

A TRIP TO BOLINAS BAY.

Two Days Profitably Spent Camping in Mountain and Forest.

AN OLD LUMBER TOWN.

Proposed Railroad to Be Constructed From Richardson Bay to Bolinas.

Desiring to enjoy an allowed two days' vacation from business and get away from the incessant clamor and bustle of the city, far from the clang of street cars...

Our plans were hurriedly and simply formed. We burdened ourselves with nothing of weight greater than our purpose...

Our chance route led us on through the well-known Throckmorton ranch and on to the spot where the State road...

It is said that a railroad is contemplated to traverse this valley, gaining entrance through the only possible route—Honestead Valley...

With this grove as a temple of holy public devotion, growing as it does in a beautiful and fertile country...

Crossing over the divide a most beautiful sight breaks on the beholder as if by a magnificent picture was instantly exhibited...

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nowhere else in California are such beautiful opportunities offered for the delight of beach life as at Willow Camp.

All the advantages of such a location and many more are possible and increased by a further travel of two miles along the coast...

Bolinas started out years ago to be a very important point, where San Francisco, in its infancy, secured its lumber supply with which to build its cradle and construct its establishments.

On the hills around the bay are already crowded numerous summer cottages, erected by lovers of the beautiful landscape...

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pearances confirm the assertion. The daily receipts of fowls and eggs at our City markets prove the importance and extent of the industry yet in its infancy at Bolinas.

All rains and vegetation may be raised here in quantity proportionate only to the planting. The richness of the soil is abundantly proven by the acres and acres of wild mustard...

The visitor going to Bolinas is assured beyond question of the most salubrious and enjoyable of a most salubrious and equable climate, a panorama of landscape the equal of which is not to be found in this land.

Le Roy G. Harvey & Co. have secured rights of way and have made necessary surveys for a railroad to be constructed over nearly the described route from Richardson Bay to Bolinas...

Several Promotions and Transfers Made by the Commissioners Yesterday.

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PINKERTON AND NOVELS.

What the Famous Detective Thinks of Cheap Yellow-Covered Readings.

BOOKS THAT BREED CRIME.

Some of the Glamor and Romance Dispersed From a Very Prosaic Occupation.

William A. Pinkerton of detective fame is at the Palace Hotel with his nephew, Allan Pinkerton. They are on this coast for the pleasure there is in it.

A glance at the detective would dispel the glamor and romance bestowed upon him by small boys who associate him with the sleuths created by one Munroe, the man whose chief occupation it is to place between yellow covers various tales of blood, consecutive murders by the same man, hair-breadth escapes and the final rescue by the long-haired woman, who is the renegade daughter of an ex-army scout.

Every once in a while some penny-a-liner comes out with a five-cent novel, claiming that it is a reliable record of a James, a John, a Ralph or a Charles Pinkerton. This sort of rubbish is the worst published and has no connection with us at all.

"If it were in my power I should at once destroy every page of it and I would urge every mother to see that it is not part of her son's reading. No good can come of it."

"Had I a son guilty of such conduct I would horsewhip him without hesitation. That's what I think of detective stories. Another thing worth discussing now that is being touched on such matters is the impression that detectives go around with a complete theatrical make-up in their pockets, ready to assume a dozen different disguises at a moment's notice.

"The whole thing is simply a question of knowing what conditions go with various methods of crime and a knowledge of men. All of which is the result of experience and collection. When they are presented at unusual exhibitions of nerve, or bloody encounters with men of the lower class."

Abdallah Karssa, a Turkish merchant, swore out a warrant in Judge Campbell's court yesterday for the arrest of Abdallah Shamma, on the charge of grand larceny.

So much has been said concerning the new substance known as acetylene in its recently evolved form and relations in its respect to gas and allied industries...

THE COMMERCIAL BANKS.

Great Increase of Business for the Fifteen Institutions Since the First of the Year.

Another table compiled by Secretary Dunoor of the Board of Bank Commissioners yesterday from returns sent in showing the standing of the fifteen commercial banks of this City on June 17, compared with a similar compilation giving their standing on January 1, shows an increase of commercial banking business alone in this City amounting to almost \$3,500,000.

