The San Francisco Call

THURSDAY.....MARCH 21, 1895

JUST ABOUT THE WEATHER.

Wind and storm, sunshine and pelting rain came yesterday until many thought that the forecast man had sent East for a supply of March weather. Rain descended as in the deluge days early in the morning, and at noon the sun burned brightly. To-day it will be warm and fair, with northerly winds.

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

The new Pilot Commissioners were installed yesterday.

A mass-meeting of carpenters has been called for April 6.

Edward P. Buckley, a pioneer, died of heart disease yesterday.

Congressman Maguire will arrive from Washington to-morrow morning.

The Carpenters' Unions will demand better pay, and in case of refusal, strike.

The Imperial Cycling Club has indorsed the CALL'S movement for better roads.

The wreck of the sealing schooner Peabody has been condemned, and will be sold.

The Southern Pacific Company has adopted the mileage system of paying its engineers.

A successful preliminary meeting of the Woman's Congress was held yesterday in Oakland.

R. D. Hume & Co.'s cannery at Karluk has been bought by the Alaska Packers' Association.

President Jordan lectures before the Hawthorne Society on "The Ascent of the Matterhorn."

The Pacific Bank is suing to recover $1138 42 from the Riverside Orange Company, due on account.

The Los Angeles Railway Company, formed to operate street railways, has been incorporated.

Dates have been set for the payment of members of the National Guard for services during the strike.

James Hogan, advance agent of Eugene V Debs, anticipates a big house for the lecturer in this city.

The citizens of Sausalito are joyous because the Supreme Court has upheld its election for incorporation.

Eugene V. Debs, leader of the A. R. U., will be tendered a reception by the Labor Council Tuesday night.

The passenger depot of the new road, if in China Basin, will be as near the center of the city as the ferry depot.

John Michelson, a longshoreman, was injured yesterday at Mission wharf by a piece of stone ballast falling upon him.

The Grand Lodge, Knights of Honor, adjourned after installing grand officers and decided to meet biennially.

The delegates to the Manufacturers' Convention will enjoy a trip around the bay this morning on the tug Fearless.

Many important changes have been made by the Southern Pacific Company in the rules and regulations governing engineers.

The Grand Jury investigated election frauds in the eighth and ninth precincts of the Thirty-seventh District yesterday.

Interesting papers on topics concerning the industries of our State were read before the Manufacturers' Convention yesterday.

The sailors' strike is assuming threatening proportions and the union has established big patrols on the bay and along the water front.

Police Surgeon Somers has lodged a complaint with the Board of Health regarding the sanitary condition of the Receiving Hospital.

Elsie Ayers, who eloped from Petaluma with a man named Bowman, was found by Detective Anthony yesterday and restored to her father.

Champions Riordan and Donnelly defeated J. C. Nealon and T. F. Bonnet at the Occidental handball court last night by six games to two.

Josie Regan, alias Nelson, was arrested and locked up at the Southern police station last night on the charge of robbing Albert Brown of $275.

Leaders of the movement for female suffrage express their views and explain their purposes for the future. They will work for the enfranchisement of women.

Thomas H. Williams Jr., president of the Jockey Club, promised to educate two young sisters of Jockey Kinnie, who supported them until killed by a fall.

J. C. Woldfang, ex-superintendent of Henry Miller's ranch in Monterey County, applied for a warrant yesterday for Mr. Miller's arrest on the charge of battery.

John T. Cosgrove's stove and range store at 1828 Market street was attached yesterday by the Sheriff on a claim for $70 68 for materials furnished by John D. Wilson.

Miss Charlotte Dennis, a seamstress living with her parents at 2507 Bush street, lost a package containing jewelry some time between Thursday and Saturday nights.

The report of Dr. J. C. Spencer on the water of Laguna de la Merced says that in three samples taken from different parts of the lakes he found no dangerous bacteria.

The Park Museum will be opened with appropriate ceremonies next Saturday and a great surprise awaits the public in the completeness and variety of the collections.

Robert D. Hagerty, saloon-keeper at the Cliff House, although morally convinced that Harry Meyers shot and robbed him on September 25, will not swear to a complaint against him.

Morris Cunningham and Thomas Paul, charged with robbery by Daniel Sheehan, had their cases dismissed by Judge Campbell yesterday as Sheehan failed to identify them.

