

NEWS OF THE COAST.

Officers Kill a Fugitive Robber Near New-man.

HIS IDENTITY UNKNOWN.

Made a Most Reckless Attempt to Escape His Pursuers.

DEFIED THEIR RIFLE BULLETS.

Was Nearly in Safety When a Deputy Constable Ended His Career.

NEWMAN, CAL., July 19.—Lately many depre-dations have been committed along the San Joaquin River.

Yesterday some one entered the house of William Newsum, near Newman, and stole some canned goods, bacon, a rifle and other things. Constable Short was notified, and, together with his deputy, went in pursuit of the thief.

The constable and deputy secreted themselves near the river bank.

It was nearly dark when the boat came by them. The constable hailed the boatman and told him to come ashore and submit to arrest.

He answered and said he would as soon as he could turn his boat, but instead of making a landing he commenced to pull rapidly away.

The constable fired two shots into the water near the boat. This only served to increase the fugitive's speed.

Deputy Constable Ed Newsum then fired two shots from his rifle over his head, then two more shots into the water; but the boatman still continued to row, and in a few minutes more would have reached the opposite shore and escaped into the thick brush.

Then Newsum aimed low to wound him. At the report the man sank into the bottom of the boat.

The constables procured a boat and went across the river and found the man was dead shot through the brain.

All the missing goods were found in the boat. Near the body was a loaded rifle and shotgun. The body was searched, and a long knife and pistol found together with a large bunch of keys. There was nothing to identify the robber.

The coroner and sheriff were notified and an inquest was held. The jury brought in a verdict that the unknown was killed while resisting arrest by officers.

EXTRADITED FROM ARIZONA.

Landon, the Notorious Outlaw, to Be Returned to Oklahoma.

PHOENIX, ARIZ., July 19.—F. D. Landon was arrested last Tuesday at Morenzi, Ariz., and to-day Governor Hughes approved the extradition papers for his return to Newkirk, O. T.

Landon for years was known as one of the most desperate men of that region, and has been implicated in a dozen bloody affairs. Two years ago he was one of a party that held up the Cannon Ball express on the Santa Fe, near Newkirk, and later robbed a wealthy traveler near by.

He was convicted on the latter charge and sentenced to fifteen years' imprisonment. Before being taken to the penitentiary he successfully carried out a plot to escape. The jailer was stunned while entering a door, and when night fell five of the prisoners escaped. Near town Landon stopped to steal a horse and gun of a farmer named Wintermoot. Wintermoot, coming upon Landon, was killed by a single shot. Landon was found by a deputy sheriff of Graham County, living a reckless life in Morenzi, and was captured by strategy.

SAN BERNARDINO BONDS.

Trouble Experienced in Securing Taxes to Pay Interest on Them.

SAN BERNARDINO, CAL., July 19.—County Auditor Diss has asked the opinion of District Attorney Daley in regard to issuing a warrant for the interest on \$20,000 Needles School District bonds, held by the Oakland Bank of Savings.

The railroad company is the principal taxpayer in the district and would pay \$100 of the \$1800 necessary for the interest, but refuses to pay and a temporary injunction restrains the Tax Collector from deeding the company's property sold as delinquent.

Over \$4000 interest warrants issued by previous auditors are still unpaid. Auditor Diss will refuse to issue a warrant for this year unless he is compelled to do so by mandamus. The railroad company claim the bond issue is illegal. Nothing was done with the injunction, though it was granted in March, 1892. It is thought the District Attorney will now dissolve the injunction and settle the status of the bonds.

SACRAMENTO SUPERVISORS.

They Are Arraigned on Indictments by the Grand Jury.

SACRAMENTO, CAL., July 19.—The accusations of the Grand Jury against several Supervisors and one of five indictments found against B. W. Cavanaugh, a local politician, came up in the Superior Court this afternoon on the arraignment of the defendants. W. B. Harlow, who appeared as associate counsel for the prosecution, gave the name of J. E. Camp as his employer.

