LATEST OAKLAND NEWS.

Shall Miss Harriet Lane Be Blacklisted by Male Law Students?

WHY TRILBYS ARE SCARCE.

The Cornerstone of Oakland's First English Lutheran Church Is Laid.

This evening the Alameda County Law Association will hold a special meeting for the purpose of considering the blackballing of a bright young woman who has applied for membership. The only reason advanced so far why the lady in question should not sit in the council of the law students composing the association is that they could not smoke and enjoy that freedom that men can only enjoy when by themselves.

Ten, or even five, years ago in Alameda County the men's argument might have commanded respect. To-day it falls flat. In this county, and in Oakland particularly, women are more prominent in nearly every class of labor and profession than in most cities. Oakland has produced more bright women than any other city of its size in this country, is continuing to produce them, and any attempted bar to their progress is looked upon as shortsighted. The Ebell Society, the Salon and kindred organizations are healthy and growing institutions and draw attention to this city from many quarters where Oakland would otherwise be unknown. The women doctors of Oakland stand high in their profession; the Ladies' Aid Co-operative Society and Home is a testimony to the executive ability of another body of women.

The contemplated action of the law students this evening is therefore awaited with some interest.

One of the most interesting features presented to Oakland's public just now is the difficulty of procuring enough young ladies to give a successful phantasma at the fashionable Macdonough Theater. This afternoon the ladies of the Women's Exchange will hold a meeting at the First Congregational Church to settle the matter. Last Friday only one-third of the required number of young ladies presented themselves and an adjournment was proposed till to-day. To any one acquainted with the tendencies of the average Oakland girl, the subject is an enigma. There are more bloomer girls in Oakland than in San Francisco, and a very natural inference is that wearers of bloomers have the courage of their convictions and would lend their aid to make a church affair a success as soon as the subject was broached. It cannot be that the unwilling sylphs and nymphs and Trilbys are mistrustful of the nature of the parts that may be assigned to them, for Dr. McLean has countenanced the affair and this is ample for all. The venerable doctor enjoys the respect and confidence of every one in Alameda County, and he is anxious for the phantasma to succeed, that the Women's Exchange may be benefited. Where, then, is the solution to be found? That is to be seen this afternoon.

The question of establishing a Civic Federation in Alameda County is receiving more than passing notice and bids fair to become a reality within a few weeks. The need of such an organization is very apparent, but unless it is composed of the right kind it will do more harm than good. The recent disclosures in the Tax Collector's office; the reduction of Southern Pacific property by the Solid Four Supervisors; the failure of the city government to enforce the Seventh-street fare ordinance and the telegraph-pole tax ordinance, all these matters want looking into by a body that will be more aggressive than any Grand Jury yet impaneled in this county. STUART W. BOOTH.

The Cornerstone Laid.

The First English Lutheran Church is enough advanced to lay the foundation stone, and this interesting ceremony was performed yesterday afternoon. William Moller, chairman of the building committee, performed the ceremony and gave a short address on the progress of the prosperous little congregation till it was large enough to need a spacious place of worship. The building of the edifice has been greatly aided by the Eastern branch of the Lutheran Church, which is working hard to establish its creed more firmly on this coast.

Rev. J. S. Simon, pastor of the First English Lutheran Church of San Francisco, delivered an address congratulating the congregation on the happy occasion that brought them together.

P. M. Fisher, presiding officer, gave a short historical review of the church since its foundation. A pretty tribute was paid to Rev. Philip Graif, who, as a former pastor, with his wife, worked hard to make the effort to build a success. Services at present are being held at Fraternal Hall, on Washington street, under the pastorate of Rev. J. Bushnell.

A German Soldier Killed.

A man was struck on the head by the local train at Fruitvale yesterday morning. He was taken to the Receiving Hospital and died a few hours later. On his arm the letters "R. of K. FRAN, 2 C, R. E. Metz, 1872," were tattooed. The deceased was a German soldier who has been in hard luck lately. Although recognized as having been around several saloons, no one can tell his name. The dead man has a peculiar growth on each side of the top of his head about equidistant from eye and ear.

Drowned While in a Fit.

Charles Dolan, aged 16 years, was taken with a fit yesterday morning and fell into the bay at the foot of Webster street. His body was recovered by some boys and turned over to the Coroner The unfortunate lad lived with his uncle at Fifth and Jackson streets.

LATEST BERKELEY ITEMS.

Two Berkeley Ladies Dressed in Bloomers Climb Grizzly Peak.

Three Societies Make Things Pleasant for Incoming Freshmen. Shot-putting.

