

WHAT WILL HE DO WITH IT?

Superintendent Ashworth's Surprising Estimate.

A MILLION AND A HALF.

Scathing Criticism of the Supervisors' Expert, G. W. Elder.

HALF THAT SUM SUFFICIENT.

The Rest May Be Needed for Political Purposes—The Taxpayers' Redress.

What will he do with it? "He" refers to Superintendent Thomas Ashworth and "it" to the appropriation desired by him to carry on the business of the San Fran-

blocks are laid upon hillsides having excessively steep grades and where cobbles only can be used to advantage. If let to the lowest bidder in a public competition the ratio ought not to exceed \$2500 a block, which, estimating a hundred blocks, would make the total \$250,000, a reduction of \$150,000 in the Superintendent's figures.

"For piling and planking streets along the water front for that portion for which the City is liable the official estimate is \$150,000. You can see indicated on this map of the water front all such repairs as will be absolutely necessary there during the next fiscal year. The space extends from Polson to Brannan, along the water front, and comprises 2250 front feet, all that will actually be in need of an entire reconstruction during the coming fiscal year. Estimated by the front foot this will not exceed \$20 a foot, including piling, capping and planking. The job could be done for \$45,000, yet the Superintendent estimates \$150,000.

"For the improvement of streets in front of City property his estimate is \$50,000. This is for the improvement of streets and sidewalks in front of school lots, fire lots and public squares, but in another item the Superintendent calls for \$94,050 for improvements in front of public parks and squares. The sum of the two items is \$144,050. In most cases the sidewalks and streets in front of all such property for which the City is liable have already been improved and the bills paid. The exorbitant sum in the estimate is, consequently, entirely uncalled for to meet the expenses of the coming year. Do you notice, too, how misleading are the estimates of Superintendent Ashworth, and how in these last items he has played both ends against the middle?"

"For the repaving of Market street with bituminous rock his estimate is \$150,000. The official map on file in the office of the City and County Surveyor show the total number of square feet in Market street, from East to the junction of Market and Valencia, to be 875,520. The City is liable for only 468,000 feet, the railroad company being responsible for the remainder.



THOMAS ASHWORTH.

cisco Street Department during the ensuing fiscal year. The royal sum desired by him is \$1,558,180 10, which is only \$1,000,000 more than was deemed to be sufficient by the Board of Supervisors for the needs of the current year. There has been no material increase during the past year in the mileage of the public streets of San Francisco, the rate of wages or the cost of material, and the citizens, in consequence, assuming him to be an honest though misguided old gentleman, are inquiring of one another: "What is the matter with Superintendent Ashworth?" It is impossible to answer with any degree of accuracy, although it has been suggested that his ambition has run away with his judgment, and that now, in the mere and yellow leaf, he has degenerated into a plant too of insensibility and grasping politicians.

Adding the crossings and intersecting streets, which approximate 180,000 feet, we get a total of 648,000 square feet. If the old material now in the street and worth 8 cents were retained by the contractor the cost of repaving Market street could be reduced to \$78,000, which is a little more than half the sum required by Ashworth.

"I think the \$46,000 estimated for the paving of accepted blocks and crossings now macadamized on Van Ness avenue extravagant, yet the half dozen blocks included should be placed as soon as possible upon a concrete foundation.

"For cleaning and repairing sewers the Superintendent asks for \$75,000, when the work could easily be done by contract for \$40,000.

"The estimate of \$150,000 for sweeping the streets is also excessive, and far more than has ever been allowed for this purpose. It can be materially decreased by public competition, as his are seen to be invited for the cleaning of accepted streets.

"Perhaps the most manifestly absurd item in the estimate is that calling for the repaving of Golden Gate avenue, from Market street to Steiner. Now, the avenue does not need repaving for anything like its entire length. There are but two blocks in it—Gough street to Laguna—and an expenditure of \$3000 would put the avenue in excellent condition all the way from Market street to Steiner.

"In conclusion I may say that the Street Department was run upon business principles \$750,000 would suffice to meet all legitimate expenses for the ensuing year. I should like to take the contract at that sum myself, for I am confident I could do a good job and make money on it. The demands of Superintendent Ashworth are

Table listing various street repair and maintenance items with their respective costs, such as 'Salary of Superintendent of Streets', 'Repairs on county roads', 'Sweeping of streets', etc.