Camp is a Sacramento County farmer; a radical Populist, defeated on the Populist ticket for the Assembly in the Twenty-third district last election. The attorneys for the defense filed motions to dismiss the proceedings in each case on several grounds, the charges being that the grand foreman of the Grand Jury, H. M. La Rue, is a civil officer, being railroad commissioner. The Supervisors charged official misconduct against Cavanaugh for using money for election purposes unlawfully.

Fire at San Bernardino.

SAN BERNARDINO, CAL., July 19.—The residence of W. C. Keller, a mile east of the city limits, was burned this morning at 9 o'clock. The house and contents were a total loss. Keller and his son nearly lost their lives in trying to save the contents. They were overcome by the heat and were dragged out by the neighbors just before the roof fell in.

to be known as the Exchange Bank, with \$50,000 of capital stock. The directors are among Santa Ana's most prominent and influential citizens and are as follows: M. M. Crookshank, Judge J. W. Towner, John McFadden, H. M. Dorman, Captain S. W. Smith, J. R. Keane and D. E. Hill. The new institution will open for business about August 1.

MARINES AT VALLEJO.

They Turn Loose and Wind Up in the City Jail.

VALLEJO, CAL., July 19.—Three newly enlisted marines came into town to-night with the intention of giving things a lurid hue. They filled up with whiskey along the water front and then proceeded uptown. After they passed the home of Robert Moore one of the party suggested that they go inside. They did so by breaking the door. Once inside they began to rummage through everything, destroying the furniture in their search. Mrs. Moore was driven from the house by threats of violence. She called the police and had the men placed under arrest. A number of articles which they had taken from some of the rooms were found in their possession. They will be turned over to the naval authorities in the morning.

A Mysterious Headless Murder.

HEALDSBURG, CAL., July 19.—The officers of this city were notified this afternoon that the dead body of a hairbread had been found on the Balliache farm. Investigation proved that it was Joe Poche, aged 27 years. He had been battered over the head and stabbed in several places. No clew to the murderer has been received.

A Child Seriously Burned at Carson.

CARSON, NEV., July 19.—The infant child of William McCluen was probably fatally burned by a bonfire to-day. The brother tried to put the fire out with his hat, but only fanned the fire into greater violence. It was finally extinguished by the mother.

SANTA BARBARA ANXIETY.

The Sloop Restless Missing With a Large Party of Campers.

No News From Her or the Boat Searching for Her Up to a Late Hour.

SANTA BARBARA, CAL., July 19.—The sloop Restless, Captain Burtis, which sailed for Santa Cruz Island on Wednesday morning, carrying a party of campers, and which was to return Wednesday night to take over Dr. Richard J. Hall and party, whose camping outfit they carried, has not been heard from, and much fear is felt lest some disaster may have befallen her. So great is the anxiety that Deputy Customs Collector F. F. Farnsworth was on board the Restless, took one of Laro's stout little fishing-boats this morning and with young Laro and Mr. Pratt started out to search for the sloop with the intention of crossing to the campsite on the island in case they did not meet her on her return trip.

On board the missing vessel are: Duncan McDuffie, son of the president of the Board of Supervisors; Mrs. Farnsworth, Mrs. Porteous, Miss Annie James, Helen Sawyer, Gertrude Diehl, Mattie Snell, Minnie Johnson, Frankie Metcalf, Messrs. Fred Lamb, Walter Flint, Mr. Conklin, George Sanders, Captain Burtis, Mr. Cook and Mr. Forbush.

The Restless is a sloop of sixteen tons burden, chiefly used for carrying parties back and forth between the islands and the mainland.

Various opinions are expressed as to her seaworthiness, but none whatever in regard to her captain, who is known to be one of the best and most careful sailors on the coast. There has been no storm nor wind sufficient to wreck a boat, and she could not have been run down by any other vessel, as she was sailing across in broad daylight.

