WOMAN'S EXCHANGE IDEA.

The Society Event of the Week at Pioneer Hall This Evening.

UNIVERSITY CLUB LADIES' DAY.

The Entre Nous Cotillon To-Morrow at the Palace—The Baer Confirmation.

The ladies of the Woman's Exchange have been busy decorating Pioneer Hall for the ball they are to give this evening. This will be the society event of the week. A large number of ladies prominent in society are taking an active interest in the success of the affair.

The members of the University Club will throw open their entire clubhouse for inspection by the ladies of their families and those having cards to the ladies' restaurant on Saturday, from noon until midnight. The improvements of the clubhouse are all finished, and the ladies' restaurant will be reopened to-morrow at noon.

The members of the Entre Nous Cotillon will open their sixth season to-morrow evening with an assembly and german at the Palace Hotel.

The engagement is announced of Miss Martha Shey to Henry Jacoby. The wedding will take place Sunday, November 10, at the residence of Mrs. Amelia Isaac, 546 Jessie street.

The nuptials of Miss Kathryn Emily Shaw, daughter of W. A. Shaw of 2721 Jackson street, and Thomas Grant Eggert, connected with the Spreckels company, were celebrated at noon on Monday at the First United Presbyterian Church. The wedding was a quiet affair, only the relatives and intimate friends being present. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. M. M. Gibson. Miss Bertha M. Shaw was the maid of honor, Miss Mamie H. Smith of Oakland the bridesmaid, and Robert Atkins acted as best man. Mr. and Mrs. Eggert left on the afternoon train for the south. On their return they will go to housekeeping at 928 Pine street, where they will hold a reception on November 12.

One of the prettiest weddings of this season took place last Wednesday evening in Golden Gate Hall, when Miss Hermine Heckmann and George A. Hinkelbein were united in the bonds of matrimony. The bride is the daughter of H. Heckmann of the firm of H. Heckmann & Co., and the groom is a well-known manufacturer.

At 9 o'clock the bridal procession was formed, and to the strains of the bridal chorus from "Lohengrin" entered the parlor of the hall, where the ceremony was to take place. First came the ushers, Richard Wagner and S. Joseph Thiesen, followed by the two bridesmaids, Miss Elise Hanson of Belmont and Miss Emma Cordes, escorted by the two best men, R. Boettcher and H. Kohler. The bride followed, leaning upon the arm of her father, and then the groom, escorting his bride's mother. Last came the numerous relatives of the bride and groom. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Henry Gehrcke. After the usual congratulations the guests repaired to the banquet hall, where covers were laid for 115, and the following two hours were spent at a sumptuous wedding supper. Calls for toasts were very feelingly responded to by Professor Witter, H. J. Sadler and Mr. Diefenbach in the German language, the guests joining with a will in their call for the singing of "Hoch Sollen Sie Leben." S. Joseph Thiesen, Mr. Kohler, Mr. Schwerin, G. A. Bernd, Mrs. Jurgensen, Mrs. Professor Witter, Mrs. Wallman and others also made remarks. The rest of the evening was spent in dancing.

The happy couple left last Thursday on their wedding trip and are now making a tour of the southern part of the State.

A pretty wedding took place in Rio Vista at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Offerman, last Thursday, when Miss Annie Offerman and Ernest C. Williams, engineer of the steamer Modoc, were united in marriage. The house was tastefully decorated with flowers and evergreens. The ceremony was performed by Rev. E. G. Merrill, under a large umbrella of white crysanthemums. A large number of guests afterward sat down to the wedding feast. The gifts were costly and numerous. The happy couple left for their future home in San Francisco amid a shower of rice.

On Saturday, at the congregation of Beth Menachim Streisand, Charles Baer, son of Isaac Baer, proprietor of the Commercial Traveler, also the president of the congregation, was confirmed, Rev. S. Goldstein officiating. After the ceremony the lad delivered an appropriate address, which was listened to with much interest.

