

HE PUT THE CLOCK BACK.

Complaint of a Pantalons Finisher Against a Plutocratic Employer.

DRAGGED HIM INTO COURT.

Miss Tosey's Friend Comes to Her Aid and They Win a Victory.

"He turned the clock back on me, and no matter what his clock said it was always late at night when I got home," explained Miss Louise Tosey to Justice of the Peace Groezinger Wednesday.

Miss Tosey was suing her late employer, S. Cohen, pantalons finisher, for six days' work at \$1.25 a day. Miss Tosey had angrily quit her work at the end of the sixth day and Cohen had handed her \$1.50 as compensation.

Miss Tosey, although a "pant finisher" and not a bloomer builder, is still up to date on matters pertaining to the rights of her sex. So she appealed to the law to do up the arrogant czar who swaggers in lordly fashion over some dozen pants finishers in his Natoma-street emporium.

Miss Tosey appeared in the courtroom backed by her bosom friend and candidate, Mrs. J. Jacobs. Up to date Mrs. Jacobs has not figured prominently in the courts, but she fairly shouldered her way up to Justice, clapped her smartly on the shoulder, and sharply announced that she expected a woman to do anything in the name of her friend, Miss Tosey.

"Pants-maker" Cohen, backed by Mrs. Cohen and a dozen relatives, did all he could to stem the onrush of the pants finishers, but he might as well have tried to withstand the mighty march of the victorious bloomer with a basting thread. He was lucky to escape with a judgment against him of \$7.50, as his friends afterwards advised.

In giving her evidence Miss Tosey ever once in awhile wandered from her woe as a pants-finisher to tell of her troubles with the Cohen clock. No matter how early it was the shop, "his clock would be crawling to 5 o'clock and getting slower every blessed minute. It always got paralysed between 5 and 6 o'clock."

"Sort of an intermittent fever," suggested Attorney Groezinger, gravely, nodding her head, and the vigilant Mrs. J. Jacobs echoed, "Worse."

"Why, it got to be a joke, but a sick sort of joke for us, that we began work on Thursday, say, and the first thing we knew we'd be working on Wednesday by that clock. One of the girls said she never expected to reach her next birthday unless that clock ran down, and another girl was saying 'I never saw a clock so slow because it was regularly losing time so fast.'"

"I suppose it was rolling back time so fast that you were all getting young again," put in the attorney.

Cohen's counsel tried to show that Miss Tosey was not an expert pants-finisher, and accordingly was not entitled to more than apprentice wages—25 cents a day.

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SUIT OF THE NOE HEIRS.

Property-Owners Appoint a Committee With Full Power to Act.

LAST NIGHT'S MASS-MEETING.

Invaders of the San Miguel Rancho Openly Charged With Black-mail.

The suit the Noe heirs threaten to bring to throw a cloud upon the title of all the property embraced in the San Miguel rancho did not seem to worry very much the property-owners who gathered in Duvenek's Hall, at the corner of Twenty-fourth and Church streets, last night.

Major Barna McKinne called the meeting to order, and George D. Shadburne was at once chosen chairman, with W. J. Nixon secretary.

Chairman Shadburne began by giving the area, with its bounds, of the property involved, and went into the details of its descent of title from the pio of the original grant of Governor Pio Pico to Jose de Jesus Noe down to the present time.

The San Miguel rancho, he said, included a fraction over 443 acres, or one Mexican league. Pio Pico, the first Governor of California, made the grant to Jose de Jesus Noe December 23, 1845.

Noe received a patent from the United States Government March 20, 1857. John M. Horner deeded it, by Sheriff's sale, to Theodore F. Moss November 5, 1886. Theodore F. Moss deeded it to Adolph E. Borie July 3, 1887, for \$200,000. Adolph E. Borie deeded it to L. A. Pioche February 10, 1890, for \$200,000.