Two Berkeley ladies, one U. C. co-ed and the other the wife of a teacher of physics at the Lowell High School, San Francisco, dressed in complete bloomer attire, climbed Grizzly Peak, back of the university buildings, before sunrise yesterday morning. Each had on heavy walking shoes and were armed with Alpine staffs to help them climb. They arose at 5 o'clock, and thinking that they would be able to reach the summit of Grizzly and return again before the other people in the neighborhood were up, started out. They had not gone far before a cow belonging to a dairy ranch on the road beheld the unusual sight and gave chase to the bloomer girls, but they escaped without injury beyond the tearing of their clothes considerably in a barbed-wire fence.

Reaching the summit of the peak at about 6:30 they commenced their descent, but had not gone far before they were attacked by a huge bulldog from the neighboring milk ranch and forced to use their poles as a protection.

Students' Information Bureau.

The Students' Information Bureau, the Students' Aid Society and the ladies of the Young Women's Christian Association are doing much commendable work in offering gratuitous service toward securing pleasant boarding places and suitable accommodations for the incoming freshmen. Each organization has an office hour at Stiles Hall.

The work of the Young Women's Christian Association is in the hands of Miss May Robb, that of the aid society in charge of John Howell, '96, and A. H. Allen oversees the information bureau.

Wilbur's Great Shot-Put.

Wilbur, one of the best 16-pound shot-putters at the university, has been doing phenomenal work lately. Last week in practice he cast the iron ball forty-four feet, exceeding the U. C. record of thirty-nine feet four inches, held by Koch, four feet eight inches. He has been practicing lately with Edgren, the hammer-thrower, who himself put the shot forty-one feet a few days ago.

Must Clean Gutters.

Superintendent of Streets Chick will serve notice on the property-owners of Berkeley to-day that they must immediately obey the town ordinance which requires that gutters in front of their houses be cleaned.

Painting Town Offices.

The offices in the Town Hall are being repainted, and in consequence little official business can be transacted until it is finished, probably on next Wednesday.

CRICKET ACROSS THE BAY.

The Alamedas Score a Decisive Victory Against the Bohemians.

Bowhill With the Bat and Sloman With the Ball Give Good Exhibitions.

The Bohemians and Alamedas, Goliah clubs in local cricketdom, met yesterday at Alameda. It being the only match of the day and one that was likely to be well worth witnessing, an unusually large number of spectators presented themselves, and while they may have been disappointed in regard to the contest, they saw some excellent cricket.

The Bohemians went in first and were dismissed for the incredibly small score of 19, due chiefly to the deadly bowling of Sloman and partly, perhaps, to the downfall of their able chief, Robertson.

The cupholders, going to bat, played an excellent inning. Although they lost two of their best wickets, Hood and Sloman, for a single, most of the other men contributed double figures, and the respectable total of 167 was reached, Captain Hogue and young Ward doing the largest share of the work.

The Bohemians made a much better showing in their second essay. Bowhill carried his bat for a faultless 63. Pollock and Bristowe both got into double figures, and the side's total was 116. This left the Alamedas masters of the field by an inning and 32 runs.

The field features of the day were the bowling analysis of Sloman and C. Bird's catch of Reeves, which was one of the most brilliant ever seen on the ground. The scores:

BOHEMIANS—FIRST INNING.

N. Robertson c. Lewis b. Sloman	0
Dr. Bowhill st. Lewis b. Sloman	11
C. Pollock c. Foot b. Ward Jr.	3
S. B. Martin b. Sloman	0
H. O. Bristowe b. Ward Jr.	2
V. P. Irwin l. b. w. b. Sloman	0
C. W. T. Davis b. Sloman	0
W. Reeves c. Bird b. Sloman	1
H. McCrae b. Sloman	2
A. Lugg b. Sloman	0
H. H. Cookson not out	0
Total	19

Sloman—38 balls, 5 runs, 8 wickets, 2 maidens.
Ward Jr.—48 balls, 14 runs, 2 wickets, 1 maiden.

ALAMEDAS.

E. Hood b. Robertson	0
F. S. Price b. Robertson	16
J. J. Moriarty b. Pollock	17
E. G. Sloman b. Pollock	1
R. B. Hogue b. Pollock	33
H. S. Wiggins b. Robertson	4
G. H. Ward c. Robertson b. Cookson	28
H. Bird b. Cookson	10
G. E. Lewis b. Robertson	12
W. Foot not out	14
D. Anderson c. Davis b. Robertson	12
Extras	20
Total	167

Robertson—156 balls, 62 runs, 5 wickets, 5 maidens.
Cookson—60 balls, 22 runs, 2 wickets, 4 maidens.
Pollock—150 balls, 59 runs, 3 wickets, 7 maidens.

BOHEMIANS—SECOND INNING.

Bowhill not out	63
Lugg b. Foot	0
Pollock b. Foot	15
Bristowe b. Anderson	17
Martin b. Anderson	0
Reeves c. C. Bird b. Foot	8
Davis b. Foot	1
Irwin b. Foot	0
McRae c. and b. Foot	8
Robertson not out	0
Cookson absent	0
Extras	4
Total	116
Grand total	135

Sensitiveness of Plants.