Sunday afternoon and evening Mr. and Mrs. Baer gave a reception and party at their residence, 617 Haight street, at which, among the many friends present, were Mr. and Mrs. Kornfield and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. Simon and family, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brock, Mr. and Mrs. J. Brock, Mr. and Mrs. S. Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. Marks, Mr. and Mrs. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Solomon and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. Glassman, Mr. and Mrs. J. Novenski, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Glassman, Mr. and Mrs. R. Bremler, Mr. and Miss L. London, D. Cohn and daughter, Mrs. Bertha Solomon, Martin S. Meyer, Jake Meyer, Sam Solomon, Abe Solomon, J. Simon Jr., Miss Simon, Rev. S. Goldstein, Mr. Schensen, Mr. Zukerman, Mr. Ecksebrath, Rica Simon, A. Bremler, Mr. and Mrs. N. Salomon, Mrs. Cohn and others.

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon the guests were received by Mr., Mrs. and Miss Baer, and toward evening the entire party were escorted to the dining-room where a splendid repast was in waiting. The house was tastefully decorated for the occasion. After dinner many speeches were delivered, but the most interesting part of the programme was introduced when J. Simon retired for a few moments, and upon his return, Mr. Baer, as president of Beth Menachim Streisand, was tendered a beautifully engrossed resolution, framed appropriately, in recognition of his faithful services in the important office which he holds.

The officers of the congregation who were present each signified as to his worth, and Trustee D. Cohn, who made the presentation, spoke kindly of Mr. Baer and his amiable family, and that the occasion of his son's confirmation was a fitting time to show him the high esteem in which he is held by his fellow-members. Mr. Baer was completely taken by surprise, and for a time he was unable to reply. He, however, thanked them all for the honor conferred upon him, and in a few well-chosen remarks stated that he at all times endeavored to do his duty impartially and in the best interests of the congregation.

The son of Jacob Levy will be barmitzva Saturday, November 10, at 10 A. M., at the Geary-street Temple.

Assistant United States Attorney Samuel Knight and wife (nee Holbrook), have returned from their wedding tour in Mexico, and are occupying their residence at 2106 Van Ness avenue.

Mrs. Joseph B. Crockett and Miss Crockett will sail from Liverpool next Friday for San Francisco.

Mrs. George H. Sanderson has returned to this City from a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Sanderson of Los Angeles.

Dr. E. S. Breyfogle, now sojourning in New York, will sail with Mrs. Breyfogle for Europe in the Teutonic December 4.

The United States Surveyor-General and Mrs. Green are domiciled for the winter at Mrs. Campbell's, 808 Van Ness avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Levitsky will be at home on the second Sundays of each month at 924c Fulton street.

Mrs. Dr. G. Schiff will receive on the second and fourth Thursdays at her residence, 1820 Pine street.

Miss Anna Ayers of 1020 Post street has returned from the East.

Mrs. E. B. Carter, Mrs. Alma E. Keith and Miss Jet Keith will be at home on the first and third Tuesday evenings of each month at 2624 California street.

A pleasant dinner party was given by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Trainer last Saturday at 1827 Market street, followed by music and dancing. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Trainer, Miss Edna Trainer, Mr. and Mrs. B. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Grant, Mr. and Mrs. John McMenomy and Miss Emma Norton.

Mrs. L. Lobree of Covelo, Mendocino County, was honored with a birthday party last Sunday at the residence of her sister, Mrs. T. Salomon. The spacious parlors were beautifully decorated and an elaborate dinner was served. Several elegant gifts were received, and altogether it was an enjoyable affair.

A pleasant surprise party was given to Miss Carrie Bleily at the residence of her parents, 206 Clement street, last Friday evening, the anniversary of her birthday. The evening was spent with dancing and games, vocal and instrumental music, followed by a supper at midnight.

