

HOT WEATHER

Would Please the Owners of Runners

THE STATE FAIR VISITORS

LIKE IT MUCH BETTER AS IT IS AT PRESENT

Races Run on Various Tracks—Washington Baseball Players Work Toward the Top

Associated Press Special Wire.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Sept. 7.—The second day of the State fair witnessed an increased attendance at the races. The weather was perfect, but horsemen would prefer to have it hotter. The eastern congressmen now on a visit to the coast were in the city and spent an hour at the track. Five bookmakers did a good business, but on days of harness racing only a few pools will be sold. Summaries:

First race, six furlongs—Callente (Jones), 107, won; Salisbury (Snider), 107, second; Olive (Isom), 104, third. Time, 1:15. Second race—Summings stakes, six furlongs—Duckling (Snider), won; Reemondie (Sullivan), second; Morinell (McNichol), third. Time, 1:15. Third race, ladies' stake, six furlongs—Scotch Rose (Jones), won; Lost Girl (Narvaez), second; Fortunate (Wilson), third. Time, 1:14. Fourth race, one mile—Vincitor (Freeman), won; San Tuzza (Narvaez), second; Marie L. (Isom), third. Time, 1:42.

Fifth race, mile and a quarter—Marquise (Wilson), won; W. O. B. (Narvaez), second; Meadow Lark (Freeman), third. Time, 1:49. Tomorrow the chief attraction will be the 210 trot, in which Jasper Ayres, Ethel Downs, Jora, Mamie Griffin, Waldo J. and Stam. B. will start.

AT FLEETWOOD

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—Races at Fleetwood park today: Three-year-old class, pacing, purse, \$1000—Quadriga won; Miss Margaret second, Elf third. Best time, 2:09. Three-year-old trotting class, purse \$200—Crescenta won, American Belle second, Thorne third. Best time, 2:14. 2:24 trotting purse \$300—Emily won, George second, Quarterstaff third. Best time, 2:25.

AT CINCINNATI

CINCINNATI, O., Sept. 7.—Results: Five furlongs—Eight Bells won, Azucena second, Fair Day third; time, 1:05. Six and a half furlongs—Rockwall won, Master Pierce second, Happy Hours third; time, 1:22. Five and a half furlongs—Marcato won, Seaport second, Don Quixote third; time, 1:09. Six and a half furlongs, selling—Madrigal won, Harry Gaines second, Panchito third; time, 1:24. Mile and seventy yards—Oscuro won, Kitty B. second, Miss Ross third; time, 1:44.

ACROSS THE LINE

DETROIT, Sept. 7.—Results at Windsor: Five furlongs—Bombardment won, Sir Errol second, Intriguer third; time, 1:20. Five furlongs—Miss Gussie won, Aspasia second, Hurley Burley third; time, 1:03. One mile, selling—Alamo won, Double Quick second, Logan third; time, 1:41. Five and a half furlongs, selling—Duceo won, Beguile second, Briarhill third; time, 1:17. Six furlongs—Adam Johnson won, Marzeppa second, Bounding Rock third; time, 1:42.

HARLEM RACES

CHICAGO, Ill., Sept. 7.—Results at Harlem: Four and a half furlongs—Effie Cline won, Miss Hoy second, Chinkapin third; time, 1:54. One mile—Ranger won, Ovation second, Ashland third; time, 1:43. Seven furlongs—Portus won, Foncliff second, Swordsman third; time, 1:23. Six furlongs—Bell Punch won, Fred Briggs second, The Professor third; time, 1:14. One mile—Sultress won, Travis second, Trilby third; time, 1:43. Six furlongs—Adown won, Crockett second, Mamie Callan third; time, 1:14.