While it might be difficult to explain satisfactorily what use the Superintendent of Streets would be likely to make of this comparatively colossal sum, in the event it should by any mischance be allowed him by the Supervisors, it is comparatively easy to show that it is not required and would not be expended in the improvement and maintenance of the public streets.

"Why," exclaimed George W. Elder, who is the expert of the Street Committee of the Board of Supervisors, "I should like nothing better than to take a contract to do that identical work for which Superintendent Ashworth imagines he needs \$1,558,180 10 for \$750,000, and I would give bonds to do a satisfactory job. A great deal of the work done upon our public streets during the last month by an administration, as I happen to know, is literally rotten. It is personally honest, I suppose, but has been led away by his official advisers and subordinates, until now he seems to have wheels in his head. The truth is that he does not wish that million and a half for legitimate street uses, but to enable him to create a dummy payroll, upon which he can carry a host of political parasites, who will turn out when required and elector for him.

"For repairing streets now paved with cobbles the estimate is \$400,000. There are 182 blocks of cobble pavements, and this sum, to repave them with bituminous or asphalt blocks, is altogether too high, for the reason that about half of these cobble



GEORGE ELDER.

unreasonably excessive as I have clearly demonstrated and they never will be approved by the Board of Supervisors. It is truly lamentable the way our streets are slighted, and the only redress I can see for the taxpayers of San Francisco is to give them into the management of a Board of Public Works."

A SALE OF IMPORTANCE.

IMPORTANT Jacket and Cape Sale.

We will not wait until July 1 to commence our marking down. We're doing it now, right now, when you want a new garment for the season and can get several months' use out of it.

- \$4.00 Black Serge Jackets.....\$2.50
\$5.00 Tan Cloth Jackets.....\$3.50
\$6.50 Cheviot Jackets.....\$4.50
\$7.50 Silk-lined Tan Jackets.....\$5.00
\$10.00 Silk-lined Tan Jackets.....\$7.50
\$12.50 Silk-lined Tan Jackets.....\$9.95

The above Jackets are all the new spring and summer shapes, the very latest styles in short, medium and long lengths. Some silk lined, some silk faced, others self-faced. The materials are of the best, the colors in some are black, navy blue and tans, others as stated.

- \$2.00 Capes reduced to.....95c
\$3.00 Capes reduced to.....1.50
\$5.00 Capes reduced to.....\$2.50
\$10.00 Capes reduced to.....\$5.00
\$15.00 Capes reduced to.....\$9.50
\$18.00 Capes reduced to.....\$12.50
\$22.50 Capes reduced to.....\$15.00
\$30.00 Capes reduced to.....\$20.00
\$40.00 Capes reduced to.....\$30.00
\$50.00 Capes reduced to.....\$35.00

The above offerings consist of almost our entire purchase of this season's latest creations in Foreign and Domestic Cloths, Silks, Laces and Velvets. Not one of them, no matter at what price it is quoted, but is strictly this season's goods.

- Girls' Jackets at.....95c
Girls' Jackets at.....\$1.25
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At these three prices we are offering every Reiter Jacket in our stock that sold up to \$5. They are divided into three lots and include Fancy, Mottled and Mixed Cheviots, some of them neatly trimmed with braids, etc.

- Girls' Capes at.....95c
A line that sold at \$1.50 each, made of an and a half Cheviot, scalloped bottom and collar, edged with Persian Trimming, Ribbon, Bow and Streamers at neck. All sizes.

In the Downstairs Salesroom we are selling last season's Jackets of every kind, style, shape and color at less than 25 cents on the dollar. Some splendid things among them.

POPPER OUT ALL NIGHT.

Democrats Showing How an Ideal Election Board Can Manage a Count.

Heroic Work at Junta Headquarters to Help Max's Plan for Getting Good Election Officers.

The Junta headquarters in the Flood building afforded last evening a marvelous exhibition of self-sacrifice sincerely made in the interest of good government by real Democratic politicians.



MAX POPPER.

Men worked through the afternoon and evening and then through the night that it may be shown to the Election Commissioners by Max Popper to-morrow morning.

FELL DEAD AT FAIRFAX.

