

STOCKTON IS IN LINE.

Land and Cash to Be Given to the New Road.

SIGNS THE AGREEMENT.

Work Is to Commence Within Sixty Days After the Transfer.

SWELLING THE CONTRIBUTION.

Stockton Women Add \$1500 to the Fund-Work of the Surveying Party.

STOCKTON, CAL., April 15.—The Stockton Commercial Association held a meeting to-night and discussed an agreement to be entered into between the subscribers to the cash fund for the valley road and the directors of the road in San Francisco, whereby the latter pledge themselves to begin operations within sixty days after deeding over the property required in this city.

It was finally decided to have this agreement signed, another agreement to be subsequently entered into between the directors of the valley road and a board of trustees, to be selected by the contributors to the cash fund. It was at first suggested that these trustees be nominated by the Commercial Association at its meeting to-night and afterward elected by the contributors, but it was afterward decided to delay the matter until to-morrow night, when a special meeting will be held for the purpose. These trustees will enter into the final agreement with the directors of the road for the carrying out of all pledges made by them and by the city of Stockton.

The cash fund is fast nearing the required amount. Already about \$85,000 has been subscribed, and much more is in sight. The Sunday edition of the Mail, prepared by the ladies of Stockton, netted them something like \$1500. Since Friday night \$600 in stock subscriptions have been added to the list, which now amounts to about \$92,000.

The surveying party, under charge of Assistant Engineer Graham, has finished its work inside the city limits, and at noon to-day was about half a mile the other side of East street. This is the last day of the party's stay in this city, as to-morrow it will pitch its camp along the line of work and keep moving on toward Stanislaus River.

BRIEBRY AT SACRAMENTO.

Grand Jury Investigation of Charges Made by City Trustees.

They Claim They Were Offered Money to Secure the Award of a Contract.

SACRAMENTO, CAL., April 15.—The Grand Jury to-day began an investigation of the charges made by several of the City Trustees, to the effect that they had been offered bribes to award contracts to a certain pump company. The investigation was based upon statements published in the Sunday News of yesterday, and which are admitted by Trustees Devine, Davis and Kent. The officials refused to divulge the names of the party who attempted to bribe them, upon the ground that, as the proposition relied upon was made to each individually, without other witnesses, it would be idle to say anything.

It was nearly a quarter of a century ago when the Holly Pump Company sold a pump, with a capacity of 3,000,000 gallons daily, to the city, for \$57,000. The company's bid for a 5,000,000-gallon pump this year is only \$12,500, and it is claimed that considerable sums were divided among certain parties at the time the former contract was awarded.

The Grand Jury has been looking into all these matters and has secured considerable information, but whether it is enough on which to base an indictment is, of course, not known.

THEY FAVORED FITZGERALD.

Trades Unions of San Francisco Had Indorsed His Appointment.

SACRAMENTO, CAL., April 15.—In a recent issue of a labor paper published in San Francisco there was an editorial in which the following words occur:

Governor Budd is entirely mistaken or willfully prevaricates when he states that the proprietors of the Voice of Labor indorsed or asked for the appointment of Mr. Fitzgerald as Labor Commissioner.

The Governor's private secretary, in speaking of this editorial, produced from the files the following letter, which he says is decidedly inconsistent with the statements made in the editorial referred to. The letter is dated San Francisco, February 7, and is signed by M. M. McFlynn, who is editor of the paper, as well as President of the Labor Council of Federated Trades. The letter reads:

To the best of my knowledge, the selection of Mr. Fitzgerald as Labor Commissioner will meet with no objections from the trades unions of this city. Personally, I am in hopes his appointment will mark a new era in the administration of the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

REPEAL OF COUNTY GAME LAWS.

All Those in Conflict With the State Law Are Displeased.

SACRAMENTO, CAL., April 15.—In response to an inquiry received from the Fish and Game Commission of the State an opinion has been sent out from the attorney-general's office on the effect and scope of the general fish and game law passed by the last Legislature. This opinion is to the effect that all county ordinances relating to fish and game that have heretofore been passed by the Boards of Supervisors which conflict with that law are repealed hereby, and that Boards of Supervisors have no power to pass ordinances in conflict therewith.

