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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1895. THE CALL SPEAKS FOR ALL.

Prevent lottery advertising and the lotteries will go.

Iselin was generous in offering more, but Dunraven has had enough.

If the East will head off the bond issue we will head off the cholera.

The fuss of an international yacht race lasts a long time after the muss is over.

The only way to make San Francisco a complete home market is for every home to do its share.

If some preachers had their way the bloomer would split the church as well as divide the skirt.

Hawaii may be an earthly paradise, but so long as the cholera rages the emphasis will be on the earthly.

Back of the third-term discussion there is really something of a public desire for Cleveland to try it once.

Our exhibit at Atlanta will speak well for the whole State, provided all sections of the State help it along.

It looks as if the time were near at hand when there will be no week in California without a fiesta somewhere.

San Bernardino invites the world to a fiesta this week, with promises of perfect weather and a glorious time.

The Grand Army veterans naturally feel at home in the South, for it is not the first time they have painted it red.

It really begins to look at this distance as if Gorman's attitude in Maryland was that of a man on a toboggan slide.

It would be difficult to find a passenger train in this country that did not contain a man going to a convention or coming home from one.

With another bond issue in sight and the elections drawing near, Democracy can hardly be blamed for taking very little interest in itself.

According to the California Knights who have returned home, Boston holds up the Atlantic Coast about as well as we can hold up the Pacific.

So long as we get reports about the alleged Papal scheme to buy Rome from the Italian Government, we may know the silly session is still at its height in Europe.

The Hawaiian Gazette reports that the history of the revolution is in press and will shortly be issued. The world will soon officially learn the names of the real heroes in the dethronement of Queen Lili.

If the Germans really think they have another Von Moltke in Count von Waldersee, they had better content themselves with the thought and not put him to the test.

That long-promised vigorous foreign policy must be hunting like the Valkyrie for a place where there will be plain sailing, no spectators and possibly no opposition.

With two or three fights to a finish reported every week from different parts of the country, it seems odd that Corbett and Fitzsimmons can find no place to meet and jaw it out.

If Chauncey Depew is right, the Germans have a passionate desire for war with France in order to reduce her army first that they may be able to reduce their own afterwards.

The report that the bankers of the country are willing to aid the Government in maintaining the gold reserve is good, but it would be better if the Government did not need it.

If Rockefeller believes his barn was set on fire by discharged workmen, it may be taken as a sure proof that he has been employing cheap foreign labor instead of Americans.

The enforcement of the Sunday law in New York may be said to have reached its culmination in preventing drinks in the fashionable clubs, and now we may look for the reaction.

Holding the next Republican National Convention in San Francisco would be a good way of reminding some Eastern people they live in a country that has a western side to it.

The process of converting the great battlefields of the war into National parks is giving the South the advantage of having lots of spacious pleasure grounds maintained at the expense of the Nation.

Now that San Leandro has produced a mosquito larger than any four ever fed on the richest blood of New Jersey watering places the East can no longer claim to rival us on anything that makes life lively and keeps men from going to sleep.

It was not long ago that the Iowa State Register told the people of that State not to emigrate to California as there was danger of earthquakes here, and now Iowa has had an earthquake herself; not a big one indeed, but big enough to shake the argument.

The report of the Santa Clara Fruit Exchange that no fear is felt of French competition in prunes this year is cheering as far as it goes, but fruit-growers should have a protective tariff sufficient to assure them from the competition of cheap foreign labor every year.

CONSUMMATED.

That which was expected has happened. The Solid Eight of the Board of Supervisors have granted to the Market-street Railroad Company a valuable municipal franchise under conditions that render it a violation of the plain letter of the law.

The issue raised by this action is one that should be promptly met by the citizens. The proceeding taken by the Civic Federation heretofore was to prevent the carrying out of an attempt to violate the law. Now an action can be brought on the ground of an actual violation. The offense has now been consummated. The issue is made up beyond all doubt or cavil, and if the statute on the subject has any meaning at all then an official misdemeanor has been committed which will work a forfeiture of office on the part of every member of the board who voted for it.

