

FASTEST LAUNCH ON THE WATER.

THE CRACK STEAM CRAFT WHICH IS BEING BUILT FOR DR. BUCKLEY.

SWIFT LITTLE SATELLITE.

THE BOAT WILL MAKE ELEVEN KNOTS AN HOUR—THE TRIAL TRIP.

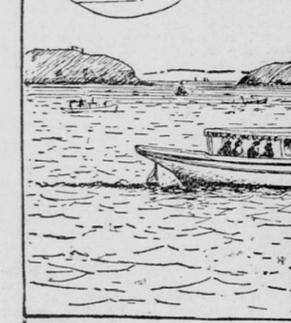
The steamer Farallon, which arrived a few days ago from Puget Sound ports, brought from Seattle the hull and frame of a launch for Dr. V. P. Buckley, the well-known physician of this city.

The designer of the novel craft, for she will be a novelty on these waters, is R. T. Engelbrecht, now of Seattle, but formerly of this city.

Last year Dr. Buckley owned the Hironde, and Attorney George A. Knight tried in vain to beat him with the Arrow.

When completed the launch will be one of the most thorough little crafts afloat. She is 35.6 feet in length over all, but so beautifully is she proportioned that she does not appear to be more than 25 feet.

Her extreme beam is 4 feet 8 inches; depth at bow 51 feet, at the stern 6 feet and amidships 4 feet. She is copper-fastened throughout, and is the first vessel ever built on the coast in which plugs have been used instead of putty.



THE NEW LAUNCH SATELLITE, SHOWING A STERN AND FORWARD VIEW. [Sketched by a "Call" artist.]

finish. The cabins will be lighted with incandescent lamps and the vessel will carry a 32-candle power headlight. Two bunks are in the saloon and there are two others forward.

GRANTED FREE LICENSES.

The Prayers of Several Petitioners Heard by the Supervisors.

Numerous applicants for free licenses appeared before the License and Order Committee of the Board of Supervisors yesterday and presented their cases.

The California Florists' and Growers' Association sent a communication requesting the board to refuse street flower-vendors free licenses on the ground that, by reason of their peculiar way of plying their calling, they were able to undersell the regular florists, and damaged those who had large sums invested in the business.

Thomas Hayes, an ex-member of the police force, was granted a free license on representing that he had several motherless children to support and was unable to pay the fees.

S. Johnson, who was once a prosperous mechanic and did a large amount of sewer-cleaning for the municipality by means of a mechanical device which failed to prove profitable, was granted a free license to peddle fruit.

Henry Munter, an applicant for immunity from the importunities of the License Collector, created much amusement

by his application. His petition stated that he was a severe sufferer from apoplexy and was unable to do hard work on that ground.

"Ever had a stroke?" queried a member of the committee.

"Oh, yes," replied the robust-looking petitioner. "I think the last one was the fourth or fifth."

His application was denied amid roars of laughter.

THE TURNER CASES.

He Will Be Tried on Charges of Grand Larceny and Forgery.

J. F. Turner, real estate agent, appeared in Judge Low's court yesterday afternoon for his preliminary examination on the charges preferred against him by J. P. Frenna, the Polk-street barber. Turner has been in the City Prison since his arrest, about three months ago.

Turner was represented by Attorney George A. Knight and Frenna by ex-Judge Dibble.

About a week ago Judge Low dismissed a charge of obtaining money by false pretenses in regard to the Fresno property. There were three other charges against Turner—one of obtaining money by false pretenses in connection with the Santa Cruz property, one of grand larceny and another of forgery in connection with the Fresno property.

The forgery is based upon the certificate of registration of the deed to Frenna, it being alleged that the signature of the Recorder was forged. It is also alleged that Turner stole this deed from Frenna, hence the charge of grand larceny. Frenna says that although the deed cannot be found, he has several witnesses who will swear to having seen the certificate of registration.