Since the plant is a fixed organism, and cannot move in search of food, it is essential that its roots thoroughly penetrate the soil of the locality in which it is found in such manner as to place its absorbing surfaces (root hairs) in contact with whatever nutrient solutions the substratum may contain. The necessity for such penetration of the soil has led to the development of irritability to gravity in the protoplasm of the roots. Primary roots in response to the stimulus of gravity tend to place themselves in a position with their axes lying parallel to the force of gravity and the tips pointing vertically downward. But if all the roots assumed this position they would depend from the stem in a compact mass in a manner not advantageous to the plant. The secondary or smaller roots, however, react to gravity in such a manner that they place their axes at right angles to the line of force, thus securing a penetration of the soil in a second direction. These forms of reaction to gravity are also exhibited by other organs of the plant, but do not occur to any extent among animals.

An important requirement of aerial organs is that they assume a position in which their surfaces will be exposed to the sunlight at an angle most advantageous for the performance of their functions of the formation of food and transpiration. To meet this need, those portions exposed to the light have acquired a specific manner of response to the light by which some place their surfaces parallel and others at right angles to the direction of the rays. Gravity acts continually and invariably in one direction, and with a constant force. Consequently the movements of plants in response to this stimulus are comparatively simple. Light has its source in the sun, which varies its position through 180 degrees during the daytime and is wholly absent at night. In consequence the movements of the plant to adjust its surface to this stimulus of ever-varying direction and intensity are of great complexity. This variability of the stimulus has, moreover, induced in the plant a delicacy of irritability toward light far beyond that exhibited toward gravity. In a large and varied category of plants it has become of great importance that they execute certain movements when solid bodies come in contact with them or strike their surfaces. This irritability to contact or impact has been developed in a number of carnivorous plants, which entrap and hold insects, which serve as food; in the tendrils of climbing plants, which coil around supports and lift the foliage and flowers into sunlight; in a large class of "sensitive plants," which quickly fold their leaves on the reception of such a stimulus, thus avoiding injury from hail or grazing animals. The need of delicacy is much greater here than in the previous forms described, and the response is much more marked and rapid.—Popular Science Monthly.

LEAD RENT THE TARGETS.

Marksmen in Large Numbers at the Shell Mound Rifle Range.

SCORES OF THE COLUMBIAS.

Prospective Matches Among the Crack Shots—Proprietor Schumann Injured.

The Shell Mound marksmen were at the rifle ranges yesterday in greater strength than for some time past. It happened to be an occasion on which quite a number of the target-hitting clubs held their practice, and it also happened that the clubs came early and the members were numerically conspicuous. The day might have been better, however, for fine range work. A strong wind held undisputed sweep across the ranges and the light on the targets was not just what it might have been. However, the scores were very creditable in such circumstances and the enthusiasm displayed in the sport indicated that rifle-firing will be just as much the go this year as it ever was before. The San Francisco Verein men are breaking the disks rather actively in preparation for the tournament which takes place next month, and the young soldiers of Colonel Macdonald's regiment have a trophy competition in near prospect. With these big affairs and a host of lesser matches, among them a contest with the revolver between Sime's troopers and the signal corps men, the military marksmanship outlook is promising beyond all conjecture.

At Shell Mound yesterday the Columbia Pistol and Rifle Club had an interesting inning. The match with the pistol was on the fifty-yard range and was for members only in the class contests. In the department of champions Smith Carr scored 91, C. M. Daiss 90 and A. H. Pape 85. In the first class L. O. Rodgers made 91, J. E. Gorman 88, J. E. Klein 86, D. W. McLaughlin 72. The second class scores were: F. Dennis 83, A. B. Dorrell 82, H. L. Crane 72, A. Kennedy 62, W. Unfred 58.

The Blanding medal match was open to everybody. In thiss Dais scored 95, Carr 93, J. E. Gorman 92, Rodgers 89 and Dorrell 88.

The Columbia men also fired with the rifle at 200 yards for the Kuhnle medal credits. D. W. McLaughlin registered 87 and L. O. Rodgers 85. In the members' shoot with the rifle the following scores were made: Champion class—D. W. McLaughlin 80, L. O. Rodgers 80; first class—J. E. Klein 71, Charles Perry 60, P. Bohr 87; second class—Frank Dennia 77, H. B. Dorrell 74, J. E. Gorman 73, H. Kennedy 73.

A medal shoot by the members of the San Francisco Schuetzen Verein resulted in these scores and classifications: First class, A. H. Pape, 433; third class, J. Thode, 403; fourth class, D. Dunker, 377. The best first shot was 24, by J. Peters, and the best last shot a center, by A. Mocker.

The Norddeutscher Schuetzen Club did some target practice, with this order of prize-winners: F. Schuster, G. Alpers, O. Lencke, J. de Wit, H. Hellberg, H. Huber, J. Gelken, J. Peters, W. Glindermann, G. Schulz, A. Hagedorn, D. Schinkel.