The features of this high handed action on the part of the Solid Eight are too familiar to the public to need recapitulation. They consist of a clumsy but bold attempt to nullify or evade a law of the State requiring all municipal franchises petitioned for to be advertised and sold to the highest bidder. This franchise was offered for sale under conditions which practically excluded every bidder except the Market-street company.

As a consequence that company obtains for little more than \$500 a franchise worth many thousands. We do not believe such proceedings will be justified by the courts. We are convinced the statute will be upheld in accordance with the plain intent of the Legislature and the express terms of the act itself. This, therefore, is the time for the Civic Federation to strike. It is no longer a case of attempted violation of the law. The act has been committed, the offense consummated, and either the law of California is a farce or the Solid Eight have gone too far for their own good, but far enough to benefit the City by a forfeiture of the offices they disgrace.

A NATURAL RESULT.

Two items of news published in yesterday's CALL present, when taken together, an instructive condition of affairs. The first is to the effect that Government Railroad Director Coombs, on his return to Omaha the other day, after an inspection of the Union Pacific, declared that the ruin of that road had been produced by the Southern Pacific. This had been accomplished by the diversion of overland traffic by the latter company to its southern route, thus depriving the Union Pacific of its natural business and compelling it to construct the Oregon Short Line in order to reach the Pacific. Director Coombs says that this diversion by the Southern Pacific was in violation of its contract with the Government to maintain, in connection with the Union Pacific, a through line for all overland traffic between the Missouri River and the Pacific Ocean.

The second item of news is furnished by Wendell Easton, the well-known real-estate agent of this City. In an interview he said: "On my return from abroad I concluded to come through the Northwest country, by way of St. Paul, Minneapolis, Seattle and Portland. When I saw the large amount of freight that was being handled through Tacoma as a port of entry, which trade is a direct loss to San Francisco, I was impressed with the fact that the territory left for San Francisco lies between Siskiyou and Teahachapi and as far east as the State of Nevada. It is a limited area, as when we consider that in the cities of the Pacific States live nearly three-fourths of our population, it causes one to hesitate and think a little of the condition of affairs that demands a solution."

Laying aside all considerations affecting the rights of the Government in the premises, to what extent has California been damaged by the Southern Pacific Company's policy of diverting the traffic from the Central and Union Pacific lines to the southern route? It is difficult to imagine that the Southern Pacific, which undeniably has pursued this course, adopted it for the purpose of injuring the State, as that would operate against its own interests. The only apparent solution seems to lie in the assumption that the longer haul and consequently greater proportion of the charge for overland transportation which the New Orleans route offered was the leading inducement; that is, the dollar in sight was a more considerable matter than the holding of as much traffic in California as possible. It is not comforting to imagine how many millions of dollars this policy may have cost the State by encouraging competition on the north and leading to the building up of the Puget Sound country at the expense of San Francisco.

Mr. Easton has wisely stated the problem as it exists to-day, for the present and the future are the matters of vital concern to us now. It is the development of the region lying between Siskiyou and Teahachapi that must now be attended to. In the building of the San Joaquin Valley road the beginning of the solution has been made, and if the people of this section of California can realize its importance and understand the freedom which it will assure, they will support it with all the earnestness and intelligence that are essential to prosperity.

A PENAL OFFENSE.

Moral suasion having failed to induce the leading daily newspapers of San Francisco to abandon their pernicious habit of aiding and abetting swindling lottery concerns, the efficacy of bringing them under the operation of the more convincing methods of penal laws is to be given a test. The attorney of the Civic Federation has drafted an ordinance for submission to the Board of Supervisors, and it appeared in full in yesterday's CALL. Although it seems to cover the ground completely, it is hoped that all the lawyers who have the good of the City at heart will give it their close study, to the end that if it should be found to possess a single fault which avaricious publishers might seize upon for its nullification it will be brought to light before its presentation and enactment.

It is deplorable that the necessity for this step has arisen. It is a proclamation to all the world that some of the leading newspapers of San Francisco, not yet emerged from border conditions, have been brought under the force of penal laws to insure their good behavior. Better, however, this drastic measure than a continuance of the evil at which it is aimed.

