

PACIFIC COAST NEWS.

Indictment of a San Bernardino Man for Counterfeiting.

CONDITION OF THE CROPS.

Tulare County Supervisors to Oust Unnecessary Deputies.

LOOT OF A SEATTLE TREASURY.

Personal Effects of Sarah Althea Terry Sold at Auction by Fresno Officers.

SAN BERNARDINO, CAL., July 16.—Deputy United States Marshal E. F. Poudre today appeared before the Grand Jury in Los Angeles and secured an indictment against Hilderbrand, now held in San Francisco for counterfeiting, with bail fixed at \$2000.

Hilderbrand lived with his mother on D street in this city since his boyhood. Her name is Benning now. Her first husband was Hilderbrand, by whom she had two children, William and Charles. The latter keeps a junk store in Los Angeles.

With him Will Hilderbrand learned the trade of counterfeiting, which he has probably followed ever since. He is well known here, and his family was in good repute.

When suspected Hilderbrand escaped an officer. Poudre searched his mother's house, where he lived, and found a thirty-volt battery for plating a quantity of base metal, twenty sticks of pure block tin, scales for weighing material and coin, extra fine quality scissors, several crucibles half-filled of base metal, a very peculiar tongs, made only in England; a bottle of mercury and several samples of counterfeit coin. These made a good showing before the Grand Jury. Hilderbrand has a wife in San Francisco.

CROPS OF THE STATE.

Wheat Will Be Short in Quantity and Poor in Quality.

SACRAMENTO, CAL., July 16.—Director Barwick of the California weather and crop service summarizes as follows for the past week: "The average temperature for the week ending July 15 was: Eureka 56, Fresno and Red Bluff 84, Independence 87, Los Angeles 68, Sacramento 73, San Francisco 58, San Luis Obispo and San Diego 66.

As compared with the normal temperatures Eureka and Sacramento were found to have enjoyed normal weather conditions during the week, while an excess of heat, as at Fresno and at Red Bluff was reported. Heat deficiencies prevailed at Los Angeles 3 deg. and San Francisco and San Diego 2 deg. each.

There was a trace of rain at Eureka and San Diego. The weather during the past seven days has been quite favorable for summer crops. Threshing is going on, and the fact becomes more patent each day that the grain crop will be the shortest in years in quantity and the poorest in quality, it being very much shrunken from the excess of north winds during June.

The fruit crop is generally short, but the quality is most excellent and prices are encouraging. So that the shortness in the fruit crop will be made up in its better quality and better prices.

TULARE COUNTY ECONOMY.

Supervisors Move for the Ousting of Unnecessary Deputies.

VISALIA, CAL., July 16.—During a session of the Board of Supervisors this forenoon, Supervisor Henderson called Supervisor Gilliam to the chair, and then offered the following preamble and motion: "WHEREAS, it appears to the satisfaction of this board that certain deputies drawing salaries as such deputies from the county treasury, which is illegal and contrary to law, and that the deputies in the office of Henderson, it is ordered that this board employ some competent attorney to join the Treasurer of the county in paying the salaries of such deputies.

KING COUNTY TREASURY LOOTED.

Experts at Work on the Books Balked by a Bad Thief.

SEATTLE, WASH., July 16.—For some weeks experts have been at work on books of the Treasurer of King County. The work embraces the terms of two ex-Treasurers. To-day there was a sensation when it was discovered that a book in which was kept the names of persons and the amounts of money received from non-resident taxpayers was missing.

Treasurer Maple will say nothing except that the book is missing, but he adds that it will not be materially checked by the work of the experts. It is charged by some, however, that the theft of the book was planned deliberately, as there has been for some time statements freely made that shortfalls exist in the County Treasurer's office. One official suggests that the book was stolen by some person who wanted to get the names of non-resident taxpayers.

CRASH IN A VISALIA MILL.

An Immense Wheel Collapses With Disastrous Effect.