The most probable theory concerning her delay is suggested by a young gentleman who lately returned on her from an extended camping trip on the island. He states that on the return trip last week he observed her sloop lying in the water, and should that have given way she might have shipped her mast. In that case he does not think it possible the boat could have capsized, on account of her extra-light keel. There has been no storm nor build, but she would drift helplessly about until picked up. He adds that there would be little or no danger of her running on rocks as she has a very long anchor chain with them by the city. They will put a party where reefs occur or along the shore.

Some who are well acquainted with the extraordinary antics of the winds in the channel put forth the comfortable theory that the sloop has been caught in a little calm in midchannel despite the fine breeze and whitecaps in sight as far as the eye can reach.

At a late hour neither the Restless nor Gooch, which had gone in search of her, had returned and the anxiety is increasing. The failure of the latter to reach port to-night is considered ominous. It is feared that her delay is caused by an unsuccessful search for the Restless.

Details Plan for a Bathhouse.

SANTA BARBARA, CAL., July 19.—Outside capitalists to-day submitted a detailed proposition for the erection of a bathhouse near the ocean boulevard, provided a long lease at nominal rates is obtained. There has been no storm nor building 190 by 90 feet with steam power, a large plunge and all other modern appurtenances.

Crusade Against Yolo Saloons.

WOODLAND, CAL., July 19.—The W. C. T. U. of Yolo County is circulating a petition asking the Board of Supervisors to call a special election for the purpose of deciding whether the saloons shall be closed here. A great many are signing, and it is confidently expected that the anti-alcohol cause will have been decided. Public sentiment is about evenly divided in Woodland.

Drowned at Port Townsend.

PORT TOWNSEND, WASH., July 19.—An open boat drifting aimlessly in the straits caused the belief that B. Grant, a well-known young man, had been drowned. He went to Whidby Island on the boat on Saturday night, just before a severe gale set in. Grant was a deserter from the British navy, having escaped in a rowboat with his bicycle. He struck one of the rocks of the strait and a shower of bullets from the sentry of H. M. S. Warspite.

Rate of a Selma Scorcher.

SELMA, CAL., July 19.—N. L. Robertson, foreman in the dry-goods department of Kutner-Goldstein Company's store here, met with a serious accident last evening while racing with another wheelman on his bicycle. He struck one of the plate-glass windows of the store, cutting his forehead and shoulder with the splintered glass and nearly severing his ear from his head.

Vallejo's Mystery Unsolved.

VALLEJO, CAL., July 19.—There were no new developments in the McGehee case to-day, and the police are as much at a loss as ever as to what became of the buckskin bag of gold seen by Grocer P. B. Lynch. Relatives of McGehee were looking up the matter have gone away, and it is not likely that the mystery will ever be cleared up.

Failure of an Everett Bank.

TACOMA, WASH., July 19.—The Puget Sound National Bank of Everett has closed its doors, a result of the failure of the Merchants' National of Seattle. The liabilities are \$350,000. A. J. Hart, president, Comptroller Eckels has been notified. The bank will not attempt to reopen.

Santa Ana's New Bank.

SANTA ANA, CAL., July 19.—A new bank was organized in Santa Ana to-day,

BILLS OF THE STATE.

Presented to the Examining Board at the Capital.

THE LABORER'S FRIEND.

Stand of the Attorney-General With Reference to Wage Claims.

PROMPT ACTION DEMANDED.

Fish Commissioners Emeric and Murdock Fall to Respond to a Summons.

SACRAMENTO, CAL., July 19.—Attorney-General Fitzgerald placed himself on record as a friend of the laborer at the meeting of the Board of Examiners held this afternoon in Governor Budd's office by declaring that the wage bills of the State employes must be acted upon at each meeting of the board when due.

"Never hold over any wage demands, Mr. Markley," he said. "Let everything else go in preference to that. When a man works he needs his money, and I propose, on my part, to see that no legal employe of the State in my department is obliged to sell his just claim."

"I fully coincide with you, general," heartily rejoined the executive.