The next interesting thing to watch is the treatment which the Board of Supervisors will give to the ordinance and the source of the outside opposition which may be developed. An instructive piece of newspaper journalism would be a list of the newspapers which publish lottery advertisements and the amount received by each for the service. Already a hint or two has been dropped that THE CALL's crusade against lotteries and the means taken to encourage them are distasteful, but that was known before it was suggested. It is conceivable that some of the

AROUND THE CORRIDORS.

H. Z. Osborne of the Los Angeles Express was telling last evening at the Palace of one of his printers who has struck oil. "He owned a vacant lot near the one on which he lives and on it sunk a well shortly after the discovery of oil in Los Angeles," said Mr. Osborne. "The first strike was made in the well, and it is held at 40 cents a barrel, and ever since it has been from 125 to 150 barrels a day. On this he will clear about \$40. Better than setting type, yet he still holds his place on the staff and has a 'snub' at his case.

Just as the news is received that Damrosch has determined not to bring his opera company to San Francisco for the reason that a lease of the Grand Opera-house cannot be secured, the announcement is made that enterprising local capitalists have made arrangements to erect a splendid establishment of the desired kind on Howard street, near Sixth. The assurance is given that it will be a perfectly appointed establishment, and as it is to seat over 3000 persons it is to be called an opera-house, and is to have numerous accessories to a first-class establishment of that kind, the whole difficulty seems as good as settled.

The promoters of this costly enterprise have somewhat astonished the public by selecting the Howard-street site, for, it is contended, this is on the "wrong side of Market street." But there is more wisdom in their choice than a cursory glance might disclose. The situation is in the immediate vicinity of the new postoffice site and is in close touch with an elaborate system of streetcar lines which give access to every part of the City. Few are aware of the great extent of improvements which have been going on recently in the Mission and South San Francisco. It is in those quarters that the growth of the City is making headway and Market street is rapidly building up westwardly in response to that movement.

Again, the vigor shown recently by the Southside Improvement clubs indicates that an awakening has occurred which will modify the entire character of the City. West of Fifth street the business section of the south side is on high, dry, well-drained ground. Sixth street itself is one of the most flourishing retail streets in town, and is already in the enjoyment of a large trade from the north side of Market street.

Taken all together, the reasons for the selection of the Howard-street site for a grand opera house seem to be highly judicious. The most enterprising residents of that section may congratulate themselves on the fact that their own determination to make that part of the City what it ought to be has undoubtedly been an important factor in the selection of this site for the one grand opera house that the City will be able to boast.

THE AFRICAN MINING CRAZE.

In the interview published in THE CALL of yesterday Chauncey Depew confirms the extraordinary story of the excitement in London and Paris over the gold mines of South Africa. He says upon the authority of one of the best informed bankers in Europe that in the past year about a hundred men have pocketed in cash upward of \$900,000,000 by the sale of stocks or shares of South African mining companies.

Such operations as these can of course have but one termination. There will be a collapse of the South African boom and thousands of sanguine speculators will be ruined. In the meantime mines in California that would yield rich profits will lie unexploited for lack of capital unless we can in some way direct this enthusiasm for mining to our own mountains. This would seem to be a good time, therefore, to push our mining industries and interests to the front as much as possible. Certainly if one-tenth the money that has been expended in the African mines had been used in developing a system of deep mining by scientific process in California, the results would have been incalculably beneficial and might have gone far toward restoring the historic ratio of the value of gold and silver.

A BRITISH VIEW.

So much news concerning the financial operations of the Cleveland administration has come to us by way of England that no little interest has been occasioned by the recent statement of the London Financial News that there will be no new loan. The News says: "The reasons are political. Mr. Cleveland knows that one of the first acts of the new Congress will be a motion for the impeachment of his Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Carlisle."

