WARRING DEMOCRATS

Los Angeles Leaders in Favor of Mitchell's Proposal.

SHOULD ACT ON SILVER.

An Immediate Declaration Would Benefit the Party.

TWO DISSENTING OPINIONS.

General Mathews and Judge Stephens Opposed to a Special Convention.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., June 28.—Regarding the correspondence which has been exchanged between Chairman Gould of the Democratic State Central Committee and J. W. Mitchell of this city, upon the advisability of calling a special meeting of the committee to consider the holding of a convention to voice the sentiment of the Democratic party on the silver question, a number of prominent Democrats were seen to-day and with two exceptions pronounced in favor of it. Judge Mitchell, when interviewed, said:

"The answer I addressed to Mr. Gould yesterday contains nearly all I care to bring up at this time. My first letter was prompted by my interest in the party, and I consider the suggestion therein contained an eminently proper one. That it has the indorsement of many men of high standing in the party I am amply assured. Before I addressed Mr. Gould I consulted as many Democrats as I could, among them being Senator White, R. F. del Valle, C. F. A. Last, Colonel Mesmore and others, and there was not one of them but expressed approval of the plan. To nearly all these gentlemen I submitted the text of my letter, and it was not suggested that there was anything improper contained in it.

"It is generally recognized that the financial policy of the Government, especially on the question of free coinage of silver and full monetization, or bimetallism, is paramount to all others, and so much so that the Democrats of Illinois called a convention, which was largely attended, and freely declared for free silver. The same course is now being agitated in Ohio and Missouri.

"From Mr. Gould's answer I am forced to the conclusion that his resentment is due to the possibility of his having to declare himself at this time on the question which he evaded in his reply."

General John R. Mathews, State Senator, and one who ranks very high in the party, was very emphatic in his remarks.

"I am opposed to calling a silver convention," said he, "for the reason that the country is now growing and in a prosperous condition in a financial sense. By the time the National convention is called all parties will have made up their minds whas they want on the finaacial proposition. The platform adopted at the last State convention is a sufficient guarantee as to how the Democratic party in California stands, and I see no necessity for further action. As to Mitchell's or Gould's personalities, I have nothing to say. Let politics alone for one year, and let business—now on the up grade all along the line—have full sway, and many of the 'isms' of to-day will be buried."

C. F. A. Last, who is a delegate-at-large to the State Central Committee, was heartily in favor of calling a meeting. Said he:

"Mr. Mitchell submitted the first letter to Gould to me and it met with my approval. I can yet see no reason why it was not a perfectly proper request to make. I believe bimetallism to be the paramount question of the hour. The tariff is settled and the commercial world would object to having it reopened. I am personally in favor of calling a meeting of the committee, as suggested by Mr. Mitchell, as I think it would benefit the Democratic party to meet this issue fairly and squarely."

Judge A. M. Stephens, a lifelong Democrat and chairman of the county committee, said:

"Individually I am in favor of the free coinage of silver on the basis of 16 to 1. The party is already on record in regard to the silver question, and I do not think it necessary at the present time to hold a convention. More serious and intelligent consideration of the question can be secured at the next regular convention of the party. In case of a meeting being called I believe our section would send a delegation strongly favoring the free coinage of silver."

Martin C. Marsh, another member of the State Central Committee and chairman of the City Central Committee, said:

"I concur in Mr. Mitchell's views as to the advisability of calling a meeting of the committee. I am for the free and unlimited coinage of silver, and if the convention will secure that expression from the Democratic party let it be called."

Senator Stephen M. White has already expressed himself as favoring Mr. Mitchell's idea, and the prevailing opinion here is that the sooner the Democratic party places itself fairly and squarely before the people on the silver question the better it will be for the party.

WARREN PAYS HIS FINE.

Two Hundred Dollars the Price of Deceiving the Court.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., June 28.—Henry A. Warren, the Herald reporter who was fined for contempt of court in Judge Clark's department, paid the $200 fine this morning and will not appeal.

Warren wanted to investigate an insane asylum, and in order to effect his purpose had himself arested for insanity. When the Judge ordered that he be placed in solitary confinement for five days Warren admitted that he was shamming. Hence the fine.

VISIT SANTA MONICA.

General Franklin and Party Inspecting the Soldiers' Home.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., June 28.—The board of managers of National homes for soldiers arrived this morning on the special car Celtic, attached to the Santa Fe overland. The party consists of General M. B. Franklin of Hartford, Conn., president; General M. T. McMahon of New York, secretary; Colonel E. F. Brown of Dayton, Ohio, inspector general; General C. M, Anderson and wife of Dayton, Ohio; Colonel S. G. Cook of Kansas; Colonel George W. Steele of Marion, Ind., and G. P. Patrick of Hartford, Conn.

On the arrival of the train, the private car switched out on the Southern Pacific tracks, and was taken by a special engine to Santa Monica, where the party will remain several days inspecting the Soldiers' Home at that point.

