

HALTED BY OUTLAWS

Road Agents Attempt to Loot a Stage Near Oroville.

FOILED BY THE HORSES.

The Animals Run Away Despite the Strong-Arm Work of Their Driver.

BULLETS SENT IN PURSUIT.

A Half-Dozen Shots Are Fired, but the Passengers Get Away Without Injury.

OROVILLE, CAL., Nov. 25.—An attempt to hold up the La Porte stage was made by road agents three miles from this city early this morning. That it was not successful is to the credit of the horses, which insisted upon running away, though the driver tried hard to restrain them after the order to stop had been given. A half-dozen shots were fired at the jehs, but did no harm other than to bury themselves in the wooden back of the coach.

The stage was carrying side lights, which signaled its coming to the robbers. As the four horses were dragging the coach up a grade near the Garden ranch at 4 o'clock, a man stepped out in front of the leaders and ordered a halt. The horses became frightened and started on a run, upsetting the road agent in front of them. Gus Berg, the driver, tried to rein them in, but in spite of his good intentions the outlaws commenced shooting at the stage. This made the horses more unmanageable, and James McGuffin, a schoolteacher of Wyandotte, who was one of the passengers, suggested that the whip be applied and an endeavor to escape made. Several more shots were fired, two of which struck the back part of the coach, but the frightened horses soon had the coach out of range.

The passengers, besides McGuffin, were Miss Birdie Jones, Mrs. Frank Morse and F. H. McDonald.

It is probable that the robbers expected the stage to carry money with which to pay the employees of the Denver mine. Neither the number of the robbers nor their description could be obtained, as it was too dark. Men who came to town Sunday night from Wyandotte reported having seen a campfire near the scene of the robbery. On an examination of the camping-place to-day buggy-tracks were found, showing that the robbers rode in a carriage.

SANTA BARBARA MOURNS.

Death of Thomas B. Dibblee at His Beautiful Home by the Sea.

A Man Whose Influence Did Much to Secure to the City Its Public Library.

SANTA BARBARA, CAL., Nov. 25.—Thomas Bloodgood Dibblee died here this morning, at the age of 72 years. Mr. Dibblee was a native of New York State and a law graduate of Columbia College, where he studied law under Hamilton Fish, but he never practiced his profession. He came to California in 1860 and to Santa Barbara County in 1868. Here his sole occupation has been the direction of his extensive landed interests.

Soon after coming to Santa Barbara Mr. Dibblee married a daughter of Don Pablo de la Guerra, who, with eight children, survives him. The Dibblee mansion stands on a high bluff overlooking the sea above Castle Rock, and surrounded by spacious, well-kept grounds, always hospitably thrown open to the stranger. Here in his beautiful home, surrounded by his large family, Mr. Dibblee led an ideal life. Three of his daughters, the Misses Panchita, Teresa and Ynez, are perfect types of Spanish beauty and are popular in Santa Barbara society and also well known in San Francisco social circles. A son is attending the State University.

CRAZED BY HER GRIEF.

Mrs. Crooks' Reason Shattered by Worry Over a Daughter's Illness.

SANTA BARBARA, CAL., Nov. 25.—Mrs. Dr. Crooks, the wife of a well-known homeopathic physician of Santa Barbara, was to-day committed to the San Bernardino Insane Asylum. Dr. Crooks is lying very ill with pulmonary hemorrhage in Virginia, whither he went a short time ago to attend to an inheritance of considerable proportions which had lately been left to his children, and his daughter Mabel, who went with him, is just recovering from an attack of typhoid fever.

BRITISH GREED IN ALASKA.

Territorial Judge Delaney Exposes the Scheme of Conquest Undertaken by England.

SEATTLE, WASH., Nov. 25.—Alaska's Judge, Hon. A. K. Delaney, recently appointed by the President, believes that England, in the matter of the Alaska boundary dispute, is after trade and territory, particularly the former, and that she will be none too conscientious in her efforts. Concerning the boundary agitation Judge Delaney said:

"I am one of those who believe that England would like to capture a portion of Alaska which does not belong to her. I do not think she can succeed, but I do think she would like to."

get the matter before a commission and urge a compromise, she offering to take that little strip of land known as Pyramid Channel. If she gets that England will hold the key to the upper Yukon country. Instead of the United States controlling things England will be boss. A trading post will be established and the United States will lose the enormous business growing out of the development of the Yukon gold fields. I think, though I don't know, that if such a move is on foot the Canadian Pacific Railroad Company, through Mr. Van Horne, its president, is back of it. If the deal is ever worked no corporation would be so greatly benefited as the Canadian Pacific."

HESPERIA'S WATER WAR.

Clash Between Settlers and a Corporation Over Rates to Be Charged for Irrigation Rights.

