FATHER YORKE'S BET HAS BEEN ACCEPTED.

The Money Put Up by the American Patriot for Rev. Mr. Ross.

A STARTLING ASSERTION.

Death Said to Have Been Threatened Pastor Ross in Anonymous Letters.

SOME STRONG LANGUAGE USED.

Charges Made That the Catholic Church's Champion Is Seeking to Befog the Issue.

As the controversy now in progress between Rev. Donald M. Ross, representing the American Protective Association, and Father Yorke, representing the Catholic church, progresses added interest is given to it.

Rev. Mr. Ross now proposes to furnish the proofs of his contention in public, as demanded by Father Yorke, and in his open letter agreeing to do this he uses some strongly satirical language in referring to his adversary. Among other things he charges that his life has been threatened in a number of anonymous letters. Following is Rev. Mr. Ross' latest rejoinder to Father Yorke:

604 DOUGLAS STREET, Dec. 4, 1895.

Rev. P. C. Yorke, Chancellor Archdiocese of San Francisco—DEAR SIR: On reading your letter of this morning I was reminded of the ditty in which children indulge when they feel that a rival is discomfited:

You are mad
And I am glad
And I know what will please you.

Well, you are mad, I see. You demand the bet since you see I will not bet. You originally threw down a challenge and backed it with a bet. But now you would persuade the public that you originally threw down a bet and backed it with a challenge. If you had the idea that you could win in this matter you would not for one moment demand the bet as the only condition of proceeding. Why don't you stand to your guns like a man? Now, once and for all let me take up your challenge. And in doing so let me quote your statements as published in your first letter.

You say in your challenge of November 27, 1895:

"I wish to make a test case of the following: The Roman Catholic church has the right to exercise its authority without any limit set to it by the civil powers. The Pope and the priests ought to have dominion over temporal affairs. The Roman church and her ecclesiastics have a right to immunity from civil law. In case of conflict between ecclesiastical and civil powers the ecclesiastical ought to prevail.

"I will pay $100 in gold coin of the United States to any charity named by the Rev. Donald Ross if he can prove to the satisfaction of three non-Catholic lawyers that the above statements, or the substance of them, occur in any Roman Catholic publication as statements of Roman Catholic teaching.

"On condition that if the Rev. Donald Ross fails to prove that these words, or the substance of them, occur in any Roman Catholic publication as statements of Catholic doctrine he shall pay the sum of $100 in United States gold coin to a charity named by me.

"The arbitrators shall be lawyers, non-Catholics, one to be chosen by me, one by Rev. Mr. Ross, and the two to choose a third.

"The money to be deposited with this third lawyer and to be by him paid as the conditions require. Yours truly, PETER C. YORKE."

Any reader of the above will readily see that the point of the whole matter is not the bet, which you admit is only a "condition" imposed, and therefore not at all vital to the change, but that the truth or falsehood of the statements you quote is the real issue.

You say I cannot prove to three non-Catholic lawyers that the four several propositions quoted, or the substance of them, occur in Roman Catholic publications as statements of teaching or doctrine. That is your challenge, which stands unchanged, whether there is a bet or not.

Now, choose your lawyer, and I will choose mine, and let them choose a third.

And in order that you may have no hole to crawl through and escape your own bluff, let us lay aside the idea of debate, which seems to scare you so. Let the three lawyers sit on the platform of a large building where people may attend and hear. Then I shall lay my proofs before them, the value of which the said lawyers shall duly consider.

There is your challenge and here is my full and clear acceptance of it on your own terms.

I am not asking for a debate at all. I only suggested a debate, in order to allow you to show cause why the lawyers should not accept my proofs as valid. When you throw out debate you simply shut off all statements of defense. According to your contention that you do not want a debate, there is to be no word uttered but what I say in presenting my proofs. That is quite agreeable to me. I should prefer to allow you to rebut my testimony, but the other is agreeable. If you thought for one moment that you could sustain your bluff you would not retreat, coat tails first, as you are now doing, but would go in as you set out.

We, who believe in light and liberty, feared you would not stand by your first letter, but would at the last moment do the crawfish act. Our fears proved true.

Let me say a few words to you in reference to yours of yesterday published in this morning's dailies.