W. H. Mahoney has sued the North Pacific Coast Railroad Company for $203 damages for the failure of the corporation to fulfill the obligations of a monthly commutation ticket.

A new will may soon be produced in the Fair will case. Senator Fair, a few days before his death, told Colonel Warfield, Mrs. Warfield and Mrs. Bessie Paxton that he had made a new will.

William M. Hahn, Superintendent of Insurance in Ohio and a veteran Republican, says that California's chances are good for obtaining the Republican National Convention in 1896.

The trustees of the Home for Inebriates say that they will not close their institution; that it is owned and run by a private corporation and that the Legislature has no power to abolish it.

The Police Commissioners last night discharged Policeman George W. Boyd from the force for unofficerlike conduct, and dismissed a similar charge against Policeman Joseph M. Brodth.

The California Women's State Suffrage Association will enlist the services of Susan B. Anthony to canvass the State in favor of the constitutional amendment to provide for woman suffrage.

Lady visitors at the conservatory at Golden Gate Park complain that some of the workmen in that bower of floral loveliness are addicted to profanity. The Park Commissioners will be asked to investigate.

Picking winners was again an uncertain quantity at the track yesterday, although the favorites fared very well. The winning horses were My Sweetheart, Arctic, Arno, Red Bird, Lucky Dog and Contribution.

Little Hattie Klein, who tried to commit suicide on Tuesday morning so she could find out what was beyond death, was before the Insanity Commission yesterday. She will probably be sent to the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society.

Patrick Murphy, one of the men who have been besieging the residence of Mrs. Elizabeth Hawley on Haight street and Buena Vista avenue, was arrested and charged yesterday with having burglars' tools in his possession.

The case against A. J. Wheelock, stockbroker, charged with obtaining money by false pretenses, was dismissed by Judge Campbell yesterday, as Mrs. Elizabeth Jones, the complaining witness, would not testify in a straightforward way.

This evening a prize contest for Demorest medals will take place at the First Baptist Church on Eddy street, between Jones and Leavenworth. As a number have been preparing for some time, a bright and interesting display of elocution is assured.

THE San Jose Mercury is on sale at the following-named places in San Francisco: Palace Hotel newsstand: Occidental Hotel newsstand, Baldwin Hotel newsstand; J. K. Cooper, 742 Market street; J. S. Albro, 1000½ Market street; Pierson Bros., 225 Kearny street. *

The Supreme Court has decided in the case of Mary Austin against Gustav Pulschen that a mortgagor must investigate the title to property put forth as security, or stand the consequences. The court establishes Mrs. Austin's vender's lien as against a mortgage by the Pacific Bank.

The will of Francois Irasoqui, disposing of an estate worth $1200, was filed for probate yesterday. He leaves $100 to the relief fund of the Societe Francais de Bienfaisance Mutuelle of San Francisco, and the remainder to his sister in France and his adopted son, Frank Battles. Should his sister be dead, her share is to go to the Mayor of the town of St. Jean de Lutz, in France, to be distributed among the poor.

MRS. ALICE EDITH HAS REAPPEARED.

BLYTHE'S QUASI WIDOW TALKS OF HER STRANGE DISAPPEARANCE.

BLAMES ATTORNEY HIGHTON.

SHE FEARED INSANITY OR STARVATION THROUGH HIS NEGLECT.

Mrs. Alice Blythe-Dickason has reappeared after her strange retirement of two weeks. She came to the surface yesterday and told the full story of her share in the latest settlement of the great Blythe case.

The influence which chiefly actuated her in consenting to the recent transfer of her remaining interests in the Blythe estate to Mrs. Florence Blythe-Hinckley was a bitter resentment against Henry E. Highton, who has been her attorney during all the long years of litigation.

She blames him for not allowing her to accept the compromise of a year ago, by which she was to have received $85,000.

She charges him with having forced her to dun him for her promised allowance of $60 a month, and with having ceased paying it altogether three months ago.

She says she might have starved to death for all the interest he manifested in her welfare, and concludes by saying: "I felt that I was being driven from pillar to post and was getting nothing out of it for myself."

When seen yesterday Mrs. Blythe had just come in from the street, and had not yet removed her wrap. Her costume was a monotonous black. A black hat, ornamented with jet, ostrich plumes and birds' wings of sable hue, crowned her head. A heavy black veil was worn over her face, and an ulster of the same somber color reaching to her feet concealed her figure.

