The San Francisco Call

SATURDAY.....AUGUST 10, 1895.

AMUSEMENTS.

BALDWIN THEATER.—"Too Much Johnson."
COLUMBIA THEATER—"Moths."
MOROSCO'S OPERA-HOUSE—"By Order of the Czar."
TIVOLI OPERA-HOUSE—"Martha."
ORPHEUM—High-Class Vaudeville.
BUSH-STREET THEATER.—"Triumph of Love."
STATE BOARD OF TRADE EXHIBIT.—575 Market street, below Second. Open daily. Admission free.
CENTRAL PARK.—Horse taming, baseball and bicycle races, Sunday, August 11.
MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.—Opens August 13.
CALIFORNIA STATE FAIR—Sacramento, September 2 to 14.
BAY DISTRICT TRACK.—Races.

PICNICS AND EXCURSIONS.

EL CAMPO—Sunday, August 11—Aquatic Exhibition by Captain F. Hanson.
EXCURSION TO SANTA CRUZ MOUNTAINS—By the Southern Pacific Co., on Sunday, August 11.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

The Grand Jury found two indictments yesterday.

Mrs. Frank G. Woodward, wife of the capitalist, has begun suit for a divorce.

The Board of Health will meet and probably fill a number of positions to-day.

The Civic Federation prepares to incorporate, and will take an active part in the next elections.

Through the medium of the Labor Exchange a gentleman was enabled to find a long-lost brother yesterday.

The ladies of St. Dominic's parish are preparing a week's bazaar, to be held next month, in aid of the church.

Charles Geraskousky, a Russian exile, took an overdose of morphine yesterday and died at the Receiving Hospital.

Hans Kohler, executor of the Charles Kohler estate, says there is no money to pay the allowances to Carrie Douglass.

Associate Justice Field says it is a very difficult thing to name the jurist who will succeed the late Judge Jackson.

Rev. Dr. Dille has returned from the East and talks about the Christian Endeavor Convention to be held here in 1897.

E. S. Cuttley, a young Englishman, has skipped for Honolulu with $1200 of plunder stolen from his friend, P. George Gow.

Local items, bright and brief, can be found on this page of the CALL every morning.

The winners at the Bay District yesterday were: Aggravator, Corinne Buckingham, Johnny Capron, Rose Clark and Ali Baba.

Mrs. Fannie M. Weller was accidentally poisoned yesterday. She took an overdose of a sleeping draught that contained morphine.

John Desmond, alias Powers, was arrested last night on two charges of forgery and perjury in connection with certain straw bonds.

William Anderson, a sailor, was shot in a water-front saloon by James Ludden yesterday, and the wound will probably prove fatal.

Auditor Broderick has refused to audit demands from those City departments over the amount of the allowances of the last fiscal year.

The board of trustees of the Mechanics' Institute have adopted the programme for opening day and settled the question of decorations.

I. M. Harter of 431 Eddy street has been declared insolvent. He owes $1500 on a note held by L. H. Stone of Willows, and he has no assets.

Irrigation district bondholders are slow in responding with subscriptions to the fund to be used in appealing from the decision in the Fallbrook case.

The Grand Jury has been asked by Attorney K. M. Smith in a strong open letter to investigate the methods of the Solid Eight in granting the Ingleside franchise.

Only three of the many streetcar lines in this City pay 2 per cent of their gross earnings to the City. In five years these payments have netted to date but $17,135 82.

Two Italian fishermen named Giglio recently had a terrific battle with a devil-fish outside the Heads, which nearly resulted in one of them being drawn overboard.

The State Floral Society will undertake the work of classifying roses. John H. Sievers made a fine showing of California-developed double-flowering begonias yesterday.

The State Republican Executive Council held its regular monthly session last night. Outside of naming the auditing and finance committees little business of importance was transacted.

A committee from Palo Alto conferred with the Southern Pacific Company's general superintendent yesterday about a depot at their town, and a handsome station-house is to be built there.