In the Germania Schuetzen Club the class scores were as follows: Champion class, D. B. Faktor 439; first class, H. Huber 415; third class, J. Peters 415; fourth class, C. F. Rust 386. The best first shot was made by H. Hellberg, a center, and the last by R. Finking, a 24-ring shot.

Companies C and G of the First National Guard held their monthly medal shoots. The corps was well represented and the scores were quite up to the high standard of the companies. Among the results were the following:

C. Meyer 48, W. L. Fenn 44, C. F. Waltham 43, A. E. Anderson 42, R. J. Dowdall 42, John Ritter 42, J. R. Baricklo 42, P. M. Diers 42, V. R. Bury 41, C. E. Goodell 41, F. J. Povey 41, J. W. Dumbrell 41, E. Sutliffe 40, F. Sherman 40, C. E. Thompson 40, B. Kelly 40, J. F. Norton 39, W. H. F. James 39, A. H. Kennedy 38, A. S. Hatfield 38, J. A. Christie 38, F. A. Taggart 38, G. J. Patty 37, H. Deppen 37, W. F. Unfred 37, W. Menzel 36, V. J. Anderson 35.

Battery C of Colonel Macdonald's Second Artillery is forging to the front among the National Guard target-hitting organizations. Yesterday the battery practiced and landed the lead in good style. These are some of the scores:

Huber 45, Sheenan 43, Corcoran 40, Golly 43, Gillis 41, De Bernardi 46, Schwartz 44, Drishman 42, Stripple 43, Jones 42, Kallman 41, Peters 41, Vilrock 45, Meyers 39, Son 39, Ringen 39, Payson 39, C. H. Otten 40.

At the traps in the Oakland Trotting Park, across the way from Shell Mound, the Olympic Club men and a number of well-known pigeon shots spent the afternoon yesterday. The gun shots of the Olympic Club fired at inanimate birds, with the following results: Nauman 21, Harrison 9, Owens 12, Hynes 15, Hughes 7, Justins 12, Liddie 16, Haight 18.

The other matches were open to all comers, and were of the live-bird variety. The first contest showed these results: Melville 12, Haight 11, Daisy 8, Nauman 10, Fanning 9, Potter 8, Allen 9, Holmes 6, Ayers 4, Bruns 11, Robinson 11, Slade 11, Liddle 7.

Following are the scores in a second match: Robinson 12, Fay 10, Nauman 10, Ed Forster 8, Haight 8, Daisy 9, Slade 7, Tibbitts 9, Fanning 11, Rickleson 8, Ayer 5, Lee 10, Liddle 6, Hughes 8.

The Empire Gun Club did some bluerock practice at Alameda Point. Among the best scores were these: Webb 25, Stewart 24, Billington 24, Debenham 23, Baker 23, Burgans 20, Newton 20.

SCHUETZEN PARK.

A Serious Accident Narrowly Avoided—Next Sunday's Big Festival.

There was very little done at the targets at Schuetzen Park yesterday. Many members of the California Schuetzen Verein were present, but all of them were practicing for the festival that begins next Sunday. In the morning Assistant Schuetzen Master R. Stettin and Philo Jacoby, president of the Schuetzen Festival, made a thorough examination of the targets and saw that everything was in readiness for the "great shoot." Twenty targets will be used. There will be eight point-targets, two man-targets, four honorary and six point-targets in rotation. None but marksmen will be allowed on the floor of the hall, but visitors will be allowed to use the gallery.

Strecker, Helm, Schuster, Faktor, Pape and Ehrenpfort will make their first appearance since their Eastern tour, and there is a well-defined idea among the other shooters that not one of them will come out on top. In fact, odds of two to one were offered yesterday that not one of the Eastern cracks would be "Schuetzen King."

Among the marksmen yesterday were John Horstman, James Stanton, Otto Burmeister, M. Lauger, A. Ehrenpfort, Joseph Strant, Philo Jacoby, H. Utschig, Leopold Simon, M. Archer and Messrs. Dawson and Kerrigan. It was all sweepstake shooting, one shot each.

The Golden Gate Club, a branch of the Foresters, held its annual picnic at the park. O. Kellogg of San Rafael was on a visit to his old friend, Captain Fred Schuman. As the former was getting into his buggy when leaving the bit dropped out of the horse's mouth and the animal started to run away. Captain Schuman grabbed the headstall and managed to hold the horse until Kellogg got partly out of the buggy. The animal then became unmanageable, and breaking away threw Kellogg heavily to the ground. Schuman was dragged about twenty yards and then let go, the buggy passing over his body. Both men were unconscious when picked up. Kellogg was removed to his home at San Rafael and Schuman was attended by a physician.

OUTING OF ALLIANCE MEN.

Harmony Lodge Has a Great Day at Shell Mound Park.