General Anderson secured the passage of a bill creating the Soldiers' Home at Santa Monica while a member of Congress in 1887. This is his first visit to Southern California.

SANTA BARBARA GRADUATES.

Twenty-Five High School Students Receive Diplomas.

SANTA BARBARA, CAL., June 28.—The commencement exercises of the High School at the Methodist Church to-night were participated in by the largest class that ever graduated in Santa Barbara, it consisting of twenty-five young ladies and gentlemen. An able baccalaurate address by Professor C. H. Keyes, President of the Troop Polytechnic institute of Pasadena, was followed by the presentation of diplomas by M. B. McDuffie, School Trustee, accompanied by apt remarks. The Hans Schuys Quartet furnished excellent music. The large church was packed, floor and galleries.

HONORS FOR GEORGE LORD

San Bernardino's Aged Myson and Odd Fellow Enters His Ninety-Sixth Year.

The Anniversary of His Birth Fittingly Celebrated by the Local Lodges.

SAN BERNARDINO, CAL., June 28.—George Lord of this city, who enjoys the distinction of being the oldest Odd Fellow and the oldest Mason in California, if not in the world, has entered on his ninety-sixth year. He passed his ninety-fifth milestone yesterday, and it was made a gala occasion.

In celebration of Lord's birthday anniversary the chapter of Eastern Star, the Masonic sisterhood, called upon him in the morning with congratulations, and presented him with an easy chair. Later a delegation from the Phœnix Lodge of Masons called with a fraternal greeting. In the afternoon the California Pioneers Society called in a body. Mr. Lord has been president of the Pioneers for a number of years and regular in his attendance upon their meetings. In the evening San Bernardino Lodge of Odd Fellows adjourned immediately after being called to order and marched in a body to the residence of their venerated brother.

Mr. Lord was born in New York, joined the argonauts in '49, returned home in '51 to be married, and has lived here ever since. He is remarkably well preserved, possesses all his faculties and bids fair to become a centenarian.

TAPPED THE WIRES.

How Two San Bernardino Men Received Free Electric Light.

SAN BERNARDINO, CAL., June 28.—Some months ago there was a change in tenants in the Harris block on Third street, accupied as a lodging-house, and the electric wire connection was cut out. The discovery was made to-day that the new tenants, Whitehead and Barrett had restored the conuection and have been using the lights for two months without pay. The manager of the electric company made an application to the district attorney for warrants for the arrest of Whitehead and Barnett, but on examining the statutes the district attorney states that the laws of this State did not cover the tapping of electric light wires, though the tapping of a gas main is a criminal offense.

Pursuit of Douglass Given Up.

SAN BERNARDINO, CAL., June 28.—The officers have given up the pursuit of Douglass, the murderer of Neal. It is thought Douglass took the 10 o'clock overland train on the night of the crime, while Welsh and his son covered his tracks until the next morning, and that Douglass is safe in Arizona or New Mexico.

Fatal Mine Accident.

SAN BERNARDINO, CAL., June 28.—At Calico mining camp yesterday, William G. English, a miner, fell down a shaft in Oriental No. 2, and was instantly killed.

Whiting's Memory Honored.

BOSTON, MASS., June 28.—A memorial service was held this afternoon in the First Parish Church, Harvard square, Cambridge, for Professor Harold Whiting and family, of Cambridge, all of whom were lost by the recent sinking of the Pacific Mail steamer Colima off the coast of Mexico. The pulpit was decorated with palms and flowers, while a large wreath marked the pew formerly occupied by the Whiting family. Rev. Francis G. Peabody made a very fine address, speaking of the earnestness, the generosity and strenuous activity of Professor Whiting, and the deep love which had always united the family.

Suicide of a Painter.

NEW YORK, N. Y., June 28.—Casimir Romaski, a Polish portrait painter, committed suicide to-night in his studio at 24 Union square, by shooting himself. Despondency over his financial affairs is thought to be the cause.

Not Known at Havana.

HAVANA, CUBA, June 28.—Nothing is known here of the reported seizure last night, by a Spanish war report, of the yacht Nelphina of New Orleans.

Not Banking on It.

Down on the East Side one evening I sat down on the doorstep beside a little girl about 10 years old, and as she looked up at me with wonder in her eyes I asked:

"Ever been out of New York?"

"No," she answered.

"Ever been up to Central Park or down to the Battery?"

"No."

"Did you never take a trip on the water?"

"Never."

"Can you read?"

"No."

"But you have been told of things—of the green grass and the trees and the birds and the flowers to be seen out in the country?"

"Yes," she answered with a sigh.

"And some day you will make a trip and see them for yourself?"

"Mebbe so," with a longer sigh, "but I shan't bank on it. Mam's sick, dad's off on a spree and brother Bob is in the jug, and just about now I'd give all the green grass you ever saw for a hunk of bread an' butter! Say, ole man, are you a preacher?"

"Oh, no!"