THE YORKSHIRE HANDICAP

LONDON, Sept. 7.—At the first day's racing of the Doncaster September meeting today Mr. Hamyar Bass' five-year-old chestnut horse Carleton Grange won the great Yorkshire handicap plate, L. de Rothschild's Jacquemart second, and Sir W. Waldie Griffith's Astoria third. This race is for 1200 sovereigns, for three-year-olds and upwards. The race was run over the old St. Leger course, one mile, six furlongs and 132 yards.

WHEEL WORK

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 7.—In the final of the half mile scratch race for professionals held here tonight under electric light, five of the best men on the coast fell and were severely injured. John Staver, of Portland, sustained serious injuries about the head and body. Otto Ziegler, the Californian, was badly cut about the face and head. Dan Whitman, of Los Angeles, was badly bruised as was also Harry Downing of San Jose, Cal., and George Crawford of this city. It is not thought that any very serious results will follow. Summaries: Half mile professional—Final heat—George Sharin, Tacoma, won; Harry Downing, San Jose, second; Danny Whitman, Los Angeles, third. Time, 1:10.5. Half mile amateur—Wing, San Francisco, won; Frank Colter, Tacoma, second; Percy Mott, Oakland, third. Time, 1:21. Mile professional—Final heat—George Sharin won; Allan Jones, second; Whitman, third. Time, 2:21.5.

ON THE DIAMOND

Winners of Games Played by League Clubs WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—By winning today's game Washington went to the

top of the second division. Attendance 2000. Score: Washington 7, hits 10, errors, 0; Louisville 1, hits 7, errors, 1. NEW YORK—Tebeau and the Indians came today to play off two postponed games. They were played as a double-header and the Giants took both. Attendance 9000. Score: First game, New York 6, hits 7, errors 3; Cleveland 1, hits 8, errors 2. Second game, New York 4, hits—, errors—; Cleveland 1, hits 3, errors 1.

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—The Brooklyn-Pittsburg game, postponed at Pittsburg on July 21st, was played off at Eastern park this afternoon and was won by the Pittsburgs. Attendance 1053. Score: Brooklyn 4, hits 6, errors 6; Pittsburg 7, hits 10, errors 3.

THE CRAVEN CASE

Reaches the Stage of Argument to the Jury

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 7.—The following scenes in the case of Angus vs. Craven, which has occupied the undivided attention of Judge Slack and a jury for five months, commenced today when Garrett McEnerney, the representative of the executors of the Fair estate, opened the argument for the plaintiff. The issues to be submitted to the jury are:

First—Were the deeds in controversy signed by James G. Fair? Second—Were they duly acknowledged by him?

Third—Was there a conspiracy existing between Mrs. Nettie Craven, Martin Welby and Mrs. Atkins, which had for its object the looting of the Fair estate? Mr. McEnerney began his argument by showing the improbability of the signing of the deed by the late Senator Fair, and then reviewed the testimony relative to the Craven deeds, which he denounced as most palpable frauds and forgeries.

D. M. Delmas will take up the cudgels on behalf of Mrs. Craven at the close of Mr. McEnerney's address, and Ex-Judge Curtis, the "will smasher," will probably occupy part of the allotted time for the defense, while Messrs. Mitchell and Wheeler will take the time allowed for the closing argument on behalf of the plaintiff.

THE POLAR SEARCH

Will Be Continued Until Success Is Gained

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—Walter Wellman, the journalist and Arctic explorer, was one of the passengers on the New York, which arrived today. He has been to Norway and Russia to consult with Nansen and to arrange for a steamer. He says efforts would be continued to reach the north pole until the feat is accomplished.

"Three expeditions will be in the field next year," he says. "One will be that of Captain Sverdrup, in the Fram; another that of Lieut. Peary in Greenland, and a third one will be made by myself in Franz Josef land.

"My arrangements are to sail from Bergen, Norway, in a stanch ice steamer, the June 15. The men will comprise the expedition. They will be Norwegians with the exception of two or three Americans. We shall establish a supply station at Cape Flora, leaving two men in charge. We shall set out on our journey toward the pole in the early part of 1899 and shall be equipped for a journey of 100 or 115 days.