The members of Harmony Alliance and their friends, who streamed into the Shell Mound picnic grounds yesterday, had a pleasant day for their annual outing, and a right pleasant time they made of it. It was the first outdoor affair given by Harmony Alliance No. 15 of St. Patrick's Alliance of America. The branch of the organization in this City is a new one. It was organized last March, and now has about 150 members on its rolls, and promises well for a young society.

There were numberless features of entertainment at Shell Mound, but the races were voted the jolliest things of all. There were enough of them to have discouraged a Bay District steward, but they went off merrily, excellent prizes were distributed, and the affair was written down as a red-letter occasion in the alliance annals.

James J. Donovan had charge of the affair, and he had the assistance of F. A. O'Brien, J. J. Dunne and the other officers and members of the society.

THE SHORT ENDERS WON.

Talent Surprised by Some of the Work at the Coursing Parks.

Wayfarer Takes the Honors at Casserly's and Fearless at Kerrigan's.

The short-end players had a great day at both coursing parks yesterday, in several instances as good as 3½ to 1 being laid against the victors.

At Kerrigan's park the running was of a high order and the betting lively.

The Alameda Kennels brought over a crowd from the Encinal City and their money went into the pool boxes in lavish style. Quite a number of ladies, who seemed to take as much interest in the sport as their male escorts, were in the audience. The result of the rundown was as follows:

T. Flynn's Empire beat V. W. Guerrero's Maud G; P. Ryan's Thorndale beat Shaffer & Strahl's Gold King; Alameda Kennel's San Joaquin beat S. Riordan's Chicopee; R. Pringle's Ace of Spades beat W. Dalton's Famous; C. Anderson's Nigger beat J. T. Hannon's Springeasily; J. T. Hannon's Lamplighter beat J. O'Connor's True Blue; W. Creamer's Regent beat G. Watson's Belmont; M. O'Hare's Midget beat M. O'Connell's Ten Cents; J. O'Donald's Sea Spray beat J. McDonald's Mayo Boy; W. Dalton's Napoleon Jack beat J. Kerrigan's Dashaway; C. Anderson's Fairy beat B. Slattery's Bob McCracken; C. C. Griswold's Dandy Jim beat J. F. Hannon's Thornhill.

Alameda Kennels—Alameda beat J. Olma's Freestone.

First ties—Thorndale beat Empire; San Joaquin beat Ace of Spades; Lamplighter beat Nigger; Regent beat Midget; Sea Spray a bye; Fearless beat Electric; Napoleon Jack beat Fairy D; Alameda beat Dandy Jim.

Second ties—Thorndale beat San Joaquin; Regent beat Lamplighter; Fearless beat Sea Spray; Alameda beat Napoleon Jack.

Third ties—Regent beat Thorndale; Fearless beat Alameda.

Final—Fearless beat Regent and took the first prize of $20.

On Saturday next at the same park a thirty-two dog stake, $1 entrance, will be run, and some crack dogs have been entered for the running.

The sport was up to its usual standard at Casserley's park and two of the courses—namely, those between Coomassie and Pride of the West and Lesson and Wayfarer—were fast and close. The hares were fast and in some instances escaped the dogs after running clear across the field.

It was intended to have a course between a large coyote recently captured while trying to get out of one of the paddocks and a couple of "varmint" dogs, but the latter did not show up and the event, which was expected to be very exciting, was put over until next Sunday.

The running resulted as follows:

H. Hull's Frisco Boy, same owner's Butcher Boy, D. Cahill's Tom Rice and J. McDonald's Addie D, byes. T. Brennan's White Rustic beat P. Carney's Annie Daly. W. Perry's Coomassie beat T. Ford's Pride of the West. J. Allen's Salvator beat A. la Cunha's Ben Hur. J. Grace's Roll Along beat T. Brennan's Queen F. A. la Cunha's Lion beat J. McCormick's Cheerful. B. Heggerty's Snowbird beat J. Tracy's Sondon. T. McDonald's Lissak beat W. Perry's Mabel P. Alameda Kennel's Wayfarer beat J. Cordes' Claire.

First ties—Rustic beat Frisco, Butcher Boy beat Tom Rice, Salvator beat Coomassie, Roll Along beat Lion, Snowbird beat Annie D, Wayfarer beat Lissak.

Second ties—Butcher Boy beat White Rustic, Roll Along beat Salvator, Wayfarer beat Snowbird.

Third ties—Roll Along beat Butcher Boy, Wayfarer a bye.

Final—Wayfarer beat Roll Along.

John Grace Jr. acted as judge.

On Sunday next a thirty-two-dog stake, $1 50 entrance, will be run.

A Skeptical Editor.

That Smithton, Westmoreland County, farmer who struck a spring of whisky while digging a ditch on his land a few days ago, has been making some more surprising discoveries.