"I'm mighty glad on it!"

"But why?"

"'Cause one come along here the other day and asked me whether I'd rather hev a sassage or go to heaven, and when I said sassage he got mad and walked off. Any heaven about you?"

"No."

"Bully for you! I'll go up and lock mam in and you'n me'll go out and fill up at your expense! I was jest waitin' fur a feller 'bout your shape to come along and do the nice thing!"—Detroit Free Press.

As a matter of useful information it may be stated that whenever a cooking receipt calls for a baking powder the "Royal" should be used. Whatever is made will be sweeter, lighter, finer-flavored, more dainty, palatable and wholesome.

The Emperor Charles V issued an edict intended to repress the growing tendency toward disobedience to parents, and particularly disrespect toward mothers.

SANTA MARIA COUNCIL

Grand Officers Elected by the Catholic Ladies.

MRS. DEANE IS HONORED.

A San Francisco Woman the Choice of the Delegates for President.

BAPTISTS AT TWIN LAKES.

Missionary Work the Topic Under Discussion at the State Convention.

SANTA CRUZ., CAL., June 28.—This has been a busy day at the grand council of the Catholic Ladies' Aid Society at the Hotel del Mar at Santa Maria del Mar. Interest centered in the election of grand officers, which passed off without a jar. The result was as follows:

Grand president, Mrs. Margaret Deane of San Francisco.

Grand vice-president, Mrs. J. G. Cooney of Santa Cruz.

Grand junior vice, Mrs. Thomas Keigan.

Grand treasurer, Miss Maria Flynn.

Grand secretary, Mrs. Margaret Curtis of Stockton.

Members of the grand board of directors—Mrs. Mary Lohse, Mrs. Margaret Deane, Mrs. D. R. Lozier, Mrs. Florence Warren, Mrs. J. J. Gonzales, Miss Eliza McDonald, Mrs. A. Collins, Miss M. Carr, Mrs. J. M. Shannahan, Mrs. M. J. Rafferty and Mrs. H. Molloy.

The report of the grand trustees (Mrs. Margaret Deane, chairman) was read and showed everything in good condition. A vote of thanks was tendered to a number of friends of the order for furniture, etc., for the hotel. The question of water supply for the resort came up and it was decided to use their own facilities. The committee appointed for the arrangement of the water supply was Mrs. Mary Lohse, Miss M. Carr, Mrs. Emma Mangels, Mrs. Chandler and Mrs. Peterson.

This evening was devoted to a general good time. Features of the programme were a tambourine dance by Miss Nellie Sullivan; highland fling, Dora Donovan; hornpipe, Masters Edwin and Harry Breen; La Paloma, Jennie Cronhan; fancy dance, Ida Cronhan; instrumental solo, Miss Annie Burns; vocal solos, Mrs. E. J. Breen and Miss Gertrude Hopkins; mandolin trio, the Misses May McDonald, Agnes Banks and Mamie Grennan; vocal solos, Miss Olive Libby and Mrs. E. J. Gonzales; vocal duet, Miss Emma Russell and Mrs. E. J. Breen. After the programme supper was served and dancing was indulged in.

The news of the fire in San Francisco was read very eagerly by the delegates from San Francisco. Branch No. 11 is confined to the portion of the city swept by the flames.

AT TWIN LAKES.

Discussion of the Missionary Work in Heathen Lands.

SANTA CRUZ, CAL., June 28.—The Baptist State Association opened its morning session at the auditorium at Twin Lakes at 9 o'clock with singing and prayer. The report of the obituary committee was read by Mrs. C. H. Hobart of Oakland, who made special mention of the life of the late Dr. Gray of the Pacific Baptist Theological Seminary, and of N. Thompson, one of the members of the First Baptist Church of Oakland. Prayer was offered by Rev. C. M. Hill.

The report of the committee on resolutions was read by Rev. Mr. Boynton of the First Baptist Church of San Francisco. A committee of ministers recommended the adoption of a memorial to be sent to the societies in the East, concerning the holding of their anniversaries on this coast next May.

A discussion of the work of the Pacific Baptist, the official organ of the denomination on this coast, came up, during which Rev. Mr. Moody of Portland, Or., who is the editor of the paper, spoke. Rev. F. S. Lawrence read the Scripture lesson, which preceded a splendid sermon by Rev. A. J. Sturtevant of the Emanuel Church of Sacramento on "The Lord's Supper." The morning session then adjourned after a prayer by Dr. Sunderland.

The afternoon session was a very interesting one, and was devoted to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. It was opened by devotional exercises led by Mrs. J. Sunderland of Oakland, prayers being offered for the success of the workers in China. Then followed an address by Rev. J. Sunderland, D.D., who gave a map description of the mission stations in Western China. Rev. Mr. Hill gave the latest news by letter from Ya Chow, and also of the reported riots in West China. Last Sunday it was learned that the missionaries are all safe at Hankow, a dispatch to that effect having come to the rooms of the Missionary Union at Boston. The missionaries had fled to Hankow, 1200 miles distant from their stations.