There was a brief argument between counsel as to which case should be taken up first, and it was decided to take up the grand larceny charge. Then by mutual consent the charge of obtaining money by false pretenses on the Santa Cruz property was dismissed.

This leaves the grand larceny and forgery cases to be disposed of, and on those Attorney Knight secured a continuance till to-morrow.

NOT WORRIED BY THREATS.

THE MAYOR HAS NO RECOLLECTION OF RECEIVING A CRANKY LETTER.

HE DID NOT NEGLECT TO ATTEND A MEETING THROUGH FEAR.

Though Mayor Sutro himself claims to feel no apprehension regarding the threatening letters alleged to have been sent him recently, his friends are fearful that the strange publicity given the matter will urge on some crank to commit an assault on him.

"I have no recollection of seeing any such letter as has been mentioned," said the Mayor yesterday. "It may have been received and called to my attention, but if so, I have entirely forgotten it. We receive so many letters from citizens advising this or that course in regard to public matters or abusing me for my stand on some question or other that I have not time to attend to them and I have Mr. Rogers look them over, make a condensation and hand it to me. It frequently happens that his brief notes are all that I read and then if it does not strike me as important I throw the whole business into the

action. He scored Cook for the nature of his motion and denied it. Mr. Cook after some had been passed, asked for a stay of execution and a writ of probable cause. Both were denied, but upon an appeal to the Supreme Court they were granted by Chief Justice Beatty.

THE QUARANTINE OFFICER.

TO BE APPOINTED BY THE STATE OR BY THE FEDERAL AUTHORITIES.

TWO BILLS ON THE SUBJECT ARE NOW BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE.

The appointment of a quarantine officer is causing considerable comment owing to the fight that is being made over the matter. Two bills are before the Legislature—one providing that the office shall be transferred to the United States authorities and the other that the appointing power shall be vested in the Board of Supervisors. The Governor is in favor of the former proposition.

The bill abolishing the office of State Quarantine Officer was introduced by Timothy Guy Phelps, ex-Collector of the Port. It re-enacted the old law relating to the Board of Health, but under the head of "retrenchment and public expenditure" the Quarantine Officer and his assistants were left out in the cold. Section 4 of the bill provides that:

The State Board of Examiners are hereby authorized and required to sell at public auction or at private sale, as they may deem best, and having the approval of the Board, all less in their opinion it can be properly put to some other service of the State, and to sell all other property of whatever kind belonging to the State, and heretofore used by the Quarantine Officer and not needed by the State, and cover the money received therefrom into the State treasury.

This bill passed the Assembly and has gone to the Senate.

Later on Phelps introduced a joint resolution, which was passed, requesting the Federal Government to assume control of maritime quarantine matters at the port of San Francisco. In accordance with this Governor Budd has telegraphed to the Secretary of the Treasury requesting the National Government to assume control.

At Angel Island the United States has established a thoroughly equipped quarantine station. A steamer with all the necessary apparatus for fumigating infected vessels was built and after a few months of service was laid up on account of there being no funds wherewith to pay the necessary expenses.

The State also supports a quarantine service which costs about \$8000 a year. William M. Lever, M.D., is the head of the office and the Governor Perkins is the steamer employed by him in boarding foreign ships and American vessels coming from foreign waters. His appointment therefore stands thus: If the United States has no funds wherewith to pay the necessary expenses.

He Took Her Child. An affidavit telling of the stealing of his child was filed by J. S. Henderson, as attorney for Mrs. M. E. Lang, in Judge Trout's court yesterday. Mrs. Lang was divorced from her husband, M. H. Lang, formerly of O'Farrell & Co., and accused of her cruelty to him, and he was awarded the custody of the two children. Later on, by an amicable settlement, Mrs. Lang was given the care of the younger child. Yesterday, in her absence, she says her ex-husband went to her house at 1208 Bush street and took away her little girl. She wants him compelled to restore her child, and hence her appeal to the court.