You say it is vain to teach me the manliness of standing by my word. When did I say I would not stand up and prove the four propositions charged? What you want me to do is to stand by your word and go betting. Well, I must say it is vain for you to try to teach me that kind of manliness.

That is Roman manliness, such as was shown by them when they crucified our Savior. They gambled for his clothing. I don't approve of gambling, but I do approve of keeping my word and sustaining it, which I am ready to do, and which I will do when the proper time comes, unless some of the anonymous letters I am now receiving, making threats that I shall have my brains shot out if I do not quit my contention with Father Yorke, prove true. In that case, of course, I shall not have the "manliness of standing by my words." I shall then be lying by my word, as "Pat" would say. However, in that event we shall have neared the beginning of the end of that cause which brought the American Protective Association into existence.

So you sent to the New York Sun to find out that I am an idiot or a liar. Of course that settles it, because you said the same thing in the religious journal you publish, and two against one is preponderance of evidence, as the judge would say.

You have certainly quoted a great paper against me when you quote the New York Sun. That paper some time ago wrote a two-column editorial to prove that T. De Witt Talmage was a fraud and an idiot, and ever since that paper was issued Dr. Talmage has been a hopeless idiot, stark mad. A little over a year ago the Sun said the great Charles T. Parkhust was a liar, and forthwith he went to limbo to contend against Satan for the primacy in the fatherhood of lies. I must be bad indeed when I sum up in myself these two combined.

I had hoped you would have telegraphed to Winnipeg in reference to my statement of the forgery of the constitution, so that I could drop a few state papers latter on in this letter. I see you wisely left that undisturbed.

You also seem quite ready to debate about the "bad grammar of Ms. Ross' last," etc. My dear sir, why don't you take your own medicine and finish one thing before beginning another? Besides, did you not notice that it was a mere accidental transposition of a word that troubled your eagle eye? Thinking of that, I noticed you have tried all along to escape from the "propositions" and debate Donald M. Ross, and thus befog the issue. Let me show you a few figures that your correspondence reveals. You have used my name sixty-five times. But the "propositions" only ten times. Again, you divert the attention from the real issue to the fact that I had a sufficient sense of honor and truth not to swear I was in the United States before I came, as if that were a crime. Perhaps you do not know that an Irish Roman Catholic once proposed to swear that I was here long enough if I would go with him "agin the Government." My dear Irishman, don't you know that when you speak in that manner it reminds the public of Satan rebuking sin. If you came here first I shall be here last—that is all the difference.

One word, in conclusion, and I trust it is my last in this matter. The reason I asked for six evenings before you proposed three lawyers was that I have nearly a hundred proofs, among them state papers from about every Government under the sun. There is not a single Government but ours that was not called upon to expel the Jesuits for treasonable writings and acts. England, France, Spain, Germany, several Italian states, Portugal, Mexico, Belgium, Russia, Hungary, Switzerland and the rest, all expelled them, and in the archives of these nations are the papers on which the treason was founded and their banishment demanded.

Proofs, my dear sir! You stirred up the wrong man when you asked me for proofs. I need six nights to pile the cumulative heaps on our umpires. Leave out the bet, leave off the debate and let us go on with our proofs, and, as Shakespeare says, "To purgatory with him who first cries, 'Hold, enough.'"

DONALD M. ROSS.

THE BET ACCEPTED.

It Is Taken Up by the American Patriot Publishing Company on Behalf of Rev. Mr. Ross.

In the following letter G. A. Hubbell, on behalf of the American Patriot, offers to deposit the $100 for the Rev. Mr. Ross to meet the requirements set out by Father Yorke in the extraordinary controversy now being waged:

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 4.

Editor Call—DEAR SIR: As you see, this contention between Peter C. Yorke and Donald M. Ross is a political one. In regard to the challenge in question against the Roman system Mr. Yorke says in his challenge (November 27) that:

"I will pay $100 in gold coin of the United States to any charity named by the Rev. Donald Ross if he can prove to the satisfaction of three non-Catholic lawyers that the above statements, or the substance of them, occur in any Roman Catholic publication as statements of Roman Catholic teachings. On condition that the Rev. Donald Ross fails to prove that these words, or the substance of them, occur in any Roman Catholic publication as statements of Catholic doctrine he shall pay the sum of $100 in United States gold coin to a charity named by me. The arbitrators shall be lawyers, non-Catholic, one to be chosen by me, one by the Rev. Mr. Ross and the two to choose a third. The money to be deposited with the third lawyer and to be by him paid as the conditions require. Yours truly, PETER C. YORKE."