An automatic electric appliance with a tiny water-motor has been introduced into the Park Conservatory to preserve the temperature at any required degree by opening and shutting the ventilators.

The Manufacturers' Association has addressed a letter to the State Board of Prison Directors, strongly protesting against the employment of convict labor in active competition with free labor.

Rev. Samuel B. Hedges and Rev. Francis B. Doherty, Paulists, are coming here from New York to engage permanently in Pacific Coast missions. Their home will be at the branch house in this City.

Six of the survivors of the wrecked sealing schooner C. G. White arrived from the north yesterday. They are more or less crippled from their awful exposure in the snow at the scene of the disaster.

The board of directors of the Manufacturers' and Producers' Association will at their next meeting consider the feasibility of urging the taking of a municipal census, intermediate to the Government enumerations.

Judge Ross' decision on irrigation district bonds has been largely misconstrued, according to his statement made to Attorney R. Percy Wright. He decided that all such bonds are invalid, regardless of confirmation proceedings.

H. M. Levy, ex-president of the Hale & Norcross mine, says the Supreme Court and the people do not fully understand the case, and that they have been deceived. He also sheds some light on Jere Lynch's 4000 shares of stock.

The J. N. E. Wilson divorce case has been assigned to Judge Daingerfield for trial. It is stated that Mrs. Wilson will file a cross-complaint next week, and that an attempt will be made to obtain a speedy determination of the suit.

There is to be no parade on Labor day, according to the action of the Labor Council last night. The celebration will consist simply of a mass-meeting at Metropolitan Temple during the evening. The first Monday in October is Labor day.

United States Circuit Judge Ross of Los Angeles and United States District Judge Morrow are opposed to each other in the matter of sending scurrilous letters through the mail. One holds that it is punishable and the other that it is not.

Cupid Danforth refused to grant a marriage license to Allen Crites and Irene Decker because they were too young. They had eloped from Los Angeles, but as consent had been telegraphed to them they concluded to go home again and be married there.

M. M. Marinovich was arrested yesterday for receiving and presumedly opening a letter addressed to Louis W. Piskulich. It was sent to the latter from Snohomish, Wash., by M. Matkovich and contained a $5 bill. Marinovich put up $500 bail and Commissioner Heacock released him.

The meeting of the Manufacturers' and Producers' Association of California, called for the purpose of adopting revised constitution and by-laws, will meet in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce, Merchants' Exchange building, to-day at 10 A. M., instead of at the rooms of the association.

To-day's issue of the Wasp is devoted to the popular bicycle craze. The title page contains a representation of California in bloomers astride a wheel, whizzing along the beach below the Cliff House, followed by the bear on a dead run. The legend is: "New Seal of California; Eureka Up to Date."

The examinations to determine the six pupils of the Normal School eligible for immediate admission to the School Department will be held in the old school building on Powell street, between Clay and Sacramento, this morning. The examinations will commence at 9 o'clock, and will be conducted by the City Board of Examiners.

According to authentic information the American Railway Union is stronger to-day than it ever was and is steadily growing throughout the country. This and other matters of interest are touched upon in the circular issued by President Debs and his imprisoned fellow-directors from Woodstock Jail, the text of which is given in another column.

The District Attorney asked leave of Judge Murphy yesterday to interpose a peremptory challenge to Walter S. Brown, now sworn to try the Durrant case. Counsel for the defense objected to the motion and quite a lively legal tilt ensued. Juror Brown made a full statement of his connection with the Howell case and told how he had been interviewed by reporters.

AROUND THE WATER FRONT

Arrival of Six Survivors of the Wrecked Schooner C. G. White.

A STORY OF DIRE DISASTER.

The Steamship Columbia, Overhauled and Refitted, Takes Her Trial Run.