This property was all out up into homesteads by Pioche and sold to individual owners. On May 19, 1890, Noe as guardian of the minor children, Esperanza, Jose Jesus and Vicente, and his wife, Guadalupe Garduna Noe, deceased, gave a deed of the ranch to Attorneys Richard Roman, Isaac N. Thorn and Tully R. Wise for a consideration of \$10, and an action of ejectment against the purchasers was brought June 22, 1890, under the title of Jose Jesus Noe, Richard Roman, Isaac N. Thorn, Tully R. Wise and the minor heirs of Guadalupe Garduna Noe, deceased, vs. Stephen Card et al.

This case was tried in both the Superior and Supreme courts, Colonel Hoag and Samuel Wilson defending and Tully R. Wise representing the defendants in an extremely level strategy. The Supreme Court at its January term, 1890, decided the case against the plaintiffs, holding that it was the separate property of Noe and not community property as contended.

Mr. Shadburne then declared that the threatened suit as an attempt to blackmail the 10,000 property-owners out of all the way from \$1 to \$10 apiece for the dismissal of the suits, but young Noe, he said, would run up against a terrible kicking before accomplishing his object.

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STOREKEEPERS SWINDLED.

Complaints Received by the Police About a Bill-Collector.

STOLEN GOODS.

Complaints have been received at police headquarters from storekeepers against a collector, Albert Getz, who has been systematically swindling them.

He had on his cards 812 Kearny street, but when inquiry was made for him there yesterday it was found that he had left. He is about 30 years of age, with reddish hair, of average height, dresses well and has a pleasing and insinuating manner.

His modus operandi was to hand to the storekeeper the amount of a bill collected, but it would be paid by his own check, and the amount was always from \$6 to \$10 in excess of the bill. He got this excess in coin, and the storekeepers found afterward that the check was worthless.

Chief Crowley has received a letter from the San Miguel rancho, he said, included a fraction over 443 acres, or one Mexican league. Pio Pico, the first Governor of California, made the grant to Jose de Jesus Noe December 23, 1845.

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WILLIAM B. CURTIS, THE NEWLY ELECTED TRAFFIC MANAGER.

he was duly elected to the position and will commence his duties with the association September 1.

In electing Mr. Curtis as traffic manager the committee felt that he had made no mistake, as his long experience in the traffic department of the Southern Pacific Company as tariff expert should fully fit him for the position he is to occupy.

Mr. Curtis is a native of Illinois, but has lived in California since he was 12 years of age. When he entered the local freight office of the Southern Pacific, or rather the Central Pacific, which was at that time, 1869, located on Alameda wharf. In rising step by step through the different departments of the local service he became familiar with the groundwork of his adopted profession.

After eleven years' service with the Southern Pacific, followed by several years with the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company and the Northern Pacific in Oregon and Washington, he returned to the employ of the Southern Pacific in 1886, taking service in the general freight office under Richard Gray, general freight agent, shortly thereafter assuming charge of the so-called tariff and statistical bureau of that department.

Through his close association with the immediate detail of the important work connected therewith it is possessed of an intimate knowledge of the peculiar features dominating traffic locally as well as to and from California. Mr. Curtis will leave the office of the Southern Pacific to-day and enter at once upon his duties as traffic manager. Speaking of the appointment and its importance President Dunham said yesterday:

"The traffic manager of the Traffic Association of California should have the closest possible insight into the circumstances and conditions governing traffic within this State, and Mr. Curtis' many friends in commercial circles in San Francisco join in approving his appointment by the Traffic Association and in pronouncing him especially fitted for the duties in hand, as being a competent judge of what the traffic will bear as versus the familiar dictum of all the traffic who bear."

MAY GO TO BURLINGAME.

The San Mateo Site for the Bicycle Track Will Cost Too Much.

TRIP ON ALVISO CHANNEL.

The San Jose Board of Trade Inspects That Important Waterway.

Proposition to Give the Merchants the Advantage of Deep-Water Shipping.