THE COUNTY WINS

The Careless Railroad Will Pay for the Bridge

SACRAMENTO, Sept. 7.—In 1893 the supervisors of Sacramento county entered into an agreement with the railroad company whereby the company agreed to pay \$30,000 toward constructing an overhead wagon road bridge across the Sacramento river above the company's tracks. E. J. Crowley, a citizen of Sacramento, brought suit to prevent the supervisors from paying the money. The case was tried before Judge Hunt of San Francisco, sitting in this county. The judge filed his opinion in favor of the county.

Judge Hunt finds that there was no advertisement or demand for bids, no plans or specifications, no working details, etc., furnished the board, no order letting the contract upon plans adopted by the board, no contract and no bond executed for the faithful performance of the work. The judge disposes adversely of the claim that the bridge was a matter of necessity, occasioning imperative action by the board.

Laundry Law

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 7.—In the United States district court today Judge De Haven rendered a decision of considerable interest to municipal authorities throughout the state. Hong Wah, a Chinese laundryman of San Mateo, applied for a writ of habeas corpus on the ground that he was illegally detained by the sheriff of that county upon a commitment ordering that he be confined in the county jail for three months in default of the payment of a fine of \$300 for having conducted a laundry within the district prescribed by law. Judge De Haven, after hearing the matter, held that the ordinance under which the petitioner was convicted and sentenced was unconstitutional, and therefore ordered that Hong Wah be discharged from custody.

The Native Sons

SANTA ROSA, Sept. 7.—The Native Sons are already coming from different parts of the state to attend the great Admission day celebration here this week. Each visiting delegation has sent a delegation in advance to secure headquarters and the work of decorating them is already well advanced. The work on the public arches will soon be completed and they will surpass anything ever seen here. The decorating being done by the merchants is beautiful and nothing like it has ever been seen here before.

A Fresno Murder

FRESNO, Cal., Sept. 7.—A jury was impaneled in Judge Webb's court today to try Leon Hill for the murder of Lloyd Duke at Wartham Canyon on June 27 of the present year. There is quite a formidable array of counsel in the case. There had been trouble between the two young men for some time before the killing. The weapon was a Winchester rifle, and Duke was killed by the first shot. The defense is provocation.

Berkeley Courts

BERKELEY, Cal., Sept. 7.—A decision of the superior court declaring illegal the justices' courts of Berkeley left the administration of justice in the college town in a peculiar position. The town marshal and his deputies will not be able to convict offenders against town ordinances and the justices will probably close their offices.

LOVE LETTERS

Play a Part in the Trial of Luetgert

PROSECUTION MADE POINTS

WHICH WILL TROUBLE COUNSEL FOR DEFENSE

Two Witnesses Testify to the Presence of Mrs. Luetgert at the Sausage Shop

Associated Press Special Wire.

CHICAGO, Sept. 7.—Two strong points were scored by the prosecution in the Luetgert trial today, and unless the defense is able to impeach the testimony of the witnesses their evidence is likely to have considerable weight with the jury.

The two witnesses were Nicholas Faber, who testified that on the night of May 1 he saw Luetgert and his wife enter the sausage factory, and Charles Hengst, who swore that on the night of May 1 he passed the factory and heard a cry from within, as though some one was in pain. The witness before the police justice by whom Luetgert was held to await the action of the grand jury, Hengst said he could not tell whether the cry was of a human being or of an animal. Today he said, however, that he was confident that the cry came from a human being. The defense rely greatly upon the statement he made before the trial to impeach his testimony.

Faber grew confused somewhat on cross-examination and could not tell whether the moon shone or whether it was a cloudy night when he saw Luetgert and his wife enter the factory on the night of May 1, but he stuck stoutly to his story that he had seen the two people enter the factory shortly after 10 o'clock on the night of May 1.