George H. Wellman Succumbed to Heart Disease at a Picnic of Southern Pacific Employees.

SAN RAFAEL, Cal., May 30.—George H. Wellman died very suddenly at Fairfax this afternoon. The employees of the Southern Pacific were having a merry picnic, and one of the jolliest was Wellman.

The most IMPORTANT to you and to us that has ever taken place in our house. We were never in a better position to offer bargains than we are at the present time. Having a staff of buyers in New York, headed by a member of our corporation, and taking advantage of the hitherto unheard-of "dull times" prevalent in every channel—where CASH BUYERS are looked upon as "angels of deliverance"—we have bought goods that we can and are selling lower than the majority of merchants pay for them. OUR GOODS AND OUR PRICES are our attractions. If you want "RIGHT GOODS AT PROPER PRICES" come to us.

Important Silk Sale.

The recent great slaughtering of Silks in the New York auction-rooms has set the future price of these goods. They can now be bought at almost 60 cents on the dollar of the prices a few weeks ago. Our prices are reduced the same way. Another evidence of what it means to be continually represented at headquarters.

- Two-toned Novelty Silks in serpentine patterns.....35c
50c Black Satin, all sizes.....30c
75c Pompadours and Dresden.....50c
75c Evening Silks, whitesatin grounds with colored stripe.....50c
\$1.00 Dresden Brocades.....75c
\$1.00 Black Crystal Bengaline.....65c
\$1.00 Black Rhadamans.....75c
\$1.00 Black Figured Gros Grains.....75c
\$1.15 Black Figured Gros Grains.....85c
85c Plain Black Gros Grains.....68c

DRESS GOODS.

Prices in full keeping with the Silks. The styles are all this season's latest.

- 25c Fancy Suitings.....12 1/2c
30c Silk and Wool Fabrics.....15c
35c Fancy Glace Mohairs.....15c
40c French All-Wool Serges.....25c
50c Silk and Wool Plaids.....30c
50c All-Wool Scotch Cheviots.....35c
50c Fancy English Mohairs.....35c
75c Parisian Suitings, 54-inch.....50c
75c Parisian Suitings.....50c
\$1.00 High-Grade Novelities.....60c

SHEET MUSIC.

Over 5000 Copies Vocal and Instrumental Music at 5c a copy. All popular copyrighted music at half price.

OUR FASHION CATALOGUE showing complete lines of Spring and Summer Goods of every kind and description will be sent FREE OF CHARGE to any interior address upon request. Send your name on a postal card.

The Hamburger Co. PROPRIETORS OF THE MERE.

HEMMED IN ON MOUNT HAMILTON.

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man—took no one into his confidence in any way.

Ross, who knew Dunham well, believes he has made his way out of the mountains and got away by bicycle. He believes also that Dunham's purpose in the murder was to kill everybody who had any claim to the farm and leave his child the heir, thus while satisfying his vengeance, providing for his son.

Some curious stories are being told illustrative of Dunham's character. His mother is said to have stood in fear of him, although she had something of a temper herself. When he importuned her for money she generally gave up before his temper got the best of him.

On one occasion she braved him, however, and he went out deliberately into the yard and began wringing the necks of her chickens. The mother left to each of the sons five acres of land and \$100. James got his share before her death. She left her daughter \$7000.

PURSUED BY A STRANGER.

A Newsmen Rancher Entertains a Man Who Resembles Dunham.

OAKLAND, Cal., May 30.—Sheriff White is still on the alert for Dunham. The San Jose murderer, should he head this way, Deputy Sheriff Sam Heller left yesterday for the Livermore section and will cooperate with Constable Fitzgerald of that place, who is also a deputy sheriff, in scouting the Livermore hills for Dunham.

FELL DEAD AT FAIRFAX.

George H. Wellman Succumbed to Heart Disease at a Picnic of Southern Pacific Employees.

He had been for many years engaged in the auditor's office of the freight department of the Southern Pacific, and was well known and very popular. Talking with some friends about noon he suddenly put up his hand to steady himself and fell back dead. Coroner Eden held an inquest this evening, at which Dr. Wickman, having made an autopsy, testified that he died of heart disease. The body will be taken to San Francisco to-morrow.

Important Domestic Sale.