SAN BERNARDINO, CAL., Nov. 25.—Water is causing trouble at Hesperia, on the Mojave River. The conflict is between the Hesperia Land and Water Company and the settlers who have to use the water of the company to irrigate their lands, and has reached a point where the company is having the settlers arrested.

The first arrest was that of R. L. Cook, apprehended last Friday on a warrant issued at Ontario, charging Cook with appropriating water belonging to the Hesperia Land and Water Company. It is understood that a settler named Welsh will be arrested for the same offense.

A petition, signed by a large number of the settlers, was filed with the Supervisors this morning, they asking that the board establish a system of water-rates to guide the people of Hesperia. The matter was referred to the District Attorney.

The Hesperia Company has refused to furnish water to the settlers at the same

HUBBARD IS CAUTIOUS

Sacramento Politicians in the Dark as to His Plans.

HE GIVES OUT NO HINT.

Moving With Deliberation in Choosing Appointees to Office.

HAS NO PLEDGES TO FULFILL.

The Mayor-Elect Declares That He Will Govern the City in the People's Interest.

SACRAMENTO, CAL., Nov. 25.—Mayor-elect Hubbard is a veritable Sphinx as regards the identity of those he will choose to fill the offices which, under the present city charter, the law gives him the privilege of naming. All the information which can be obtained from him at the

Pending that he is making a thorough personal investigation into the condition of the city's sewers and levees and the needs of the Police and Fire departments and is securing all the knowledge possible for the proper administration of the city government and the condition of public works, so that on assuming office he will be fully prepared to keep all the intricate machinery moving without jar or friction.

HENRY MILLER PAYS HIS TAXES.

The Money Accompanied by Five Voluminous Protests to Assessor Day.

BAKERSFIELD, CAL., Nov. 25.—Henry Miller paid the first installment of taxes for Miller & Lux's large possessions today, and with the money went five protests to Assessor Day against the payment. The first one objects to the payment of \$3770.70, State and county taxes, and \$295.46, special school tax upon real property, upon the following grounds:

That the corrected assessment book was not delivered by the clerk of the Board of Supervisors, or County Board of Equalization, to the Auditor before the first Monday in August, nor was said corrected assessment book, when delivered by the clerk to the Auditor, or when delivered from the Auditor to the Collector, accompanied by the affidavit of said clerk, as required by section 3082, Penal Code; that the levy was unlawful in every particular; that discrimination was made between property within the corporate and that without the corporate limits, in that that within the corporate limits was assessed \$1.58 on \$100 and that without \$1.85, this being contrary to law; that the Collector failed to publish the notice required by section 3746, Penal Code, within ten days after the receipt of the assessment book.

The other objections were against an assessment of \$110.00 on growing alfalfa, which is claimed to be contrary to the law, which

A PLAT MADE IN '49.

Original Map of the Town of San Francisco Unearthed.

FILED IN OREGON CITY.

The Instrument a Part of the Records of the District Court.

DRAWN BY WILLIAM M. EDDY.

Has Been Recorded in Order to Give Validity to Titles in the New Municipality.

OREGON CITY, OR., Nov. 25.—It is a fact not generally known that the original plat of the town of San Francisco is in the office of the recorder of conveyances for this county. The plat was drawn in 1849 by Alexander Zakrevski, an ex-Polish officer, from field notes of the official sur-

copyrighted rather than filed for record, in order to give definiteness and validity to real estate titles in the California metropolis, and Oregon City was the only place west of the Rockies where such a record could be made at that early day.

STOCKTON BRIBERY CASE.

Closing Arguments in the Trial of Supervisor James Brown Begun by Counsel.

STOCKTON, CAL., Nov. 25.—When the trial of Supervisor James Brown, charged with accepting a bribe, was resumed this morning, ex-Judge Swinnerton, for the defense, moved to strike out the testimony of Rushforth, Bulson and Ward, wherein the conversations not had in Brown's presence were related. The motion was argued at length, a half hour being consumed in citing authorities to sustain the point made. Judge Smith finally denied the motion, and the taking of testimony was resumed.

W. C. White, J. A. Shepherd, W. McK. Carson and William Ennis, Supervisors at the time Rushforth's plans for the new County Hospital were adopted, were called for the defense and testified much as at the former trial, except that the last named three remembered that a formal ballot was taken in caucus. At the former trial they thought that the Supervisors gave merely an oral expression to their preferences in the matter of the building plans. All said that Brown was at all times for the plans of Salfield and Kohlberg.

A number of witnesses testified as to Brown's good reputation in the community and the defense closed. At the afternoon session Assistant District Attorney Devries made the opening argument for the State. Ex-Judge Swinnerton followed for the defense. He will finish to-morrow and the case will go to the jury in the afternoon.