The steamer Walla Walla, which arrived yesterday morning from Port Townsend, brought down six survivors of the sealing-schooner C. G. White, lost April 12, on Kodiak Island. It is hard to conceive of an adventure so replete with awful disaster and death as that of this shipwrecked crew, buffeted by the fierce gale until strength was gone, then dropping down to perish in the biting cold of an Alaskan winter. The terrible story has been published in detail, but the sight of the crippled on the deck of the Walla Walla gave an idea of the sufferings endured by the men such as words could never portray. William Bail had his feet and portions of his hands frozen off, while E. J. Voisinet lost a part of his feet and his hands. F. S. Murray, M. Mathiason, Gus Wickstron second mate, and Frank Swiney, the other four men, bore indications of the struggle they made for life. Among the heroes of this dismal drama is Dr. A. Dickenson of the Alaska Commercial Company's station at Wood Island. This young physician, who is a resident of Berkeley, alone attended to all these critical cases, amputating the frozen limbs and saving all but one life by ceaseless and careful attention.

When the vessel went ashore in the blinding and freezing gale the crew consisted of twenty-five whites and two Japanese. Of these five were drowned from the wreck, five frozen to death and one died from his sufferings, and of the sixteen survivors only two escaped the loss of some portion of their bodies.

After struggling ashore through the chilling water they dragged their way in a blinding snowstorm and over the deep drifts. The weakest gave out and sank down to die. Swiney's simple story of the captain's death is pathos itself. He said:

"Leave me alone, boys, I am done." He could not keep on his legs. Quick as he was lifted up he would fall again, so we had to leave him. We laid him above high-water mark, where he was found four days later.

They were unable to get any fire, as the driftwood was wet, and they dug holes in the snow for shelter during the time they hung around the vicinity of the wreck. Their sufferings made them lose their minds, and this dementia was the cause of most of the deaths from freezing, as when so attacked they could not be made to keep on their feet and take other means of preserving their lives. After a three days' journey through the snow they reached Wood Island, where they were cared for by Dr. Dickenson. At Sitka the crew of the United States steamer Pinta generously donated to the survivors $200 which they had collected among themselves.

E. J. Vorsinet, an intelligent young man 23 years of age, who lives at 17 Laurel place, in this City, states that the cook, Charles Lind, was washed overboard soon after the vessel struck. Vorsinet says:

He was carried back on to the schooner and was found dead in the mate's bunk. First Mate Thompson, who was captain of the Lily L last season, was washed overboard. He hung on to a rope for some time and finally sank, murmuring the name of his sweetheart. Charles Hartman, one of the hunters, was in charge of the sealer Theresa last year, and Harry Harmsen used to run Whitelaw's wrecker, the Sampson. We were three days in the snow holes before we succeeded in getting some canned food from the wreck.

We also got some matches and started a fire, but it was too late to save our feet and hands, so the fire did us harm. It snowed all the time, and the wind blew so hard that a person could not walk against it. Poor Captain Isaacson died about half an hour after getting ashore. We were chilled all the time and suffered every minute till we reached the small Indian settlement. That Dr. Dickenson at Wood Island is a noble man, and it is to his skill and constant attention that so many of us are alive. But he had his hands full. My feet are half gone, and my fingers most all gone from my hands. I've paid pretty dearly for my little sea voyage, I think.