Among those present were: The Misses Bessie and Sarah Baker, Miss Lucy Hawthorne, Miss Becky M. Graw, Miss Ella Reed, Miss Annie Clyne, Miss Maggie Boyle, Miss Mattie Hook, Miss Maude McGuire, Miss Alice Guthrie, Miss Ella Forsyth, Miss Gussie Petrie, Miss Florence Townsend, Misses Mamie and Alice Conor, Miss Daisy Upham, Misses Evelyn and Carrie Bleily, Mrs. Mosgrove, Mrs. Townsend, Mrs. Eular, Mrs. Conor, Mr. and Mrs. Hawthorne, Mrs. Daymore, Mr. and Mrs. Upham, Mrs. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bleily, Messrs. A. Bleily, W. Baker, W. Lewis, G. Townsend, J. Boyle, B. Clyne, T. Clyne, E. Smith, L. Parker, F. Guthrie, M. Hawthorne, W. Eular, H. Eular and W. Upham.

The twenty-first regular meeting of the Whist Club took place at D. A. Williams' residence, 142 Fulton street, last Friday. The best scores were made by Albion Perley and Miss Anna Munnier. The following were present: Messrs. J. Anderson, William Barr, Sigismond Blumann, J. S. Bradley, J. Crawford, J. C. Hallack, Dr. A. A. Darby, Dr. A. A. Gilmour, Arthur W. Jones, Albion Perley, William Roland, Philip Rowe, I. Thompson, D. A. Williams, Ed Vogel; Misses E. Allen, Ellie Bradley, Mary Healey, Elizabeth Healey, Annie Jones, Lizzie Jones, Anna Munier, Mamie Williams; Mesdames Julia Perry, D. W. Williams.

The Xavier Literary Club gave a membership night last Wednesday evening in Alcazar building. The affair was under the supervision of the ladies of the club, who were assisted by Frank E. Mahoney as presiding officer, and after a few appropriate remarks introduced the programme of the evening, which was as follows: Overture, Miss Attridges; song, Miss Laura Miller; song, Miss Grace O'Brien; Bellamy whirligig by eight of the lady members; song, Charles McGirley; recitation, Miss McDonogh; cornet solo, James O'Connor; song, Miss Agnes O'Brien; recitation, James Gaffeney; song, Eugene Lacy; piano duet, the Misses Roche; "The Star Spangled Banner," by the Xavier Choral, directed by Miss Agnes O'Brien.

An hour was spent in dancing after which the guests sat down to supper, at which Joseph P. Hayes acted as toastmaster. Toasts were responded to by the following: Frank E. Mahoney, Miss McDonogh, E. Lacey, Mr. Gaffney, Miss Gibbons, Miss Agnes O'Brien, James O'Connor, Miss Devine and Fred Salter.

Last Saturday evening the employes of the Columbian Woolen Mills gave an informal dance, for which purpose a large portion of the factory was cleared and elaborately decorated with lanterns and flowers. At midnight the gay revelers partook of an excellent supper, after which dancing was resumed. There were present about 200 of the employes.

San Francisco Fusilliers, Battery C, Second Regiment Artillery, will give their twenty-fourth anniversary ball at California Hall, Friday evening, November 8.

Sherwood Circle No. 129, C. O. F., will give its third anniversary ball at California Hall, 630 Bush street, November 2.

The Golden Gates will give a '49 dance at their seventh party, on Thursday evening, November 7, at California Hall.

FOUR RECORDS BROKEN.

Thomas Carroll, the Caledonian Athlete, and His Hammers.

He Made New Marks for All Weights. Edgren Does Some Clever Work.

There were some record-breaking hammer-throwers at Central Park yesterday, and they broke some well-established records apparently with ease. Thomas Carroll, the Caledonian athlete, was the principal figure of the group which gathered around a semi-circular hole in the ground and witnessed the record-breaking. Before the day was over he had four world's records to his credit, according to the judges of the affair.

Thomas Carroll, Who Has Made Four New Hammer Records.

Carroll threw the eight, twelve, sixteen and twenty-one pound hammers against the record for each, and every time he came out victorious. Robert Edgren, the Berkeley University athlete, threw with him, not in contest, but as a matter of comparison, and he, too, broke records, although none can be allowed him, as he is an amateur.

Carroll's first attempt was with the eight-pound hammer. The record was for a single-hand throw without a turn, 210 feet 3 inches. His first throw was 200 feet 11 inches and his second 212 feet, beating the record by 21 inches. Edgren threw against the amateur record of 160 feet and made 170 feet 7 inches, 171 feet 2 inches, 176 feet 4½ inches and 178 feet ½ inch.