Table with columns for Bank Name, Assets, Liabilities, and other financial metrics for various banks like Bank of America, Bank of California, etc.

A FAITHLESS HUSBAND.

Edward Pitts Leaves His Wife for His Landlady's Daughter.

The Curious Letter Sent to the Coroner Telling of His Proposed Suicide.

About ten days ago a letter, so poorly written as to be almost illegible, with no signature to identify it, and containing the ominous intelligence that the writer was about to commit suicide, was received by the Coroner. It has since been learned that the man referred to in the letter is Edward Pitts, and subsequent stories serve only to give it all the earmarks of the put-up job of a runaway husband anxious to avoid pursuit.

Ed Pitts, as he was known, was a barber who for a good many years kept a shop at 1055 Folsom street. He was married to a woman formerly a Mrs. Cram, and lived with his wife just over the barber-shop, in a house kept by a Mrs. Techenberg and her daughter Laura. It was known to a few of the neighbors, but to no member of either family except the principals, that the unmarried daughter of the landlady and the married lodger were rather more intimate than such a relation generally indicates.

The letter to the Coroner briefly stated that the writer was about to commit suicide, and asked that the body when found, be given to Jacob Levenherk for burial. It was not in Pitts' handwriting, nor in any handwriting that any of Pitts' friends recognize. In addition to that Pitts' body has never been found, and his friends here have every reason to believe there is plenty of it about the city.

Those who know Pitts say he must have taken between six and eight thousand dollars in cash, as he has recently sold out his shop and drew all the money he had laid away from the banks. In writing, he sends all his letters to his mother in Antioch, and she forwards them, and all letters to him go through the post office. She is, but the only one who knows where he is, and there is no one who thinks he is dead.

The committee decided to abolish the portrait class, and create a class in figure painting. The following was promulgated yesterday for the information of students: The regular course for study in the school is for three years course. Students taking the following prescribed studies will be awarded diplomas of proficiency at the close of the third year on successfully passing the prescribed examination.

NEW TO-DAY-DRY GOODS.

ANNOUNCING THE BEST OF THE BEST!

Below we present a few quotations that will prove most interesting reading to all who appreciate EXTRAORDINARY VALUES, for the SWEEPING REDUCTIONS named are fair samples of the SACRIFICE PRICES prevailing this week throughout our vast surplus stock of

STYLISH AND REASONABLE GOODS!

At 5 Cents a Yard. 275 pieces TENNIS FLANNELS. These are not the common goods usually offered as leaders, but close, heavy fabrics, in useful colorings; worth 85c and 10c a yard.

At 25 Cents a Pair. LADIES' BLACK MACO COTTON HOSE, high spliced heels and toes, Peerless fast black, extra good value for \$4.20 a dozen, will be closed out at 25c a pair.

LADIES' WHITE AND COLORED WAISTS! 75 dozen LADIES' COLORED WAISTS, regular price 50c and 75c, will be closed out this day at 35c each.

EMBROIDERED FLOUNCING! WHITE SCALLOPED AND HEMSTITCHED SWISS FLOUNCING AND DEMI-FLOUNCING, in short lengths, from 1 to 4 1/2 yards, will be closed out at half price.

MURPHY BUILDING, Market Street, corner of Jones, SAN FRANCISCO.

recommencement of the faculty thereof, may receive such degree or certificate of proficiency from the University of California as the regents of the university may deem appropriate to the course of study pursued.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS. Robert E. and Claudia M. Shliman to Simon Hochstadter, lot on N line of Broadway, 197 W of Gough street, W 38 by N 137; \$110.

GRAND HOTEL. W Waterbury, Hamburg. F Falconer, Cortez. W Waterbury, Hamburg. F Falconer, Cortez.

NEW WESTERN HOTEL. J F Kennedy, Canada. P G Bailey, Ireland. T Daley & W. Cal. P G Bailey, Ireland. T Daley & W. Cal.