In conversation with Game Commissioner Morrison on the subject he stated that, in his opinion, this would, to a great extent, do away with the variance of the close season in the different counties. "Why," continued the commissioner, "under the provisions of the old county government law, and that which related to fish and game, one was almost compelled to procure the services of an expert surveyor whenever he went on a day's hunt, so that when game was sighted a line could be run in order to ascertain what county he was shooting in."

semblyman Bassford was given. This gentleman, who is one of the most enthusiastic sportsmen in the State and is the father of the present game law, shot a deer while in the woods. Mr. Bassford was arrested and compelled to pay a fine of \$50, as the stream over which he shot happened to be the boundary line of a county that possessed an ordinance prolonging the close season for six weeks. "As regards the present law," resumed Commissioner Morrison, "I deem it so full in all its provisions that I believe it will be adopted by all the Boards of Supervisors of the various counties without cavil, and that the close season will become universal throughout the State."

WEATHER AND CROP BULLETIN.

Weekly Report of Director Barwick of the State Weather Bureau.

SACRAMENTO, CAL., April 15.—Director Barwick of the State Weather Service, in his crop and weather summary for the week, says: The average temperature for the week ending Monday, April 15, was as follows: Eureka, 56 deg.; Fresno, 56; Independence, 50; Los Angeles, 58; Red Bluff, Sacramento, San Francisco and San Diego, 54 deg. respectively, and San Luis Obispo, 50. As compared with the normal temperature a deficiency of heat is reported at Fresno of 5 degrees; Los Angeles, 2; Red Bluff, 6; Sacramento, 5; San Francisco, 2; San Diego, 5, while Eureka reports the temperature conditions as normal.

The total precipitation for the week was: At Eureka, 1.10 inches; Fresno, Los Angeles, San Francisco, San Luis Obispo and San Diego each, 10 of an inch; Sacramento, .14 of an inch, and Independence a trace. As compared with the normal precipitation, there is a deficiency reported at all points except Eureka, where an excess of .22 of an inch has occurred. The weekly deficiency is: For Fresno .24 of an inch, Los Angeles .33, Red Bluff .39, Sacramento .53, San Francisco .42 and San Diego .11 of an inch.

The deficiency in temperature over the great agricultural, horticultural and viticultural districts of the State has had a retarding effect upon the growth of crops and the ripening of early fruits and berries. The deficiency in the rainfall has been felt over the greater portions of the State. Without copious and frequent showers in April and May the grain and hay crops will receive somewhat of a setback. However, the cool weather, in conjunction with the lack of rain, prevents any injurious effects from being noticed so early in the season, especially after the fine rains we have had during the past winter months.

The frosts of April have injured the fruit crop in the lower end of the San Joaquin Valley, as well as in the Santa Clara Valley, the upper end of the Sonoma Valley and in the Anderson Valley fruit belt of Mendocino County.

Commissioners of Deeds Removed.—SACRAMENTO, CAL., April 15.—Governor Budd received word from Governor Stone of Missouri to-day that all Commissioners of Deeds for that State residing in California had been removed, and that others would be appointed immediately to fill the vacancies.

RACES AT LOS ANGELES.

Four Good Events Witnessed by Visitors to the Fiesta.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., April 15.—There was a fair crowd at Agricultural Park to-day at the fiesta races, but not so large as on last Saturday. Though the crowd was not large the enthusiasm was great and the poolrooms did a good business.

First race, five and a half furlongs, Lonnie B. won, Jerome S. second, Talbot Clifton third. Time, 1:09 3/4. Second race, five furlongs, Tim Murphy won, Centennial second, Hueneue third. Time, 1:01 1/4.

Third race, mile, selling, three-year-olds and upward, Commission won, Raindrop second, Blackbird third. Time, 1:42 1/4. Fourth race, six furlongs, selling, three-year-olds and upward, Morven won, Bernardo second, Johnny Caperton third. Time, 1:14 1/4.