An address was delivered by Rev. C. M. Hill on the theme, "Women in Missions." The quarterly reports of Rev. J. H. Scott and Miss Mattie Walton, missionaries at Osaka, Japan, were read, and were followed by a number of questions and answers on mission work.

Rev. Henry Varley, the great English Baptist evangelist, who preached for eighteen years in London, and who has also spent a winter in India, then gave an excellent missionary address, closing with the advice to the young men to know the Bible thoroughly, get a knowledge of medicine, and then to go out as missionaries in India or other heathen countries.

The evening session was devoted to foreign missions, with addresses by Rev. J. Sunderland on "The Present Condition and Prospects of the Telugu Field"; by Rev. D. H. Drake on "The Relation of the Pastor to Foreign Missions"; by Rev. C. H. Hobart on "Stray Leaves From My Chinese Journal": by Rev. C. Spurgeon on "Midhurst."

To-morrow morning will be devoted to Sunday-school work, and in the afternoon the annual convention of the Baptist Young People's Union will commence.

Rodrigues Charged With Murder.

SANTA CRUZ, CAL., June 28.—An information charging murder was filed this morning in the Superior Court in the case of Joe Rodriguez, who kicked William Benson to death.

Programme for Fall Races.

SAN JOSE, CAL., June 28.—The Agricultural Society directors yesterday adopted a programme of races for the meeting which will be held from September 24 to 28 inclusive. There will be fifteen trotting and pacing races, each for a purse of $500, and two Futurity colt stakes.

SOME LONG SHOTS WIN.

Four Bookmakers Ruled Off an Eastern Track.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., June 28.—Long shots and second picks took most of the money to-day. The third event was the star performance of the day. Simmons and Prime Minister went to the post for the mile journey at evens. Simmons landed winner with something to spare in track record time. His best form seems to have returned to him. Prime Minister, in a whipping finish, could not beat out Moderocio, an outsider, for the place.

Three-quarters of a mile, Leader Ban won, Jim Cornwall second, Prince third. Time, 1:16.

Five-eighths of a mile, William Duke Jr. won, Don Carillo second, J. G. Dubois third. Time, 1:03.

One mile, Simmons won, Moderocio second, Prime Minister third. Time, 1:41½.

Three-quarters of a mile, Disturbance won, Ellen second, Charlie McDonald third. Time, 1:15¾.

Seven furlongs, Charm won, Sullross second, Hush third. Time, 1:28½.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 28. — The threatening weather kept the usual crowd from the track to-day, but those that were there saw five very interesting races, and as hot favorites romped home the talent felt in good humor. Euna, entered to be sold for $500, was run up to $600 by H. Simons, and her owner not bidding the necessary sum, she became Simons' property.

Five furlongs, Ben Wilson won, Little Ell second, Schuylkill third. Time, 1:04.

Six furlongs, La Gartia won, Valdemar second, Josephine third. Time, 1:19.

Six and a half furlongs, Euna won, Gateway second, Aladdin third. Time, 1:26.

One mile, Valedictory won, Black Satin second, Martha Smith third. Time, 1:47.

Four and a half furlongs, Austin won, Plug second, King Harel third. Time, 1:01.

RED OAK, IOWA, June 28.—Owing to the heavy fall of rain which started yesterday afternoon and continued last night and to-day the races at Pactolus Driving Park had to be again postponed until to-morrow. From present prospects there will be no more trotting over the track this week.

OAKLEY, OHIO, June 28.—Friday is an off day with racegoers here, but the attendance to-day, particularly of ladies, was large. Five races were run off in fast time without accident. The track was fast and the weather cloudy and warm. John Cahill, J. Strauss, J. Crawley and A. M. Wilcox, bookmakers, were ruled off:

Half a mile, La Wanda won, Galley West second, La Galondriana third. Time, :49¾.

Three-quarters of a mile, Cæsarion won, Pop Gray second, St. Maxim third. Time, 1:14¼.

Five-eighths of a mile, Countess Irma won, Fasig second, Daisy Bolander third. Time, 1:02.

Seven-eighths of a mile, Pepper won, Toots second, Jane third. Time, 1:27¾.

Selling, one mile, Sandoval won, Enthusiast second, Mrs. Morgan third. Time, 1:43¼.

SHEEPSHEAD BAY, N. Y., June 28.—Five furlongs, Factotum won, Ridicule second, Wernberg third. Time, 1:01½.

Eight furlongs, Matt Byrnes won, Counter Tenor second, Hermita third. Time, 1:44¾.

Six furlongs, Hazlet won, Religion second, La Vienta third. Time, 1:11¼.

Mile and an eighth, Bright Phoebus won, Mirage second, Monaco third. Time, 1:57¼.

Five furlongs, Mack Briggs won, Heresy second, Sir Peter II third. Time, 1:02½.

