

children, with sand. The dam is being built with all the speed possible. The last work is being done on the race, and Contractor Allman is finishing a tide-gate, which he has built under the direction of Commissioner Pratchner, who conceived the idea.

The water will have to be raised but a foot to flush the race, so if a weak spot in the dam shows itself the gate can be opened and the overpressure immediately drained off. This evening the water was running through the waste way. This afternoon a rise of one foot was perceptible.

The designs of the five floats for the public schools of this city have been submitted by the designer, Mr. Hirsch, and accepted. They are all of an historical nature and promise to be a great feature. The floats represent America, an Indian camp, Washington crossing the Delaware, a log-cabin school of Puritan times and a floral schoolhouse. The school children, in beautiful and appropriate costumes, will appear on these floats.

Wilders' dairy is to be represented by a unique float, on which the processes of butter and cheese making will be illustrated, a live cow being one of the features.

The committee to whom was referred the matter of drafting rules regulating the use of boats on the San Lorenzo River during the carnival week to-day recommended the adoption of rules giving the executive committee exclusive control of that part of the river between the covered bridge and the new dam and of all boats and floats thereon during the carnival; that no person shall be allowed to let any boat or float for hire except to the executive committee, and that any person having a boat or float for private use shall be made to decorate it to the satisfaction of the artistic committee.

The decorations of most of the boats for the pageant are most beautiful, an especially pretty design being that of Mrs. J. P. Smith. It is a Venetian gondola-shaped barge named "The Cleopatra."

The design for the barge in which the queen of the carnival will approach her throne for coronation is that of the Doge's barge in the historical spectacle of the marriage of Venice with the Adriatic. It is very beautiful. It has now been decided that the queen's throne will be erected on the water front of the new pavilion grounds. The grading for it commenced to-day. Seats will be built for spectators on all the boundary streets, which will be closed to teams during the ceremonies.

Lieutenant Morey has been notified by Adjutant-General Barrett that Lieutenant Brooks of the Naval Battalion had been detailed to muster in naval reserves. An effort will be made to obtain permission for the reserves to have a drill on the cruiser Olympia when in port here during carnival week.

ORDERED TO SANTA CRUZ.

The cruiser Olympia will be present during the carnival.

SACRAMENTO, CAL., June 1.—Governor Budd received a dispatch this afternoon from the Naval Department at Washington stating that, pursuant to his request, the cruiser Olympia will be placed at the disposal of the Naval Battalion on June 10, to take part in the festa taking place in Santa Cruz on that date. The Governor has notified Major-General Dimond to make due preparations and issue requisite orders to the commander of the battalion, so that he may assume charge of the cruiser at the proper time.

VISALIA'S MERRY CONTEST.

The War of the Beauties Grows Exciting as the End Draws Near.

Friends of the Rivals Preparing Hundreds of Ballots for the Final Struggle.

VISALIA, CAL., June 1.—Activity in making preparations for the Fourth of July does not cease. A triumphal car for forty-four little girls, to represent the States of the Union, is under construction. The winner of the six-mile bicycle race will be the recipient of a handsome blue and gold medal. No entrance fees will be charged in the bicycle races. They will be free for all. A plan is on foot for local Christian Endeavor societies to entertain all visiting members of other societies during the Fourth.

A representative of the CALL to-day endeavored to ascertain in the probable vote in the next few days for Goddess of Liberty. The great interest being manifested by the admirers of the local candidates was surprising. In one place it was found that 1000 ballots were being marked for Miss Ward, who is now well in the lead. In another safe there were 1500 for Miss Stevens and the supporters of Miss Brown had 800 ready to deposit when they consider the time opportune. The friends of Miss Blake are putting their ballots in the box every day. At noon she was again third on the list. She has some warm supporters who do not propose to see her lose unless the other candidates develop remarkable strength. Miss Brown is looked upon as one of the sure winners, and unless all signs fail she will represent California in the big parade.

The polls close on June 15 at 7:30 p. m., and next week may witness a great change in the present list.

At 7:30 p. m. the battle of ballots was on in earnest. Miss Brown again exchanged places with Miss Blake.

The vote for Goddess of Liberty now stands:

Miss Ward, 3332.
Miss Stevens, 2226.
Miss Brown, 2196.
Miss Blake, 2059.

WILL CAMP AT LODI.

Two Companies of the Sixth to March in the Fourth of July Parade.

LODI, CAL., June 1.—The citizens of Lodi this morning subscribed between \$300 and \$400 for the purpose of paying for the subsistence of Companies A and B, Sixth Infantry, N. G. C., of Stockton, and assurance is given that the soldiers will come here Wednesday, July 8, and be in camp until the following Sunday. Colonel Numan and the regimental staff will also be present, and the column will march in the Fourth of July celebration, the first held here in six years.