VISALIA, CAL., July 16.—While the night crew was at work in the Upper Sequoia sawmill early this morning the big vertical under wheel, twelve feet in diameter, used to run the mill, collapsed with an awful crash. It flew into small pieces and smashed another large ten-foot wheel revolving immediately above it. The pieces of broken wheel flew in all directions, doing much damage, but fortunately injuring no one, although there were about twenty men near by. The shafts were twisted, the roof and floor of the mill building were rattled and the machinery badly wrecked. The cause of the bursting of the wheel is not known, but the machinist pronounced the wheels too light for the work required of them and heavier ones will be ordered. One hundred and fifty men will be thrown out of employment.

SANTA MONICA CAMP-MEETING.

Spiritualists of Southern California Arrange for a Month's Session.

SANTA MONICA, CAL., July 16.—The Spiritualists of Southern California have located a camp at Santa Monica and will hold a camp-meeting here commencing Sunday, July 21, and continuing for a month. The site selected is a pretty five-acre tract, with the ocean view from all parts. A pavilion to hold a capacity of 10,000 persons will be erected here.

SOLED BY KRESNO OFFICERS.

Sarah Althea Terry's Furniture Placed Under the Hammer.

FRESNO, CAL., July 16.—All of the furniture of Mrs. Sarah Althea Terry's residence in this city was sold at auction this afternoon. The sale was ordered by the Superior Court, San Francisco. Much of the furniture was originally very costly, but the whole of it, consisting of handsome tables, bedroom sets, bookcases, etc., brought only \$316.

BRADY NEAR HEADSBERG.

The Outlaw Camps for Three Days on the Ballhache Tract.

Betrayed to the Officers by a Companion, but He Eludes a Searching Posse.

HEADSBERG, CAL., July 16.—Harry Hansen came into Headsberg yesterday and informed Deputy Sheriff Leard that Train-robber Brady was hiding on the Ballhache Tract near this place. The officer organized a posse, all the men being San Juan close by Winchester rifles, and led by Hansen, who is a stranger in these parts, soon reached the canyon where he said Brady had camped.

"Be easy, now," said Hansen, "Brady is up in that clump of manzanitas, and will shoot on sight. I slept with him last night and he told me that he did not intend to be taken alive."

Leard and his men moved along cautiously, and when close to the clump of trees saw that no one was hidden there. It was plainly evident that a camp had been made in the wooded place, for the ashes of a fire were still there.

The Coroner's questioned Hansen said Brady had arrived in Sonoma County Saturday night.

"I met him near the river bridge," continued he, "and he asked me if I would go to town and purchase a supply of provisions. As I was very hungry myself I consented, and he pulled out a sack which was well filled with gold. I then went to town and bought bread, meat, salt and a general supply of groceries.

"Brady told me he was footsore and wanted to get in the hills some place where he could rest up for a few days. We went up to the hills, here, and for two nights I slept with him, and he wanted me to buy him provisions, and on my way to town I got to thinking that it was a bad place for me to be, so I informed the officers."

Deputy Sheriff Leard doubts the fellow's story. Still Hansen took the searching party to the place where the provisions were hidden, and in every detail it has been found that Hansen was telling the truth. A diligent search in the neighborhood failed to reveal the whereabouts of the train-robber.

SOLED LIQUOR TO INDIANS.

A Headsberg Man Captured While Breaking the Law.

HEADSBERG, CAL., July 16.—Officer J. B. Leard arrested H. Helone this morning and booked him on a charge of furnishing wine to the Indians. The officers are very vigilant these days, and while Leard was making a tour of the country between the river bridges, he came upon Helone in the act. About twenty Indians—men, women and children—were in the camp, and all were in a fighting state of intoxication.

SANTA MONICA IMPROVEMENTS.

A New Pier to Be Constructed by the Southern California.

SANTA MONICA, CAL., July 16.—The Southern California Railway engineers are on the ground setting stakes preparatory to the work of construction of a 700-foot pier at the extreme southern boundary of the town. It is to be built of hollow iron piers with concrete fillings.

Work on the bicycle track which the Southern Pacific Railroad Company is having built here is progressing finely. It will be one of the best tracks in the country, with all the modern features that make it the ideal wheelman's home while in the southern part of the State.