With the 12-pound hammer, against a record of 164 feet 2 inches, for a single-hand throw, Carroll made 155 feet 10 inches, 163 feet 6½ inches, 158 feet and 165 feet 5¾ inches. Edgren beat the amateur mark of 124 feet by an even 10 feet.

The record for the 16-pounder was equally frail in Carroll's hand. It was 123 feet 6¾ inches with one hand and a turn. Carroll, with one hand and without a turn, made first 129 feet 11 inches and then 132 feet 3¾ inches. Edgren made 112 feet 9 inches against the amateur record of 115 feet.

With the 21-pound hammer Carroll made 90 feet 5 inches against the record of 90 feet 3 inches.

All the records broken were made with one hand, and, with the two heavier weights, with a turn. Carroll made his marks all standing and with one hand. He stood on the edge of the semi-circular hole, and swinging the hammer deep into it he would, after three or four whirls, launch it out over the field at just the proper angle. Only twice did he make a fluke. Once he struck the side of the hole, and in his last throw the wire handle parted with the force of the last whirl, and while he held the iron ring still in his hand the leaden hammer-head flew off over the grass nearly as far as his previous throw.

The judges of the throws were D. R. McNeil and James Duncan, of the Caledonian Club, and John Elliott of the Olympic Club.

Grangers' Bank Suing for Grain.

The Grangers' Bank of California has brought suit against T. L. Reed, William Chamberlain and others to recover the value of a quantity of grain which the bank alleges belongs to it, but which the defendants hold and refuse to deliver, namely: 3100 sacks of wheat, valued at $3410; 3787 sacks of whole barley, valued at $1893 50; 2500 sacks of crushed barley, valued at $1000. The grain is held on Reed's Minturn ranch, near Minturn, Madera County.

A Chinese Murder.

The trial of Look Won for the murder of Yee Doo Foo in the early morning of June 24, in Cum Cook alley, Chinatown, was begun before Judge Bahrs yesterday morning. The murder was the outcome of the factional rows in Chinatown and is said to have been unprovoked.

Look Won is without means and his prosecution is being pushed sharply by the friends of the murdered man. Won claims to be the victim of a conspiracy.

A Big Regular Army.

The mightiest host of this sort is the army of invalids whose bowels, livers and stomachs have been regulated by Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. A regular habit of body is brought about through using the Bitters, not by violently agitating and griping the intestines, but by reinforcing their energy and causing a flow of the bile into its proper channel. Malaria, la grippe, dyspepsia and a tendency to inactivity of the kidneys are conquered by the Bitters.

MILLER WOULD NOT SIGN.

He Hesitated About Distributing the Miller & Lux Property.

INVESTMENTS AND ANIMALS.

Some Interesting Figures of the Assets of the Millionaire Livestock Firm.

Judge Buck's court at Redwood City was again the scene of interesting proceedings yesterday in the Jesse Potter removal suit.

Henry Miller was asked to take the stand. Mr. Miller immediately addressed the court, but was interrupted for a moment by Mr. Delmas, who said that before proceedings commenced he was led to refer to the agreement for the distribution of the Miller & Lux partnership property that he had promised to present to the witness for his approval. He had found it impossible in the limited time at his disposal to prepare so important a document, but he believed that it would be ready and presented in court Thursday morning.

Mr. Miller addressed the court and said that when he was interrupted by Mr. Delmas it was his intention to ask for that agreement.

The matter was put aside temporarily, but was brought up again before the noon recess, when Mr. Pillsbury of counsel for the Potter-Miller interests asked if it would be possible for Mr. Delmas to furnish that agreement by evening, so that Mr. Miller could see it and be permitted to go as soon as possible to his various pressing business affairs. He also referred to Mr. Herrin's attendance in court, saying that he had come from San Francisco on purpose to see the agreement.

Mr. Delmas could only promise that he would try to have it in court Thursday morning, and called the attention of the court to the difficulty of drafting such a paper in so short a time, concerning, as it does, an estate worth from forty to fifty million dollars.