Mile and three-eighths, Santiago won, Song and Dance second, Long Beach third. Time, 2:22¼.

NARRAGANSETT, MASS., June 28.—Five-eighths of a mile, Richfield won, Argentina second, Santuzza third. Time, 1:07.

Second race, Frontenac won, Vent second, Blue Garter third. Time not given.

Three-quarters of a mile, Hailstone won, Will Fonso second, Chagnut third. Time, 1:20¼.

Fourth race, Cass won, Logan second, W B third. Time not given.

Fifth race, Old Dominion won, Foundling second, Kallico third. Time not given.

ON THE BALL FIELDS.

Winners of the League and Association Games.

CLEVELAND, OHIO, June 28. — McKean's wild throw in the ninth gave Decker a lift and lost the game for Cleveland. Umpire Slage's work was unsatisfactory to both sides. Score:

	R.	B.H.	E.
Clevelands	1	5	2
Chicagos	2	9	4

Batteries—Wallace and O'Connor; Terry and Donahue. Umpire—Slage.

PITTSBURG, PA., June 28.—Pittsburg won from St. Louis to-day in a well-played ten-inning game. Score:

	R.	B.H.	E.
Pittsburgs	5	10	5
St. Louis	4	7	3

Batteries—Hawley and Merritt; Ehret and Miller. Umpire—Jeans.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., June 28.—Two games were played here to-day, each team winning. Lucid pitched a grand game in the early contest, retiring the Washingtons with three hits, of which two were made in the first inning. Gumbert was hit rather freely in the second game and was poorly supported. First game score:

	R.	B.H.	E.
Washingtons	1	3	2
Brooklyns	2	6	0

Batteries—Maul and McGuire, Lucid and Dailey. Umpire—Emslie.

Second game score:

	R.	BH.	E.
Brooklyn	6	10	3
Washington	8	12	1

Batteries—Gumbert and Dailey, Stockdale and McGuire. Umpire—Emslie.

BALTIMORE, MD., June 28.—The Baltimores won to-day's game through loose fielding by the New Yorks. Rusie was the principal offender, and his two misplays were responsible for four runs and probably lost the game for the visitors. Score:

	R.	B.H.	E.
Baltimores	7	8	1
New Yorks	2	8	4

Batteries—Clarkson and Clark; Rusie and Wilson. Umpire—McDonald.

BOSTON, MASS., June 28.—The Boston-Philadelphia game was postponed on account of rain.

DUNRAVEN'S NEW YACHT.

Chances of the Valkyrie III to Win the America's Cup.

GLASGOW, SCOTLAND, June 28.—Designer Watson yesterday stated at Courock that the rating of Lord Dunraven's new yacht Valkyrie III was approximately 185.

The Ailsa, which went into the dock here on the 25th, has had six tons of lead removed from her keel. Her mast has also been shortened five feet and her boom three feet, and her mainsail has been correspondingly reduced. A longer topmast, however, has been fitted. Her approximate rating is now 160. On a fifty-mile course the Valkyrie III will allow the Ailsa 2 minutes and 58 seconds and the Britannia 4 minutes and 2 seconds. The Valkyrie, Ailsa and Britannia are all entered for the races at Rothesay on Saturday and Monday next.

The Times to-day says: The Valkyrie's chances of winning the America's cup will be better written about after her maiden essay Saturday. Yet it may be said that if she can be handled by sixty men and ably carry the canvas with which she is loaded, it is practically certain that the cup will return to Great Britain in 1895.

The paper commends Lord Dunraven for having two captains. The Times predicts that Lord Lansdowne's new 20-rater Eucharist will prove far superior to Howard Gould's Niagara.

Record-Breaking at Irvington.

PORTLAND, OR., June 28.—T. Williams' mare, Gussie, broke the mile running record for Oregon at Irvington this afternoon. Her time was 1:42 flat. Results to-day were:

District pacing, three-year-olds, Hal Corbett won, Glen Arthur second. Time 2:19¼.

Trotting, 2:33 class, Miss Jessie won, Lady Grace second. Time, 2:19¼.

Running, three-eighths mile dash, Lark won, Valledor second. Time, :35½.

Running, mile dash, handicap, Gussie won, Marietta second. Time, 1:42.

On a Satisfactory Basis.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 28.—Officials of the Treasury Department who have been in telegraphic communication with Secretary Carlisle and confidentially with the President stated that there was no foundation for any disquieting rumors as to the Treasury situation as to the continued integrity of the gold reserve, but that everything was resting on a firm satisfactory basis.

ASHWORTH IS DERELICT.

He Is Charged With Seriously Neglecting His Plain Duty.

COMPLAINTS OF TAXPAYERS.

No Attempt to Abate a Nuisance That Is Considered Dangerous to Health.

Superintendent of the Streets Ashworth has drawn upon himself the deep indignation of the property-holders in the neighborhood of Mission street and Eugene avenue by his refusal to pay any attention to the complaints made to him of the condition of the lot and sidewalks at the northeast corner of those streets.