TAKEN TO CARSON CITY.

Two Men Who Must Answer to the Charge of Passing Counterfeit Money.

PORTLAND, OR., April 15.—United States Marshal Grady left this evening for Carson City, Nev., having in custody two men who are wanted there to answer to the charge of passing bogus money. Their names are H. S. Richardson and Frank Ross. They were arrested at the Cascades five months ago. They had hurriedly left Nevada, when a portion of the gang to which they belonged was captured by the United States officials.

SAN DIEGOANS FLEECE.

Consternation Caused by the Departure of a Trance-Medium.

Scores of People Found to Have Contributed Their Gold to His Coffers.

SAN DIEGO, CAL., April 15.—Great consternation has been caused in certain circles over the continued absence of the trance medium, Peter West. All sorts of rumors have been flying since Saturday, when he failed to appear from Escondido, where he went to spend two days. Among the reports circulated was one that a lady, widowed against her will, had paid the medium \$500 in jewelry and cash to seek out her recreant husband and the \$30,000 he took with him. Investigation showed that scores of people, mostly women had been voluntary patrons of the medium. A constant stream of visitors called at his apartments, and at the close of the day the seer would call in a man living in the house to assist him in counting his money. West's income for the first three days he opened up business here was \$800, and he received steadily from \$60 to \$75 per day.

President Rogers of the spiritual society read a letter from West at Sunday night's meeting, in which the seer said that he must go to Denver to rescue the young man Harry Waite, who was in trouble, and asked for the prayers of the brethren and sisters in his mission, stating that he would be back very soon. The members of the society firmly believe that their hero will return.

TWO SAN DIEGO SUICIDES.

Passing of John F. Conrad, a Well-Known San Jose Citizen.

SAN DIEGO, CAL., April 15.—Two suicides occurred this morning. Howard Clugston, junior partner of the Clugston Coal Company, fired a bullet into his forehead to escape approaching death by consumption. Mrs. Virginia Cattles, a colored woman, took carbolic acid. She had been demented two days. The steamship City of Paris keeps up steam with the aid of fifty-four furnace fires.

SAN JOSE'S WELCOME.

Preparing to Receive the Grand Court of Foresters.

WORK OF YOUNG CROOKS.

Release of a Man Charged by His Wife With Being Insane.

HELD FOR ATTEMPTED MURDER.

A Woodchopper Thought to Have Killed Himself With a Charge of Dynamite.

SAN JOSE, CAL., April 15.—Arrangements have been completed by the general reception committee of the local courts for the reception of the Grand Court of American Foresters, which meets here on Monday, May 6.

On Monday evening a reception will be tendered the officers of the Grand Court and visiting members. On Tuesday morning the Grand Court will open its session, to be followed by a parade through the streets to Agricultural Park, where the balance of the day will be spent in picnicking, races and games of all kinds. On the following Thursday a banquet will be tendered the Grand Court.

A committee is at work on decorations, and many merchants have promised to decorate their stores. The local courts will attend to the decoration of the electric tower and the streets. All military and civic societies have been invited to join in the parade, and it is expected to be one of the largest and most imposing pageants ever seen in the city.

FORECLOSURE SUIT BEGUN.

An Action in Which San Jose Insurance Agents Are Made Parties.

SAN JOSE, CAL., April 15.—Mary C. and Robert Green have commenced a suit against Emma L. and F. C. Dubois for the foreclosure of a mortgage of \$910, with interest at 8 per cent. Wooster & Whitton, agents of the North British and Mercantile Insurance Company, are made parties to the suit, in that it is held that \$1550 insurance amount to be paid the defendants was secured to guarantee the payment of the mortgage.

Francis Myers loaned the defendants \$300 with interest at 8 per cent on May 1, 1892, and at different times the loan was increased to \$910. At the death of Myers in 1894 Mary C. Robert inherited the mortgage in question and later became the wife of Nathaniel Green. It was the understanding when the mortgage, which covered a house and lot in Bradley's addition, was executed, that the defendants were to keep the house insured in a sum sufficient to cover the mortgage at their own expense.