From her shoulders hung a long black cape with a double-ruffled collar trimmed with narrow black braid, and the impression given was of the deepest mourning.

Mrs. Blythe has been seriously ill and almost ever since she vacated her old quarters in the Blythe block she has been confined to her bed. Yesterday was the first day since her removal that she has been able to be upon the street.

Her illness has left evident traces upon her countenance, and she is a very different appearing woman from the one who instituted the famous contest twelve years ago. Speaking last night of the end of it all so far as she is concerned Mrs. Blythe said:

"It has been a long struggle and a constant worry, and now that it is over I wish to rest. It was for that reason that I changed my address and not that I had anything to conceal. I am living with a lady friend in the Western Addition and have been ever since I left the Blythe block. As I desire to be undisturbed I hope you will not publish my address.

"So far as the settlement is concerned I wish to state distinctly that it was made of my own volition. There was no undue influence nor any duress or fraud about it. I have been among friends and am and have been perfectly free to come and go as I please.

"Ever since the proposed compromise of a year ago, by which I was to have received $85,000 and a settlement for life, it has been understood that they, meaning the other side, would do something for me if I should decide to put an end to the litigation. For a long time my friends and relatives have advised me to get out of the case for good.

"It was seriously affecting my health, and it was feared it would affect my mind. My head now is not so good as it used to be, and I had before me the fate of another young litigant—Mrs. Sarah Althea Terry—who is now in the Stockton Insane Asylum.

"But the chief reason I had for effecting the settlement was the treatment I had received from Mr. Highton. I do not think he treated me right at all. I feel very bitter against him, and I hope that you will tone down whatever I say about him.

"When the compromise was proposed and rejected I executed a transfer of my interest to Mr. E. J. Baldwin, and another at Mr. Highton's request. Mr. Highton then promised to look after me. I figured up my expenses and told him that I required about $60 a month. That amount it was agreed I should receive, and not only that but other care, such as, for instance, medical attendance when I was sick and so forth. Was that made a consideration for the transfer? No, there was nothing in writing, but he had acted for me right along and I relied on his word as that of a gentleman.

"Well, for a time the payments were regularly made and I had no cause of complaint, but after awhile Mr. Highton got to making me run to his office every day for my money. I got tired of that, and then I waited for three months to see if he would send it to me or take any interest in me. Part of the time I was sick, but I did not receive a cent nor did he seem to care what became of me.

"I might have starved to death for all he seemed to care.

"I felt as if I were being driven from pillar to post for their benefit and was getting nothing out of it for myself.

"So I decided to take the matter into my own hands. I have a good education, and though I am wholly dependent upon myself, with the incubus of this legislation off my mind I can easily make my own living. Therefore I made the settlement. I received some money—a small amount—but that was only a slight consideration with me.

"I wanted to be out of the case. If Mr. Highton can carry it on without me he is perfectly welcome to do so as far as I am concerned. But I will have nothing more to do with it.

"Who were my friends and advisers in this matter? All those I have about me now I consider to be my friends and they and my relatives have been my advisers. The settlement was brought about, however, principally through my own motion.

"Detective Lucas? His name has been prominently mentioned in this connection, but aside from a casual word such as any well-meaning friend might drop he has offered no advice. In fact, I do not wish him to be given any prominence in the matter. He has done certain work for me and that is all. It is ended now, and he is no longer in my employ. The work? About three weeks ago I lost a very valuable piece of jewelry—a diamond earring—and I employed him to find it. It has been recovered.

"Mr. Sinclair? I have known him for some time. He doubtless speaks of me as Alice, because he hears his cousin, Mrs. Cherry, do so. I do not think he would presume to hold the opinion that I was not really Mrs. Blythe.

"I have not abandoned the name of Blythe and where I am living I am known by that name, and by it only. There was never any proposition made to me looking to its abandonment by me, and if there had been any made I should have rejected them.

"The papers signed by me? There were a number of them, and they were practically as related by the CALL this morning. The statement as to the amount of money I received was also correct."

Mrs. Blythe, as soon as she feels able to travel, will visit friends in the country, in hopes of entirely recovering her health.