ARRIVED AT PORT TOWNSEND.

Rough Weather Delayed the Revenue Launch Back Pup.

PORT TOWNSEND, WASH., July 16.—The United States revenue launch Black Pup steamed into port to-day after baffling a two days' search, caused by the failure to arrive from Roanoke Harbor, from where the vessel departed Thursday, bound on a smuggler chasing cruise. The vessel experienced severe weather Saturday night, but no damage resulted.

McCarthy Arraigned at Santa Rosa.

SANTA ROSA, CAL., July 16.—Dennis McCarthy, who was recently arrested for shooting George Fox, was arraigned here to-day before Judge Baldwin on a charge of assault to commit murder. Attorney Leppo appeared for the people in the absence of the District Attorney. Attorney C. B. Fagun was counsel for McCarthy. A number of witnesses were examined and the prisoner was bound over in the sum of \$20,000 to appear before the Superior Court. Fox is still alive, though far from being well.

Brush Fires Under Control.

VICTORIA, B. C., July 16.—Brush fires, which have been raging fiercely the past twenty-four hours in the vicinity of Telegraph Bay, have spent their fury. The Giant Powder Company's extensive works, located at the foot of the mountain, in great danger, and no doubt would have been destroyed but for the watchfulness and energy of the Victoria firemen. All danger is now said to be past.

JAILED AT REDDING.

The Slayer of William Ferrell Behind the Bars.

CLAIMS SELF-DEFENSE.

Frank Lewis Alleges That His Brother-in-Law Threatened His Life.

QUARRELED OVER A TRIFLE.

Ferrell Said to Have Cut His Own Throat After Being Badly Wounded.

REDDING, CAL., July 16.—Frank Lewis, the man who shot his brother-in-law, William Ferrell, at the former's house, near Whitmore, Saturday morning, was arrested late last night at his house, where the shooting occurred, by Under Sheriff Fader. Lewis now occupies a cell in the County Jail—the only cell in the jail, by the way, that contains an occupant.

Lewis married Ferrell's sister and lived about six miles south of Whitmore, forty miles from Redding. The two lived happily together, and Ferrell was a frequent visitor to the household of his brother-in-law. Lewis and Ferrell had, to all appearances, always been on friendly terms, and the report that a family feud existed was without foundation.

Last week Ferrell went over to his brother-in-law's house to spend a few days. On Saturday morning Lewis and Ferrell engaged in a pleasant conversation, and all went well until Ferrell remarked to Lewis that a neighbor, named Miller, had told him that Lewis had stolen some hogs, and asked him if it were true. Lewis became angered and made a remark which Ferrell resented, and he was invited to come out of the house and settle it. Ferrell was just outside the door and Lewis was on the inside. Lewis picked up a 44-caliber rifle, aimed it at his brother-in-law and shot, the bullet taking effect in Ferrell's left side, just above the hip. He gave a groan and fell.

Lewis then went to the barn, and while he was gone Ferrell managed to drag himself into the house. An Indian boy who was eating supper in the house at the time was too frightened to render any assistance or to go for help, but quietly sat and finished his meal, witnessing the whole affair. Lewis soon returned and entered the house, and on leaving again took with him a gun and pistol. After his departure Ferrell was found dead in bed, with his throat cut.

Lewis has made no statement other than to say that he was perfectly justified in shooting Ferrell, but he stoutly denies having cut his brother-in-law's throat. He said he put Ferrell to bed himself, but during his absence the wounded man cut his own throat, which statement is corroborated by the Indian boy. Lewis made no resistance when arrested, and accompanied the Under Sheriff to Redding, without any attempt at escape.

The Coroner's jury returned a verdict in effect that Ferrell came to his death at the hands of Lewis. The date of Lewis' examination has not yet been set.

GIVE UP THE SEARCH.

Officers Fail to Capture the Redding-Bieber Stage Robbers.

REDDING, CAL., July 16.—The officers who have been searching for the highwayman who held up the Redding-Bieber stage have returned, having given up the hope of capturing the robber. They are now of the opinion that it was not Brady, but that it was some one living in the vicinity of the scene of the robbery. Many here are inclined to believe that Brady never was in the county, but the officers still affirm that it was he whom Martin and Bowers encountered at Clear Creek.