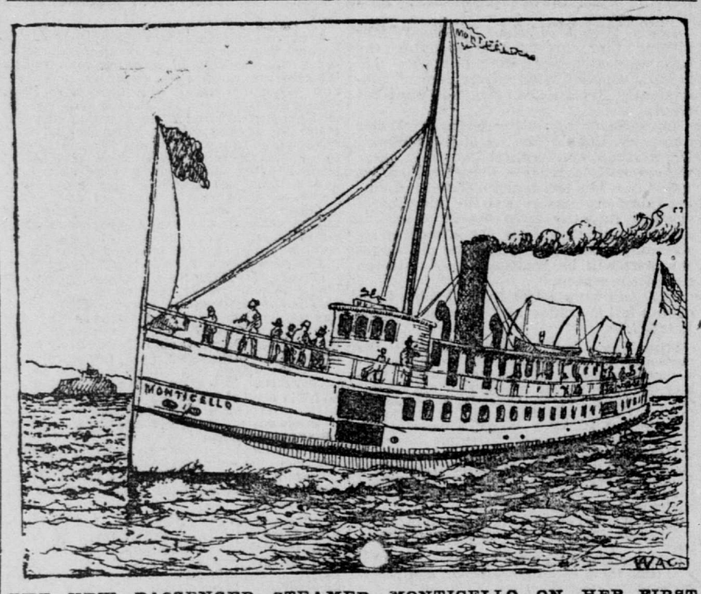
Some time ago Al White started a subscription for the benefit of the men who are so penniless, crippled and helpless and about $500 has been raised. The sufferers are worthy objects of charity and money subscribed for them is given in an excellent cause.

Yesterday the steamship Columbia, which has been overhauled, made her trial trip around the bay and out through the heads. Upward of $200,000 has been expended on the vessel and the new and rich fittings of her saloons and staterooms and the alterations in her hull and machinery show how this great sum has been used. She has been provided with the Howden draft system used on the Pomona, which will burn less coal and show more speed. The high-pressure cylinder has been increased from 80 to 130 pounds. Her old electric-light plant, which was the first ever brought out of Edison's works, has been replaced with a new plant with 400 electric lamps.

The steamer went about twenty-two miles outside the heads, making an average speed of 15.02 knots an hour, using 2000 horsepower and making seventy-five revolutions of the propeller per minute. The Columbia has made 315 round trips between this City and Portland without a single accident, and so regular has been her work that she has never been but two nights at sea on each passage.

To-day the steamer Monticello makes her first regular trip to Vallejo from her dock at Mission street. She will be in charge of Captain Sam Randall, one of the oldest and most experienced shipmasters on the bay.

To-day the whaleback Progressist will go on the Hunters Point drydock and repairs will be made in her hull.



THE NEW PASSENGER STEAMER MONTICELLO ON HER FIRST TRIP TO VALLEJO.
[Sketched by a "Call" artist.]

It Is Not Jake Shaen.

In an article in yesterday's CALL, headed "Charges Against Shain," it was stated that Jacob E. Shain was threatened with arrest on a charge of embezzlement for failing to make a return of $6000 or more intrusted to him as assignee of Julius Schulken's estate. The name should have been Joseph E. Shain, and the error caused all sorts of unpleasantness yesterday to Jake Shaen, clerk of Police Court 3.

THEIR HONORS DISAGREE.

Judges Ross and Morrow Vary as to the Punishment for Mailing Scurrilous Letters.

The United States District Attorney and the Postoffice Inspectors are in a quandary over the sending of scurrilous letters through the mail. For sending obscene literature and dunning postal cards they can bring a man to bar, but with a letter it is different. Judge Morrow has held that written matter in a sealed envelope, no matter how obscene it may be, is no infraction of the postal laws. Judge Ross, in the Los Angeles District Court, has ruled differently, and a man named Andrews is now serving five years in the State prison for sending an indecent letter through the mails.

In this predicament United States District Attorney Foote does not know just what to do. A test case will have to be carried to the United States Supreme Court and the matter will then be settled once for all. In the mean time at least half a dozen people have lodged complaints with the Postoffice Inspectors, but they cannot assist them as Judge Morrow's decision bars the way. One is the case of a Central American merchant who intercepted a scurrilous letter written to his wife by his brother-in-law. It told of a state of affairs that should not exist, so the husband telegraphed for his wife to come home. She was in San Francisco and took the Colima on that vessel's last and fatal voyage. The man who wrote the lettor is now in San Francisco, and the outraged husband wants him arrested and punished.