The reign of low prices is contagious. There is not a department in our whole establishment that isn't affected. These are the goods where the saving counts—the sort of things you want every day.

- 15c Irish Dimities.....50c
20c Persian and Dresden Dimities.....12 1/2c
20c Persian and Dresden Lace Lawns.....15c
15c Fairy Rainbow Dimities.....15c
35c Mantilla Lace Lawns.....20c
10c Fancy Pique Duckings.....10c
12 1/2c Scotch Plaid Gingham.....7 1/2c
10c Embroidered Stripe Zephyrs.....10c
15c La Belle Crepons.....10c
60c American Linens.....30c
8 1/2c Indigo Blue Calicos.....50c
9c Extra White Cambric.....50c
8 1/2c Fancy Checked Nainsooks.....4c
10c White Victoria Lawns.....9c
20c White Dotted Swisses.....10 1/2c
10c Bleached and Brown Canton Flannel.....6 1/2c
60c Bleached Table Damask.....45c
\$1.50 Bleached Napkins to match.....\$1.18
25c Special Huck Towels.....21c
1c Cream Linen Toweling.....8 1/2c
35c White Turkish Towels.....23 1/2c
\$3.50 German Lunch Sets.....\$2.40
10c Grass Linens.....7 1/2c
20c Best Cotton Moreens.....10 1/2c
10 1/2c Fancy Back Sicelias.....13 1/2c
12 1/2c Rustling Linings.....8 1/2c
10c Yard-wide Cotton Canvas.....7 1/2c
50c Silk Stripe Tennis Flannel.....38c
65c All-Wool Eider Downs.....42c
12 1/2c Striped Outing Flannel.....6 1/2c
15c Plain Colored Twilled Flannel.....1c
25c Fancy Art Denims.....10 1/2c
12 1/2c Drapery Cretonnes.....7 1/2c
\$1.25 Drapery Chenille.....75c
\$2.00 White Blankets.....\$1.45
\$1.25 Sateen Comforters.....85c
\$1.00 Fancy Feather Pillows.....55c
75c White Bed Spreads.....48c

SUIT DEPARTMENT.

Tailor-Made Suits.....\$5.00
Black and Blue Cloths, New Blazer Jackets, full flowing skirts.....\$7.50
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Light and Medium Shades of Mixed Checked Cheviots, New Style Box Jackets, flaring skirts.....\$12.50
Tailor-Made Suits.....\$12.50
Black and Navy Serges, Summer Bouclés and Scotch Cheviots, Blazer and London Box Coats, full flaring skirts.....\$12.50
House Wrappers.....75c
Light and Medium Color Sateens, fitted linings.....\$1.00
Crinkled Seersuckers, Bishop sleeves, Watteau backs, fitted waist linings.....35c
50c Shirt Waists.....90c
\$1.00 Shirt Waists.....75c
50c White Waists.....\$1.00
\$2.00 Shirt Waists.....\$1.25
All our Shirt Waists are this season's latest styles—pointed yoke backs, Bishop sleeves, new shape, laundered collars and cuffs.

Important Millinery Sale.

Besides the beautiful MAXINE EL-LIOTT HATS, which we are showing in every possible color and combination of materials, we are offering some special bargains in Millinery Goods that cannot fail to cause a ripple of excitement among the ladies.

- 25c Rose Sprays for.....10c
20c Silk or Velvet Blown Roses.....10c
25c Half-Blown Silk Rose Buds.....10c
20c Violet Bouquets with Foliage.....5c
20c Colored Silk Violets, dozen.....9c
15c Daisy Sprays.....9c
10c Black and Colored Quills.....5c
50c Jet Sprays and Piquets.....20c
75c Jet Crowns.....25c
25c Dresden Ribbons, 4-inch.....10c
50c Plain Silk Ribbons.....25c
50c Sailor Hats.....50c
75c Sailor Hats.....75c
\$1.25 Trimmed Hats.....\$1.50
\$1.50 Trimmed Hats.....\$2.00
\$1.20 Trimmed Hats.....\$1.75

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Important Items.

Little things, with less than the usual little prices. "Tis the little things that count." Just figure up the saving you can make by purchasing these little things of us and you'll be surprised.