D. J. Sinclair, the youthful individual who has received so much notoriety through his loquacity concerning the settlement, still maintains that he was a most material agent in bringing about the settlement. Speaking of the matter last evening he said:

"When Alice told me how Highton had treated her, I urged her to get out of the case entirely, and she consented. I then asked him to make her a proposition. He refused. Then I asked him to call on her and he declined. I asked him to make an appointment with her, and this he would not do, though he said that if she came to his office he would see her. She did so and the matter was arranged. I am anxious that no blame shall be cast on Mr. Hart in this matter."

MRS. ALICE EDITH DICKASON-BLYTHE, WHO HAS COMPROMISED WITH MRS. HINCKLEY.
[*From a recent photograph.*]

SOCIETY PERSONALS.

Miss Elise Hecht gave a theater party at the California Theater last night to thirty-two of her friends. Mr. and Mrs. Fries acted as chaperones, and after the production of "Our Flat" the party assembled at Marchand's, where supper was served. Miss Hecht's guests were: Mr. and Mrs. William Gerstle, Miss Gerstle, J. Triest, Miss Olga Triest, A. Silverberg, Miss S. Silverberg, Mr. Schwabacher, Miss Schwabacher, A. Rachman, Miss Rachman, J. Weil, Dr. Paul Neuman, Miss Joseph, Miss Simon, Mr. Greenwald, Miss Greenwald, Louis Sloss, Miss Schweitzer, Clarence Walter, Miss Rose Walter, Miss Fechheimer, Mr. Sutro, Miss Sutro, Mr. Brandenstein, Miss Brandenstein, Mr. Esberg, Mr. Ehrman, Miss Sadie Hecht, S. Goldstone.

The wedding of Miss Lotta N. Rodgers and F. K. Tobin, both extensively known in musical circles in this city, took place at St. John's Church, Oakland, last Wednesday. Rev. Mr. Ackerly officiated. Mr. and Mrs. Tobin passed their honeymoon at Los Angeles.

The wedding of Charles J. Stovel and Miss Ethel Martel will take place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Martel, at 2613 Buchanan street, on April 20.

Miss Ida Irwin of Chicago will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tobin at Burlingame this summer.

ANOTHER FAIR WILL DOES EXIST.

THE SENATOR TOLD MRS. BESSIE PAXTON ABOUT ITS PROVISIONS.

ATTORNEYS DOUBT THE TALE.

THE OPPOSING LAWYERS UNITE AGAINST THE REPUTED NEW DOCUMENT.

Evidence is rapidly accumulating that Senator Fair made a will shortly before he died. The reason why Mrs. Bessie Paxton refused to be interviewed was made apparent yesterday, when it was learned that while she had no will in her possession, and never saw one made by Senator Fair, he had told her a few days before his death that he had made such an instrument.

A few evenings before his death Senator Fair called upon Colonel Warfield of the California Hotel. In the presence of Colonel Warfield, Mrs. Warfield, Mrs. Paxton, and a fourth person whose name has not been disclosed, the late millionaire began to discuss the disposition he intended to make of his vast estate.

He told the four persons that he had just made an entirely new will. He said that it was somewhat similar to the will in the possession of Attorneys Pierson and Mitchell as it provided for a trust for the major part of the estate which he intended to leave to his children. He also said that he had made a change in some of the executors, and that the new one he had selected was a man well known in business circles. Senator Fair intimated that the reason he wanted to create a trust was that he had taken a pride in having been successful enough to amass a great fortune, and that he did not want it destroyed by being badly cut up and possibly squandered. He wanted it to remain intact even after his death and hoped that it might be increased in size by time so that the Fair estate would be known as one of the greatest in the world.

What else he told is not known. Mrs. Paxton still refuses to talk and Colonel Warfield cannot be located in San Diego. It is not known whether Mrs. Paxton is aware in whose possession the new will is, but it is believed she neither saw the will nor knows of its whereabouts.

The reason why the will has not been produced is unknown. It is thought that the holder of it is waiting for an offer of a large reward from the person who will be most benefited by the terms of the will. In fact, before Mrs. Craven's name was mentioned as the custodian of the latest will it was supposed that the mysterious custodian was a person who had taken the will outside of the jurisdiction of the State so as to secure an immense reward for a document which Charles Fair and his sisters would be exceedingly anxious to secure. The alleged reticence of the mysterious custodian on the ground of a desire to avoid disagreeable notoriety was believed to have been but a play to secure an increased reward, but when the names of Mrs. Craven and Mrs. Haskins were made public these theories collapsed.