Another case is that of a young man from San Jose. His sweetheart wrote him a letter and some young fellows intercepted it and substituted another for it. The substitute was very scurrilous and made the recipient very angry. He wants the culprits arrested, but as the District Attorney cannot do anything for him he is going before the United States Grand Jury next Tuesday to have them indicted.

A GIFTED YOUNG CANTOR.

David S. Davis and His Work in the Choir of Sherith Israel.

The Congregation Will Have a Novel Musical Programme on New Year's Day.

Cantor David S. Davis of the Congregation Sherith Israel, whose synagogue is on Taylor and Post streets, is making preparations for an especially novel and interesting musical programme during the coming New Year festival or the 27th and 28th of next month. A special feature will be an orchestra of stringed instruments.

When the Shofar is blown at New Year services it is customary to arrange for special music to be rendered between the intonations or blasts. Among other compositions there will be sung by the choir a special Kedusha with organ accompaniment. The various Hebrew hymns and compositions which form part of the ordinary festival ritual will be set to new music, some of it of Cantor Davis' composition.

He will also adapt a portion of the service to the music of Sulzer, Mombach and Lewandoffsky. On the day of atonement, during the Neilah service, the El Nora, a composition particularly popular among Spanish and Portuguese Hebrews, will be given. The choir will be doubled during the festival.

The cantor who is directing this important departure in musical matters is a Russian. He was a student at the Royal Conservatory of Music at St. Petersburg, and left Russia a few months before he would have graduated from that institution to avoid being drafted into the army when he reached his majority. He spent four years as cantor in a New York congregation and came to San Francisco a year ago. Soon after his arrival he inaugurated a revolution in the musical portion of the services and its approval has been signified by his re-election by the congregation for a further term of two years before his first term had expired.

AN UNFORTUNATE WIFE.

She Says Her Husband Broke One of Her Ribs Recently.

A woman giving her name as Mrs. Melin and her address as 927 Bryant street complained yesterday to Secretary McComb of the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children that her husband, Frederick, who works at Hooper's lumber-yard at 801 Fourth street, had grossly ill-treated and neglected her.

She and her husband were married about four years ago, and about three months ago, she said, he beat her badly about the face and broke one of her ribs. Her husband receives $3 a day, but, according to her story, will not give her any money for her support.

She worked in a pickle factory for a week for a compensation of $1, and then had to spend three weeks endeavoring to get the dollar. Her story was a pitiful one.

Typewriters for Cogswell College.

The Cogswell Polytechnic College of San Francisco decided to open shorthand and typewriting classes. All typewriters were inspected and thoroughly tested, and the directors placed an order with Leo E. Alexander & Bro., 218 Sansome street, for eleven (11) late-improved New No. 2 Smith Premier. The New No. 2 Smith is the highest model of improvements in the art of typewriting.

Wills Filed for Probate.

Cynthia Ann Jaquith of 101 Devisadero street has bequeathed an $11,000 estate to Mrs. G. W. Prescott of this City. In her will, dated January 10, 1895, she states that Mrs. Prescott holds notes that cover the entire value of the property.

Henri Jacques bequeathed a $12,000 estate entirely to his wife.

CLASSIFYING OF ROSES.

Work to Be at Once Undertaken by the State Floral Society.

DISPLAY OF FLORAL BEAUTY.

Fine Showing of Double Flowering Begonias Made by John H. Sievers.

The State Floral Society has decided to undertake the work of a complete classification of roses.

This question was brought up before the meeting of the society in the Y. M. C. A. building, yesterday afternoon, by H. G. Pratt of Fruitvale, who read a very interesting paper on the subject, and suggested the appointment of a classification committee. Mr. Pratt said:

Many of the points on which botanists base their classification are of so little interest to the people in general—more's the pity—that rose-growers, whose patient and well-directed efforts have worked out an almost miraculous tranformation of the flower, have made classifications of their own. It has been a sort of compromise between a scientific and a go-as-you-please scheme, and as the growers have done this thing with little concert of action, but for the most part each to his own liking, we have what could not well be otherwise—a most aggravating muddle.