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BEAR'S NEST MINE. The Defendants Invoke the Statute of Limitation. The suit of A. S. Renshaw against James and John Treadwell, James Carroll, M. W. Murry and N. A. Fuller, now pending in the United States Circuit Court, has taken a new turn. For over a year the trial has been delayed by means of demurrers that were overruled and motions to dismiss that were denied. While this was going on the defendants were not required to answer. When all the legal means for causing delay were exhausted they, one and all, came into court yesterday and pleaded the statute of limitation.

Several years ago the defendants owned the Bear's Nest mine on Douglas Island, Alaska. They sold it to A. S. Renshaw, an English capitalist, and when he came to work it there were no returns. According to his complaint, he then made an examination and discovered that the mine had been salted. Over from the Treadwell mine had been carted to the Bear's Nest, and it

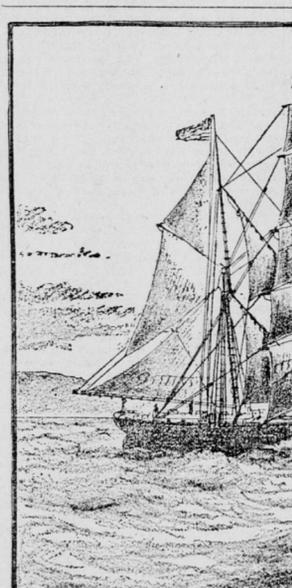
BROAD OF BEAM IS THE WILNA.

THE STURDY RECORD-BREAKING BARK THAT "FOOLS" HER OWNERS.

SHE DOESN'T DRAG HER WAKE ON HER MAIDEN TRIP, YOUNG AND INEXPERIENCED, SHE WAS FAST.

Favored by breeze and seas the broad-beamed bark Wilna goes in and out of port as regular as the tides.

"She is not sharp at the bow, like some of the newer clippers," said William E. Mighell, her owner, "but she is sharp on the quarterdeck and the seaweed never grows under her forefoot."



THE BROAD-BEAM BARK WILNA, A RECORD-BREAKER. [Sketched for the "Call" by W. A. Coulter.]

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test just the minute the other side lets us know what we have to contest. Let them put in their document—a produced will or a lost will—and we file our contest at once. And when we do so, I may just as well say here, every man, woman and child in San Francisco not prejudiced will admit our cause to be just. The provisions of this will are so monstrous when analyzed—that is to say when understood for what they are—that the will cannot stand. Reduced to its single principle this vast estate is handed over to the executors to do with as they wish. They may deny the nominal heirs everything, may turn them into the street. The will is so constructed as to invite the withholding of its benefits from the heirs. If the executors are honest men and do all that the heirs could expect in their behalf, still it will provide them an ample fortune.

"Let me show you," said Mr. Heggerty, taking up the story. The code fixes as executor's fee, in case of a will, the distribution of estates, 7 per cent for the first \$1000, that is \$70; 5 per cent for the next \$1000, which is \$50; 4 per cent for the next \$1000, which is \$40; 3 per cent for the next \$1000, which is \$30; 2 per cent for the next \$50,000, which is \$1000, and 1 per cent for all above that. Now, for the sake of the estimate and to be certain to be within bounds, say the estate is worth \$20,000, which is \$1400. We have \$100,000, which amount to \$2800. 2 per cent on the \$19,000,000 remaining amounts to \$190,000, and foots up \$201,820, to be divided between the executors the first year.

"For the law provides that an estate may be distributed within a year. In this instance the executors will distribute to themselves as trustees and will continue in that relation to the estate through the lives of the principal heirs. They will expect the court to name the same compensation for subsequent service as trustee as was nominated in the will, and the court would do that grant it, especially if the estate, having been estimated at \$20,000,000 they report upon it as \$25,000,000. And don't you see how it is to their interest to estimate it as high as may be, getting the 1 per cent upon it, as they would? And don't you see how that very principle would cause them to go slow in making over any part of it to the children? Every dollar they give up reduces their own percentage. Nice arrangement, isn't it, for the children of a multimillionaire to be wholly dependent upon the good offices of their father's clerks?"