TALKS IN REDDING JAIL.

Maupin Claims That He Killed Isaac Rader in Self-Defense.

Confident That He Will Be Acquitted Upon the Preliminary Hearing.

REDDING, CAL., Nov. 25.—Tom Maupin, the murderer of Isaac Rader, is resting apparently unconcerned in the County Jail and greets all visitors with a smile and an expression of confidence that he will be cleared at his preliminary examination. Maupin, to a CALL correspondent to-day, refused to make a full statement of his crime. His attorneys had advised him not to, and he deemed their advice sufficient for him to say nothing. He stated, however, that he killed Rader, and would have done the same thing again. He said he and Rader had considerable trouble, and based his belief that he would be cleared, upon the claim that he had sufficient evidence to bring out to show that the deed was committed in self-defense.

QUARRELED OVER POLITICS.

A Wrangle Between Workmen That Nearly Ended in Murder.

REDDING, CAL., Nov. 25.—Two laborers employed on the Iron Mountain Railroad, near Keswick, got into a wrangle, which nearly ended in murder, to-day. C. P. Huger and a companion named Jackson while at work on the grade, became involved in a political argument. The lie was passed, and Jackson forthwith seized a shovel and struck his fellow-workman, knocking him off the grade. Then he struck Huger upon the head several times with the sharp end of the shovel, nearly killing him.

Huger was to-night brought to Redding nearly dead, and Jackson now occupies a cell in the County Jail, having surrendered himself to the officers.

Horses and Cows Cremated.

REDDING, CAL., Nov. 25.—A large barn, together with two horses, several cows, wagons and harness, was destroyed by fire last night one mile east of Redding on the Howard ranch. The barn belonged to Cornelius Howard, the father of young Howard, the stage-robber who was killed some years ago while resisting arrest, and was insured for \$250. The barn was occupied by a poor man named Williams, who owned the horses and the other property destroyed.

Heavy Frosts Around Redding.

REDDING, CAL., Nov. 25.—Heavy frosts prevailed in this section this morning, but no serious damage has been reported. Indications to-night are favorable for rain.

RENO'S SMALLPOX SCARE.

No New Cases Have Developed Among the Students.

RENO, NEV., Nov. 25.—No new cases of varioloid have made their appearance among the seminary students. Student Smith is getting along nicely, but has about 100 marks on his back. Student Flood, who it was supposed last evening showed symptoms of the disease, is perfectly well to-day.

The university opened as usual, but all the students were ordered to be vaccinated immediately. The public schools will remain closed one week.

NEW TO-DAY.

Haste But No Waste

At the Hammersmith & Field Jewelry Auction.

There's no waste of time in knocking down to the highest bidder. The auctioneer's task is not to sell a few articles well, but to sell many quickly. You can't waste money there if you try. Unless you haste you are apt to waste it a brilliant opportunity. How do you know I'll last till Christmas?

TAKEN FOR POACHING.

Uncle Sam Confiscates the Sealing Vessel Louis Olsen.

WINS THE FIRST CASE.

The Schooner Found Guilty of Hunting in Proscribed Waters.

TWICE BOARDED BY THE RUSH.

Proof That Its Crew Had Been Killing Seals Contrary to the Bering Sea Agreement.

PORTLAND, OR., Nov. 25.—The Government has secured a conviction on the trial of the first case ever brought in the American courts upon the seizure of a vessel for seal fishing within the prescribed limits. The Louis Olsen was seized on September 3. Judge Bellinger, in the United States District Court to-day, decreed that the schooner and its cargo was forfeited to the United States authorities. The vessel and cargo are estimated to be worth \$10,000.

Lieutenant Dumwoody of the revenue cutter Rush was the principal witness for the Government. He testified to the circumstances under which the schooner had been seized. The Olsen was sighted by the Rush on September and boarded. It was found that the logbook used by the schooner was not a proper one, and the Rush supplied the Olsen with a logbook and steamed away. The schooner was again boarded on September 3 and seized, as it was decided that it was fishing within waters prohibited—seven miles within the interdicted line. On September 2 the Olsen captured twenty-six seals. When the vessel was boarded it was not fishing, but proof was offered that it had been fishing on the day before and within the prescribed territory.

The defense claimed that the vessel was outside the prohibited zone, and that it was not engaged in killing seals at the time of the seizure. The three defendants in the case—Cole, Guillian and Thonie—were shown to have been only servants or employees of the vessel and were released. They were liable to a personal fine of \$300 each.

Train Robbers Indicted.

PORTLAND, OR., Nov. 25.—James Pool and John Case, who held up a Southern Pacific train at Riddle on July 1, were indicted by the Federal Grand Jury to-day.

NEW TO-DAY.