Immediately after the noon recess Mr. Delmas continued the examination of Mr. Miller, prefacing it by saying: "Mr. Miller, you testified this morning that you were requested to ask for the agreement that I referred to. Since you are so anxious about it I will hand it to you now," and he handed the witness the agreement, in which the following ideas were embodied:

Henry Miller of the first part and the executors of the will of Miranda W. Lux, deceased, the special administrator of the estate of Charles Lux, deceased, and all the next of kin of said Charles Lux of the second part, agree that the party of the first part shall appoint one commissioner, the other parties shall appoint a second and said two commissioners shall appoint a third, and in case of their failure for thirty days to so appoint, the third commissioner shall be appointed by the Judge of the Superior Court, in which the action hereinafter mentioned is pending. The three commissioners shall proceed at once to divide all the property and assets of every nature of the firm of Miller & Lux, beginning with the cash on hand, bills and notes receivable and similar assets, and shall allot and award one-half of all said property and assets to the party of the first part, and one-half to the other parties hereto.

With each subdivision of land the Commissioners shall allot a proportionate share of livestock, farming implements, machinery, etc. The Commissioners shall report each subdivision of land made by them as soon as divided, without waiting to make other divisions, and an opportunity shall be given to the parties to bid for choice between the respective subdivisions, following the same rules as to notice of action on each report and the bidding for choice of subdivisions pursued on October 9, 1895, as to lands lately divided by Commissioners. That until the full completion of the labors and duties of the Commissioners, all profits and moneys realized by Henry Miller as surviving partner of the firm of Miller & Lux shall be divided monthly on the first day of each month between the parties hereto. That the accounting suit now pending in the Superior Court of the City and County of San Francisco against Henry Miller, numbered 37,133, shall proceed no further and upon the completion of the labors of said Commissioners shall be dismissed. That all agreements, conveyances and documents shall be made and all proper measures and proceedings shall be taken which shall be necessary to carry out this agreement according to the true meaning and spirit thereof, to fully effect and accomplish the purpose intended.

Mr. Miller read the agreement and Mr. Delmas asked: "Now, Mr. Miller, you testified that you were willing to sign an agreement to divide the Miller & Lux property. Will you sign it—will you sign it now?"

Mr. Miller—I am not prepared to sign it now; I will show it to my attorneys.

Mr. Miller testified to having been cautioned by his attorneys, soon after the death of Charles Lux, to be careful about making investments or unusual transactions on firm account in order to extend its business.

During the day Mr. Delmas drew from the witness, piecemeal, the following information:

He bought San Joaquin and Kings River Canal and Irrigation Company stock to the extent of $40,500 on personal account.

He bought two sections of land from the San Joaquin and Kings River Irrigation Company for $60,000 on firm account.

He advanced money to the German heirs and other heirs, but took their notes for corresponding amounts.

He made the Oregon purchase of 50,000 acres of land, paying for it $450,000.

He stated the amount of live stock now owned by the firm was: of horned cattle, about 150,000 head; sheep, 125,000 head; hogs, 10,000 to 15,000 head; horses, 5000 head—all these figures representing a very large increase over the amount owned at the time of Charles Lux's death.

Reference was made to the Cannan note, claimed by Mr. Delmas to be an old and worthless note for $3000, on which $1000 had been paid, and the balance charged up to Charles Lux's account after he died.

Any hard questions raised by Mr. Delmas were met and explained away, however, by the witness in his own peculiar manner and in a way satisfactory to himself.

Mr. Miller was once very severely handled by Judge Buck, and compelled to give direct evidence to the questions put, but he worried through it.

His examination will be resumed to-morrow, as Mr. Delmas says he cannot grant Mr. Miller's request to be excused at present.

ART JURORS.

List of the Names From Which They Will Be Selected.

There was a meeting of the artist members of the Art Association yesterday to nominate fifteen of their number, from whom are to be selected nine to act as jurors and pass on the pictures to be hung for the exhibition, which is to open on the 14th of November at the Art Association rooms, corner Mason and California streets. The names selected are as follows:

Arthur F. Mathews, Emile M. Pisses, Alice B. Chittenden, A. Jouilin, John A. Stanton, J. M. Gamble, William Keith, C. D. Robinson, Douglas Tilden, Eva McCormick, Miss E. Withrow, L. P. Latimer, R. D. Galland, Christian Jorgensen, Ernest Piexotto.