The reading of the love letters which had been written by Luetgert to Mrs. Feldt was great fun for the crowd in the court room, and it was very embarrassing for the defendant, as in several of them he had spoken in a slight manner of the lawyers who are now conducting his defense, saying that they were "greedy" and not able to handle a trial of such importance.

He laid particular stress upon the incompetency of Judge Vincent, who is now the leading counsel for the defense. When these portions of the letters were read the lawyers laughed, and nobody enjoyed them more than Judge Vincent, but it was not pleasant for Luetgert, who twisted around in his chair, mopped his face with his handkerchief, and was very uncomfortable generally. The defense made a strong fight against the introduction of the letters, and when the court decided that they were proper evidence the defense asked that they be read in German, as they might lose some of their original meaning by being read in English. This the court overruled and the letters were read before the jury as the translator made them out, he, however, swearing that the translation was entirely correct.

While the Assistant State's Attorney McEwan read the epistles the jury listened carefully. The reader was careful to place due emphasis on each endeavoring word or phrase, and fully emphasized all reference to the fact that the big sausage manufacturer was anxious for the time to come when he would be free to wed the object of his affections.

When those portions of the letters containing a reference to Luetgert's trouble in engaging an attorney were read aloud they evidently embarrassed the prisoner. Luetgert's leading attorney, Ex-Judge Vincent, smiled, but the prisoner visibly winced when the sentence was heard in which Attorney Vincent was termed "greedy." The letter continued to state that Luetgert intended to release Attorney Vincent, as he did not consider him able to handle so important a case.

In another, Luetgert wrote to the effect that on the first day of the trial there would be a great surprise to the police and State. An attorney of worldwide fame would be engaged and when the "dogs of police" saw who it was they would quail with fear. This, as yet, unknown lawyer, Luetgert continued, was to supersede Attorney Vincent and the case would be properly conducted. Attorney Vincent shook with silent laughter several times during these and similar references. He seemed to regard the matter as a huge joke.

After the letters were all read, the president, Mrs. Christine Field, a middle-aged widow, was called to the witness' chair for the purpose of finishing her testimony for the State. Assistant State's Attorney McEwan proceeded with the direct examination, which dealt largely with the financial relations between Luetgert and Mrs. Feldt. She admitted having received funds from Luetgert prior to his arrest, and said she had withdrawn money at his demand from a safety deposit vault for his use. The sums she had withdrawn footed up \$4000, the entire amount received. She asserted ignorance of how the money was used by the prisoner, but admitted that portions had been retained on his order for the care of the children. She asserted that she refused to lend Luetgert her own money upon requests which she had received from him in letters.

ARIZONA DEVELOPMENT

Railroad and Canals Companies File Incorporation Papers

PHOENIX, Ariz., Sept. 7.—United States Attorney Ellinwood today filed in the office of the territorial secretary notices of intention to construct a railroad from Phoenix through Tempe and Mesa to Globe, a distance of 100 miles, with a branch line from Queenwash, a distance of fifteen miles, to Florence. The notice is filed in the interest of the Santa Fe road. The preliminary survey has already been made.

Articles of incorporation of the Arizona Canals and Anglo-American Canals companies have been filed. In the former the capital stock is placed at \$1,500,000; the incorporators are Andrew McLean, W. R. Brown and John H. Carruthers, New York. In the latter the capital stock is fixed at \$10,000,000, and

the incorporators are John P. Plummer, M. F. Cooper and J. H. Carruthers. The principal place for transacting the business of both companies is at Indianola, Iowa, and both companies name K. E. Price of Tempe as their agent in this territory.

The Lux Estate

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 7.—The United States circuit court has made an order restraining parties in the Miller and Luz proceedings. The order was issued at the request of the heirs of Charles Lux, who asked for a distribution to them of \$2,400,000 in cash and that the Miller & Luz corporation be required to wind up its affairs, that the Valley Reserve should be a year ago, is on trial before United States District Judge Haven, sitting as circuit judge in place of Judge Morrow. Several witnesses examined for the prosecution made out a strong case against the accused. The defense will enter a plea of justifiable homicide.