A revenue officer was sent up there to see whether the whisky was tax-paid or moonshine. He reports it chiefly moonshine, but does not know how to act in the matter. There seems to be no doubt that the whisky was buried by Braddock's soldiers on their retreat, which occured some time ago. They left it behind because they had more than they could carry comfortably. There was no tax on whisky then, and there is some doubt expressed as to whether the spring can be legally taxed now.

While the Government officers are looking up the question, the honest farmer is working ahead on his ditch. On Monday, about twenty-five feet from the whisky spring, he struck a hard substance, which seemed to be a solid rock. A little digging revealed a den of petrified snakes. Whether these have any connection with the whiskey or not is a matter of doubt.

He continued his work in the ditch, and yesterday afternoon he struck another spring. A pink liquid flowed from it. It has been examined by experts, who say it undoubtedly is hyoscyamine. Its presence is explained by an old inhabitant, who says there was a promising growth of henbane on the farm early in the present century, and that it got tramped into the ground. The work of time and nature has produced the hyoscyamine.

The farmer is going through with the ditch to the end. He says he has good prospects of striking pilocarpine in a day or so, and he wouldn't be a bit surprised to strike a gusher of bichloride of gold. He intends to pipe it off until the flow of whisky gives out and the petrified snakes begin to show signs of life. Then he thinks it will be time enough to try the hyoscyamine and other things he expects to find.

The ditch is open for the inspection of any one. Visitors to it would do well to provide themselves with a tin cup. There may be a crowd at the spring. Some men who spent a few hours there on Monday report that they saw a sea serpent in the Youghiogheny River early yesterday morning. It was green, with glassy eyes, and had a dark-brown toothpick in its mouth.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Comes From Easterling.

Sterling signifies money of the legalized standard of coinage of Great Britain and Ireland. The term, according to one theory, is a corruption of Easterling—a person from North Germany, on the continent of Europe, and therefore from the east in geographical relation to England. The Easterlings were ingenious artisans who came to England in the reign of Henry III to refine the silver money, and the coin they produced was called Moneta Easterlingorum—the money of the Easterlings.

SOCIETY OUT OF TOWN.

Engagement of Dr. Sieberst and Miss Julia Kedian Announced.

MENLO PARK HOUSE PARTIES.

The Long-Poole Wedding to Take Place Soon—Movements of Oakland People.

Company B of the Naval Battalion is to have a dinner next Saturday evening. The pretty invitations sent out read: "The homeward-bound pennant is flying over Company B of the Naval Battalion and its members will mess together for the last time before going out of commission. You are invited to be present at the end of their final cruise at Delmonico's, 110 O'Farrell street, Saturday evening, August 17, 1895, at half past six o'clock."

A quintet, composed of the well-known artists, Miss Alice Schmidt, pianiste, formerly of the Schmidt quintet; Herman Brandt, violinist; Louis Schmidt Sr., viola; Louis Heine, violoncello, and John Josephs, violinist, has been organized in this City, and proposes to give a series of subscription chamber-concerts, commencing early in October.

The wedding of Louis H. Long of the Southern Pacific Company and Miss Ermentine Poole will take place at the home of the bride's mother, on the corner of Hyde and Washington streets, on September 4.

Dr. William A. Sieberst, president of Stanford Parlor No. 76, N. S. G. W., is engaged to be married to Miss Julia I. Kedian of 1736 San Carlos avenue. Dr. Sieberst is one of the most popular young men in the Mission.

The wedding of Miss F. Viola Rea, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Rea, and Herbert L. Partridge, Deputy District Attorney of Santa Clara County, took place on Wednesday last at the pretty country residence of Samuel Rea, south of Gilroy.

C. Jackson Lancaster and Miss Emma L. Hardy were married Tuesday evening, August 6, at the residence of the bride's parents, Rev. W. I. Kip officiating. The residence was beautifully decorated with smilax, carnations and roses. The bride was attired in white silk, with veil and orange blossoms. Miss Georgie Haycroft was bridesmaid, and Joseph W. Hardy, brother of the bride, acted as best man. Only the immediate relatives were present. The presents were numerous and handsome. After the wedding supper Mr. and Mrs. Lancaster left for a trip to Lake Tahoe. Upon their return they will occupy their new home on Central avenue in Alameda.

The reception announced for next week to be given by Mrs. Theodore Smith to the Rev. W. H. Moreland, rector of St. Luke's Church, and Mrs. Moreland, on their return from an Eastern trip, has been postponed. The reverend gentleman has been ill and will not arrive as soon as was expected.

Miss Peckham, who is spending the season at the Hotel Rafael with her mother, gave a very handsome dinner party on Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. W. Mayo Newhall, George A. Newhall and Mr. and Mrs. Nuttall.