This committee of fifteen will be sent ballots by Secretary J. R. Martin and they will thereon designate the nine of their own number whom they desire to vote for. The nine artists receiving the highest number of votes will constitute the jurors who will pass upon the pictures for the exhibition. The vote will be canvassed on the 9th.

Pictures must be in by the 9th. There will be contributions by at least 60 artists, and as each will be allowed to show two canvasses there promises to be a numerous and fine display. There will also be on view a number of the best paintings in the galleries of the local collectors. Music and refreshments will aid to make the receptions enjoyable.

CONTINUANCE GRANTED.

The Railroad's Case Against the Commission Goes On on November 18.

Attorney-General Fitzgerald asked and obtained from Judge McKenna in the United States Circuit Court yesterday a continuance of the case of the Southern Pacific Company against the Railroad Commission from November 11 to November 18.

Attorney Hayne, who has been appointed special counsel to assist the Attorney-General, is still engaged in the Garcelon case and wishes time to prepare, as does W. W. Foote, the other special counsel.

The attorneys for the railroad made no objection to the change.

THE VENDETTA LEAGUE.

Preliminary Examination of S. A. McLean Fixed for Next Tuesday.

The Police Are Satisfied He Wrote the Blackmailing Letter to Westover.

S. A. McLean of the "Vendetta League of the United States" appeared in Judge Conlan's court yesterday, to answer to the charge of felony in attempting to extort money from D. L. Westover, secretary of the Sonoma Lumber Company, 319 Pine street. At the request of the defendant's attorneys the case was continued till next Tuesday.

The police believe that there is no "Vendetta League of the United States," and that it only existed in the brain of McLean, who adopted that means of frightening Westover into giving up the $2500 demanded in the bloodcurdling letter sent to Westover.

They place no credence in McLean's statement that he obtained the letter from a man on Saturday, whom he had met several times after his friend Meddaugh left for Guatemala. "If this story were true," said Detective Bohen yesterday, "why didn't he take the letter to Westover himself, as the office was just a block from where he was rooming? It is the same old story, and won't work.

"The letter is not written, but the letters in it are in the old English-lettering style, which shows an attempt to disguise the hand. We have specimens of McLean's handwriting and several of the letters in the sheet sent to Mr. Westover bear a close resemblance to them. But that will be for experts to decide when the case comes up.

"McLean was so hard up that he did not have money to pay the messenger for taking the receipt to Westover on Monday and his landlady had to pay him."

McLean still sticks to his story of getting the letter from the casual acquaintance on Saturday. On being asked why he did not take it to Westover himself when he knew him so well he said the man simply told him to take it to 319 Pine street without mentioning any name, and as he cannot read without his glasses, which he did not have with him, he did not know what name was on the envelope.

Fired at a Boy.

Charles Muller, a laborer, living on Eddy street, between Pierce and Steiner, was arrested on Tuesday afternoon for being drunk. Yesterday morning, William R. Kane, an expressman, who lives opposite Mueller's house, swore out a warrant in Judge Joachimsen's court for Muller's arrest on the charge of assault with a deadly weapon. He alleges that Muller fired a shot at his son Sabin on Tuesday afternoon and narrowly missed him.

CLEARED UP A MYSTERY.

How the Captain and Mate of the Swanhilda Gave Away Coal.

CUSTOMS INSPECTORS' WORK.

Arrested for Violating the Revenue Laws in Not Paying Duty on the Fuel.

After long and patient watching and waiting and many disappointments, Deputy Surveyor Sam Ruddell and Chief Weigher Rhodes, of the Custom-house, yesterday solved a mystery that has been bothering consignees in this port for years past.