An Indian's Defense

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 7.—Dick Beel, a half breed Indian, accused of the murder of George Steele on the Round Valley reservation about a year ago, is on trial before United States District Judge Haven, sitting as circuit judge in place of Judge Morrow. Several witnesses examined for the prosecution made out a strong case against the accused. The defense will enter a plea of justifiable homicide.

THE LETTER CARRIERS

ORGANIZE THE CONVENTION FOR WORK

The First Question to Be Considered Is the Important One of Back Pay

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 7.—The opening session of the convention of the National Association of Letter Carriers, consisting of E. F. Newell of San Francisco, J. C. Keller of Cleveland, O., W. H. Keys of Baltimore, A. J. Berson of Kalamazoo, and J. E. Havens of Brooklyn. Another committee, consisting of Thomas Smith of Chicago, B. B. Curtin of Lynn, Mass., and Thomas Farnen of Boston was appointed to draft rules and regulations to govern the conduct of the convention. These committees were preparing their reports George Kling, attorney of the association, addressed the delegates upon the subject of back pay.

At the afternoon session President Parsons presented his report, reviewing the work of the association for the past year. Efforts had been made to secure the friendly cooperation of the postal officials in Washington. The committee on credentials reported that 361 delegates were present, representing 141 branches of delegates and 177 branches by proxy, a total of 667 votes in the convention. The committee on constitution reported that their efforts to secure a bill for fixing the salaries of a minimum of \$1200 a year had not been introduced, owing to the opposition of the speaker of the house. It is to come up again at the next session of congress.

The only remaining question is the dates for the payment of the indemnity. The powers desire to insert these dates in the treaty of peace, but the British ambassador, Sir Philip Currie, suggests that they leave the dates to be determined upon by the international commission.

The ambassadors expect that all the details of the treaty of peace will be settled on Thursday next.

PEACE TERMS

Will Be Ready for Signatures on Thursday

CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 7.—The ambassadors have decided to defer discussion of the Turkish government's note announcing the appointment of an Ottoman Governor of Crete and its intention to retain the Turkish troops there until the treaty of peace is signed. Turkish gendarmes have been placed under the command of officers of the European gendarmerie, the powers bearing the expense and receiving half the customs revenue as compensation.

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Certainly Murdered

COLORADO SPRINGS, Col., Sept. 7.—The body of an unknown man was found in a one-room shack in this city last night, surrounded by indications of cold-blooded murder, followed by careful concealment of the crime. The corpse was entirely nude and was lying on the floor of the shanty, a short distance from a cot.

The house had been occupied by a man named Schmitt, who traded in old clothes. The only clue to the identity of the man is that he is too large-framed to be Schmitt.

A Sea Mystery

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 7.—A special report from Anacortes gives an account of the discovery of the body of a man in the fishing schooner Annie of Everett Saturday last by W. G. Blount. The schooner was found adrift near Deception Pass by Blount. He searched her and found the body of a man, with a pistol shot through his head, lying face downward in the cabin. Evidently the schooner had been drifted out for a fishing cruise.

IS A MYSTERY

About Emperor William's Black Eye

LIEUT. VON HAHNKE'S DEATH

THE SEQUEL TO THE INJURED OPTIC

The London Truth Makes Many Mysterious Hints and Hopes to Secure the Facts

Associated Press Special Wire.

LONDON, Sept. 7.—Henry Labouchere in Truth today renews the mysterious hints which have been in circulation since the death of Lieut. von Hahnke of the German navy, son of Gen. von Hahnke, chief of Emperor William's military cabinet, who met his death by drowning in July last, while accompanying his majesty on his trip to the northland aboard the imperial yacht Hohenzollern. In so doing, Mr. Labouchere once more publishes the intimation that the lieutenant's death was a sequel to the black eye which Emperor William received about that time.