The house was destroyed by fire last week and the plaintiff wants an injunction to stop the payment of the insurance money, as not more than \$300 could be realized from the sale of the lot.

YOUNG CROOKS IN TROUBLE.

Warrants for Their Arrest Forwarded to San Francisco.

SAN JOSE, CAL., April 15.—George P. Snell, manager of the Hotel Vendome, swore to a complaint before Justice Dwyer this morning charging John and Henry Harris with beating the hotel out of a board bill. The Harrises, as reported in a dispatch to the CALL, yesterday, came here about a week ago and ran up a board bill of \$51. The men also rented bicycles at a local agency, and after returning one of the wheels left the other as security for a bill of drinks. The two men succeeded in doing the town up to the extent of about \$100 and left for unknown parts Friday morning.

This afternoon Chief Kidward received word that the two men were stopping at the Palace Hotel in San Francisco. A warrant has been forwarded to San Francisco, and they will be arrested and brought back to be tried here.

HELD FOR ATTEMPTED MURDER.

Joseph Dubois Must Answer for the Shooting of James Pierce.

SAN JOSE, CAL., April 15.—Joseph Dubois, who is charged with attempting to murder James Pierce, had his examination before Justice Dwyer to-day, and was held to answer in the Superior Court, with bonds fixed at \$1000.

MYSTERIOUSLY DISAPPEARS.

A San Jose Woodchopper Thought to Have Committed Suicide With Dynamite.

SAN JOSE, CAL., April 15.—Antonio Giannattia, a woodchopper employed on the Klinkerfauche ranch on Stevens Creek, has mysteriously disappeared. Giannattia and two other Italians had a contract to clear the wood off 180 acres. On April 12 Giannattia started for a walk, taking a stick of dynamite with him. Since then nothing has been seen of him, and it is feared he has committed suicide. There was \$31 due him for work. The missing man was sober and industrious, and has a wife and daughter in Italy.

CHARGED WITH INSANITY.

The Complaint of a Wife Fails to Secure a Commitment.

SAN JOSE, CAL., April 15.—Abraham Bernal and B. F. Oswald were examined on charges of insanity to-day, and Bernal was committed to Agnews. Oswald, who is a hard-working carpenter, was discharged.

Oswald was arrested at the instance of his wife. Her excuse for the complaint was that her husband took a drink occasionally, and while in that condition was quarrelsome.

FOUND DEAD IN BED.

Passing of John F. Conrad, a Well-Known San Jose Citizen.

SAN JOSE, CAL., April 15.—Last evening John F. Conrad, an old and well-known resident of this city, died very suddenly of heart disease at his residence, on the corner of Delmas and San Carlos streets. The deceased visited with the family of Paul Haagen, his son-in-law, who resides at Tenth and Washington streets, yesterday afternoon, and seemed in the best of spirits. He was accompanied by a friend

named Clausen, who returned home with him. Clausen happened to be passing Conrad's residence last evening about 7 o'clock and knocked at the door. There was a faint response from Conrad that he was sick and could not get up to open the door.

Soon after the police were notified and the patrol wagon was dispatched to the scene. Conrad must have died soon after Clausen left his residence, for when Officers Humburg and Anderson knocked on the door at 8 o'clock there was no response. The door was broken open and Conrad was found dead in bed.

Sentenced for Petty Larceny.

SAN JOSE, CAL., April 15.—William Noon, who was arrested yesterday for robbing the residence of Mrs. E. Dodge, was allowed to plead guilty to a charge of petty larceny this morning, and Justice Grass sentenced him to 150 days in the County Jail. The evidence was not sufficient to convict him of burglary.

Oscar Osen Reinstated.