While this information is not more accurate than that usually given by the British press concerning American affairs it has the justification that it is true and there are nevertheless several reasons why it ought to be true. Neither Carlisle nor Cleveland is going to be impeached for the secret deal with a syndicate of bankers by which the syndicate was so much enriched at the expense of the people of the United States, but they will escape impeachment only because the game is not worth the candle. The action certainly merits about the severest judgment that Congress can put upon it and to that extent the British authority is correct. There will be no new loan from the syndicate at any rate and the reasons are certainly political.

The San Joaquin Valley Fair, which is open this week, promises to be the greatest in the history of the association, and there are many reasons why the promise should be amply fulfilled, for never before has the valley had such fair prospects open to it or felt the thrill of so much enterprise among its people.

The proposed ordinance which the Civic Federation has drawn for the purpose of more effectively suppressing lotteries seems to fulfill all the requirements of the case, and at any rate is so much better than the present one that the Supervisors should adopt it without a dissenting voice.

The agitation now going on in favor of a short Presidential campaign next year is not likely to have much effect. It takes a long time to get the machinery for a National election in order, and neither party is going to permit the other to get into the field much ahead of it.

As the Spanish Government has bought a supply of arms in England for the use of her troops in Cuba, it might be worth while for America to furnish arms to the Cubans and thus have another international contest.

The latest sanitary shiver has been caused by the discovery of bad bacteria in vaccine points used in Chicago.

MENU FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 18.

BREAKFAST: Fruit, Fried Corn Mush, Coffee, LUNCHEON: Smothered Beef, Corn Pudding, Brown Bread, Coffee, DINNER: Oxtail Soup, Green Beans, Braised Tomatoes, Boiled Rice, Apple Sauce, Salad of Lettuce, Beans, Waifers, Coffee. —Household News.

A BRIGHT REPORTER'S SUCCESSFUL DETECTIVE WORK.

A SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE CORRESPONDENT SECURES A MURDER INDICTMENT FOR THE MAN WHO SUED HIS PAPER FOR LIBEL.

Dr. Joseph C. Hearne started out with a libel suit for \$100,000 against the San Francisco Chronicle. He finished by being indicted for murder of December 22, 1888. For several years after the crime was committed public interest in it remained unabated, but during the last three or four years the matter has died down, and had no other factor stirred up the case again by his libel suit, says the New York Fourth Estate, it does not appear likely that any further attempts would have been made to find the murderers.

The story of the crime and the subsequent murder of Dr. Hearne is an old story, and has been printed many times. Mrs. Hearne had been the widow of the murdered man. She had been married to him in 1880, and the tragedy, and, at the time the libel suit was brought, the couple were living in San Diego, Cal.

Shortly time before the suit was filed they had been divorced. They were subsequently remarried, the law not allowing married people to testify against one another. The divorce proceedings had been carried on secretly, but the San Francisco Chronicle correspondent in San Diego heard of the matter and wrote an article for his paper, giving the facts, together with a brief outline of the Hannibal murder.

It became necessary for the San Francisco paper to discontinue publishing articles for years connecting Dr. and Mrs. Hearne to a greater or less extent with the crime, and the couple had not brought any suit for libel. It was necessary for the San Francisco paper to discontinue publishing articles for years connecting Dr. and Mrs. Hearne to a greater or less extent with the crime, and the couple had not brought any suit for libel.

PERSONAL.

C. J. Lang of the navy is at the Occidental. Dr. E. C. Hennessy of Napa is at the Grand. J. J. McDonald, a merchant of Boca, is at the Grand.

Silas Carle, a contractor of Sacramento, is at the Grand. Dr. A. Ruggles of Stockton is a guest at the Grand.

M. D. Eaton, a merchant of Stockton, is staying at the Lick. L. P. Sage of Congress Springs and Mrs. Sage are at the Lick.

T. W. Harvey, a merchant of Shingle Springs, is at the Grand. J. E. McKinnon of the Enterprise of Virginia City is at the Russ.

W. B. Keyser, a merchant of Carson, Nev., is staying at the Russ. Sheriff Brown and Deputy Hutchings of Eureka are at the Russ.

Dr. W. F. Ward of Sacramento registered at the Grand yesterday. Charles Grimes, a merchant of Nevada City, is a guest at the Lick.