An inspection of the Alviso channel by the president and directors and a committee of the San Jose Board of Trade was made last night in a trip through the channel on the steamer Alviso, Captain E. V. Rideout master. The personnel of the party comprised live and influential business men, who appreciate the invaluable aid to the commerce of San Jose that will follow the successful accomplishment of their efforts in the deepening and widening of the watercourse. These are the names of the gentlemen:

President, G. M. Wooster; secretary, J. P. Fay; directors, A. Greeninger, Frank Stock, Robert Summers, Colonel T. R. Weaver, William Moir, A. C. Darby; committee on Alviso channel—W. A. Cooper, A. Herrmann; committee on streets—Valentine Koch; park commissioner—Valentine Koch; superintendent of streets—H. G. Bennett.

The party left San Jose at 6 o'clock last night and boarded the steamer at Alviso at 7:30 o'clock, arriving in San Francisco at 11 o'clock. They will return to-day, and a meeting of the board will be held to-night to receive the report of the committee on the feasibility of improving the channel.

The gentlemen were seen here last night, and Secretary Fay stated that the object of the action of the Board of Trade is to seek Government aid in the work of dredging the channel so that it will be an open and sufficient waterway.

"Transportation by that means," said Mr. Fay, "has already caused a reduction in freight rates on the Southern Pacific, to the saving of \$91,000 to the merchants of San Jose within the past year. It is the purpose finally to have rail connection between San Jose and Alviso, a distance of seven miles to the north. The length of the channel from that point to the bay is three miles, and the distance thence to San Francisco is forty-one miles.

GAS EXPLOSION.

Richard Hutchinson and His Mother Severely Burned.

Richard Hutchinson, a young man 25 years of age, and his mother live at 715 Union street. Shortly before 6 o'clock last evening they were eating their supper when they detected a strong smell of gas. Hutchinson went to investigate and while in the kitchen lit a match. There was a loud explosion and he and his mother were thrown to the floor. The windows were all blown out and the building caught fire. An alarm was rung in from box 8 and the flames were soon extinguished.

Hutchinson and his mother were taken to the Receiving Hospital in the patrol wagon, where they were severely burned about the face and hands.

Prizes for Marksmen.

The California Schutzen Club last evening distributed the prizes won at the last two Sunday's at the Schutzen Park range. The ceremony was held in Eintracht Hall, on Twelfth street near Folsom, and nearly all the marksmen in the county were present.

The Whale Fleet.

The steamer Bertha, which arrived from Alaska last night, brings the news that the whalers discouraged. The schooner Eleanora had taken a whale, the steamer Jessie H. Freeman, a steamer William Bayles, Newport steamer Harry D. Bunker, bark Wanderer 1, and bark Triton 2. The others have caught nothing.

Owing to the illness of Attorney Seiberst the case of Theodore Fox vs. John W. Mackay was yesterday continued until Monday next.

NEW TO-DAY-DRY GOODS.

LAT TWO DAYS OF OUR GREAT CLEARANCE SALE!

An idea of the OVERWHELMING REDUCTIONS at which ALL BROKEN LINES, ODDS ENDS, ETC. are offered for clearance, can be obtained from the following SPECIAL LINES TO BE FORCED OUT TO-DAY REGARDLESS OF SACRIFICE.

MEN'S NECKWEAR and SHIRTS!

95 dozen MEN'S AND BOYS' ALL-SILK NECKWEAR, made up in the newest shapes of tecks, four-in-hands and dress bows, in a variety of new, stylish patterns, usually sold for 25c and 35c, will be closed out at 15c each.

LADIES' WAISTS!

LADIES' WAISTS, laundered collar and cuffs, in fancy stripes and checks of blue, pink and tan, will be closed out at 25c.

GLOVES! GLOVES!

200 dozen LADIES' BIARRITZ KID GLOVES (with 2 hooks at wrist), Foster, Paul & Co. make, in dark, medium and tan shades, good value for \$1, will be closed out at 65c a pair.