The cargoes of coal ships from England and Australia have very often been found to be short 40 to 50 tons in addition to the 2 per cent allowed by law for waste and escape from the hoppers. This condition of affairs has not been so noticeable during the past two years as it was previous to that time, but still has existed to such an extent as to cause a number of complaints to be lodged in the Custom-house by consignees. Apparently no skill on the part of the customs inspectors or detectives hired by the department could unearth the leak until yesterday.

The ship Swanhilda, which recently arrived from Newcastle, N. S. W., with about 2000 tons of coal consigned to Balfour, Guthrie & Co., was being watched as usual and through the peculiar actions of Mate Merkle the secret was discovered. In unloading coal ships, to prevent carters from carrying off loads of the fuel while en route from the ship to the scales, each driver is given as he leaves the hopper a card out of a book, the slips being numbered consecutively. This must be given to the assistant weigher at the scales, who knows at once if a break occurs in the numbers that a load is missing. Without the connivance of the clerk at the hopper no loss in that direction is possible.

The mate and captain of the Swanhilda, by their own statements, violated the revenue laws by the help of the clerk. It was found that when certain carters appeared for loads the clerk did not give them the numbered cards. These drivers were followed, and it was found that they did not go near the scales, but drove their loads off uptown.

Inquiry developed the fact that the omission was made on orders from Mate Merkle, and he was at once arrested on a charge of facilitating the transfer of goods without paying the duty. Captain Fraser, when he heard of the predicament of his subordinate, at once told the Custom-house officials that the loads were sent away without cards by his consent and he was promptly placed under arrest. Both men were taken before United States Commissioner Heacock and released on $100 bonds each. Warrants were issued for the arrest of those for whom the coal in question was intended and they will be arrested to-day.

The officers of the ship claim that they had a right to the coal, as it was a part of the coal allowed the vessel to use on the voyage, and that they were privileged to use any surplus as they pleased.

They say it was given away to friends to whom they were indebted, on the understanding that the custom-house duty should be paid before it was delivered at its destination. They say that they were unaware that the people to whom it was to be delivered had not paid the 40 cents per ton duty.

The customs officials, on the other hand, claim that the sending of the coal from the ship without payment of the tax was not the only issue involved; that the owners of the ship and the consignees, as well as the Government, were defrauded by the transaction.

The freight is paid on the showing of the report of the United States weighers in this port, and the consignees pay their bills by the representations of the same document—the ships being loaded by displacement—so that the owners of the vessel lose the freight on the shortage, and a wrangle between the consignor and the consignee over the amount of coal shipped often occurs.

Though the charge is of course based on the violation of the revenue laws, it is the principle involved, mainly, that led to the watch that finally solved the mystery.

The C. P. R. R. Against W. H. H. Hart.

The C. P. R. R. Co. has sued W. H. H. Hart for money claimed to be due. In 1892 the company contracted to sell to Nelson E. Sager certain lands for the sum of $33,918 60. On February 18, 1893, Sager sold the lands to Hart, the latter agreeing to fulfill Sager's contract to the company, pay the interest, etc., at 6 per cent. The company alleges that he has failed to fulfill the contract, has paid nothing and that $4076 22 is now due.

ALBAN N. TOWNE'S ESTATE.

The Appraisement Fixes a Valuation of Nearly Half a Million.

A Long List of Promissory Notes Marked "Nominal"—Stocks, Hay and Farming Implements.

Isaac L. Requa, Walter S. Newhall and Arthur A. Towne, appraisers of the estate of the late Alban N. Towne, filed their appraisement of the estate yesterday in the Probate Court, before Judge Slack.

The total valuation is fixed at $381,535 93. Of this there is cash in the Nevada Bank and elsewhere, including a life insurance of $10,000, amounting to $13,735 76; shares of stock—Westinghouse, Airbrake, Mining, Horseshoe Association, Feather River Canal Company, Overland Monthly Publishing Company, etc., all valued at $173,613. Promissory notes as follows:

S. P. R. R.	$40,000 00
F. S. Chadbourne	2,000 00
Walter N. Hawley	15,525 00
N. W. Spaulding (marked nominal)	500 00
Frank Shay	100 00
M. D. Boruck, dated Oct. 9, 1890, (marked nominal)	1,250 00
L. A. Crandall, Dec. 20, 1893 (nominal)	50 00
L. A. Crandall Feb 20, 1894 (nominal)	50 00
L. A. Crandall, April 30, 1894	50 00
W. R. Drake, Jan. 19, 1894 (nominal)	65 00
W. R. Drake, Jan. 19, 1894 (nominal)	65 00
Patrick H. Gale, May 10, 1894 (nominal)	117 00
Patrick H. Gale, May 10, 1894 (nominal)	916 75
Patrick H. Gale and Mrs. T. C. Gale, May 10, 1894 (nominal)	35 80
Patrick H. Gale, May 10, 1894 (nominal)	315 00
J. P. M. Wentworth, Aug. 22, 1889 (nominal)	150 00
Jacob S. Taber, April 18, 1890 (nominal)	200 00
J. W. Northrup, Dec. 7, 1892	400 00
J. W. Northrup, Oct. 2, 1893	100 00
J. W. Northrup, July 17, 1894	250 00
J. W. Northrup, Dec. 28, 1892	1,000 00
Stock and farming implements	754 00
Hay and grain	302 25
Household effects and furniture (of this Mr. Towne's room was appraised at $218)	4,070 00
Open accounts	10,000 00

The balance is real estate. Judge Slack made an order in response to a petition filed that the family allowance of $1000 per month be continued.

Matinees at the Festival.

There will be matinees to-day and to-morrow at the festival of all nations at Union-square Hall. These entertainments have been prepared for the children, and promise to be highly enjoyable to young and old alike. The performances will begin at 2 o'clock P. M. each day.

WAR BETWEEN BROTHERS.

Attorneys in the Freeman Case Make Things Lively Again.

INTIMIDATION OF WITNESSES.

Alexander H. Freeman Said to Be Ill as the Result of Threats and Abuse.

The Chesterfieldian grace with which the attorneys in the now celebrated Freeman case greeted each other at the opening of United States Commissioner Heacock's court yesterday morning led those who were present to believe that the session would be as dry as that of the preceding day. They were mistaken.

Attorney Mackaye gravely removed his overcoat, bowed courteously to his legal opponent, glanced inquiringly at the pretty typewriter, who takes question and answer alternately, and then plunged into a redhot arraignment of the other side on a number of charges.

The method of preparing the record is one of the things in this case that appears rather humorous to the ordinary observer. The statements of counsel and everything else in the case are typewritten word by word as they are uttered, and the calm deliberation of the proceeding is often very much at variance with the text.

When attorney Mackaye had finished he bowed profoundly to his opponent, who went him one better in the matter of charges, all of which the typewriter took with due deliberation and with a variety of expressions.

Attorney Mackaye started out by stating that at this juncture he wished to have properly mentioned in the record what he termed "the criminal attempts on the part of Walter K. Freeman, and possibly of John L. Boone, the alleged counsel for Warren L. Freeman, to intimidate the witnesses now under subpena, and to obstruct the course of justice by blackening the characters of their opponents through libelous statements in the San Francisco newspapers."

He did not specify who was being intimidated, but went on to say that Alexander H. Freeman had told him that Walter K. Freeman had threatened to "put a hole through him"—Alexander—and that the latter was in a critical state of health through the threats and abuse to which he had been subjected.

Then Attorney Church took his turn at the typewriter, and poured forth objections, denials and counter-charges of intimidation, conspiracy, blackmail and other interesting things so fast that the operator was compelled to ask him to repeat on several occasions. He said that no threats or intimidations had been used except by the other side, and took pains to mention that Mr. Mackaye had gone by the alias of Steel on one occasion.

When he had finished Mr. Mackaye looked him calmly in the eye and said: "Is that all? If so I will ask Mr. Irvine to take the stand."

Leigh Irvine and other reporters to whom Walter K. Freeman had made statements in relation to the case were questioned regarding the source of their information, the object being to show that Freeman had rushed into print in an endeavor to hurt the case of his opponents.

Toward the end of the session Mr. Mackaye and his counsel, Horace Platt, consented that the charges against Attorney Boone be entirely withdrawn and that he be exonerated from all blame in the matter.

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