SAN JOSE, CAL., April 15.—Oscar Osen, who was suspended by the L. A. W. pending an investigation of a charge that he sold building lots in Arizona, won as prizes, has been reinstated, and if he recovers from his injuries received Sunday he will start in the Garden City Cyclers' races.

Sues to Recover Money.

SAN JOSE, CAL., April 15.—T. B. Berry has begun a suit against C. J. Brown to recover \$879 due on a promissory note, with interest at 8 per cent, from May 19, 1894. The note was executed in Portland, Or., and made payable to Allen Lewis, who in turn transferred it to T. B. Berry.

NOT MERCHANTS OF BOISE.

Chinese Make False Entry to Gain Admission to Northern Ports.

One of the Culprits Is Captured and Other Arrests Are to Be Made.

BOISE, IDAHO, April 15.—Deputy United States Marshal John Hunter returned to-day from the Sound, having in custody one of the Chinese recently arrested there for trying to gain admission on fraudulent certificates that they were merchants. This Chinese is the only one of the lot who was ever in Boise, though their certificates represented them all as Boise merchants. It is thought the prisoner may have taken certificates to the Chinese, but the principal expectation of the officers is that he can be induced to tell who manipulated the fraud.

The whole matter has been turned over to the Federal Grand Jury, which is now investigating. The stories told by different ones concerned are very conflicting, and if some are found to be true others must be branded as false by the same proof. It is difficult to see how all can escape trouble with the Government.

Investigating at Victoria.

VICTORIA, B. C., April 15.—There are two secret agents of the United States Treasury Department here working up this end of the Chinese certificate frauds recently unearthed in San Francisco. Those in a position to know say that the crooked operations of the gang are confined to San Francisco, and that the representatives here were Chinese firms. The names of the officers are not known.

The Bull That Failed.

A Grizzly Bear Who Did Not Come to Time in Mexico.

LAREDO, TEX., April 15.—The fight between the California grizzly Ramidan and the Mexican fighting bull Panther took place to-day as advertised, in the bull-ring in New Laredo, Mexico; but though it pleased the crowd, it was not much of a fight after all. Great consternation was caused once when the bear, being pursued in one of the corners by the bull's mad rushes, proceeded to climb over the top of the cage. The people made a rush for to get over the barred top of the cage, quietly gone down the way he went twenty-five feet to the outside.

The bull was a fine animal and was the aggressive party throughout. When the bear was first let through the trapdoor the bull immediately made a terrific assault, and the bear, completely dumfounded, took a sneak several times around the ring. Finally the bull made a plunge on the bear's short ribs, greatly embarrassing the grizzly. Though the bull, under much prodding, renewed the attack some dozen times the bear failed to show fight excepting in about three instances.

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Land-Grabbers Who Have Several Fine Locations in Sight.

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BIRMINGHAM, ALA., April 15.—Great excitement prevails in Chilton County over the finding of the body of Manuel Dunejon, a negro, who has been missing for three weeks. The body was found in a swamp, four miles from Clanton, in a badly decomposed condition, with a rope around the neck.

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CHEERS FOR SILVER.

Friends of the White Metal Congregate in Denver.

GREAT MEETING TO-DAY.

Enthusiasm and Eloquence Were With Difficulty Held in Restraint.

A RECEPTION TO STATESMEN.

Handshakings That Lasted Two Hours and Were Finally Crowded into a Narrow Limit.

DENVER, COLO., April 15.—An immense throng to-night congregated at the Brown Palace Hotel to greet the two champions of silver, ex-Congressman J. C. Sibley and General A. J. Warner, and to extend to them a hearty welcome to the State. The rotunda of the hotel had been profusely decorated with flags and plants, while over the entrance, where the guests of the evening were standing, had been draped with two large American flags joined at the top by a large shield made in imitation of the silver dollar. Each gallery of the seven floors was crowded, while the floor of the rotunda was packed by eager people of both sexes, all anxious to do homage to the scarred veterans of the silver cause.

At 8:15 p. m. the First Regiment band of the Colorado National Guard announced the approach of the guests. Their appearance was greeted by a burst of applause.