J. H. McKinnon, editor of the Virginia City Enterprise, is at the Russ. W. D. Keyser, a prominent business man of Carson, is at the Russ.

Dr. C. B. Bart of Fortuna was one of yesterday's arrivals at the Grand. E. A. Stent, a mining man of Tuolumne County, is at the California.

Miss Kate McGill of Nainaimo was one of yesterday's arrivals at the Russ. H. N. Macey, a mining man of Placerville, and his wife, are at the Lick.

H. B. Hastings, a Deputy Sheriff of Eureka, Humboldt County, is at the Russ. R. C. McCreary, a leading flour-miller of Sacramento, is staying at the Grand.

A. D. Laughlin, an attorney of Santa Rosa, registered at the Russ yesterday. Fish Commissioner Harry F. Emeric registered at the Occidental yesterday.

A. W. Simpson, a big lumberman of Stockton, and his wife, are at the Occidental. E. F. Quailrough of the navy was one of yesterday's arrivals at the California.

L. L. Delano, a leading countryman of Rocklin, registered at the Lick yesterday. E. B. Willis of the Sacramento Record-Union came down yesterday and registered at the Russ.

CALIFORNIANS IN NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Sept. 16.—Californians at the hotels today: San Francisco—C. Spreckels, H. B. Hastings, P. S. Bradley, St. Clair; Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Buckingham; Grand; Mr. and Mrs. J. Foscher, H. Hallett, Broadway Central; W. F. Good Jr., M. I. Cohn, Imperial; E. E. Lake, Mr. and Mrs. C. Lincoln, Mr. and Mrs. M. McHenry, Mr. and Mrs. E. Mohrig, Grand Union; P. S. Bradley, E. Lake, B. B. Bowers, Murray Hill; Mr. McLaughlin, St. Clair; Mr. and Mrs. H. Payot, Holland; H. Powsky, Stewart; J. Sladky, Cosmopolitan. San Jose—Miss L. G. Ross, Murray Hill. Oakland—B. B. Banning, St. Cloud; W. M. Darling, Astor. Los Angeles—Miss Gouge, Grand Union; Mrs. F. S. Denis; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Davies, Windsor.

ALFONSIANS IN WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 16.—E. J. Tobin, Sherman Tobin, T. A. Driscoll, San Francisco, are registered at the Riggs House; Mr. and Mrs. A. Van Voorhees and R. H. Van Voorhees, Sacramento, at the Arlington Hotel; C. Kirby, San Francisco, United States House; S. M. Stewart, San Francisco, National Hotel.

A PLEASING CONTRAST.

It is a pleasure to call attention to the manner in which the work is being done at the southwest corner of Market and Third streets. The old building on the lot, which is to be succeeded by the Spreckels marble tower (the "diamond" of the San Francisco CALL), has been torn down, and a new building is under way, and the public annoyance, there has been no obstruction of traffic, it will be observed.

The ordinances as to fences and sidewalks have been neatly compiled with, and yet the contractor has done his work as neatly and apparently as easily as if they had taken half the street for it. No doubt the new building will be erected in an equally businesslike and respectable way.

The operations at Market and Third streets are the most interesting of the city's operations, inasmuch as they are the only ones that are mentioned in the case of which the contractors have paid no attention to the rights of the public or to the ordinances. But in no case have they been interfered with.—San Francisco Daily Report.

DAVE FERRY STOCKHOLDERS.

To the Editor of the San Francisco Call:—Sir: I notice in your issue of the 15th inst. a notice headed "An Amusing Discourse" based upon what you assert was the disclosure of a secret, viz.: the names of the stockholders of the Dave Ferry and Transportation Company. The facts are that over a year ago this name of McGovern was mentioned in the name of Joseph E. Shain. When Shain's name was mentioned, and commenced in the name of McGovern, it was a secret, and McGovern was given the stock book, and copied the names for the purpose of bringing his suit.