"Now, I see by examining the claim of the State Minerologist that he has had some particular grades of work performed out of his office by outside parties," said the Attorney-General. "I want to say right here that I am opposed to this. I believe the State should retain the services of as good experts as can be procured at a rate of salary commensurate with the work performed. I see that the State Minerologist pays his employes but \$100 per month. He employs more men at a lower grade of salary. I do not wish to be misunderstood. His employes are probably efficient men, and, if they are, they certainly should be paid \$150 per month, for they fully earn it."

"These men have to climb mountains, travel over the State and do the hardest kind of work. They should be better paid and should be the duties of the office demands. I think the State Minerologist should be informed that in the future all work pertaining to his office must be done by competent experts in the employ of that office."

"As regards this bill of the Bureau of Highways, contracted before the beginning of the fiscal year, I shall approve it. The law plainly declares that the members of the bureau shall enter immediately upon the discharge of their duties, and these expenses were contracted to enable them to abide by the law, but there is one exception. We cannot allow the salary of the clerk and stenographer, because the bureau has not complied with the law in their case."

"The act plainly says, 'be empowered to engage a competent clerk and stenographer, subject to the approval of the board.' These incumbents have not as yet been presented by the bureau for this board's approval, and are, consequently, not legal employes of the State."

"Colonel Maude," called the Governor. And when he appeared the matter was called to his attention and he promised to attend to it.

"Why are not Messrs. Murdock and Emeric in attendance?" demanded the Governor. "Were those subpoenas not served?"

"My clerk went to the office of the Fish Commission," answered the Attorney-General, "and found they had gone away."

"When did they go?" demanded the executive.

"Three days ago."

"Well, they must have read the newspapers and knew that their presence was required."

"I notified their clerk," said Secretary Markley, "and he replied that both Emeric and Murdock had heard of the matter through the press, and had stated that they would appear before the board on the 26th inst., if that would prove satisfactory."

"I will be absent from town on that date," said the Governor.

"Well, these claims will not be acted on until a full board is present," declared the Attorney-General, "and not then unless these gentlemen put in an appearance, in company with their clerks and the books of the commission."

The claim of the Superintendent of Public Instruction contained an item for a typewriter table in the sum of \$35.

"What's this?" demanded General Fitzgerald in thunder tones. "Thirty-five dollars! I purchased one good enough for anybody for \$12 last week. Call Mr. Black."

The gentleman made his appearance and explained that his deputy had explained to the Secretary of State what was required and he had approved it.

"Well, we will withdraw this claim, but I am positive that when the Secretary of State returns and examines the two articles of furniture he will agree with us in declaring that no more \$35 typewriter tables will be purchased for any State department or institution."

BOOM FOR RIALTO.

A Syndicate to Make Extensive Improvements in the Neighborhood.

SAN BERNARDINO, CAL., July 19.—This morning the following distinguished parties came from the East: John H. Carruthers of Chicago; H. B. Wall of Philadelphia; and Levi H. Young of New York, accompanied by Robert Wiest of Los Angeles, who went to meet them. They came as representing a wealthy syndicate which has been negotiating several months for the entire interest of the Semi-Tropic Land and Water Company, at Rialto, and the intention now is to close the deal and take possession. The Tibbott brothers took the visitors over the whole county to-day. They expressed themselves well pleased with the appearance and prospects of the Rialto lands. The intention of the syndicate on taking possession is to make improvements immediately, one feature of which will be the extensive planting of cannaigre on the vast tracts of unimproved lands, making work for hundreds of new settlers, advancing prices and creating revival in business here. Rialto is four miles from this city.

A Munchausen at Santa Rosa.

SANTA ROSA, CAL., July 19.—Harry Hansen, who was brought here from Healdsburg yesterday on a charge of furnishing liquors to Indians, still claims that Brady, the famous outlaw, is in the

mountains up there, but the officers do not believe his story. Hansen was in jail at Ukiah and claims he was hired by Sheriff Johnson to help catch the stage-robbers there. He is a giant in stature and the finest man physically ever brought to the jail here. He claims relationship with noble families of Sweden, but the fellow has told so many improbable stories that no one believes him.

PORTLAND'S NEW INDUSTRY.