Now all attention is being paid to Mrs. Bessie Paxton, whose knowledge of the supposed missing will is believed to be sufficient to furnish clews that will lead to its recovery. When Attorney Lloyd sprung the new will in court last Monday gossips began to study out the possible identity of the woman to whom Senator Fair had given a will bequeathing millions away. As the Senator was known to be a great admirer of Mrs. Bessie Paxton, it was rumored that she was the custodian who did not want her name made public. She denied that she had any will and that she had seen any, but she refused to be interviewed. The reason for this refusal is now apparent, as any questioning at all would compel Mrs. Paxton to disclose her knowledge of the existence of a later will than those in evidence.

The attorneys on both sides of the case do not believe there is any later will in existence than those offered in court, though they admit the possibility of such a document having been made by the erratic willmaker. In fact, the attorneys for the heirs are fully satisfied with Mrs. Craven's will. The attorneys for the executors are satisfied with the Pierson & Mitchell will. If another will exists its provisions are unknown, and probably none of the attorneys would be very anxious to find a document, the contents of which are unknown to them. In fact, they are afraid of the reputed new will and will make no endeavor to secure it unless they can learn more about it.

But Mrs. Paxton will not make a statement to any one. She and the other three persons who were told of the will by Senator Fair are clients of Attorney Frank M. Stone, who has advised and almost ordered them all not to talk to any one whatever.

Frank M. Stone said: "I have advised Colonel Warfield, his wife and Mrs. Paxton to make no statement either for publication or to attorneys for the heirs or executors. All I can tell you is that Mrs. Paxton is not the custodian of any will. Nor has she seen any will. Of course, Senator Fair was so well acquainted with them that he may have talked with them on many occasions in the past during their acquaintance as to what he thought might be the best way to dispose of his property, but so far as showing them a will or giving them one a great mistake has been made."

George A. Knight spoke as cheerily as a winner of a 100 to 1 shot. He said: "I am confident that there is no other will in existence made later than the one we filed. We are satisfied of that and also that it is a genuine one. We will introduce some proofs of its genuineness that will surprise some people. We know of all the wills recently made by Fair. Goodfellow has one dated October 14, 1893, Pierson & Mitchell had the one made on September 21, 1894, and our will is the last and third will Senator Fair made in the last year of his life. Of course it will be the plan of the executors' attorneys to cast all the slights they can on our will and spread reports of other wills so as to make people believe a will made as ours was is too trifling to be regarded as genuine."

Garret McEnerney is also well satisfied that no other will is lurking about, waiting for a chance to come to the surface. He said: "Our will is the last genuine will made by Senator Fair. The newly found will may cause a multitude of criminal acts. To carry it through the courts means forgery, perjury and bribery. The forgery has been committed. The other crimes are to follow."

Van R. Paterson may spring a little sensation of his own soon. He was appointed by the court as attorney for the minor children, who became legatees under the wills. He believes the best interests of Mrs. Oelrichs' baby rest in the executors' will. The mother favors the Craven will. The baby, through its guardian, will favor the other.

Mr. Paterson said: "There is no doubt that the more favorable will to the interests of the child is the Pierson & Mitchell will. Under it the child is assured of an enormous income all its life. Under the new will the money goes direct to its mother, and she may lose it in some way and leave the baby penniless. It is probable that Judge Slack will appoint a guardian for the child. That guardian will be appointed by the Judge according to his best judgment. When the guardian is appointed he will select an attorney who will probably favor the will which is the more favorable to the child's own interests and not those of the mother."

The production of the Craven will take a great deal of glory from an act committed by Governor Budd, the will-finder. As stated in the CALL last Monday morning a bill was introduced in the Legislature by Senator Earl, Attorney Wheeler's friend. This bill had a hidden joker in it. Its real purpose was to provide a law so that Charles Fair could, in bringing a suit to quiet title to any piece of property, have the validity of his father's will tested without Charles Fair bringing a contest which might result in his disinheritance. The bill passed the Senate and then the Assembly. No one saw the joker. On the 13th inst. Governor Budd vetoed the bill. With all the dignity he could assume he declared that not as long as he was Governor would he sanction the passing of any law which might affect the Fair case, as he was Charles Fair's attorney. The truth is that Budd knew at the time he vetoed the bill that the Craven will was on its way from New York, and that it would reach his hands two or three days later. There was no further need to have the bill passed, and there was a fine chance for the will-finder to make capital.