Recovered a Gold Brick.

REDDING, CAL., July 16.—The gold brick, valued at \$2900, which was lost by William Hart of the Texas Consolidated Mine in Old Diggins, while conveying it from the mine to this city for shipment, has been found and returned to the owner to-day. A reward of \$200 was paid to the finder. The brick weighed 125 ounces, and was lost from a buggy.

Inspecting the Sacramento.

REDDING, CAL., July 16.—Two boats, belonging to the corps of Government engineers, were unloaded here this morning. They will be used this week by Major Heur and other engineers on their trip down the Sacramento from this city, inspecting the river, with the end in view of reporting as to the advisability of making the stream navigable to Redding.

SAN JOSE CHINESE FEUD.

The Courtroom Packed at the Hearing of Mrs. Sam Ket Soon.

Attorneys Delay the Final Chapter in the Romance of Chinatown.

SAN JOSE, CAL., July 16.—Justice Dwyer's court was crowded with Chinese this afternoon when the examination of Soon Hoi on a charge of grand larceny was called. It took the combined efforts of two constables to clear the courtroom, and for a while it looked as though the Chinese would run the court.

Soon Hoi, or Mrs. Sam Ket Soon, is charged with stealing two jeweled bracelets valued at \$150. Soon Hoi was abducted, and then, to save her abductor from being prosecuted, married him. This so enraged her uncle that he had her arrested on this charge.

FIRE BY AN INCENDIARY.

A Residence Destroyed and a Case of Diamond Stolen.

SAN JOSE, CAL., July 16.—A fire tonight destroyed the two-story residence of ex-Judge F. E. Spencer, on Autumn street. Judge Spencer is at Fresno. His wife and son-in-law, Dr. J. U. Hall Jr., and daughter were in the house at the time. They had just returned from a drive, and

their attention was attracted to a roaring sound in the bedroom of Dr. and Mrs. Hall.

The doctor rushed there and found the interior in flames. Mrs. Hall opened her bureau drawer and a case containing \$1000 worth of diamonds and a purse with a few dollars in money in it were missing.

The Chinese suspect of having robbed the bureau drawer and then started the fire. He was seen shortly after the fire broke out watching the flames, but he soon disappeared. The house was gutted. Nothing was insured. The loss is about \$5000.

BANKERS WILL NOT PAY LICENSE.

Object to Being Classed With Nickel-in-the-Slot Machines.

SAN JOSE, CAL., July 16.—The District Attorney here will probably soon begin suits against the banks of this city to compel them to pay a county license tax, averaging from \$100 to \$150 a quarter, according to the amount of business done. The banks have refused to pay the license, upon the ground that it is an unjust discrimination against them.

The ordinance, which was recently passed, exempts from license almost every other kind of business. The only other exceptions besides the banks are insurance, express, telegraph, telephone, water and other companies, and laundries. The other institutions licensed are fortune-tellers, nick-in-the slot machines, lung-testers, etc. The bankers object to being classed in such company, and will fight the alleged unjust discrimination in the courts.

SAN JOSE CYCLERS.

Arranging for the Entertainment of the Y. M. C. A. Wheelmen.

SAN JOSE, CAL., July 16.—The Association Cyclers held a meeting last evening and committees were appointed on colors and entertainment of visiting Y. M. C. A. wheelmen. The association is making arrangements for a party to be given for the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: President, George Abbott; Vice-President, Seneca Jones; Secretary, L. J. Boardman; Treasurer, A. Veit; Captain, W. W. Lipsett; first lieutenant, Manfred Quincy; second lieutenant, Will Halliday; whipper-in, V. M. Peel.

DEMAND AN AUTOPSY.

A Suspicion That Eliazor Frost Met With Foul Play.

SAN JOSE, CAL., July 16.—Relatives of Eliazor Frost, a wealthy pioneer, who died yesterday, leaving a young widow, have demanded that an autopsy be made and an inquest held. The young widow upon whom suspicion has been cast also demands full inquiry. There will be a big fight for the property.