Horse Meat to Be Canned for the Eastern Market.

PORTLAND, ORE., July 19.—The Western Packing Company's horse meat canning establishment at Linnton, the only one of the kind in existence in this country, began operations to-day. The plant is equipped with about \$10,000 worth of machinery for slaughtering, packing and shipping meat. The first batch of horses were shipped here from Arlington a few days ago. They were just off the range and are in good condition. About ten were killed to-day as a starter. The railroad companies have been asked to make a rate on canned horse meat in carload lots to the East at \$1 per hundred. Special rates have been quoted on live horses from Idaho and Arizona to Portland, and according to this the prospects for the market seem good.

TACOMA'S BOX EXPORTS.

They Are Used in Japan for Making Ivory Curios.

TACOMA, WASH., July 19.—The business of shipping box shingles of cattle to Yokohama, to be manufactured into "ivory" curios is building up rapidly. The steamship Stretshnev, which sailed for Japan last night, carried a consignment of thirteen packages, the total weight of which was about a ton. Voyage by way of the amount shipped is increasing. The hope, by reason of its peculiar whiteness, makes good imitation ivory, of which curios to sell to globe-trotters are manufactured.

DRAINAGE OF PETALUMA.

Plans for Improving It Now Under Consideration by the State.

A Canal to Be Constructed That Will Prevent the Winter Overflows.

PETALUMA, CAL., July 19.—There was an important meeting at the City Hall to-night of prominent citizens and City Trustees, in conjunction with E. E. Leahy, State Commissioner of Public Works, and a corps of State engineers who are surveying Petaluma Creek, with a view of making plans for improving it, so that the large amount of drainage water in winter can be carried off, instead of overflowing the streets of East Petaluma.

The engineers have in mind two plans, one of which they will adopt after all the survey work is done and the matter considered scientifically.

One plan is to make a canal of Baylis street, which crosses the creek south of Washington street, up to and meeting the creek near the trestle bridge on an almost straight line. This would mean an 1800 foot canal crossing Washington street, and requiring a new draw-bridge.

Another plan is to commence dredging a straight canal at the Washington-street bridge up to Starke's Park.

The meeting was of great benefit to the engineers, as they obtained much information from the citizens which will be valuable in their work.

FRESNO RAISIN OUTLOOK.

A Considerable Reduction in the Acreage Set to Grapes.

It Is Believed This Will Have the Effect of Creating Better Prices.

FRESNO, CAL., July 19.—Since 1894 there has been a shrinkage of over a fourth in the acreage of raisin-grape vines in Fresno County. A year ago there were over 61,000 acres, while the assessment for this year shows that there are now but 37,000. The land from which the vines have been taken has been planted to alfalfa or fruit trees.

Such a heavy reduction in the acreage indicates that better prices will be realized for this year's crop, although the vines rooted this year are young ones.

This is the first year that there has been a reduction, and undoubtedly more vines will be taken out if prices this year are low.

Farmers are more hopeful about fruit, and during the year the number of trees has increased from 648,000 to 702,000.

The wine industry, as well as the raisin industry, has suffered, as is seen by the decrease in the number of wine grapes from 1386 to 1204.

Their Raise Called.

FRESNO, CAL., July 19.—Several property-owners on one of the proposed routes of the Valley road through this city are asking from twenty to twenty-five times what their land is worth. The Board of County Supervisors are now in session as a board of equalization, and they have summoned these property-owners to appear before them to show cause why their assessments should not be raised.

Fresno's Deserted Child.

FRESNO, CAL., July 19.—A sensational case ended here to-day with the dismissal of the defendants. Several months ago a baby a few days old was left on a doorstep, and two women, Nan Goodrich and Jessie Campbell, were arrested for deserting it. Judge Carter to-day dismissed the charge, because of the insufficiency of the evidence. The child is still with its finders, an old childless couple.

San Jose Lodge Installation.