According to one story the black eye was caused by a blow from a rope, which was being whirled about by the emperor so coarsely abused Lieut. von Hahnke that the latter committed suicide. Finally, still another story is that the lieutenant was stung by the emperor's sharp words and resented them to the extent of blacking his majesty's eye and then took his own life.

Truth, in today's comment on the affair, says the official version of the affair in brief seems to be that Lieut. von Hahnke, who was accompanied by a brother officer, accidentally ran into the River Grandis on his bicycle while trying to avoid a collision with a pony. The river, it is further explained, is a raging torrent from which escape is impossible.

Mr. Labouchere adds: "We received a letter saying that on the day following Von Hahnke's death a dummy figure of the same size and weight was tossed into the river in order to test its effect. When the dummy was down it it was found to be torn to pieces, and everybody agreed that Von Hahnke's body must have met a similar fate. Yet, since the appearance of Truth's remarks it is announced from Berlin that the body has been recovered after being six weeks in the raging torrent and that it will be brought home for burial."

In conclusion, Mr. Labouchere remarks: "Perhaps in time the full facts in this very remarkable affair may be made known."

STRIKING MINERS

Resist by Force an Attempt at Eviction

PITTSBURG, Sept. 7.—District meetings were held in all West Virginia and local regions where the strike exists today for the purpose of electing delegates to the National Convention at Columbus tomorrow, when the proposition will be considered as to the advisability of returning to work at the 65-cent per ton rate.

Fairmont delegates were instructed to secure a continuance of the strike until West Virginia is in position to demand recognition. Efforts to evict the striking miners of the Pittsburgh and Chicago Coal Company at Orangeville resulted in a riot and utter failure of the company to accomplish the object. Twenty deputies armed with Winchester and revolvers were met by a large crowd of strikers at Finleyville, headed by a hundred Polish miners, who closed with them and roughly handled them. After remaining in the company's office all called forth, but were met by over a thousand men, women and children, and finally compelled to take refuge in a vacant house where they were ordered to leave town, which they did promptly, amid the curses of the women and groans of the men. Every member of the posse was injured more or less seriously.

TILLMAN TALKS

Government by Injunction Threatens Our Liberties

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Sept. 7.—Senator Tillman was the orator of the Labor day celebration of the Rochester trades union. His subject was Labor and Capital in Their Relations to Politics. The Senator advised the Democrats of the State to refuse to accept a candidate for the Court of Appeals who had not voted for Bryan and who did not stand on the Chicago platform.

Referring to the injunction granted against the striking miners, the Senator severely criticized the Judges who granted the order and asserted that until an end was put to "government by injunction" there could be no liberty in this country.

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On these maps the distribution of forests will be plotted out, showing the commercial and the non-commercial timber, the agricultural lands included in the forest reserves, the portions burnt over, and all settlements, roads, houses and other improvements upon the national forest domain.

Since leaving Washington on July 26th, Mr. Walcott has inspected and

mapped the forest reserves of Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon.

DISGUSTED

The Democrats of Colorado Nominated a Goldbug

DENVER, Col., Sept. 7.—There was consternation among the Democrats last night over the discovery that the State convention, which met here yesterday, had nominated a Cleveland Democrat as a candidate for Justice of the Supreme Court. When the crisis in the convention was reached and it was apparent that the nomination was likely to go to Judge Gabbert, the nominee of the Populist State convention, a stampede was made to John Gordon of Trinidad. Many of the delegates who opposed Judge Gabbert did not seem to know who Gordon was, and in their anxiety to get away from Gabbert, did not stop to inquire until after the voting was over, when they learned that their nominee was none other than John A. Gordon of Trinidad, who took such an active part in the Pueblo convention in 1892 and led the bolters from the convention that turned down Grover Cleveland on account of his position on the money question. Many of the delegates have no hesitancy in expressing their disgust at the hole their hasty action has landed them in.