A short time ago a house was moved upon this lot, and no measures were taken to remove the slough of sewage that had accumulated from an abandoned well and two vaults. In placing the present house in the lot an excavation was made considerably below the level of the street, and the dirt thrown out upon the sidewalks on both Mission street and Eugene avenue to the depth of from one to three feet in such a way as to form hillocks, which make travel in the day very inconvenient, and in the night absolutely dangerous. The sewage has percolated underneath the house and made the lower floor of it uninhabitable, and has also oozed out upon the Mission-street sidewalk, so that it has become a most disagreeable nuisance to the passer-by and a menace to the health of the neighboring residents.

The attention of Superintendent Ashworth has been repeatedly called to the matter, so the property-owners thereabouts state, but no action was taken by him to remedy the evil.

As a final resort a letter, signed by about a dozen of the neighbors, was sent to Mayor Sutro, and he deputized George T. Gaden to visit the place and report to him. Mr. Gaden made an inspection of the premises yesterday and found things even worse than he had expected. He is now preparing his report, and will present it to the Mayor on Monday.

When Mr. Gaden was asked yesterday whp it was necessary for him to have made an investigation of a matter which was so clearly within the domain of the Street Department, he answered:

I was simply acting for the Mayor. When people can get no satisfaction from the head of any department of the City government, they naturally go to the head of the administration. Mayor Sutro, having no time to look after a matter of this kind personally, placed it in my hands to investigate and report. As soon as I turn over my report it will be forwarded to Superintendent Ashworth, with, however, the usual result, I fear, of being totally ignored.

Complaints from the Mayor's office are generally so treated by the Superintendent of Streets, who evidently feels himself unamenable to the control of the Mayor, or for that matter to any other authority.

I have known him to bring warrants to the Mayor for the latter's counter-signature and demand that they be signed without his stating what they were for. He claimed that the Mayor's signature was simply an attestation of his own, and that it was none of the Mayor's business what the City's money was being paid for.

Mayor Sutro, however, takes an entirely different view of his responsibility in these matters, and will sign no warrant unless he knows for what it is given.

This stand on Mayor Sutro's part has aroused a strong antagonism in Mr. Ashworth, and consequently the Mayor's recommendations and suggestions are unlikely to meet anything like favorable consideration in the Street Department.

Superintendent Ashworth has evidently come to consider himself an authority unto himself, and has even gone so far as to attempt to change specifications for street work adopted by the Street Committee of the Board of Supervisors and given to him to carry out.

BRADY CORNERED AT LAST.

George E. Gard Says He Is Hiding In Happy Valley, Shasta County.

Under Pretense of Being an Officer, He Got Food From a Rancher. Not Wounded.

Ex-Marshal George E. Gard of Los Angeles, who is now at the head of the Southern Pacific Company's detective bureau, returned yesterday from Shasta, where he had been for nearly two weeks hunting Brady, the highwayman who is supposed to be the murderer of Sheriff Bogard, and also of Stagg at the Ingleside some time ago.

Mr. Gard was sunburned and travel-stained, and his hands were severely torn by the thorny, dense underbrush of the hillsides around Happy Valley, Shasta County.

After attending to various matters requiring immediate attention he returned on the afternoon train to the scene of his chase after the dangerous outlaw.

"I am convinced," said he, "that Brady is in Happy Valley. Shots were exchanged with him half a mile below Clear Creek bridge, four and a half miles south from Redding on the railway, little more than a week ago, but after that he disappeared in the chaparral and none of the officers caught sight of him since. Off that place is Happy Valley. When I arrived there and looked over the ground I concluded at once that Brady had not left the valley. I talked with City Marshal Hecker of Redding about my belief, and then we decided that if Brady was going to leave he would stay by the creek to have water and break up his trail should bloodhounds be put upon his track.

"So Marshal Hecker and I started off right away and rode up the valley about eighteen miles. We got off there and followed the creek down on foot hoping to meet Brady, but we were disappointed. Finding no trace of him along the creek we looked around for another hiding place.

"After organizing a crowd of searchers, who interviewed the farmers of the valley for the purpose of learning if Brady had applied to them for food or assistance, I was told that he had not shown himself. I then put twenty-five men watching the houses, and also horses that were staked out at night. If Brady tried to get out of the valley he would in all probability steal a horse and gallop off during the night. But he neither took a horse nor went near the houses. Evidently he was lying low thinking he might tire us out, and when we had withdrawn he would escape.

"Right in the center of the valley there is a patch of chaparral fully twenty miles square, and so dense that a man might remain there for years without being found. It is full of creeks, and game of all kinds abounds there, so a man could live in it indefinitely and have plenty to eat and drink. I am convinced that Brady is there to-day.

