, and had acknowledged it in a saloon in this city. Several other allegations were made.

There was a lively controversy between counsel at various stages of the trial, which consumed most of the afternoon. The trial was prolific of much amusement.

The case was concluded after 5 o'clock, when it was given to the jury.

A verdict of not guilty was brought in within 20 minutes after the jury was charged by the court.

POMONA.

News Matters From the Fruit City. Notes.

POMONA, Dec. 12.—The funeral of the late Mrs. Mary Nesbit, mother of Rev. A. W. Nesbit, whose remains arrived in Pomona this morning from the ranche near North Cucamonga, where she died after a long seige of painful illness, was held from the Presbyterian church this morning, Rev. W. P. Craig officiating; the interment being at the Pomona cemetery.

The electrician at the head of the workmen preparing the arc lights, thinks everything will be in readiness within a day or two—perhaps tonight—to light up Second street at any rate.

We have a genuine cotton stalk with several open bolls and others not quite matured, in the front window of this office. It was grown on one of the ranches of Col. Frank P. Firey, and by him brought in; and to a great many it is a real curiosity, but to us, a dear, old familiar object, yea, even friend.

The fog of the morning was a very heavy one, and did not disperse until high noon, leaving it even disagreeably harsh this afternoon.

The finishing touches have about been completed upon the Newman store and the tonsorial parlor, and the improvement is at least restful to the eye.

Herman Connor has taken a job with a carpentering crew on the Southern Pacific, going down this morning for orders and assignment to duty.

Mrs. Brown, mother of our former townsman, Henry B. Westerman, left on the Southern Pacific yesterday afternoon for Ukiah, in the upper part of the state, where she resided many years ago.

Mr. B. C. Howard of Rincon was in town today.

Harry Chandler of the Times passed up the road yesterday, stopping over a few minutes in Pomona.

Andrew Ziegler, formerly of Pomona but now of Los Angeles, was on our streets yesterday.

The city trustees will meet at 7:30, in the city hall, this evening.

Mr. Mitchell retires from the book store of Mitchell & Pilligg, a friend and former partner of the latter from Los Angeles having purchased his interest.

There were a few arrivals at the Palomares late yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Doster and family from Kansas have just arrived in town and located for the present, renting the Manning house, corner of Fifth avenue and Parcells street.

Mrs. A. H. Wilbur will leave for Oakland as soon as her husband, who has taken a place in the general office of the Southern Pacific company in San Francisco, can secure a suitable location there for his family.

Business seems to be rather quiet for only a fortnight before Xmas.

ROASTED TO DEATH.

Horrible Fate of an Aged Mexican Near Warner's Ranch.

San Diego Union: Details of the horrible burning of an aged Mexican near Warner's ranch were received yesterday. A Mexican named Santa Ana, who has a government claim near Warner's ranch, had been keeping an old man known only as "Pancho," reputed to be 113 years old, and totally blind. Santa Ana and his wife left the place to obtain work, and an Indian boy of 17 years agreed to look after old Pancho. He did not do so, however, and left the place. Afterward on Saturday morning an Indian named Jesus Maria went to the place, and, it is supposed, furnished the old man with cigarettes and matches. On that day the house caught fire and the blind man was roasted to death inside.

The house, being partly of adobe, was not entirely consumed, and the bones of old Pancho were found inside by Deputy County Assessor G. Clark late on Saturday. For some unaccountable reason that official kept the news to himself for four days. Last Tuesday he told the neighbors, and a party went out and buried the remains of the aged man. No suspicion is attached to the Indian visitor, as it is believed old Pancho through his blindness set fire to the place while smoking.

Potatoes Better Than Beans.

The Venturian: J. E. Borchard was over from the Colonia this week. In speaking about the starch factory he said that by reason of its being closed $2000 at least was kept out of the pockets of the farmers, and that, too, from a class of potatoes which could not be sold. He said that this year his potatoes brought him $48 an acre. It cost him just $23.80 an acre for expenses. His expenses included $8 for seed and $8 for digging and sacking. It left him $24.20 net profit.