Quite a little romance attaches to the two witnesses to the holographic will of the late Senator Fair. Only recently Mrs. James Haskins, with whom Mrs. Nettie R. Craven makes her home, succeeded, after a litigation extending over fifteen years, to an estate valued at $3,000,000, consisting of real estate in London and New Orleans. During years of close association she has become very much attached to Mrs. Craven, and since coming into her fortune has repeatedly urged Mrs. Craven to retire from her profession and enjoy life at her ease. Mrs. Craven, has, however, insisted on maintaining her independence. It is also reported on good authority that Mrs. Haskins has made Mrs. Craven her heir to the vast fortune so recently acquired.

CALIFORNIA AND THE CONVENTION.

THE STATE GETS EVERYTHING THAT IT GOES AFTER IN EARNEST.

SO SAYS WILLIAM M. HAHN.

HE IS A DISTINGUISHED REPUBLICAN FROM THE BUCKEYE STATE.

A distinguished visitor to this city is William M. Hahn, member of the Ohio National Republican Committee and formerly president of the Ohio State Executive Committee. In the campaign of 1892 Mr. Hahn had charge of the speakers in his State. He is now Ohio's Superintendent of Insurance, an office corresponding to that of our Insurance Commissioner.

WILLIAM M. HAHN.
[*Sketched from life by a "Call" artist.*]

Mr. Hahn is here chiefly on pleasure, but is interested in gathering from State Insurance Commissioner Higgins data in reference to California companies, although making no formal examination of any company.

In conversation yesterday Mr. Hahn said that as far as he could gather the next National Republican Convention would be held in May, 1896. As to his choice for a city in which to hold the convention Mr. Hahn said that of course, being an Ohio man, his first choice would be Cincinnati, and he hardly cared to commit himself as regards his second choice.

"However," said he, "I am free to confess that San Francisco has every facility for entertaining any convention, and from the way Republicans have entertained me since I arrived I am convinced that the convention would be well entertained here.

"The factor that usually has the greatest weight in determining the selection of any place for a convention is the amount of work done by the local committee appointed to look after the matter. I notice that the Republicans of California are thoroughly aroused as to this convention and are determined to secure it. My experience is that when Californians go after a thing they generally get it."

Speaking of the political situation Mr. Hahn said the outlook for 1896 was favorable to the Republican party. This was chiefly due to the fact that the people had become disgusted with the failure of the present Government to keep its pledges. He had no doubt that the Republicans of Ohio would present the name of Major McKinley as a candidate for President in 1896 and would give him a solid delegation of 46 votes. In 1893 Ohio Republicans nominated Major McKinley and he was elected by the impressive majority of 82,000. Republicans always won when they made an aggressive fight and stood by the principles of the Republican party, which meant protection and honest money.

Mr. Hahn expressed gratification with the climate of California, the only fault in it to his mind being that it attracted desirable citizens from Ohio. He will remain here for ten days and then return East, going direct to Salt Lake City.

DE KOVEN'S OPERA A HIT.

MR. BRUSIE'S DRAMA CONTINUES SUCCESSFUL AT MOROSCO'S.

"OUR FLAT" AT THE CALIFORNIA. OPERA AND DRAMA AT OTHER HOUSES.

Seldom if ever has any production made such a positive hit at the Baldwin Theater as De Koven and Smith's comic opera, "The Fencing Master." The houses have been crowded and the opera has been received with enthusiasm. The score is written in Mr. de Koven's best vein. It is bright and tuneful and every number is interesting. As soon as the curtain rises and the chorus enters the opera starts off with a spirited movement which is kept up until the last number. Miss Dorothy Morton's performance of Francesca is full of that intelligence and originality which characterize an artistic performance. She is a clever little woman, and she carries the whole show admirably. The opera will be run for two weeks at the Baldwin.

The "Estate of Hannibal Howe" is drawing full houses at Morosco's. Mr. Brusie's drama contains a great many good points. It is natural and amusing, and the Morosco company present it in a careful manner. It will run until Sunday night.