Governor McIntyre introduced the two gentlemen whose coming had caused such an outpouring. Ex-Congressman Sibley was the first to respond to the introduction and while, as he said, it was not an occasion for speech-making, still he could not refrain from saying a few words in regard to silver. He stopped himself, however, before he had fairly entered into the subject, and invited all his hearers to attend the great meeting to be held to-morrow.

General Warner followed, and in a few words thanked the audience for the reception and the enthusiasm displayed. Both speakers seemed so full of their subject that it was with difficulty that they refrained from making lengthy addresses. After the introduction a line was formed and the crowd filed by the two gentlemen to shake their hands. There was such a jam that a single line could not be maintained and the people blocked up three and four deep. As Mr. Sibley remarked, "Everything that Colorado does she does with a rush." For over two hours the handshaking was continued, and when the exhausted statesmen retired every one who had the patience to wait had the pleasure of pressing the hand and receiving a pleasant word from two of the foremost statesmen in the country.

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One Favorite Wins.

ST. ASAPH, April 15.—Only one favorite won. Track fair. First race, six and a half furlongs, Will Fonso won, St. Michael second, Senator Vest third. Time, 1:38 3/4. Second race, one mile, Logan won, Little Matt second, Quilly third. Time, 1:37 3/4. Third race, St. Asaph stakes, \$2000, half mile, Floretta won, Applegate second, The Hartford third. Time, 1:52 1/4. Fourth race, five furlongs, Travesty won, Wilton second, Silver third. Time, 1:06. Fifth race, half mile, Hermia won, Tyan second, Age third. Time, 1:05 1/4. Sixth race, five furlongs, Hoey won, Captain Brown second, Lottie Eastin third. Time, 1:05 1/4.

A Blizzard in Colorado.

HUGO, COLO., April 15.—A storm similar to the one that visited this region April 5 and 6 has been raging all day. The wind is blowing at a high rate of speed and snow is falling in blinding sheets. Hundreds of cattle, much weakened by the last great storm, are drifting south and it is feared many will perish unless the storm lets up soon.

The Kennebec Is Rising.

AUGUSTA, ME., April 14.—The Kennebec is still rising and the wharves along the river front are entirely submerged to-night. Millions of feet of lumber are coming down the river. At Brunswick the Androscoggy is the highest ever known. The pumping station is under water.

For the Silver Conference.

SALT LAKE, UTAH, April 15.—Governor West to-day appointed as delegate to the silver conference, to be held here on May 15, R. C. Chambers and C. C. Goodwin of Salt Lake and David Evans of Ogden.

MACEO WAS THE LEADER.

He Will Probably Be Garroted as Punishment for His Misdeeds.

Filibustering in Cuba Is Reported to Be at an End for the Present.

HAVANA, CUBA, April 15.—Maceo was the leader of the rebel forces with Gomez during the last revolution. Though but a youth he achieved considerable distinction. At the outbreak of this revolution Maceo landed at Baracoa on March 31. With him were a following of the officers of the rebel army: Brigadier-General Flor Crombet, General Jose E. Maceo, Colonel Augustine Ceireco, Colonel Patrice Corona, Frank Agramon, Pedro Duverger, Jose Marti, Juan Justier, Joaquin Sanchez, Jorge Estrada, Adolfo Pena, Domingo Guzman, Jose Palacin, Jesus Maria Santiago, Alberto Boy, Luis Garrinell, Manuel Gauda, Juan Limonta, Isadora Noriega, J. L. Jarvey, Silverio Sanchez and Louis Soler.

Maceo's fate is known in advance. It would have been far better for him if he had been killed, as was Crombet, than brought to Havana and put in the old Morro Castle's gloomy prison. He will be kept there some time and then possibly be given a mock trial. It is certain he will be garroted. "We have no need of Campos and his troops now," said a Spanish officer when he heard of Maceo's capture and Crombet's death.

Consul-General Williams is preparing for an early departure, and Vice-Consul Springer assumes the duties of the office to-night. Calleja