Shipments of Fruit.

SAN JOSE, CAL., July 16.—The overland shipments for the past week amounted to 504,755 pounds, a good average for July. Dried prunes are moving regularly, 149,995 pounds going forward. Green fruit shipments amounted to 64,745 pounds, and were as follows: Cherries 5665 pounds, apricots 18,855, peaches 5290, plums 35,965. Canned fruit shipments are regular, 115,275 pounds being shipped. Wine shipments are not as heavy as usual, only 49,590 pounds being forwarded.

Charged With Attempted Murder.

SAN JOSE, CAL., July 16.—Peter LaTourner swore to a complaint before Justice Dwyer to-day charging John Matovich, a cook at the Popular restaurant on Santa Clara street, with assault with a deadly weapon, and with carrying a loaded revolver.

Matovich, who chased him out of his place with a knife. Matovich was arrested and his examination set for July 17. He was released on \$500 bonds.

Y. M. C. A. Rooms Closed.

SAN JOSE, CAL., July 16.—The Los Gatos Young Men's Christian Association has closed its door on account of a lack of interest of its members. The books, gymnasium apparatus, etc., have been stored away, and it is doubtful whether they will ever be opened again. Of late the room has not been taken care of, and the membership has been rapidly dwindling away.

Failed to Pay for Board.

SAN JOSE, CAL., July 16.—Rufus Ruiz was arrested at Los Gatos to-day on a charge of defrauding a First-street restaurant-keeper out of a board bill. He was arraigned before Justice Dwyer and his trial set for July 25. Bail was fixed at \$500, in default of which he went to jail.

Sued for a Doctor's Bill.

SAN JOSE, CAL., July 16.—Dr. W. D. McDougall to-day commenced suit against R. C. Cochrane for \$1250, alleged to be due for medical services and a surgical operation performed upon C. C. Cochrane, a brother of the defendant, by Drs. Cory and McDougall.

LOS ANGELES INVESTIGATION.

Little Progress Made in the Case of Superintendent Howard.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., July 16.—The investigation of the Street Superintendent's office bids fair to become a legal farce, the proceedings to-day showing plainly that the committee appointed by the City Council for the purpose has not sufficient power to conduct the matter, as it cannot compel the attendance of witnesses. It is probable the whole thing will be referred to the next Grand Jury. When the meeting was called to order to-day Superintendent Howard rose and said:

"If this investigation is to proceed regularly, charges should be filed against me with the City Clerk, so I can defend myself. You have advertised asking any one having charges to prefer against my office to present them, but no one has done so." It then developed that no charges of a specific nature were made, and that the committee had no idea as to what they expected to prove against Howard. After swearing in R. Nelson, who knew nothing detrimental to Howard, the committee adjourned.

The Sunnydale Killing.

SEATTLE, WASH., July 16.—The Coroner's jury in the case of Ransom B. Stokes, the wealthy Sunnydale rancher who was found murdered and burned on his ranch last week, to-night returned a verdict charging his death to parties unknown. The jury recommended, however, that Charles and Fred Kindling, brother-suspects now in the County Jail, be held pending further investigation.

Inquest at Cucamonga.

SAN BERNARDINO, CAL., July 16.—Coroner Keating held an inquest over the remains of B. C. Hurd, killed by being thrown from a horse at Cucamonga last evening. Hurd was a farmer, a highly educated Englishman, 26 years old, and was being married in two weeks. He will be brought to this city to-morrow for burial.

STOCKTON BRIBERY.

Supervisor Brown Arraigned for Selling His Vote.

IMPLICATED WITH WARD

He Was Betrayed by the Man Who Handled Rushforth's Money.

RUMORS OF ANOTHER CRIME.

Accused of Boondling in Connection With the Purchase of the Hospital Site.

STOCKTON, CAL., July 16.—The hearing of James Brown, chairman of the County Board of Supervisors, who is accused of having been bribed by Architect Rushforth to throw his influence in favor of adopting that architect's plans for the new County Hospital, came up to-day. The time was consumed in the usual preliminary routine.