SAN JOSE, CAL., July 19.—At a meeting of Morning Light Lodge, I. O. O. F., last evening District Deputy Grand Master A. C. Bates installed the following officers: E. N. Parr, N. G.; George Whitney, V. G.; R. E. McGilney, J. P. G.; H. R. Wade, S. J.; H. Campbell, E. Barker, R. S. N. G.; C. L. Willett, L. S. N. G.; John Evans, V. G.; C. Curry, C.; James Kennedy, R. S. V. G.; James Wells, L. S. V. G.; Frank Duncan, R. S. S.; Moses Bollinger, L. S. G.; W. M. Carney, O. G.; James Linderman, I. G.

A Chalken-Thing Sentenced.

JOHN BAY, CAL., July 19.—Wong Die, who has been charged with stealing the neighborhood poultry, was to-day sentenced by Justice Dwyer to six weeks in the County Jail.

Attempt at Suicide.

SAN BERNARDINO, CAL., July 19.—R. P. Crum, an old gentleman, attempted suicide yesterday by his home in East Highlands by taking strychnine. The dose was insufficient and prompt attention saved his life.

ANGEL CITY TRAGEDY.

John G. Luck Attempted to Commit Murder and Suicide.

JEALOUSY THE MOTIVE.

His Wife Slashed and Hacked in a Most Shocking Manner.

THEN CUT HIS OWN THROAT.

There Is Good Prospect of the Wife's Recovery, but Little Hope for Luck.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., July 19.—This city was startled by another sensation this morning, and coming so soon after the Long Beach horror it stirred the city to its very foundations.

John G. Luck, an employe of the People's store, aged 26, attempted in a fit of jealous rage to murder his wife and commit suicide.

Shortly after 9 o'clock this morning the inmates of the Johnson House, a private hotel on Fourth street, adjoining the Westminster, were startled by cries of "Help! Murder! Murder! Help, for God's sake!" uttered by a woman's piercing voice, coming from the room occupied by the Lucks.

Miss Jennie Schaffer, whose room was immediately underneath, and Wella A. Jacobson, the 14-year-old daughter of the proprietress of the house, rushed up the stairs.

The Jacobson girl opened the door and was confronted by a most horrible spectacle. Luck was partially disrobed, his face was ashen with anger and his whole demeanor betokened the rage of a maniac. He had her by the hair, her head partially bent forward, and was hacking and slashing her neck with a razor in a fiendish manner. Blood was streaming over the clothing of the unfortunate woman and soaking the carpet, and at every effort she made to free herself or cry out the blood would spurt out afresh.

The little girl, with a bravery beyond her years, rushed in and pushed the man away from her victim, and Miss Schaffer grasped Mrs. Luck's clothing and pulled her into the hallway where they supported her until she could be removed to a room.

They had just rescued Mrs. Luck when George D. Ruddy, who occupied one of the adjoining rooms and who had heard the cry of murder, rushed into Luck's room only to be confronted with the sight of Luck slashing away at his throat with a razor. He attempted to disarm him, but had a hard struggle to do so, Luck making several savage attempts to slash him and resisting fiercely until Ruddy succeeded in wrenching the razor from his hand. He then placed him on the bed, thinking he was dying, and ran out for medical assistance.

No sooner had Ruddy left the room than Luck arose, and going to the window opened it and threw himself out head foremost. He struck on his shoulder and rolled over, covered with blood and groaning. He was picked up by the attendants of the patrol wagon a few moments later and removed to the Receiving Hospital.

In the meantime Mrs. Luck was receiving attention at the hands of three physicians, who stanching the flow of blood and sewed up the wounds. She was entirely unconscious, and her chief concern seemed to be about her husband, insisting on his being cared for first, and exclaiming: "He is only temporarily insane, and will be all right in a few moments. Go and get him. My God, what has John done?"

The woman's head was almost severed from her body, but fortunately no arteries were cut, and she threw herself out head foremost. He struck on his shoulder and rolled over, covered with blood and groaning. He was picked up by the attendants of the patrol wagon a few moments later and removed to the Receiving Hospital.

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FLOCKED TO EUREKA.

Humboldt's Gay Capital Thronged With Guests.