RIBBONS! RIBBONS!

No. 12 1/2-INCH ALL-SILK BLACK SATIN AND GROS-GRAIN RIBBONS, will be closed out at 10c.

VEILING! VEILING!

DOUBLE-WIDTH CHENILLE DOTTED TUXEDO VEILING, in black, navy, brown, cream and black on white, worth \$1, will be offered at 50c a yard.

LACE NECKWEAR!

BUTTER POINT LACE YOKES, with epaulettes of lace, regular price \$5, will be offered at \$2.50 each.

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

ITALY'S DAY OF PRIDE.

The Twenty-Fifty Anniversary of Unification Soon to Be Celebrated.

A Concert in Washington Square, Barbecue and Procession of Societies.

September 22 next will be the twenty-fifth anniversary of the unification of Italy, and in honor of the event the Italian colony of San Francisco is preparing one of the biggest celebrations yet given under its auspices.

The celebration will commence with an open-air concert in Washington square. All the airs of sunny Italy will be rendered, and a choir of forty will sing the Italian national anthems.

It is expected the expenses of the celebration will amount to at least \$2000, and the money is now being raised by an executive committee of forty, which has charge of all arrangements to be made otherwise. The money will be raised among the members of the Italian colony.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

Simon M. Sommer of Oakland to Annie Sommer (wife of Simon M.) of Oakland, lot on N line of Everett street, 12x W of Willow, N 16x5 by W being a strip of lot 29 blocks 1 and 2, block 1 of lot 19 and 10 feet of the E portion of lot 20, block 2, Garden Tract, Homestead, Oakland; gift.

Annie Sommer of Oakland to David Seibert of Oakland, lot on N line of Thirteenth street (Everett street), 12x W of Willow, N 50 by N 10x10, being portion of lots 19 and 20, block 2, Garden Tract, Oakland; \$50.

Ida E. and John A. Mushette to same, same, East Oakland; \$10.

BLUE-ROCK ORDINANCE.

Mass-Meeting of the Improvement Clubs Called for Next Week.

President Parker Talks Plainly About the Obnoxious Rattler Test.

Wednesday night, September 4, is the date selected by the Point Lobos Improvement Club for the great mass-meeting called to protest against and demand the repeal of the now famous blue-rock ordinance. Other matters of importance not only to the Richmond district, but the entire City will likely be considered, so that the meeting promises to be one of more than ordinary interest.

"The Point Lobos Improvement Club has invited every similar organization to meet with them next Wednesday night for the purpose of discussing such matters as affect the good of the entire City," said President T. G. Parker yesterday.

The blue-rock ordinance, with its rattler test attached, will be the chief matters considered, and we hope to present such an array of evidence to the Supervisors as will compel them to repeal the obnoxious law. Every citizen in San Francisco is interested in this matter, because it means the saving of thousands of dollars to them. Right here in Richmond we have a rock that, while it will not stand the rattler test, is just as good for street purposes as any in the State. Its strong-

FREE AS AIR!

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The celebrated Catarrh Cure of Dr. McKenzie has made a name for itself in the remote places of the Globe. Hundreds of testimonials by rich and poor attest the value of this Catarrh Cure.

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Cor. Market and Powell Sts.

SEAWALL LOT TO LEASE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT BIDS will be received by the Board of State Harbor Commissioners at their office, No. 10 California street, in the city and county of San Francisco, State of California, up to and including the 5th day of September, 1895, for the letting or leasing by said board of fractional block number seven (7) in streets in the office of San Francisco, and bounded by Chestnut, Francisco, Montgomery and Sansome streets, in said city and county.

Frederick Zerwer of Oakland to Wilhelm 22x60 of lot of lot on N line of Kennedy street, 300 S of Frederick, S 25 by E 125, being lot 35, East Oakland; \$5.