A Danger to Navigation.

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 12.—George Fuller received word today that a huge lighter, anchored at San Carlor landing, Lower California, was torn adrift by a northeast gale, and has drifted out to sea into the path of the Pacific mail steamers, a matter of interest to mariners. The latitude of the lighter when she broke loose was 29 degrees, 37 minutes.

POLICE COURT CASES.

Some of Those Who Got Into the Toils Yesterday.

William Card was up before Judge Seaman yesterday for an attempt to steal a suit of clothes from a Main street store. He was found guilty and sentenced to 60 days in jail or to pay a fine of $60.

Henry Merrill was examined on a charge of begging. In his attempt to show that he had worked at various places he stated that he last had employment near the corner of Spring and Eighteenth streets, when in fact Spring street does not extend beyond Ninth. His idea of truth and veracity was vague, to say the least. He got 15 days.

James Deering was also sent to jail for 20 days on a similar charge.

Fannie Wright, whose real name is Mrs. Allen, and who was once a well-known woman of the city and the wife of a prominent man, was arrested on a charge of vagrancy. She was found guilty and sentenced to 30 days in jail, but upon a promise to return to her parents the court suspended sentence. She is only 21 years old.

Charlotte Bennett, who says she has a home and husband at San Pedro, was also arrested on a similar charge. She broke down in court and wept like a child, as she told how she was being supported by her son, who is in Montana, and about her illness. She was found guilty and sentence suspended.

William Stacey, who has just served a 25-day sentence in jail for vagrancy, ran up against Sergeant Smith on the the street and asked for a night's lodging. He had been warned to leave the city, but refused. He got 30 days.

THE TICKET AGENTS.

Their Next Convention to Be Held in This City.

C. G. Cadwallader, secretary of the International Association of Ticket Brokers, has written to the chamber of commerce to the effect that his organization has decided to hold its next annual convention in Los Angeles, either in the month of March or April. It was originally intended to have held the convention during March, but they had been informed later that April was the better time in which to meet here. He desires to be informed as to which should be chosen.

The organization, he states, extends through Mexico, the United States and Canada, and has about 500 or 600 members.

About 300 members will be able to attend and will be accompanied by their families, which will bring the party that will visit the city up to about 500 souls.

The letter further asks whether the midwinter fair is likely to cause an overflowing of the local hotels, the rates of which are also asked for.

The executive committee of the association meets at Philadelphia, Pa., on the 20th inst., when the details will be decided upon.

AN IMPORTANT CASE.

Deer Meat Killed in Another State Can Be Sold Here.

Justice Seaman decided a very important legal point yesterday when he found Simon Maier not guilty of breaking the law of this state by selling deer meat which was killed in another state.

Maier was arrested on complaint of A. G. Fletcher, state game inspector.

Mr. Maier admitted in court to having sold deer meet, but said that it came from Texas. The question involved was whether deer meat, killed according to law in anyther state, could be sold in this state.

Some of the best legal fraternity in the city took interest in the case. The opinion of the court was full of interesting points, the substance being that Maier was not guilty of breaking the law of this state.

Licensed to Marry.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday by the county clerk to the following persons:

Thomas F, Hayes, a native of California, 27 years of age, of Puente, and Marcia M. Robinson, a native of Maine, 28 years of age, of Norwalk.

William Muhlig, 28 years of age, a native of Germany, and Laura Loshziner, 25 years of age, also a native of Germany, both residents of this city.

There are undelivered telegrams at the Western Union Telegraph office, December 12th, for Mrs. V. E. Drake and C. S. Bennett.

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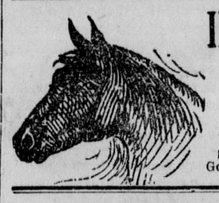

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