Every writer of prominence on roses has made more or less effort to improve this condition of things, but to little purpose, so far as I know. The trouble is fundamental. The superstructure is built to a great extent on chaos.

The terms of the popular classification are for the most part generally accepted, but in their application—there's the rub. Just what is a Hybrid Perpetual, a Tea, a Bengal, a Bourbon, a Noisette, a Hybrid Noisette, or a Hybrid Tea, who can tell? The same inquiry might be made in relation to a dozen or more of the other classes which have been constituted for our convenience and edification, and the answer would be, Quien sabe?

The society has therefore decided to act on Mr. Pratt's suggestion, and at the next meeting a committee of seven will be chosen to take up the work.

Another display of his magnificent new California strain of double-flowering begonias was made by John H. Sievers, and the ladies were very enthusiastic over them.

The original begonia came from the Andes—from Peru. It was a rather small flower compared with the size to which Mr. Sievers has since developed his splendid specimens in this State by careful hybridization. Their discovery was made about twenty years ago. Mr. Sievers read a very instructive paper on their culture and development at the July 19 meeting, and then thoroughly described how to propagate them, and explained their treatment for both indoor and outdoor culture.

Those he had on exhibition yesterday were indeed marvels in regard to size and color. The colors varied from a waxen white to a rich pink. The strong growth of the single-flowered varieties is retained, also their large, shell-like petals.

An important characteristic of them is that most of the flowers of this improved strain possess only one center. They are considered the nearest approach to perfect, erect flowering yet attained, and the highest development of shape and effect yet reached. A first-class certificate was awarded to Mr. Sievers for his begonia exhibit.

Double Flowering Begonia.
[Sketched by a "Call" artist.]

The 400 chrysanthemum plants given away last month by W. H. Davis of Ross Valley are doing well, the exhibit committee reported. They are to be grown for the fall exhibition, and John Hinkle will give a cash prize for the best specimen produced from these plants.

A number of designs for badges for the society were examined yesterday, but none decided upon.

It is expected that the society's publication will be started by next February. Whether it is to be a monthly or a quarterly has not yet been determined.

GUARDED BY ELECTRICITY.

Exotics in the Park Hothouse Trusted to an Automatic Device.

A Novel Machine That Keeps the Temperature Even by Moving Ventilators.

Electricity has made its appearance in Golden Gate Park in the most unexpected manner imaginable. It did not come in the form of the much-discussed arc lamps illuminating the avenues, but as a silent guardian of the artificial temperature of the conservatory.

It opens and closes ventilators with a faithfulness that cannot be surpassed, and it stands alone over the tender exotics giving them warmth when the air inside the building cools a little, and cooling them when the atmosphere becomes too heated. It performs automatically exactly what is laid out for it to do, day or night, with almost human precision.

For the present, however, there is a temporary hitch in the working of the machine. The six-cell battery after a short time in use has proved inefficient and a more powerful battery is being put in its place.

On entering the room to the left immediately off the main central rotunda the motor is seen on a bracket between the two doors—a silver-plated object resembling a small filter, except for the wheel at one side and a chain to the roof window. There is also a small wooden box with electric switches and wires leading to the motor, and another long chain hanging from the ventilator with a metal weight at the end. To one side is an indicator and coils connected with the motor and batteries hidden behind potted plants. This little instrument has a dial with a long finger that covers a compass of 50 to 80 degrees, so adjusted that the figures represent temperature markings on the thermometer. The normal temperature of the room is 75 degrees, and the index finger it set accordingly to that number by the gardener. When the temperature begins to fall below 75 degrees the water motor is set in motion, and the big ventilator lowers slowly far enough to preserve the normal heat. The moment the the temperature rises an opposite motion is given to the motor, and the open space overhead is enlarged to cool off the house.