The subscribers to the Dave Ferry stock consider it a "roll of honor" and that they were the first people to subscribe to the enterprise, a staggering blow. Among other practical results was the reduction of fare between Oakland, Alameda, and Berkeley which obtains to-day, damaging to the interests of hundreds of thousands of dollars and to that extent benefiting the people. It did more than the costly Railroad Commission has done since its inception, for it gave the Octopus a stroke blow between the eyes. The stockholders of the Dave Ferry are proud of their names, and are proud of their courage and manhood.

Oakland, Sept. 16, 1895. BEN MORGAN.

THE CALL INDORSED.

The dattles, with the exception of THE CALL, are vying with each other in their efforts not to permit a single word spoken at the Durrant trial to escape. THE CALL is pursuing a course which is approved of by all intelligent readers. It does not care for a page of minute details, nor does it welcome a criminal court record to our homes. Let such details be published in a court journal, that those who desire such detailed information may get it. It should not be blazoned forth from the front pages of our home papers.—San Francisco Mission Mail.

IDEAS OF WESTERN EDITORS.

The farmer who has been kicking over the low prices he has been paid for his hay this year will be surprised to know that upward of \$20,000,000 worth has been imported from Canada and other adjoining countries since the Gorman bill passed, and the same is true, although to a smaller extent, in regard to wool. They all come in free of duty now, and the demand for the home product has fallen off. The imported material could be made more conveniently reached. How many of our farmers in the face of such facts as these can vote a free-trade tariff? The new year has been something of a revelation to many of the old-time Democrats, and they are now ready to listen to reason.—Stockton Record.

Education and moral training as well as charity should begin at home, and the foreign missionaries who expend so much money and go through so many hardships to reach the heathen and Christian ideas and sentiments into the minds and hearts of the heathen in foreign lands could accomplish infinitely more good if they were to devote their energies to the strata of society in the large cities of our own country. The money would relieve much distress among the poor, and the work of the world's best teachers of Christianity will find here a broad field of labor in which they can accomplish more appreciable results.—Grass Valley Union.

Yachtsmen in the East are commenting on the toughness of the Defender's topmast, which was able to stand the strain of a thirty-mile race after it had been injured by a collision. This "Oregon pine" from Puget Sound beats the western yachtsmen in Washington, then, and not until then, should Miss Wash talk to the Defender's mast not being Oregon pine. Oregon wood is not so good as the Defender's cut on the shores of the Tacoma Ocean, on Mount Seattle or in Oregon.—Salem (Or.) Statesman.

Sir John Schulz, who has been appointed the Canadian member of the Alaskan boundary commission, is an old Alaskan, and may be taken to understand the business given him in charge about as well as any one who can be suggested. In making choice of the American commissioner the President should have had the judgment as the Canadian authorities have displayed and select a man who has a practical knowledge of new and little known regions.—Seattle (Wash.) Times.

The San Francisco Chronicle, in describing the electrical display at Sacramento, continues to refer to the electrical line from Folsom to Sacramento as the first long-distance line in the State. This is not so, as the electric power line from San Antonio Canyon to Folsom, which is nearly 100 miles long, has been in operation for several years, and the Redlands line has also been working for some time.—Los Angeles Times.

One of the unpleasant results of the Durrant trial is the dragging into California of the names of young ladies who have had nothing whatever to do with the case. The emphatic denial Miss Ida M. Clayton had given to some connecting her name with the case, and the fact that she only exists in the imagination of gossip mongers, was confidently expected by all who knew the young lady.—San Francisco Bulletin.

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HAS MADE FRIENDS.

It is pondering to a most depraved taste to reprint and dwell upon the nauseous details of the Durrant case as are brought out in the trial now going on in San Francisco. If the papers had not been told and re-told with all its disgusting details there would be an excuse in printing the news, but since all who read the papers have once vaded through all the testimony that is now being brought out, it is certainly unnecessary for the larger papers to give a verbatim report of the trial.

Oh, long may you live, and we're all a singin' now. "The star-spangled banner, Oh, long may you live, O'er the land of the free, And the home of the brave." Here's one that comes from Texas; another nails his colors to the mast. Another writes it "Illinois," but battlefield's his brain. And there you see "old Georgia," with the sunlight on her brow. For "the cruel war is over," and they sing together now.