Mr. Ross, in his acceptance, November 30, says to Mr. Yorke:

"Now, if you mean business, throw out your bet, which no Protestant clergyman will or can stoop to entertain. Let us choose three lawyers, as you suggest, and lay our case before them for their decision in open court. Don't shut out the public. You say I am anxious to 'debate on sundry propositions,' but decline your 'test' case. Sir, to put it mildly, you are mistaken. I never made any such statement. Awaiting your reply, and hoping that a committee representing you will meet a similar one representing me, I am yours truly, DONALD M. ROSS."

Mr. Yorke makes a rejoiner December 1 and says:

"If Mr. Ross is not afraid let him or some of his associates meet my offer ($100)."

Now, the American Patriot, without the knowledge or consent of Donald M. Ross, hereby agrees to put into the hands of the third lawyer the $100, as Mr. Yorke's above condition requires, in open court.

C. A. HUBBELL,
Manager and Secretary Patriot Publishing Company.

SHOULD BE HELD HERE.

J. Sloat Fassett Favors This City for the National Convention.

There Are Eight Developed Candidates, and May Be More—Long Session Probable.

J. Sloat Fassett, the able Republican leader of New York, is in the City. He came with Colonel Fred Crocker in the latter's private car and will be here several weeks.

Mr. Fassett has been a Senator of the Empire State, Collector of the Port of New York, and was nominated by the Republicans for Governor against Roswell P. Flower and gave him a lively race for his money. He owns a big newspaper at Albany, seems scarcely out of the 30's, and is as full of fire and energy as any one need be who has the world before him.

The rising statesman makes no bones of the fact that the next Republican National Convention should come to San Francisco.

"It should do so, both as a matter of justice and of sentiment," he said. "It would be good for you and the members, too. The fact that California has raised more money to have it held here than Chicago or any other place has done, and that she has got more delegates in favor of San Francisco than there are for any other place, ought to bring it here.

"Still, nobody can tell. Chicago is lying low. One thing that will be urged against San Francisco is the long distance. Another is the time it would require to come. Another thing is the probability of a long convention.

"There are no less than eight developed candidates for the Republican Presidential nomination, Or you might say six, leaving out Steven B. Elkins and Robert T. Lincoln. Then you have got Reed, Morton, McKinley, Harrison, Allison and Cullom. Now while I say these are developed candidates, oddly enough scarcely one of them admits he is in the field.

"It is the fashion, you know, for the American people to believe that some Cincinnatus should be called to the front. Hence the modesty of these otherwise well-known candidates. It is part of our school of politics.

"Now this reticence to let one's self be announced beforehand as an emphatic candidate, combined with the certainty that whoever is nominated will be elected, will probably cause other States to put up favorite sons. We shall have a bully time evidently, and, therefore, instead of as many as eight 'developed' candidates at the time of the convention, we shall not improbably have a magnificent field of them.

"To my mind the convention will be held either here or at Chicago, but this is the place for it. Chicago is fortunate in its admirable central location. Then, too, there is always a lot of enthusiasm about that city's people that often causes it to win at the final showdown.

"San Francisco, to get it, must work hard and continuously. It should never let up.

"I want to say a word for Governor and ex-Vice-President Morton. It should be remembered that he beat Hill in New York by 150,000 votes. This shows that he has tremendous power. That victory of his in the Empire State must have much weight, I think, when the delegates get to thinking of it."

Mr. Fassett is staying at the residence of Colonel Crocker. He visited the horse show after his arrival.

The Michigan Association of California is also doing some good work by way of assistance, and yesterday the following resolution was adopted by the association as a body:

MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA, San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 2, 1895.

Resolved, That the Michigan Association of California is heartily in favor of holding the Republican National Convention in San Francisco in 1896; and be it further

Resolved, That M. Cooney Esq., president of the association, correspond with the Michigan member upon the National Committee and with General Alger and others for the purpose of securing their assistance in that behalf.

CASH COMING IN.

Current Expenses of the Committee Liberally Supplied.