"I have said that when we file our contest stating our grounds the public will open its eyes," said Mr. Knight. "We have no concealments to make or mysteries to create and might carry our case on our sleeve. We will leave the other side to do the mysterious.

Now, suppose that accidents or epidemics should carry off the heirs. In five years winding up the business of these trustees in that time they would have rounded up a neat fortune of \$25,285 each in these fees alone, exclusive of the commissions and other revenues which the will puts in their hands.

"Now, how like James G. Fair it was—these liberal provisions for his former clerks! Any boy who knew him knew that he considered himself as doing exceedingly well when he paid once for anything, but here he reiterates his desires and binds himself to pay these men, Angus and Bresse, first, their \$100,000 bequest, next, the salary which they had received from him in his lifetime to be continued without regard to the other income, and in addition to these the will especially provides for commissions on all contracts to be let, etc.

"Now, suppose that the trustees, exercising the power which they undoubtedly have under this will, feel called upon to develop and improve the estate, and so undertake to add seven stories to the Lighthouse, continue the work at North Beach and otherwise spend the entire income. While they are doing so the heirs are to be satisfied with explanations, while the trustees reap handsome commissions and maintain their big percentages.

"In our contest we will call attention to the peculiar construction of this document in some other respects that have been indicated. For instance, Angus and Bresse are given \$10,000, provided they are in the employ of the testator at the time of his death." But in making them executors

THE QUEER THINGS IN THE FAIR WILL.

A PROVISION IN ITS BODY HEADS OFF A POSSIBLE CODICIL.

BIG MONEY FOR TRUSTEES.

COUNSEL FOR CHARLES L. FAIR SAYS THE CHILDREN COULD BE LEFT PENNILESS.

"Playing for time? Now, don't go away with the notion that we are not thoroughly in earnest," said George A. Knight, speaking about the Fair will case yesterday afternoon. "We are ready to file our con-

and trustees no such limitations are made. In other words, if they should be discharged and sent to prison for embezzlement in the meantime it would cut them out of the \$10,000, but they would still be the executors. Now, do you suppose William M. Pierson drew a will like that, except at the direct order of somebody? That provision alone indicates to me that Pierson never drew down with Fair as his advisor in this matter, but was simply changed into his own handwriting something that was sent to him for that purpose.

"Mr. Goodfellow was Fair's personal attorney and confidential man. Why did he not draw the will? It would not have looked right. Mr. Goodfellow knew that all these questions raised, and he must be in a position to say I never saw the will; I did not draw it."

"Did Fair himself write it? Is it likely? I can imagine his dictating to his secretary what he wanted incorporated in the will at different times and having it sent to Pierson, perhaps, to have it put in legal shape. And this could be done again and again, could it not? Separate clauses being sent to Pierson until we have those seven separate half sheets of legal paper, fourteen pages so oddly worded, all bearing his signature at the foot of each of thirteen pages, but having a signature at only one, the last of these thirteen and all of the first eleven pages of the will unsigned, handing over the estate to the trustees."

"If Pierson had had a consultation with Fair, don't you suppose he would have asked 'Do you wish to have these men die, perhaps, to have it put in legal shape, to let your service before death and you cut them out of the \$10,000 legacy? If you were building a will and were determined to have it just right, wouldn't you expect your attorney to call your attention to such a lapse as that? No, Pierson never consulted with Fair directly; he did as he was directed and he did not get his words from Fair personally."

"The most significant thing in the whole document is the provision in the body of it that no codicil should change any of the stipulations as to the trust. Now the idea of Jim Fair, if he was in his right mind and sane, as they say, as he was, cutting himself off from the possibility of changing the provisions of his last will, isn't it beyond reason and very significant?"

SUNSHINE AND BLOSSOMS. TREASURES FROM FLORA'S DOMAIN THAT GIVE DELIGHT IN SAN FRANCISCO.

THAT IS WHAT CALIFORNIA HAS WHILE THE EAST IS TROUBLED WITH BLIZZARDS.