The Annual Puzzle

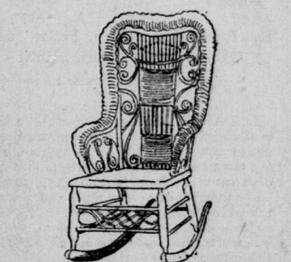
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MAYOR-ELECT HUBBARD OF SACRAMENTO.

[From a photograph by Hudson.]

rates that were formerly charged. The settlers claim that the company is endeavoring to freeze them out in a wood deal, there being considerable competition in this line. In order to make the settlers quit selling wood the company refuses to let them have water, which means that the ranchers must leave.

ARGUING AT CARSON.

Taking of Testimony in the Trial of Suspect Heney Ended.

CARSON, NEV., Nov. 25.—The testimony in the mint case closed this morning and the argument began. District Attorney Jones opened by stating that Heney had sold gold of mint fineness to the Reno Reduction Works and had left the country thirteen days before a warrant had been issued for his arrest.

The attorneys for the defense denounced the system of espionage practiced by the United States. They claimed that Mason, the Government inspector, had exceeded his authority in investigating the shortage and had been overzealous. Attorney Woodburn charged the shortage to Harris, the successor of Jones, and claimed that he had broken his word to Jones, his subordinate, in weighing the bullion when he was absent. The Government detectives and officials were denounced for trying to "railroad" innocent people to the penitentiary. Heney, the defendant, did not go upon the stand.

Gridley's New Cannery.

GRIDLEY, CAL., Nov. 25.—Gridley is to have a new fruit cannery, the contract having been awarded. The main building is to be 60x140 feet, one story high, with a wing 40x50 feet. Over 100,000 feet of lumber will be used in its construction. All the material is to be first-class. Five and a half acres of land have been purchased by the promoters. E. B. Knight, formerly of the Oakland Preserving Company, has been chosen to fill the position of superintendent of the plant.

present time is that he positively made no before-election promises to any one for the purpose of obtaining votes, and that this is the truth is conceded even by his strongest opponents. He also says that his appointees will be chosen from the large list of friends and applicants with a due precaution that they are fully fitted for the positions they are to occupy should their appointment meet with the co-operation of the Board of City Trustees. He says he will tolerate no sluggards nor any deviation from the path of duty, and during his incumbency he will keep them all under his official eye.

The Superintendent of Streets must be a sharp, active business man, who will promptly carry out every order of the Board of Trustees which may be submitted to the Mayor. For instance, should "A's" sidewalk be condemned "A" will be obliged to build a new one immediately; nor will any consideration of his political influence, "pull" or personal wealth be allowed to interfere with the prompt prosecution of the work. On the contrary, if any leniency be shown it will be to the poorer individual, the Mayor-elect says. His appointment of Chief and Captain of Police, he has announced, will be made with a full knowledge of their adaptability for those positions and with a positive knowledge that they will carry out all the provisions of the law, election times not excepted.

In the meantime Mayor Hubbard seems perfectly willing that the newspapers should write articles assuming to fill all positions to their individual liking until he assumes office, when he will announce the names of those he has chosen, and he assures his closet friends that he must decline to even hint who will be selected for any position until he is installed.

exempts growing crops; increasing the personal property assessment above the sworn statement; and unlawful assessment of the Buena Vista Reservoir Company and the Kern Valley Water Company, the payments aggregating \$1569.31.

CHARGED WITH HEINOUS ACTS.

Arrest of a Man Who Enticed Young Girls to His Room.

PORTLAND, OR., Nov. 25.—The arrest of ex-Special Officer J. C. Wageman to-day for enticing young girls to his room promises to reveal a state of affairs similar to that which the old men recently arrested in San Francisco were engaged in. A young girl, becoming frightened, has already confessed to some of Wageman's criminality.

At the time of his arrest Wageman had three girls, ranging from 8 to 14 years old, in his room. Since one of the girls has admitted the charges against Wageman, and that he gave them the keys to his room and told them to come and see him, further evidence has been revealed, showing that more prominent men have been mixed up in the vile practices.

Death of a Merced Pioneer.

MERCED, CAL., Nov. 25.—G. Galliano, a pioneer of this city, died at his home this afternoon. He was stricken early this morning by apoplexy while working at his home and never recovered consciousness. Mr. Galliano owned considerable improved property in Merced and leaves a widow and his two children well provided for. He had been engaged in the mercantile business for the past four years. Mr. Galliano was a native of Italy, aged 56 years.

Whitlaw Felt at Phoenix.

PHOENIX, ARIZ., Nov. 25.—Whitlaw Reid arrived in Phoenix on a special train this morning. He will remain here during the winter, hoping to improve his health, he being troubled with asthma.