TOOK HER OWN LIFE.

Driven by Pain and Despondency, Miss Lillie H. Tieman Blew Her Brains Out With a Revolver.

Miss Lillie H. Tieman, aged 22, committed suicide at the Potrero yesterday. She was employed in the lodging-house kept by P. Pfiefer on First avenue, and in the morning appeared all right except for neuralgic pains in the head. These became worse toward 9 A. M., and the unfortunate girl was heard to remark that she wished she were dead. Shortly afterward she went upstairs, and a few minutes later there was a pistol shot. When the people of the house reached her side she was breathing her last. The weapon was a 44-caliber Colt's army revolver, and the bullet tore almost half her forehead away.

Miss Lillie H. Tieman.
[From a photograph.]

The girl's mother was in the building at the time, and she was almost prostrated over the affair. It appears that Miss Tieman had been a sufferer from neuralgia for several years.

"My daughter suffered a great deal from neuralgia, and once before threatened to kill herself," said Mrs. Tieman yesterday, when talking about the sad affair. "We spoke together about some remedy she was going to try just before she went upstairs, and I had not the faintest idea that she contemplated suicide. Seeing the pistol already loaded was too great a temptation in the circumstances, so she killed herself."

The body was removed to the Morgue, and an inquest will be held next week. The girl was good-looking and was well liked by all who knew her.

WERE BOTH TOO YOUNG.

An Elopement to This City Which Will End in a Marriage at Los Angeles.

Cupid Danforth has rudely refused to unite two young people who came all the way from Los Angeles to be married, and has recommended that they return home to their parents. They were Irene Decker and Allen Crites, who had eloped from their southern home and came here on the steamer Mexico yesterday morning. Miss Decker lacks a month of being 16 years old and Crites is two months short of 21. Parental opposition stepped between them in Los Angeles, and they thought they could be made one in San Francisco, so they slipped away upon the steamer when it last touched at Santa Barbara.

Captain Hall took charge of the young man, and the girl was assigned to the tender mercies of the stewardess. When they arrived here they made at once for the marriage license office, accompanied by the stewardess. They held a telegram from the Chief of Police of Los Angeles to Captain Hall, which stated that all four parents were willing that the ceremony should proceed, but Danforth refused to recognize this as a consent. He suggested that they go home again, as their parents were all willing, and this they finally decided to do, particularly as the would-be bride remembered she had a wedding dress at home, and she thought it a good idea to wear it at the wedding.

Sued by the Children.

Mrs. Catherine J. Wallace, guardian of James J. Wallace's children, has filed a third amended complaint in her suit against the San Francisco Gas Light Company for $30,000 damages. In 1891 Wallace was killed by the explosion of gas at the United States bonded warehouse on Vallejo street and it is alleged that the explosion was on account of a leak in the gas company's main.

A Chinese Benevolent Society.

The Yee Shan Mutual Benevolent Society was incorporated yesterday by Sew Poy, Gook Chun, Gong Foy and others. The headquarters is at 39 Washington alley, and the purposes of the organization are declared to be "social, benevolent, charitable and educational."

CENSUS EVERY FIVE YEARS.

Proposition for an Intermediate Enumeration by the Municipality.

FEDERAL METHODS OBSOLETE.

The Subject to Be Considered by the Manufacturers' and Producers' Association.