- Hatpins, per dozen.....5c
Whalebone Casings, per piece.....9c
Hairpins, per paper.....1c
Shell Hairpins, per dozen.....8c
Corduroy Binding, 2-inch, piece.....15c
Velveteen Binding, 4 yards, piece.....15c
Spool Cotton, per dozen.....24c
Safety Pins, per paper.....1c
Side Elastics, per pair.....5c
Needles, per paper.....1c
25c Tinted Paperie, per box.....15c
20c Rubber-tipped Pencils, dozen.....5c
120 Sheets Note Paper for.....10c
250 Envelopes in a box for.....25c
35c Tan Silk Mitts.....15c
40c Black Silk Mitts.....25c
40c Black Silk Gloves.....25c
\$1 Suede Kid Gloves.....50c
\$1 25 Pearl Gloves, 4 button.....75c
La Cigale Gloves.....95c
Swan-down Face Powder.....5c
La Blanche Face Powder.....25c
Pozzoni's Complexion Powder.....25c
Herbert Complexion Powder.....25c
4711 White Rose Soap, cake.....12 1/2c
Colgate's Toilet Soaps, cake.....9c
Kirk's Bath Soaps, cake.....4c
La Cigale Soap, per box.....25c
Vaseline Cold Cream, per box.....8c
Almond Cold Cream, per box.....19c
Cucumber Cold Cream, per box.....25c
Malvina Cream, per box.....29c
Anita Cream, per box.....50c
La Belle Perfumes, ounce.....15c
Lautier's Perfumes, ounce.....40c
Pinard's Perfumes, ounce.....45c
Crown Co.'s Perfumes, ounce.....55c
Roger & Gallet's Perfumes, ounce.....60c
35c Ferris's Good Sense Waists.....19c
50c Black and Drab Corsets.....29c
75c Black and Drab Corsets.....48c
\$1.50 C. B. French Corsets.....85c
35c Fast Black Cotton Hose.....25c
40c Ribbed Hose, Misses' sizes.....25c
20c Ribbed Hose, Infants' sizes.....9c
25c Woolen Vests, Infants' sizes.....15c
25c Merino Vests, Misses' sizes.....15c
25c Ribbed Vests, Misses' sizes.....19c
35c Swiss Vests, Ladies' sizes.....25c
\$1.00 Jersey Ribbed Vests and Pants.....50c
\$1.50 Colored Sateen Blouses, Boys.....75c
50c Patent Leather Belts.....35c
60c White Kid Belts.....25c
50c Gilt Belts.....30c
75c Gift Belts, miniature buckles.....35c
\$1.00 Sterling Mounted Purses.....50c

San Mateo Officers Join the Chase.

REDWOOD CITY, Cal., May 30.—Sheriff McEvoy and Under Sheriff Mansfield have just left in a carriage for San Jose to aid in the chase for Dunham. They are well supplied with firearms and ammunition. They are to meet the Sheriff from Alameda, Monterey, Contra Costa and other counties at San Jose, and after a consultation relieve the Santa Clara County officers, who are said to be worn out.

BIG DEAL AT LOS ANGELES.

An English Syndicate Purchases the Spilman Suburban Water Works.

Two Millions Will Be Put Into Circulation Before the Project is Completed.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., May 30.—A transaction of the greatest importance to this city has just been consummated. It is the purchase by an English syndicate of the Spilman Suburban Water Company. About ninety days ago W. A. Nygh of London, Eng., agent for a number of English capitalists, visited Los Angeles and looked over this property. He was so pleased with it that, on his report, the people he represented at once wired \$10,000 to W. T. Spilman as first payment through the First National Bank of this city.

WAGONS, CARRIAGES AND HARNESS.

Fifty per cent saved! Factory prices—Send for catalogue. Carts.....\$15 to \$25 Buggy.....\$75 to \$125 Carriages.....\$100 to \$200 Wagons.....\$80 to \$100 Harness.....\$5 to \$20 We ship every where. California Wagon and Carriage Co., 301 1/2 to 4 1/2 Fremont st., S. F.

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IRON BEDS, BRASS BEDS, FOLDING BEDS, Wire and Hair Mattresses, Reclining Chairs, Wicker Chairs, Commodes, Back Seats W. A. SCHROCK, 231 Montgomery St., under Grand Hotel, S. F.

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