PERUVIAN FINANCE

Free Silver Coinage at the Commercial Rates

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—A dispatch to the Herald from Lima, Peru, says: "It is likely that the Peruvian government will adopt a financial system similar to that of Holland—that is, the silver coinage will be a legal tender with unlimited circulation, but its value will be fixed upon a gold standard basis.

From the single silver standard system Holland, in 1816, adopted a double standard upon a ratio of 15.75 to 1; again returned to silver in 1847, and again to the double standard in 1875. The unit is the florin or the guilder, of 100 cents, the full legal tender pieces being the 10 and 5 florins of gold and the half-florin rixdollar of silver. The weight of a florin in gold will be 672 of a gramme, or 10.37 grains 100 fine. The silver florin is 945 fine and weighs ten grammes. Accordingly, the gold florin equals 40.2 cents and the silver florin 39.3 cents.

The coinage of silver is on government account only since December, 1887. Paper money is furnished by the government to the extent of \$15,000,000, said to be entirely covered, but apparently not by coin.

THE VALLEY ROAD

Visalia Citizens Are Preparing for a Celebration

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 7.—A party of officials and others interested in the Stockton and San Joaquin Valley railroad will leave here to attend the celebration at Visalia on Thursday of the completion of the line to that place. The line extends ninety-nine miles south of Fresno. It still has 124 miles to construct before reaching Bakersfield. This will be completed some time in next January. The company is perfecting plans for the proposed line from Stockton next to Point Richmond, on the bay, in Contra Costa county, which is seven miles from the foot of Market street. Final surveys have been made and accepted. The line from Stockton to Point Richmond will be about thirty-three miles long. There will be a tunnel one mile long and a trestle bridge 3000 feet long and seventy feet high across the Alhambra valley in Contra Costa county. Nearly all the rights of way have been secured and it is the intention of the company to begin the construction of this line as soon as the road to Bakersfield is completed.

A MEAT CORNER

Lamb and Veal Expected to Become Dearer

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 7.—The call says that meat, particularly lamb and veal, is going to be higher in California during the next six months than it has been in several years past, as the result of the operations of the "Big Four"—Messrs. Morris, Swift, Armour and Cudahy of Chicago.

Realizing some time ago that feed would be abundant this season, these men began purchasing lambs, calves and cattle in large numbers and quietly shipping them East to fatten. They drew largely and quietly on the herds of Nevada, Arizona and Oregon, and before the local wholesalers knew it, had snapped up nearly everything in sight. An advance in prices has already been made, and now Miller & Lux and the Western Meat Company, the two largest Coast dealers, are working hard to secure a sufficient supply for their trade.

FRENCH HOPES

LONDON, Sept. 8.—The correspondent of the Times at Paris says: "A diplomatist of my acquaintance expresses the opinion that the chief topic discussed by President Faure and the czar during the former's visit to Russia was the best means for paralyzing England's action should she join the dreibund against them."

AN ACTOR'S DEATH

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—Joseph W. Shannon, formerly a well-known character actor, died here tonight at 61. In his prime he was a member of the James O'Neill and Rose Coghlan companies.

WEAK MEN

The Men Who Have Failed to Gain Strength From Drugs Try

To get benefit from electricity it must be applied continuously, and the current must be strong enough to give the patient a vigorous and healthy life. Dr. Sanden's Electric Belt gives it.

It is the only sure cure for loss of that nerve strength, and by saturating the body daily with vitalizing electricity it builds up a vigorous manhood, removing all the effects of past excesses, etc.

Dr. Sanden sends a book, "Three Classes of Weak Men," which is worth its weight in gold to any weak man. It is free, get it today and try Dr. Sanden's Electric Belt.

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A DUKE AND A DUCHESS