Brown is represented by Attorneys Louttit and Swinnerton, two of the best legal lights in this part of the country, and they are prepared to battle hard for their client. Charles W. Ward, who was indicted for the same offense, and who, it is claimed, divided the spoils with Brown, has been tried and sentenced to serve eight years in San Quentin. The case looks dark for Brown, as the prosecution, it is said, has even stronger evidence than in the case against Ward. A young physician who was implicated in the affair through Ward's machinations will testify to having paid Brown the money left with him by Rushforth. The case excites widespread interest in this section, as Brown is prominently connected and has always borne an excellent reputation. He has lived in Stockton for the past thirty years.

The present Grand Jury took up the matter of the bribes taken in connection with the acceptance of the hospital plans, and as a result the indictment of Supervisor Brown, Charles H. Ward, then Superintendent of the County Hospital, and Dr. C. H. Bulson, the County Physician, followed. The fact that bribes had been given leaked out through a woman's tongue. The wife of Architect Rushforth, whose plans were adopted, told of his giving \$1000 to secure the approval of a member of the Board of Supervisors. This story was repeated until it reached the ears of one of the Grand Jury, and when that body assembled the matter was brought before it. Ward, Bulson and Brown were summoned to appear before it.

Ward weakened and admitted everything. He was the one who planned the scheme. He went to Dr. Bulson, who had taken such an interest in the new hospital that he had assisted Rushforth in arranging his plans by sending East and securing information about the construction of hospitals there, and told the physician that a San Francisco firm had put up \$1000 to secure the adoption of his plans. He said that unless the Coroner's jury gave him a chance for his plans, Bulson was anxious for good plans to be adopted rather than to benefit himself, and was thus led into the scheme. He arranged the matter with Rushforth and handed the money that was paid to Brown and Ward. He will tell what he knows about the affair, and the charge against him will be dismissed.

Now it is charged that Brown was implicated before with Ward in arranging the deal for the purchase of the site for the hospital, out of which Ward admitted he received several hundred dollars. The trial will be taken up again to-morrow, when sensational developments are expected.

WANTED TO KILL HIS FATHER.

Charles Denneo Arrested for Threatening to Commit Murder.

STOCKTON, CAL., July 16.—Charles Denneo, a young Italian, attempted this morning to kill B. Curiale, his stepfather. He pulled a revolver from his pocket and pointed it at the head of Curiale, who stood in the door of a carriage and blacksmith shop on Weber avenue, next to the Weber bath. Denneo was wildly excited. He walked up to where his stepfather stood in the door and demanded to see the books of the firm of B. Curiale & Son, of which he was the junior member. Curiale held a long iron rod in his hand and refused him admittance, whereat the young man drew his pistol and pointing it at Curiale's head threatened to kill him. A large crowd of men were on the opposite side of the street, but had not the courage to interfere. Denneo went into the shop, followed by John Craig, who prevailed upon him to put up his pistol, and finally induced him to leave the place. Denneo said he would return and kill Curiale, who had swindled him, but he was arrested this afternoon to prevent his carrying out the threat.

SEATTLE'S DEFUNCT BANK.

Stockholders Talk of Prosecuting the Officials.

SEATTLE, WASH., July 16.—A few weeks ago the Merchants' National Bank of this city suspended and is now in the hands of a receiver. Recently postal-cards containing the following have been sent to well-known citizens:

IF it is your desire to disclose the affairs of the Merchants' National Bank and to prosecute the officials of that institution contribute what you can at once before the birds we are after have flown away. Subscription-list committee, room 417, Bailey building. Call at office, 8 to 9:30 A. M., 3 to 4 P. M.

THE COMMITTEE.

G. O. Eckerley of Eckerly & Co. represents the depositors' committee. He said: "We are intent on forcing the bank officers to show up the condition of the affairs of the bank, and expect that the whole matter will become public before long. As to the specific intentions of the committee we are not ready yet to show our hand, and do not desire to make public at this time anything which we may have secured in the way of information."

Angus Mackintosh, president of the defunct bank, is now in Southern California.