Among the prominent subscribers to the convention fund the following have paid in a portion of their subscriptions to defray current expenses of the committee:

The Examiner	$250 00
THE CALL	250 00
Al Hayman & Co.	50 00
Pacific Transfer Company	15 00
Lumley Bros.	20 00
United Carriage Company	10 00
Nathan Dohrmann & Co.	12 50
Crown Distilleries	12 50
E. R. Lilienthal	12 50
Castle Bros.	20 00
Sperry Flour Company	10 00
John D. Siebe	25 00
E. C. Voorhies	25 00
Pierson & Mitchell	12 50
Dodge, Sweeney & Co.	12 50
Siebe Bros. & Plagemann	12 50
E. Martin & Co.	10 00
Occidental Hotel	25 00
Buckingham & Hecht	5 00
Davis Bros.	5 00
Lowenburg & Co.	5 00
Sherwood & Sherwood	5 00
William D. English	5 00
Stein, Simon & Co.	5 00
Blake, Moffitt & Towne	5 00
Sing Fat & Co.	5 00
S. H. Frank & Co.	5 00

MARYSVILLE MANEUVERING.

Resolutions Favoring San Francisco Have Been Adopted.

MARYSVILLE, CAL., Dec. 4.—At a meeting of the Republican County Central Committee held here in the city hall this evening, the following resolutions favoring San Francisco as the place for holding the Republican National Convention in 1896, were adopted by a rising vote:

WHEREAS, The people of the State of California are endeavoring to have the next National Republican Convention convene in San Francisco, and as we believe it would be of much benefit to the State in general, we have assembled here this evening to add our approval, therefore be it

Resolved, That the citizans of Marysville hereby heartily indorse and second the movement now being urged to the attention of members of the National Committee and earnestly request that San Francisco, the great metropolis of the Pacific Coast, be honored by the sessions of the Republican convention in 1896.

Resolved, That we pledge to our brethren of the State such as in our power to make the convention meeting what it should be, a grand success, should they honor California.

Chairman G. W. Hutchins called the meeting to order and a committee of three drafted resolutions.

UTAH WANTS IT.

Salt Lake Boomers Have Gone on to Washington.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 4.—Messrs. Osborne, Knight, Rader and Scott were out hustling for a convention early this morning. They were at the Capitol this afternoon and conversed with many leading Republicans, among them being Senator Quay, who appears to be very friendly to San Francisco.

The San Francisco people have been counting upon the support of Utah's committeemen, but it appears now that Salt Lake City is ambitious to entertain the convention. Governor West has appointed a committee of boomers and they will arrive here next Tuesday night.

P. H. Lannan of the Salt Lake Tribune and member of the committee arrived at Riggs House to-day, and Colonel Trumbo, Judge O. W. Powers and Fred J. Kiesel are the others. Governor West and ex-Secretary Hall are also here. Mr. Lannan said to a CALL correspondent that Salt Lake can entertain 10,000 visitors in hotels and private houses and that the convention could be held in the Mormon Tabernacle or in the pavilion on Great Salt Lake.

"Of course, if we see we stand no chance," said Mr. Lannan, "we will all help San Francisco, as it would be greatly to our advantage if the convention was held in San Francisco. Many people would stop off on their way to the coast."

MISREPRESENTED MANLEY.

He Is Still Strong for San Francisco, as Is Also Greenhalge.

BOSTON, MASS., Dec. 4.—Notwithstanding the rather discouraging results attending their efforts, the Chicago and Pittsburg agents, booming the claims of their respective cities for the Republican National Convention, are as hard at work as ever.

THE CALL correspondent secured an interview with Governor Greenhalge to-night, who practically is directing the convention boom in the East during the absence of Hon. Joseph Manley. He is still of the opinion that the contest will be very one-sided, with the odds all in favor of San Francisco.

No stress can be laid to the claims made by the Chicago agents that Manley had shown his hand by engaging rooms in Chicago as a close personal friend of the old Maine leader, learned from the lips of Mr. Manley himself, that he had hired them in time so that if the unexpected would happen he would be fixed in any event, and that he had taken the same precautions to secure necessary accommodations in both Pittsburg and San Francisco. In case of the convention going to either of the cities by terms of the contract he could cancel his engagements in the other two.