"I started twelve good men out to beat the chaparral. Two went from each corner and one from the middle of each side, with instructions to go right through and if possible work toward the center. The men who left in pairs were placed 100 feet apart. Naturally one would think they might meet in the center, but they beat straight through, following for certain points. Not a single man saw another from the time they entered the underbrush till they got clear again. That will give an idea of the density of the chaparral. I believe that Brady saw one or more of them and lay low until they passed. They could not see him at twenty yards' distance.

"For fear of accident—that is, if they might suddenly come upon each other and by mistake open fire—I made them put white handkerchiefs on their arms. But that was an unnecessary precaution, as events proved.

"Last Saturday Brady appeared at the ranch of Mrs. Johns, which borders on the chaparral. The house stands in an opening in the brushwood. Brady, for I am certain it was he, pretended to be a member of our party. He told Mrs. Johns he was hunting for Brady, the highway robber and murderer, and had gone astray in the brush. Mrs. Johns gave him food and drink, and he took away what food remained on the table. After leaving the house he vaulted over a fence so nimbly that there is every reason to believe he was not wounded. None of our men called at that house for something to eat, and from the description given of the man I'm more positive than ever he was Brady. Besides, he told Mrs. Johns he was hunting Brady.

"We have men stationed all around the chaparal so Brady cannot escape, and it won't be many days before we have him in custody."

THEIR OCCUPATION GONE.

Three Last Leaves on the Tax Title Tree Fall by the Wayside.

They Attend in Silence the First Sale to the State Under the New Law.

Thursday morning a melancholy thing took place in the office of Tax Collector Block. It was the first sale of delinquent tax titles to the State as provided under the new law. There were about 1600 pieces, representing some $12,000, and $15,000 in taxes delinquent to the city.

"I have seen the thing," said Chief Deputy Hiram Cook yesterday, "when these sales have amounted to $100,000 in in taxes. As the City has grown older and real estate interests more settled and fixed they have dwindled down until last year they amounted to not more than $12,000. These titles are chiefly to outside lands and stray lots in the sand-dunes and not so much interest is taken in them.

"As long as I can remember there has been a certain coterie of speculators who have religiously attended these sales. Many of them have made an excellent business in dealing in them. The number has dwindled in proportion as the extent and value of the lands have diminished until latterly some ten or fifteen old regulars have composed the buyers. But their occupation is gone by the act of the late Legislature."

It will be remembered that an effort was made some weeks ago by these tax-title dealers to discover this law to be inoperative, in a communication sent to the Board of Supervisors asking that "body to pass an order under which the City and County" share of the tax could be collected by sale to the individual on the old plan. This was referred to the City and County Attorney, who promptly declared that the board could not overturn the State law.

This drove the last nail into the tax-title business. So powerful is the force of long habit, however, that hopeless as their case was, the knowledge that this was the day of the sale, proved an irresistable fascination for no less than four of these old tax-title dealers, who, promptly at the hour, wandered disconsolately into the Tax Collector's office and took their accustomed places. They had come to hear the music of the auctioneer's voice at least as he knocked the property down to the State.

For two hours Hiram Cook and others of the deputies by turns read the long list of lots and blocks and their boundaries, while these old men sat silently listening as though to the music of a happier time. During the whole time not a word was spoken by any of them, not a sound broke the dreary silence save the monotony of the reading—the auctioneer—an auction without bidders, are the contention, the eager scramble for an inch, or a foot or a block of land; of the well-known voices bidding over each other—all was lacking.

After the first half hour one of them, William Nicol, oppressed by the silence and uselessness of it, rose and walked away, but the other three, John Kelsey, J. G. Klumke and S. F. Sinclair sat through it to the end, and then, saying not a word, they took up their canes and slowly wandered out into the musty corridors of the City Hall.

Their occupation was gone.

SHOLTO IS IN ALAMEDA.

He Has Rented a Cottage on Encinal Avenue for the Summer.

The Douglas and His Bride at a Country Hotel as Mr. and Mrs. Martin.

Lord Sholto and Lady Douglas are again in evidence. They have rented a furnished cottage in Alameda for the summer and though his lordship is still very much in awe of his newly acquired mother-in-law, he "likes the country and the climate, don't you know, and is going to stay here, mother-in-law or no mother-in-law."

Temporarily the young couple are staying at the Alameda Hotel, where they are known by the plebeian title of Mr. and Mrs. Martin. They arrived on Monday last from Haywards, where they spent a few days after eluding Manager Moore and the mother-in-law at Los Gatos.

Since their arrival Lord Sholto and his bride have kept very closely to the house. The lady's passion for the wheel forced them, however, into the open air, and a trifling accident—a turn of her ankle—while riding took them to a Park-street drugstore for arnica and led to their recognition, Lady Douglas, by the way, does not ride in knickerbockers.

The cottage rented for the summer by Lord Sholto is a little four-room-and-kitchen structure at 2119 Encinal avenue. The owner is out of town for the season and has rented the house furnished for three months. Arthur G. Burns of the real estate firm of Moreal & Co. engineered the matter.