While the people of the East are feeling the effects of snow and blizzards, those of the Golden State, the land of sunshine in winter, are at this season enjoying the luxuries that their Eastern cousins are deprived of until spring is far advanced.

Not only is this the land of sunshine, but it is the land of flowers—not alone those that are nursed in the hothouses, but the sturdy ones that bloom in the open air. The private gardens around and among the homes on Pacific Heights, Mount Hill and the Western Addition, that are filled with beautiful flowers that please the eye and fill the air with fragrance, are the envy of the people from the other side of the Sierras who come here to escape the rigor of an Eastern winter.

In Golden Gate Park, which is not far from the ocean, whence night winds blow their cold times, there is a wealth of Flora's beauties in bloom.

"Have we many outdoor blossoms at this time?" repeated one of the gardeners yesterday.

"We have so many that it would be impossible to call them off, but we have violets of every variety, pansies of every shade known, hyacinths of a dozen varieties, tulips of several shades, acacias in full flower, the Australian flower known as the paper buglers, 'kiss me,' Marguerites, pyrus japonica, camellia japonica (red and white), beautiful pink and white azaleas, cineraria, roses that are changing from bud to blossom, that pretty white flower called taurestina, cassia in bud and flower, the cowslip or mayflower, pink and yellow oxalis, the sea pink—a striking flower in pink and greenish yellow—sweet peas that are ready to burst into flower. The heather is in full bloom and the prunis or wild plum is showing its beautiful white flowers on leafless branches. Then there is the sweet forget-me-not, the hydrangea and many more than I cannot call to mind just now, but that ought to be enough to make the people in the East envious."

J. B. Sproule, a prominent florist, furnishes the following list of flowers not included in the park gardener's enumeration: Daisies, wallflowers, primroses, abutilons, lilies, heliotropes, flowering quince, flowering peaches, plums, seed almonds, geraniums, fuchsias, wisteria, daphne and magnolias.

In the park there are sections in which the white and pink daisies show just above the grass, and in the greenish yellow—sweet peas that are ready to burst into flower. The heather is in full bloom and the prunis or wild plum is showing its beautiful white flowers on leafless branches. Then there is the sweet forget-me-not, the hydrangea and many more than I cannot call to mind just now, but that ought to be enough to make the people in the East envious."

San Franciscans are also enjoying early vegetables, as the markets make a good display of green peas, asparagus and cucumbers, to say nothing of potatoes.

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Weak, tired-out men and women with nerves "unstrung" and badly nourished need Paine's celery compound. They are especially urged to take it during these early spring days of March and April, when the body is most susceptible to its strengthening influence.

Of the thousands of men and women with brains and hands all day actively engaged, but whose physical powers are little used, who imagine themselves more dangerously sick than they are, the vast majority are merely reduced in strength and spirits, and need nothing but a vigorous tonic in the spring to recuperate their tired nerves. They need nothing so much as Paine's celery compound. It exactly fills the bill.

The infirmities peculiar to the aged come from stagnating blood and the tardy, scanty production of nerve force. They should take Paine's celery compound—there is no time to lose in this regard. The rheumatism, neuralgia, sleeplessness and lack of strength that Paine's celery compound so rapidly dispels are thus found to be mere temporary conditions to which their time of life is liable, and the cause of needlessly anxiety.

Needless if they fully perceive the meaning of these infirmities and take pains at once to correct the beginnings of weakness and debility, as it is so easy to do now in the spring.

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It is the world's great remedy for weakness. Its use year by year through so large a part of the civilized world tells something of the good it must be accomplishing. If men and women who feel the effects of too close application to work would use Paine's celery compound, there would be less insomnia, less pain in the back of the neck, fewer days of utter physical exhaustion and incapacity for anything but suffering. Its extensive use to-day is the cause of a vast alleviation of human misery and despair. Its presence in the world is a blessing. It has kept the family circle whole in thousands of homes that are happy and grateful to-day. Try it.

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