When seen to-night, Charles L. Smith, who is now looking after the interests of the Smoky City in the East, stated he had received information from a high source that Chicago was out of the race entirely owing to the fact the delegation would surely have to renew the disagreeable experiences which they encountered last time. In regard to the chances of Pittsburg he was non-committal, excepting to say that with the exception of San Francisco, Pittsburg was the only important factor in the race.

RICHMOND'S PROGRESS.

Important Business Transacted by the Point Lobos Club Last Evening.

Important business was transacted last evening at the regular meeting of the Point Lobos Improvement Club.

A new executive committee was appointed, composed of C. E. Ray, R. N. Wood, F. G. Parker, S. P. Newberry and J. Preston.

The special committee appointed at the last meeting to make complaint of the drifting sand in streets and on sidewalks reported that the Board of Supervisors had instructed the Superintendent of Streets to notify property-owners to clear away the accumulated sand and bulkhead their property.

The executive committee reported that the Superintendent of Schools had been interviewed relative to the establishment of a seventh grade in the Richmond School and that assurance had been received that as soon as the Sutro School is located one class will be transferred there from Richmond School and the desired seventh grade established.

The secretary was instructed to communicate with the Superintendent of Streets that the sewers on Second, Third and Fourth avenues are being blocked, and also to notify him that the contractors in sewer extensions, instead of finding y's, are chiseling holes in the main sewers and breaking the pipes.

A special committee, composed of Luke Battles, F. T. Newberry and Herman Frohman, was appointed to act in conjunction with the Presidio Heights Improvement Club and the Richmond District Improvement Club, to petition the Board of Supervisors to declare First avenue a boulevard.

A special committee was appointed to petition the Police Commissioners and Chief Crowley to establish a police station in Richmond district.

A FINE stock of leather goods is on display at Newman & Levinson's, 125 to 131 Kearny street. Pocketbooks, cardcases, wallets; dainty styles, first-rate qualities, lowest prices, just the thing for holiday presents. *

ON THE TRAIL OF BOODLE.

Pool-Sellers and Supervisors to Go Before the Grand Jury.

LINE OF DIRECT QUESTIONS.

The Jury Will Exercise All the Power It Can Command to Discover the Truth.

The investigation into the transactions of those members of the Board of Supervisors who constitute the Solid Eight that is being made by the Grand Jury promises some sensational developments when that body meets again to-morrow, unless a majority of the members of the jury are disappointed in their expectations or unless a great number of men are willing to go before the Grand Jury and perjure themselves.

At last Monday's meeting complaint was made to the Grand Jury, upon information and belief, that the downtown poolrooms are contributing to a subsidy of $1000 a month, to be used to defeat legislation by the Board of Supervisors unfavorable to the interests of pool-sellers.

Since that time agents of the Grand Jury have been devoting themselves assiduously to the task of securing evidence upon which the Grand Jury will be justified in bringing indictments for bribery against any of those members of the Solid Eight who it can be shown have been guilty of corrupt practices. The names of several persons have been secured who, it is believed, can give damaging testimony if they will. Besides these persons, all the members of the Solid Eight and all those engaged in downtown pool-selling will be summoned to appear before the Grand Jury to tell what they know of the alleged subsidy.

"The Grand Jury is doing its duty," said Grand Juror George H. Sanders yesterday, "and if corrupt means are being used to defeat the passage of the ordinance recommended by the Grand Jury we shall find out if possible. I think the jury as a whole would like to see all pool-selling prohibited in the City, but an ordinance to that effect would avail nothing, for it would quickly be declared in conflict with the State laws. Wagner's ordinance is such a one. That is the reason we recommended the ordinance abolishing pool-selling except within the inclosure of a racetrack. Of course, if the ordinance is defeated by proper means we cannot help it; but the Grand Jury will do its duty, and try to punish the offenders if corruption is used."

J. J. Groom, secretary of the Grand Jury, said:

It will be a difficult matter for us to prove the allegations of corruption, but it was brought to our notice that a subsidy is being raised to be used among the Solid Eight, and we will try to sift the matter to the bottom. We decided to call the Solid Eight, together with all the managers of pool rooms, and see if some one of them won't tell the truth if there has been any bribing done. Of course, if they all perjure themselves we will be unable to prove anything, but perjury is a serious matter, and it is difficult to believe that out of all the number not one will be found who will respect his oath enough to tell the truth about the subsidy proposition; that is, as I said, provided there has been or is any corruption.