Fred H. Dingle, assistant secretary of the Manufacturers' and Producers' Association of California, thinks that San Francisco should have a census during 1895 or 1896, and he will bring the matter before the board of directors within a few days. Not having conversed with any member of the board relative to this subject Mr. Dingle has no predictions to made as to the result. If they favor it, however, he feels assured that a few months will see the successful launching of his pet scheme. In an interview yesterday afternoon Mr. Dingle stated his position in the matter as follows:

The Federal constitution provides for a census once in ten years. It must be apparent, however, that this statistical matter gathered by the Government of whatever class is almost entirely worthless five or six years after it is taken. For specific example: A man desires comprehensive and valuable data relative to the commercial or manufacturing standing of San Francisco. His source of information would naturally be the last United States census, which was compiled in 1890. Now would the figures gathered in 1890 apply to the San Francisco of 1895? Take the matter of population, the least important phase of the question, perhaps. Do the figures taken by the Government five years ago indicate our population of to-day? The same discrepancy must of necessity exist all the way through. To deny this is to hold that we are not growing at all.

The old census methods were all right at the time of their adoption and many years after. No doubt they are still sufficient for some of the slow-going towns of New England and the South, but for cities like San Francisco it is clear that they are totally inadequate.

My idea would be to have an ordinance passed by the Supervisors providing for the taking of a census once in ten years, the same to be intermediate between the enumerations taken by the Government. This would give us full and authoritative data regarding our development every five years.

As to the expense of the work, there would probably be considerable difference of opinion as to how it should be borne. But I think this could be arranged without much trouble. I do not suppose the City would bear the total expense; but there are certain departments of the City government that are badly handicapped for the want of reliable statistics, and certainly the municipality would do its share. The Board of Trade, the Chamber of Commerce and the several City organizations now engaged in promoting the interests of San Francisco would undoubtedly have a hand in the work.

The proposed tables should be as comprehensive as possible, including every phase of our development. I shall introduce this matter at the next meeting of the directors and try to get them to take hold of it.

Mr. Dingle's proposition was laid before several well-known business and professional men, who seemed favorably impressed with the idea, but asked time to think the matter over before being quoted, saying that the question was too big for an offhand expression of opinion. With a single exception they all expressed a desire to talk on the subject at a future date, and it is easy enough to predict for the scheme many able advocates.

Sentenced for Embezzlement.

Samuel F. Gillies, convicted of embezzling money from Dr. F. L. Sweany, has been sentenced by Judge Murphy to San Quentin for two years.

ROYAL Baking Powder has been awarded highest honors at every world's fair where exhibited.

NEW TO-DAY—AMUSEMENTS.

CENTRAL PARK,
SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 2 P. M.
HORSE TAMING EXHIBITION.
Handling and Driving
WILD, VICIOUS HORSES.
BASEBALL GAME.
OK'S (of Sacramento) vs. ASSEMBLYS (of S. F.)
BICYCLE RACES
For valuable prizes.
Admission to all.....25 cents.
Reserved Seats, 25 cents extra.

TWENTY-EIGHTH
INDUSTRIAL EXPOSITION
OF THE
MECHANICS' INSTITUTE
Opens August 13, Closes September 14
Special Attractions in Manufactures, Art and Natural Products.
Machinery in Motion Will Be a Prominent Feature.
GRAND CONCERT
Each Afternoon and Evening by an Orchestra of Forty Musicians,
PROF. FRITZ SCHEEL, CONDUCTOR.
THE ART GALLERY will contain the Finest Collection of Paintings and Statuary Ever Exhibited on this Coast.
ADMISSION:
Double Season Ticket.....$5 00
Single Season Ticket..... 3 00
Children's Season Ticket..... 1 50
Adult, admission, daytime, 25c; evening, 50c.
Children, admission, daytime, 15c; evening, 25c.
Season Tickets to Members of the Institute, half rates. For sale at Library, 31 Post street.

SOME FEATURES OF THE SUNDAY CALL AUGUST 11, 1895

FATHER DAMIEN OF HAWAII.
BY JOAQUIN MILLER, POET OF THE SIERRAS.
(ILLUSTRATED BY J. KAHLER)

GOLDEN GATE PARK REVISITED.
BY CHARLES WARREN STODDARD POET OF THE SOUTH SEAS.
(ILLUSTRATED BY JOE STRONG.)

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