The bank officials stated to-day that none of the directors owed the bank anything when it failed.

WALKER AT MARE ISLAND.

The Admiral Inspects the Lighthouse Station at the Southern End.

VALLEJO, CAL., July 16.—The light-house station at the southern end of Mare Island was officially visited by Rear-Admiral John G. Walker on the tender Madrona to-day. He was received by Mr. McDougall, keeper of the station, and entertained at luncheon. The condition of the light-house was also inspected. A fog bell and whistle and the buoys. Later in the day the Madrona came up to the yard and landed, but the admiral did not go ashore. Commandant Rowison called

MYSTERY OF VALLEJO.

A Suspicion That James McGee Was Murdered by Thugs.

VALLEJO, CAL., July 16.—It is said that the late James McGee, who was found fatally injured in the Union Hotel after the fire there Saturday morning, had \$300 or \$400 the day before the fire. He had it in a buckskin sack in an inside vest pocket, but when picked up Saturday morning the Coroner found his effects to consist of a silver watch and chain, a wooden pipe, a pair of spectacles and a Grand Army badge. The money was missing.

The police have been investigating, but the loss of the money seems to be crowded in mystery. Some think it possible that McGee was watched by thugs, who at an early hour of the morning ascended the stairs, entered his room and the one adjoining, rented by a baker, set fire to the latter apartment and while the building was burning beat the old man over the head and made off with the money. There were two gasches on his head at opposite sides and some tobacco. McGee did not receive only one by falling downstairs.

That McGee had a large sum of gold on him Friday evening is vouched for by a man at whose store McGee purchased a pipe and some tobacco. McGee did not have the correct change, and was compelled to open the buckskin sack and extract a \$5 piece. Bystanders said that the sack was full of gold coin. McGee was a resident of Williams, Colusa County, and had considerable rents from houses he owned in that place, besides receiving a pension.

CAMP LEDYARD IN ARMS.

Youthful Warriors Prepare to Resist a Midnight Attack.

Retire With Their Clothes on, but Are Disciplined by the Commander.

SANTA CRUZ, CAL., July 16.—Trouble was expected at Camp Ledyard last night, but a kind Providence interfered and peace prevailed. In some manner the boys of the brigade got it into their heads that there was to be a midnight attack on the camp, and when taps were sounded and all should have disbanded and retired about nine-tenths of the boys disobeyed the rule and lay down in shoes and uniforms, so as to be ready in a moment when the attack should be made. They were all on the ground and ready for a big time. At 12:30 Brigadier-General Russell and staff came home from the reception and banquet at the Sea Beach Hotel and went on a tour of inspection. They found the boys with their uniforms on. From one tent to another they passed, making the boys retire in regulation style. In one or two cases the officers narrowly escaped with whole skins. Some of the boys when awakened thought the threatened attack had come, and seized their guns to repel the invaders.

This evening the officers' wives and a party of lady friends inspected the commissary department, which is being managed by Major Murray. After the inspection the ladies enjoyed their first meal in a military camp. They had the same fare as the boys, used the tin dishes, and praised the viands.

The officer of the day to-day was Captain McNeely of Sacramento. The boys without exception are enjoying camp life. A few returned home on the outgoing trains, to be back at work. A concert was given in the carnival pavilion to-night. The programme was an especially good one, including a concert by the First Boys' Brigade band, from 8 to 8:30; fancy exhibition drill by the drill squad of the Fifth Regiment, under command of Major R. B. Moore; an exhibition guard mount under command of the officers by a picked squad; song by Messrs. E. B. Pixley, Leland Collins, S. Johnston and G. Crump; violin solo by the celebrated San Francisco artist, Miss Lende St. Hubert; vocal solo, "I Choose But Thee," by Miss Maud Holman; cornet solo by the San Francisco cornetist, Miss Pearl Noble; vocal solo, "For All Eternity" by Mrs. M. E. Ethelbert Morey, with violin obligato by Mrs. Clara McConnell; and a recitation by Mrs. J. Crane.

SAN BERNARDINO FIESTA.

Spanish-American Residents to Celebrate on September 16.