On Wednesday Baron and Baroness von Schroeder gave another very handsome dinner in honor of Captain Hesse, the German Consul-General, at the Hotel Rafael. Those invited to meet the guest of honor were: Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Sherwood, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Davidson, Miss Grace Peckham, Miss Anna Hobbs, Mr. and Mrs. Webster Jones, Baron von Balveron, Consul Artsimovitch, Mr. and Mrs. Nuttall and Ward McAllister.

Society Personals.

Mrs. H. E. Huntington has returned from her visit East.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Schwerin will leave San Mateo this week for their City home.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ellicott have returned from their brief visit to Baltimore, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. William Thomas, Miss Mollie Thomas and Miss Helen Thomas are expected to return here about the middle of October from their Eastern and European trip.

James Brett Stokes is at Colorado Springs and has decided to remain there the coming season.

Miss Eva Withrow, her mother, Mrs. K. H. Withrow, and Miss Marie Withrow have returned from a trip to the missions of Southern California. At San Luis Rey the party was joined by a Munich artist, Cleves M. Moore, and the artists returned with well-filled portfolios, including oil, water-color, pencil and pen-and-ink sketches of the most varied scenes.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Lent and Miss Hooker entertained at their Menlo Park residence on Wednesday last Miss Jessie Coleman, Miss Kate Clement, Miss Jennie Blair, Miss Laura Bates, Tarn McGrew, E. H. Meldon, E. M. Greenway and W. R. Heath.

Mrs. James A. Robinson entertained at her home in Bedwood City on Wednesday last Mr. and Mrs. August Spreckels, Mr. and Mrs. J. Downey Harvey, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Redding, Miss Susie Morgan and Donald de V. Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell J. Wilson were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Hopkins at their residence in Menlo Park last week.

Miss Carrie Taylor and William H. Taylor were the guests of Mrs. E. W. Bliss at Menlo Park last week. They returned to Del Monte on Thursday.

Harry M. Holbrook and Miss Holbrook entertained at their home in Menlo Park on Wednesday last Miss Ella Goodall, Miss Nellie Hillyer, Miss Bessie Shreve, Frank Owen, George A. Newhall, Allen Bowie and Samuel Knight.

James W. Byrne, Clarence McKinstry and E. S. Pillsbury were the guests of Charles N. Felton Jr. on Wednesday evening last.

Mrs. Elliott McAllister will leave this week for a visit to Miss Sallie Maynard at the Parker ranch, near Mountain View.

Andrew Martin and Walter D. Martin have returned from their trip to Alaska and Northern California.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. A. Miller have decided to spend the coming winter in Oakland.

C. O. Burton and daughter will leave for the East on Tuesday, the 13th inst. Mr. Burton goes to attend the session of the Supreme Council, American Legion of Honor, which meets at Detroit, Mich., on the 20th inst. After the session they will visit relatives and friends. They will be absent about two months.

Mrs. Bert Schlesinger of 827 Golden Gate avenue will be at home the third Monday of each month.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Berry and their daughter Myrtle are spending the summer at Santa Cruz as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Van Wagner.

Oakland Society.

Mrs. W. C. Little has returned from a trip to the Eastern States.

Miss Evelyn Bendel gave a garden party to about fifty of her friends at her home, near the foot of Alice street, on Saturday evening last. The weather was a little foggy, but this did not detract much from the pleasures of the occasion.

It has been announced that Captain Charles Goodall, senior member of the firm of Goodall, Perkins & Co., is to shortly wed Mrs. Carrie J. Hathaway of San Francisco.

Miss Juliet Garber entertained a few friends at a tennis party at her home in Claremont, Saturday.

Oakland is to follow the example of Alameda and have a phantasma. It is contemplated to have the entertainment at the Macdonough Theater about the 24th of the month. The affair will be under the management of the Woman's Exchange. Those who are taking the lead in the affair are: Mrs. W. E. Sharon, Mrs. Alexander McBean, Mrs. Oscar White, Mrs. Gregory, Mrs. Clement, Mrs. Anson Barstow and Miss Raymond.

The ladies of the Unitarian Church in Alameda are to give a big outdoor fete in a lot at the corner of Central avenue and Oak street, August 22, 23 and 24, where a large number of tents will be erected.

Dr. E. H. Pardee and family have returned from St. Helena. Dr. Pardee is still seriously ill.

Mrs. Frederick H. Meyers, who intended leaving for a trip around the world last month, was forced to change her plans, and will start some time later in the month.

Mrs. H. E. Boyes, wife of Dr. H. E. Boyes, left Thursday for a visit to her former home in Toronto, Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. J. Gibbs, of Alameda, expect to leave next month for a trip around the world.

The ladies of the Ebell Club of Oakland gave a breakfast in honor of the return of their president, Mrs. George W. Bunnell, from the East, at their rooms, last Tuesday. It was a very delightful affair.

The members of the First Baptist Church in Oakland gave a reception to their pastor, Rev. C. H. Hobart, last Friday evening, at which he was presented with a testimonial in the shape of a silver table set.