Supervisor Peter A. Scully, who has figured as one of the Solid Eight, scouts the idea that money has been distributed among any of the Supervisors. He said:

I never heard of it if there has, and I think I would be pretty likely to know it if any such thing transpired. I never heard of it till I saw it in the newspapers, and I don't believe any member of the board has accepted a bribe.

Mr. Scully would not admit that there is or has been any such thing as a Solid Eight in the board. "A number of us have voted together when we thought a measure was right, but to my knowledge there has never been any preconceived action taken on any measure by those members that have been designated as the 'Solid Eight.'

"Concerning the downtown poolroom matter, it has been represented to me that a number of men of small means are interested in the poolrooms and I don't see why they should be deprived of their means of making a living in order to give the managers of the racetracks all the business, for I am of the opinion that those people who play the races at the poolrooms would go out to the tracks if they couldn't gamble downtown."

Mr. Scully declined to put himself on record concerning either of the proposed poolroom ordinances. "They have both been referred to committees," said he, "and I usually vote as a majority of the committee or committees recommend to whom a measure has been referred. When the committees report and I have listened to debate for further enlightenment I will make up my mind how I will vote."

When the Grand Jury adjourned last Monday night the question as to whether the Solid Eight Supervisors should be called to-morrow or at some later time after the testimony of pool-sellers had been heard was unsettled, but since that time the jurors have decided to request their attendance Friday.

Leading pool-sellers connected with the "commission" establishments will also receive subpenas to attend the session. The difficulty of obtaining direct proof is recognized, although the Grand Jury is convinced from the evidence presented last Monday night that money has been raised to defeat the pending ordinance.

It is not expected that the Solid Eight will admit the existence of a combine in the board or admit that any member has been unduly influenced, yet the scope of the inquiry will be so broad as to call for statements as to conversations had with persons other than members of the board on the subject of pool legislation.

Corbett, Kingsley, Rose, and others interested in pool commissions will probably be requested to relate all interviews had with lawyers and Supervisors on the subject of regulating pool-selling.

There is an impression among members of the jury that an assurance will be given to-morrow that the pending order will be passed next Monday.

POLICEMEN FINED.

Twenty-Five More of the New Batch Sworn In by the Commissioners.

The Police Commissioners had a long session last night, six patrolmen and a sergeant having appeared there for trial.

Dennis Courneen, for being intoxicated, was fined $50; John D. Long, for being asleep, $25; M. L. Van de Bogart, $50 for being intoxicated; A. M. Cayot, $25 for smoking while on duty; Nathaniel Green, $20 for being absent from his beat; E. F. Bode, absent from his beat, charge dismissed; Sergeant Flanders, for breach of discipline with regard to special orders of his captain, $25.

Twenty-five new policemen were sworn in by the Commissioners as follows:

John J. Begley, born in Ireland, 34 years of age, stoneworker; Timothy C. Calnan, Ireland, 31, plasterer; Owen J. Redmond, San Francisco, 27, carriage-painter; Charles M. Shore, England, 30, plumber; William Doran, Ireland, 28, farmer; Michael J. Morris, New Jersey, 34, locomotive engineer; Lawrence Joseph Deely, Ireland, 33, gripman; Stephen V. Bunner, San Francisco, 26, teamster; Edward F. Ward, San Francisco, 26, clerk; Henry D. Jackson, San Francisco, 28, telegraph operator; James Wilkinson, San Francisco, 30, printer; Thomas S. Duke, Tennessee, 25, plumber; Robert McDonald, San Francisco, 34, raftsman; Peter B. Chambers, Missouri, 35, laborer; James Joseph McEmtee, San Francisco, 25, plumber; Lionel Shaw, San Francisco, 30, foreman; James Andrew Belyea, St. Johns, N. B., 31, teamster; Robert Connor, Ireland, 29, laborer; Patrick McGee, New Jersey, 25, horseshoer; Thomas F. Slattery, Massachusetts, 34, photographer; W. H. Burkholder, Iowa, 31, laborer; John R. Lewis, San Francisco, 32, clerk; Donald R. Campbell, Canada, 31, carpenter.