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REUNION.

They're havin' big reunions from the mountains to the sea.—The boys who marched with Sherman and the lads who fought at Gettysburg are meetin' again. An' the war is 'n clover, like we've never had a row. "The war is over," and we're all a singin' now.

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PEOPLE TALKED ABOUT.

Sisaburi Mikonbat, the Japanese who saved the life of the Czarowitz of Russia when in Japan in 1891, was declared exempt from service during the late war by the Mikado.

Mrs. Julia L. Decamp, who died at Lyons Falls, N. Y., last week, was the owner of a whole township in the Empire State. It is known as Township Seven and is in Herkimer County.

Two French Deputies have united in introducing a bill to punish the voter who refuses to vote at elections. For the first offense he is to be posted and for the second he is to be disfranchised, thus making "the punishment fit the crime."

In Mr. Passmore, the publisher, one of the most notable men associated with Mr. Spurgeon has passed away. He was a prominent member of the Tabernacle, and it was he who suggested the weekly issue of Mr. Spurgeon's sermons, which proved such a success.

A marriage of interest to the entire world is that of Count Savorgnan de Brazza, the Congo explorer. He will marry Mile. de Chambrun this autumn and will, with his bride, rejoin his post on the Congo. Mile. de Chambrun is well known as famous for the love of painting and music.

The Prince of Naples, heir to the throne of Italy, who has made more than one round of the European courts in search of a wife, is a dark-eyed, slim-built, profoundly fragile-looking youth of five-and-twenty, with just a faint sprinkling of down on his upper lip. He wears a single wig and dresses otherwise after the fashion of the average English duke; yet withal he is quite clever, being an accomplished linguist; and, because of his extraordinarily retentive memory, he is looked upon as a sort of royal encyclopaedia. In manner he is exceedingly gracious. He has the demeanor of a mature man of the world, and the enthusiasm and freshness of a boy. He is deeply devoted to his clever and charming mother. He sends her two long telegrams every day when he is away from her, and he also writes to her each week, giving a full account of his day's doings.

The Sultan of Turkey has only four legal wives. He has, however, 300 others. Six thousand persons are fed daily at the palace; twenty men are kept constantly buying fish for the palace, and forty others have to carry in the fish that are bought. Ten tons of fish a week are eaten, and nearly nine tons of bread a day, one ton of rice and 600 pounds of sugar. The food of the Sultan is cooked by one man and his aids, and no others touch it. It is cooked in silver vessels, and when done each kettle is sealed by the Sultan. The Sultan and this is broken in the presence of his Majesty by the High Chamberlain, who takes one spoonful of each separate kettle before the Sultan tastes it. This is to guard against poison. The Sultan's table is always served up in the same vessel in which it is cooked, and the vessels are often of gold; but, when of baser metal, the kettle is set into a rich golden bell-shaped holder, which is held by a silver while the Sultan tastes it. The Sultan uses a silver knife and takes all his food from the little kettles, and never uses a table and rarely a knife and fork.

PROBABILITIES.

There are no certainties in prospective politics. A Republican clean sweep in all the States outside of the Gulf tier holding elections this year is probable, however.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

SUPPOSED TO BE HUMOROUS.

Cleff—"Tell me your daughter Julia is quite a singer. Has she a good voice?" Is her method.—Boston Transcript.

The young man had asked for a horse that was gentle and safe. As he drove out of the stable the liverman said, "The spring on the right side of the buggy is the stronger." And the young man blushed until his ears looked like a sunset in a chromo.—Truth.

Flowers Fields—Kind lady, end yer help an honest man dat's got a sick wife and ten small children starvin' ter death? Mrs. Goodman—Why are they starving? Can't you get yer work? Flowers Fields—Tain't dat, mum. Terday's deir regular starvin' day; termorro I'll hev 'em down wid de messies, and next day I'll hev 'em dead an' no money ter bury 'em. I gives my customers variety, mum.—Judge.

Next-door Neighbor—My new organ has twenty stops. The Sufferer—Why don't you try one in a while?—Syracuse Post.