The scion of British nobility is just at present hard up. His quarterly allowance from the Marquis is due, but it has not yet arrived.

Steam Attachment to Telephone.

Manager Fowler of the Telephone Exchange, Ashland, Ky., has devised an ingenious attachment for telephones, to be used in factories and shops where the amount of noise makes it almost impossible to hear the call bell of the instrument. It consists of a steam whistle, which is turned on by means of a lever operated by magnetism. When the instrument is called from the exchange the bell rings as usual, and, by the electric current passing through a magnet, a weight is released which pulls the lever to the whistle. Once started the whistle keeps up its shrill note until some one answers the call and turns off the steam, which is done by simply replacing the weight. One of these attachments is being placed at the local steel plant, another at the tannery, and several more will probably be installed in sawmills and similar establishments.—Cincinnati Commercial Gazette.

THE COLIMA DISASTER.

The Steamer Was Seaworthy and Mate Hansen Was Exonerated

NO ONE FOUND BLAMEWORTHY.

A Decision Could Not Be Reached Without Testimony of the Chief Officers.

The Colima was a thoroughly seaworthy ship, at least so say Inspectors of Hulls and Boilers Talbot and Phillips. The cargo was properly stowed, the deckload of lumber did not endanger the ship, the officers were not to blame and, in fact, according to these authorities, the loss of the vessel and 160 odd of her passengers and crew was due to an unavoidable accident. This decision is arrived at in the absence of the evidence of the captain and chief officer and the chief engineer.

The report of the inspectors is made to Captain John Bermingham, supervising inspector of the first district, and is as follows:

We have investigated the matter of this most deplorable disaster, taking the testimony of a number of the surviving passengers and crew, including that of the third officer, Ole Hansen, who is the only officer saved, and also others who were competent to speak of the vessel herself.

We find from the testimony that nothing unusual occurred on the voyage of the Colima from San Francisco to the way ports of Mazatlan, San Blas and Manzanillo, in Mexico, and that she gave no evidence nor any indication whatever of being crank or tender from the time she left San Francisco and crossed the bar, which was rough, until the morning she was lost.

At the way ports above named several of the passengers left the ship, and about the same time about 100 tons of cargo were there discharged and an equal amount received on board.

The Colima left Manzanillo at 4 A.M., May 26. A strong breeze sprang up at 6 P.M., and continued throughout the night till the morning of May 27, when it blew a gale, which at about 10:30 o'clock the same morning suddenly increased to what is described as a hurricane by some of the survivors, and in which the steamer was knocked down on her beam ends and filled and sank.

From the evidence there appears to have been no danger anticipated until five or ten minutes before the ship went down. It appears also that there was good discipline maintained on board in the deck and engine departments, all orders having been obeyed, and we therefore can attach no blame to the third officer, Mr. Hansen.

Captain Taylor was in charge of the bridge of his steamer all the morning of May 27 until she foundered, and it may have been that he was attempting to keep her off before the seas or to wear her around on the other tack when she was caught in the trough of the sea and thrown on her beams ends. But, without his testimony or that of his first officer and the chief engineer of the steamer, it is impossible to decide the true cause of the disaster.

With regard to the steamer Colima there can be no doubt that she was a staunch and seaworthy vessel. She was inspected March 15, 1895, and her hull, boiler and equipments found in good order. She was examined on the drydock March 14, 1895, and her bottom fonnd to be in good condition, and new blades put on her propeller.

She was classed 33 L 11 in "Bureau Veritas," which is the highest that society awards to steam vessels.

The Colima was an iron vessel, built in 1873, at Chester, Pa.; new boilers in 1887 at San Francisco, Cal.; of 2905.64 tons gross, 2143.85 tons net, and was valued at $225,000.

The exact number of lives lost is not obtainable at present, for the reason that the number of way passengers received is not yet reported by agents to the company's office at San Francisco. The number so far known, with any degree of certainty, to be lost, is eighty-five passengers and sixty-eight crew.

League of the Cross Cadets.

An enjoyable entertainment and drill was given by Company I, League of the Cross Cadets, at the headquarters, Twenty-fourth street and Potrero avenue, Thursday evening. The hall was crowded by members of the league and their friends. Rev. P. C. Yorke delivered an address on temperance and the following programme was given: Recitation, "Our National Ensign," F. J. Sullivan; vocal selections, Mr. Seeley; comicalities, W. I. Harold; vocal solo, "The Lost Child," Bert Minner. A sword was presented to Captain Fontaine, N. G. C., drillmaster of the company. An exhibition drill was given by the company which was considered above criticism by several officers of the National Guard who were present. Captain Haggerty was complimented for the success of the evening.

The "Dora" and "Katie Burnett."

The suit of G. B. Williams vs. Wash Snyder, W. S. Sayre, Albert Hogan and C. W. Beale, owners of the Kate Burnett mine, has been carried