Harry Hook, an ex-sergeant, and Gustave Videau, an ex-patrolman, were appointed as patrolmen.

Sixteen having been sworn in on Monday, this now makes 41 out of the 74.

NEW TO-DAY.

Tall, Fat, Stout

And lean men and women wear Goodyear Welt Shoes, because they're better than hand-sewed shoes and cost less. "Foot Comfort" tells you all about

Goodyear Welt Shoes.

Goodyear Welts are leather shoes, not rubber.

GOODYEAR SHOE MACH'Y CO., BOSTON

OLYMPIC FOOTBALL TEAM.

Athletes Who Were Treated Royally by Butte City Players.

The Olympic Club's football team arrived from Montana last evening after enjoying the pleasures of beautiful mountain scenery and an experience in football on a field that was covered by a blanket of snow.

Leonard Gill, the captain of the team, said that the Olympic boys were treated most royally by the Butte City football team during their sojourn at the mountain city and their ignominious defeat was caused by a decisive change in climate.

"During the contests," said Gill, "the weather was so excessively cold that our boys lost all ambition and were handled by their opponents in such a manner that resistance was really out of question. The Butte City team is composed of big husky fellows who will be here in a few days and the lovers of football will have an opportunity of seeing them play against the Reliance and Olympic teams."

Colonel Cass Post Officers.

At a regular meeting held by Colonel Cass Post, G. A. R., at Excelsior Hall, Tuesday evening, the following were elected to serve during the ensuing year: Post commander, John O'Neal; senior vice, Frank J. Miller; junior vice, Hugh Shields; chaplain, John Massey; surgeon, Edwin Kelly; quartermaster, T. Curren; officer of the day, James H. Riley; officer of the guard, D. J. Dontan; delegate captain, A. B. Donnelly; alternate, Hugh Shields. The post was inspected by Assistant Inspector James H. Riley. It will have an open meeting at the installation of officers in January.

HE BOUGHT A RAILROAD IN FIVE MINUTES.

Borax King Smith Secures the California and Nevada.

THE PRICE $150,000 CASH.

It Was Purchased Outright Before the Capitalist Left for Europe.

WILL DEVELOP THE SYSTEM.

The Affair Kept Secret Till the Foreign Speculations Were Completed.

OAKLAND OFFICE SAN FRANCISCO CALL, 908 Broadway, Dec. 3.

Much surprise was expressed in railroad circles to-day when it was made public that F. M. Smith, the borax manipulator, had purchased the narrow-gauge California and Nevada Railroad. It has been known for some time that Mr. Smith had leased the road but he purchased it outright before going to Europe, although the fact of his having done so has been kept a profound secret.

F. M. Smith will shortly return to this city and he will at once proceed to finish his ferry system, equip his recent purchase and inaugurate a new order of things in the northern part of the county.

J. S. Emery, the founder of Emeryville, sold the road to F. M. Smith on the part of the shareholders and the price paid was $150,000 cash.

"Mr. Smith is a man of few words," said Mr. Emery to-day, "and it only took him about ten minutes to buy the California and Nevada. I met him in San Francisco about a year ago and he asked me who had control of the road. I said I had. He asked me if I could deliver every share. I replied that every share was pooled, and that I was trustee and could deliver every share. He asked the price and I told him $150,000. He asked if he could have an option on it at that price for a year.

"I replied he could have an option if he would pay me in advance 6 per cent of the purchase price. He thought a moment and said, 'I'll do it.' A few minutes later we were in his office, and he drew his check for $9000. A few months later he leased the road and ran it, and before going to Europe he bought the road outright, subject to a provision that he would within a certain time extend it to Walnut Creek.'

When Mr. Smith's lease expired a few weeks ago and there was no talk of renewing it the opinion was general that he had abandoned all idea of developing the northern part of the county and the ferry system from his recently built substatial pier at Emeryville. The reason is now clear. Before the lease had expired the borax magnate had purchased the road quietly and departed for Europe to raise enough ready money to perfect the gigantic plans which were made public three years ago.

The deal with the London borax syndicate, which was reported in THE CALL two weeks ago, has enabled Mr. Smith to turn sufficient securities into cash to carry out his Emeryville projects. His return is being eagerly looked for.