Petaluma to Elect a Goddess.

PETALUMA, CAL., June 1.—The Fourth of July celebration executive committee has decided to allow the public to elect a goddess of liberty and other characters for the parade. The polling places will open next week.

Death of an Aged Tacoman.

TACOMA, WASH., June 1.—William G. Smith, founder of the town of East Liverpool, Ohio, died to-day at the residence of his daughter, aged 92. The deceased built the great pottery works at East Liverpool, and they are now owned and operated by his descendants. He lost his interest in them through business troubles. He came here in 1889.

PACIFIC COAST NEWS.

The Body of a Woman Found in Feather River.

It is supposed to be That of Miss Newkom, Drowned Months Ago.

SAD ACCIDENT AT EUREKA.

Suicide of a Rancher at Nanaimo. Los Angeles Bonds Declared Illegal.

MARYSVILLE, CAL., June 1.—The body of a woman, supposed to be that of Miss Pauline Newkom, was found floating in Feather River last night by George Baker. He was fishing in the river near the King's Landing railroad bridge when the discovery was made. The only articles of apparel which remained on his body were shoes and hose, and the friends of the long-missing woman will be called upon to identify the corpse by these alone. Evidently the body had long been buried in the sand.

Prior to February 21, 1893, Miss Newkom was employed as a typewriter for White, Cooley & Cutts. On the evening of that day she had gone boat-riding with Mr. Woodworth, to whom it was known she had been engaged to be married. Young Woodworth's body was recovered the next day not far from the boat, which was half filled with water and in the bottom of which was his overcoat. The river was dragged with hooks and dynamite was used for the purpose of floating Miss Newkom's body, but it was not found, although the search continued for several days.

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The Body of a Wellington Rancher Found in a Mill Stream.

NANAIMO, B. C., June 1.—The body of Thomas Welby, a miner and rancher of Wellington, was found yesterday morning floating face downward in a mill stream at the outskirts of this city. He left a hotel for a short walk at 9 o'clock last night before retiring. He was in good health and perfectly sober. It is presumed that he must have suddenly determined to end his life, walked through the brush and laid down in the two feet of water. He left a wife and nine children.

FATALITY AT EUREKA.

A Mill Employee Crushed to Death Between Two Massive Logs.

EUREKA, CAL., June 1.—John W. Setchel, a young man in the employ of the Newberg Milling Company, while working on the landing this afternoon, was caught between two massive logs and instantly killed. Setchel had stationed himself between the logs and when the loaded train came up the foremost log was struck and began to roll. Setchel was caught between the two and frightfully crushed. The unfortunate man had been married but a few days.

LOS ANGELES BONDS.

A New York Firm Refuses to Accept the Recent Issue.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., June 1.—The City Council received a message to-day from Street, Wykes & Co. of New York, in which it was stated that the refunding bonds for which they offered a premium of \$20,000 were considered illegal, and they therefore declined to accept them. The Council ordered that the \$10,000 deposit as a surety that they would take the bonds if they were straight be refunded to Street, Wykes & Co. The City Attorney will take the matter to the Supreme Court.

Santa Barbara School Census.

SANTA BARBARA, CAL., June 1.—The school census of Santa Barbara County, just completed, develops an interesting fact. The total children under 17 years is 6794; the total of school age, 4720; increase over last year, 145. The curious circumstance is that whereas last year the boys were only 15 in excess of the girls, this year the boys outnumber them by 68. The ratio in school attendance throughout the county is 173. Of this the most notable gain is in the city of Santa Barbara, where, though the census gain is only 3 1/2 per cent, there is a gain in school attendance of 7 per cent, indicating a very healthy state of affairs in the public schools.

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NOTRE DAME COMMENCEMENT.

Five Young Ladies to Receive Diplomas at the Convent.

SAN JOSE, CAL., June 1.—The commencement exercises of the Convent of Notre Dame will be held Wednesday morning, at which the following young ladies will graduate: Miss Genevieve Yoell and Miss Hattie Wilcox of San Jose, Miss L. Schroder and Miss D. McKinnin of San Francisco and Miss D. McAuliffe of Grass Valley.

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A gentleman whose word is unquestionable, and who has been a prominent worker for the success of the enterprise, stated yesterday, on his return from San Francisco, that the work of construction from this city would positively be begun by June 15. As soon as the vessels now en route from New York to San Francisco arrive at port the cargo of steel rails will be loaded on barges and sent directly up the river. The ship is expected at San Francisco within a week. The rails will be landed on the railroad's property, formerly known as the Wilhoit tract.

It is said District Attorney Nutter has, on a closer inspection of the law governing the powers of the Board of Supervisors in the matter of granting franchises, found that the board can grant the right of way across county roads if the grades are made to conform to the county surveys.

SURVEYORS AT HANFORD.