Receptions.

Last Monday evening the Misses Cassidy of 321 Golden Gate avenue gave a small reception in honor of Miss Mae McDonald, who has resumed her studies at Ursuline Academy, Santa Rosa. Those invited to meet her were:

Miss Marie Grennan, Miss Mae McInhill, Miss Tessie Grennan, Miss Grace McInhill, Miss Nellie McInhill, Mrs. W. J. Ahern, Dr. Joseph McCormick, M. Grennan, Victor Andler, William Ahern, Dr. Frank Barrett, Dr. T. H. Morris, Charles Dowry, George Devine, D. Shea, Mr. Fitzgerald and Mr. McDonald.

The University Dancing Club will give its monthly social at Saratoga Hall on Friday evening, under the management of Henry H. Beck and Fred P. Wehe.

An icecream social and dance will be given by the Past Chief Companions' Association in Social Hall, 102 O'Farrell street, on Saturday evening, August 17.

The St. Andrew's Society will celebrate the one hundred and twenty-fourth anniversary of the birth of Sir Walter Scott with a literary entertainment and dance at Scottish Hall Thursday evening.

California Rebekah Lodge No. 1, I. O. O. F., will have a fishpond party Saturday evening.

The Welcome Social Club will give a moonlight party on Thursday evening, August 22, at California Hall.

James A. Garfield Relief Corps No. 21, W. R. C., will give one of its old-time socials at the Alcazar building, in Social Hall, Tuesday evening.

IN THE HANDBALL COURTS

Champion Jones Defeated by Champion Harlow and G. Hutchinson.

A Number of Close and Exciting Games Played With Unexpected Results.

Several close and exciting games were played in the handball courts yesterday. In the San Francisco court J. Jones, the Australian champion, played against J. Harlow, the coast champion, and George Hutchinson. Harlow was in fine condition, and being well supported by Hutchinson, the result was the defeat of Jones, after some brilliant rallies, by three games to two. A return match will be played next Sunday.

A match that excited considerable interest was played at the Union court between four crack players, John Feeney and James Nelson and R. Lenihan and Al. Pennoyer. It was the best of nine games. Each side won four games, and it was decided, owing to darkness setting in, to postpone the final game till next Sunday. The principal feature of the match was the service and return of Feeney, whose hitting was terrific.

Terry McManus, the heavy-weight handball champion, played an interesting game of rackets against George Ackerson of the South End Rowing Club and won by two games to one. David Farrell, an old-time crack handball player, is on a visit to the City and was in the court during the afternoon. He will likely play a match next Sunday.

The event of the day at the Occidental court was a match between T. F. Bonnet and Al Collins and Ed Maloney and J. Dillon. After a close and exciting game Bonnet and Collins won. On Wednesday night Bonnet and J. C. Nealon will play M. J. Kilgallon and John Reardon, and John Mallon and P. T. McCormick will play C. J. McGlynn and D. M. Stanley.

J. Nelson and R. Lenihan of the Union court have accepted the challenge of J. Harlow, the coast champion, to play a match, the best of nine games, in the San Francisco and Union courts, and the arrangements will be made in a day or two.

Following were the games played at the different courts yesterday:

San Francisco court—Robert Shea and G. McDonald played P. Ryan and J. Rodgers. Each side won a rub and the final game will be decided next Sunday. Lewis Levy and G. Dixon defeated C. Dixon and Ed Kerrison, 21—11, 14—21, 21—9. J. Brown and W. Darins defeated D. McCarthy and G. Ward, 21—10, 17—21, 21—12. J. O'Brien and J. Dodd defeated W. McInerney and J. Kane, 21—13, 18—21, 21—6. M. McDonald and D. Finnigan defeated D. O'Brien and J. Brown, 21—8, 19—21, 21—14. J. Sweeney defeated P. Kelly, for $5 a side, 21—12, 16—21, 21—10, 9—21, 21—20. M. McDonald and D. Finnigan defeated D. O'Brien and H. Moffett, 21—17, 11—21, 21—13. J. Harlow, the coast champion, and G. Hutchinson defeated J. Jones, the Australian champion, 21—11, 16—21, 21—18, 8—21, 21—10.

Occidental court—W. Jacobs and G. Cunningham defeated W. and G. de Laveaga: 21—16, 18—21, 21—17. The Cyclone and P. F. McCormick defeated P. C. Vaughn and C. Bauer: 21—15, 18—21, 21—14. Dr. E. E. Hill and W. Cronan defeated M. Dolan and C. Kane: 21—15, 14—21, 21—13. T. F. Bonnet and D. M. Stanley defeated John Purcell and L. Kenny: 21—14, 17—21, 21—19. T. Clemmens and J. O'Meara defeated B. Clemmens and J. Collins: 21—12, 18—21, 21—19. J. Hurley and T. Cashin defeated C. Kelleher and M. Condon: 20—21, 16