Vast tracts of land have changed hands, owing to the operations of F. M. Smith, and it has been said that all his ventures were purely speculative. The expensive pier at Emeryville, which is more substantial and broader than any pier yet built on this side of the bay, is proof that much was contemplated. Now it is stated semi-authoritatively that all the plans will soon be carried out. The Grove-street road, with the Sixteenth and Eighth streets lines, are owned, for the major part, by F. M. Smith. These, with the California and Nevada road and the pier and holdings at Emeryville, represent several millions of dollars. Mr. Smith is also president of the Oakland Terminal Company, with a capital of $7,000,000, and these facts make his future movements of great interest.

Wholesale Perjury.

The charge of grand larceny preferred by Joseph Neagles, 2530 Post street, against Thomas Donohue and his wife, Sophie, was dismissed by Judge Joachimsen yesterday. Neagles alleged that Donohue and his wife, who kept a restaurant at Eighth and Howard streets, robbed him, while asleep, of a watch, chain and two lockets. The Judge in dismissing the case said that wholesale perjury had been committed, and suggested that the matter should be laid before the Grand Jury.

NEW TO-DAY—DRY GOODS.

Commencing Saturday, December 7, "in response to the public demand," this store will remain open evenings until Christmas.

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See the big display in our windows. It's worth a walk uptown, and perhaps it will mean money to you, too.

LACE-EDGE HANDKERCHIEFS, fancy box of ½ dozen. $1.00 box

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Ladies' Furnishings.

Something useful, something wearable, is the most appropriate and sensible Xmas Gift one can suggest. You may get some good hints from the following pickings.

Ladies' Aprons - - 50c each
Good quality swiss, tucked and ribbon trimmed, lace edge on bottom.

Ladies' Aprons - - 75c each
Same as above; better quality: very dainty.

Ladies' Aprons - - $1 each
Fine quality Swiss, embroidery insertion and ribbon trimmed; open embroidery trimmed bottom.

Ladies' Aprons - - - - $1.25 and $1.50 each
Plain and dotted Swiss, best quality: trimmed with Valencienne lace, embroidery and ribbon.

Ladies' Aprons - - $1.65, $2.00 and $2.50 each
The very best quality Swiss, elaborately trimmed with Oriental and Valencienne lace.

Ladies' Shawls, $1.25 to $2 each
Fancy knit, solid colors, pink, blue, tan, old rose, red and white; light and heavy quality; those soft, comfortable, warm-as-toast kind, for winter evenings; it's now or never; from 1¼ to 2 yards square.

Ladies' Shawls - - $1.50 each
Fancy worsted, crochet effect, deep fringe on border, all solid colors, 1¼ yards wide; comfortable ones.

Ladies' Shawls, $2.50 to $3 each
Silk and wool mixed, deep fringe, large assortment, in combination colors.

Ladies' Pocket Books.

Our assortment of Pocket Books is good. Why pay a high-toned jeweler a dozen profits for his name? If she wants a pocket book look at our line.

Ladies' Pocket Book, 50c each
In black and colors, all leather, daintily trimmed, in sterling silver, combination purse and card-case.

Ladies' Pocket Book, $1 each
Combination, alligator, grain and seal, new styles, plain or fancy silver mountings; the $2 50 kind.

Ladies' Pocket Book, $1.50 each
Four corners silver mounted; in all popular shades; new styles.

Ladies' Shopping Bags, $1 each
Fancy seal drawstring bags, leather front, sateen top and sides; the most convenient thing for shopping we know of.

Ladies' Shopping Bags, - - - - - - - $1.25 each
Drawstring bag, seal leather front, with pocket and silver mountings, sateen top.

Ladies' Shopping Bags - - - - - - - $1.50 each
Fancy drawstring bag, seal leather front, silk pocket, top and sides.

Umbrellas.

It isn't raining now, nor may not for a few days. But that is no reason why we shouldn't sell Umbrellas. We have all kinds at all prices. It's better to have one than to wait until you are out in the rain and all wet. Prices from 75c to $6 each.

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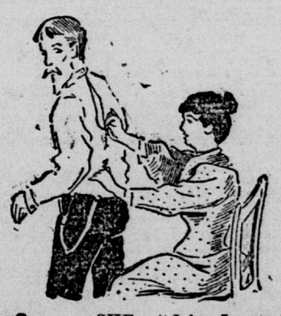

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