The second act of "Our Flat," the comedy which Miss Emily Bancker is presenting at the California, is one of the most amusing ever seen in a play. When the installment man divests the flat of its unpaid furniture and Miss Bancker transforms all the available empty barrels and boxes and the bathtub into draped chairs and sofas, she does a clever and painstaking piece of work. The burlesque in the last act performed by Miss Bancker and Tom Ricketts is a big hit.

"Nanon" is the bill at the Tivoli this week. It will be replaced by "Pinafore" on Monday night.

Preparations are being made at the Baldwin Theater for Marie Burroughs' production of "Romeo and Juliet," which will take place on April 2. John E. Kellerd will be Romeo and Marie Burroughs Juliet. It will be her first appearance in a Shakespearean character.

The specialty bill at the Orpheum is up to its usual standard and the patrons of the theater are pleased.

At Stockwell's "The Remarkable History of Lispet" is interesting the audiences. "Cad, the Tomboy," will be produced next week, which is the closing one of Mr. Grover's engagement.

"The Froth of Society" and the O'Brien Sisters in their whirlwind dance form the programme at the Alcazar, where the business is good.

The burlesque, "Me and Jack," is the attraction at the Wigwam.

THE WEEKLY "CALL."

To-day's issue of the Weekly is of unusual interest, containing as it does not only an abstract of the most important news of the week, but much that has been prepared especially for it.

In the Agricultural Department will be found short articles by practical farmers and other information of value. The conditions which prevail in the West are very different from those which prevail in the East, and this department is in charge of a writer who is thoroughly acquainted with the agricultural and horticultural industries of California.

The Weekly keeps pace also with the revival of gold mining, and an entire page is devoted to news and notes from the mines.

The condensed news items from various parts of the State are of universal interest, as there are few readers who are not acquainted in several of the localities mentioned.

These, with the departments, too numerous to be mentioned here, make the WEEKLY CALL of special value and interest.

FLOWER SHOW.

The State Floral Society Offers a Long List of Premiums.

The premium list for the eleventh semi-annual exhibition and rose show of the California State Floral Society, to be held shortly, has just been issued by the committee of arrangements. The committee is composed of Professor Emory E. Smith of Palo Alto, Mrs. Austin Sperry and Mrs. Helen A. A. Cross of this city, Mrs. Amos Mecartney of Alameda and Mrs. Orville D. Baldwin of San Francisco.

The premium list contains the classes and five special exhibits for which awards are offered. Class A of the spring exhibition is devoted to cut flowers. There are twenty-one premiums offered to amateurs, varying in amounts from $3 to $10. In the list are included roses, carnations, pelargoniums, geraniums, pansies, clematis, sweet peas and tuberous flowering plants. There are thirteen premiums offered to professionals in this class.

Class B includes plants. There are ten prizes for amateurs and eight for professionals. Begonias, ferns, cacti, flowering foliage and decorative plants all come in for prizes.

Violets, ferns and wild flowers form class C, with premiums varying from $3 to $15.

For the best artistic mantel decoration by an amateur, in the list of special exhibits, a prize of $15 is offered. A like prize is offered for the best table decoration.

Did Not Identify Them.

Morris Cunningham and Thomas Paul, the two young men charged with robbing Daniel Sheehan in Golden Gate Park on Monday evening, appeared in Judge Campbell's court yesterday morning for their preliminary examination. Sheehan, although he positively identified Cunningham Monday night and Tuesday, would not swear positively that either he or Paul committed the robbery, and the Judge dismissed the cases.

NOTHING spurious is found in the Almighty Dollar (Cigar).

NEW TO-DAY—AMUSEMENTS.

STOCKWELL'S THEATER.
S. F. A. Co. Lessees. LEONARD GROVER Manager
Last Weeks of the Brilliantly Popular Season!
LEONARD GROVER'S
Powerful Domestic Drama,
THE REMARKABLE HISTORY OF LISPET.
Superb Scenery and a Great Cast.
LEONARD GROVER JR.
As the Crushed Tragedian.
Next Week—CAD, THE TOMBOY.
LAST WEEKS AT THE STOCKWELL OF THE
Popular Prices—10c, 15c, 25c, 35c, 50c.
Last Popular Matinees Saturday and Sunday.

TIVOLI OPERA HOUSE
MRS. ERNESTINE KRELING Proprietor & Manager
TO-NIGHT ONE WEEK ONLY
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