

NO DISTINCTION MADE IN DOORS.

Rear Entrance of the Labor Bureau as Good as the Front.

MR. FITZGERALD SPEAKS

He Says It Is Simply to Facilitate and Expedite Business.

MANY MATTERS ARE INVOLVED

The Women Have the Entire Front Side and the Men a Quiet Street at the Rear.

Labor Commissioner Fitzgerald, in reply to the charge of undemocratic management of the Labor Bureau, which was laid at his door by the Labor Council at their meeting on Friday night, accusing him of compelling the employers to enter at one side of the building and the employees at the other, thus expressed himself yesterday to a CALL reporter:

"I really consider this accusation too insignificant and too silly to answer. There have been about 25,000 laboring people who have come to this office for relief and over 6000 of these have received positions. This office, I can say with perfect confidence, has saved to the workingmen workmen who really are in need of work come here and says nothing about the way he is treated, but too frequently the workman who works the workingman says much that often is not just. However, laying all this aside, if I had my way I would give the people who come here for relief the Palace Hotel to meet in.

"Insufficient as the headquarters are I gave them to the workingmen by begging from door to door. The hampers and quarters bring work and trouble to me and not to the working-people. There never before has been a man or woman who has objected or complained about the way that business is carried on here. The men have a quiet street in the rear, where they may come without interference.

"If the Labor Council wishes to condemn any one let it condemn the State of California for not appropriating a large enough sum of money for our purposes, not men who am only too willing to give the workingmen better quarters to come to in search of work.

"As to the practicability of the mode of having the entrance of the building to the employe and the employer I would say that it is simply a business arrangement, or in other words an arrangement to facilitate and expedite matters. A great many men object to pushing through a crowd of men seeking help, and this would work as a factor to keep employers away should both entrances be the same. This, in fact, was the great trouble with our other office on Sansome street. I am sure if a popular way of coming here to the office, and have passed through the doors of this bureau since it has been established they would vote almost unanimously to have things in as they are. There is no objection whatever made in persons, it is simply a matter of business.

"So far as the support of the working people is concerned perhaps they do not know that not a dollar of State appropriations has been received by this office since last April. I have paid the rents out of my own pocket.

"There has not been a union in the State which has not unqualifiedly endorsed, under its seal, my methods of carrying on the business of the office. How would 500 men look out on Sutter street every morning awaiting their turn? I had a hard task in getting the bureau on this side of Market street even. Then think of ladies coming here to hire girls for housework and having to pass through all these men. They would not come, not even if every one of the men was dressed in the height of fashion.

"The State allows me \$50 a month for rent for the office, and a good-sized bedroom. I am paying \$100 a month and make up the balance from my own pocket and those of my friends. I do not think that my work has gone for naught. I believe I hold the confidence of all the laboring people yet. It is all I ask of them and it all they can give me. If they have to come to the back door my deputies have to work in the back yard among them. The front of the office is devoted to the women department. It would not be justice to have the men enter in the same room."

MANIPULATORS OF STOCK

Grave Charges Against the Directors of a Local Corporation.

Officials Who Are Said to Have Voted Themselves Anything They Desired.

There is a fine row in the directorate of the American Composition Pipe and Pipe-Armor Company. E. F. Bailey, J. C. Fitzsimmons and James M. Kelly have sued A. B. Hunt, Peter Tanphous, H. C. Capwell and L. E. Ashley, directors of the company, for \$2,000, damages sustained by the depreciation in value of the stock of the company, and pray for a decree of court setting aside an assessment of 5 cents per share levied on the capital stock of the company by the defendants.

The plaintiffs allege that they are the owners of the majority of the stock of the company, but that the four defendants conspired to get control of the stock and affairs of the corporation, and resorted to illegal means to secure the desired end. The defendants are also charged to have subsequently held an illegal meeting, at which, against the wishes of the stockholders of the corporation and without their consent and with a fraudulent purpose, they changed the rule providing for a quorum of five and reduced the number to three. They caused an assessment of 5 cents per share to be levied upon the stock, knowing the plaintiffs could not afford to pay it, and that hence their stock could be sold as delinquent and bought in by the defendants.

The day set for the sale of delinquent stock is June 20, and therefore the plaintiffs pray that an injunction be issued restraining the defendants from collecting

or attempting to collect the assessment and from selling the stock of plaintiffs as delinquent stock.

Judge Seawell issued a temporary restraining order prohibiting the sale of the stock until the case can be heard.

SAYS THE CASE IS WON.

Attorney Van Duzer Announces This Fact Before the San Miguel Defense Association.

The big Republican demonstration down town last evening, perhaps, had some effect on the meeting of the San Miguel Defense Club.

The principal business of the club was postponed until next Saturday evening. The meeting was brief, and was adjourned a half hour after being called to order.

For the benefit of the members present Secretary Van Duzer, also attorney for the club in the Noe litigation, briefly reviewed the main features of the trial so far as it has progressed. He concluded by saying: "The case does not arise even to the dignity of blackmail. All that is necessary is to see that there is no default entered against you. Mr. Koscialowski told me himself that he expected to be defeated, but that he was determined to appeal to the Supreme Court. The case is won, and there can be no chance on this earth for the Noe heirs to obtain any title on this property."

The matter of appointing delegates to the charter convention, as requested by the Merchants' Association, was laid over until the next meeting. The secretary announced that the present membership of the club had increased to 832 members.

From the Orient. The Pacific Mail steamship City of Rio Janeiro arrived yesterday from the Orient by way of Honolulu with the following cabin passengers: Mrs. Milward, G. B. Hunt, V. Eschke, Dr. A. Rudel, G. S. Harris, Dr. P. T. Bolger, Surgeon Major H. Adey, N. Degoutin.



St. Luke's Episcopal Church, at the Corner of Van Ness Avenue and Clay Street.

A. Herbert, Mrs. F. Randol, Mrs. Rodbard, I. S. Patton, U. S. N.; S. H. Edwards, D. R. Young, Dr. A. Jackson, C. I. Clark, W. R. Comrie, B. Warrig and wife, H. C. Dart, K. T. Tanish, F. M. Swazy.

ITALIANS CLOSE SCHOOL.

Dialogues, Plays and Clever Recitations in Union-Square Hall.

Graduates Are Rewarded With Prizes and Their Friends Loudly Applaud.

An informal reunion was held yesterday evening in Union-square Hall to celebrate the graduation of about forty pupils of the Italian Free School. The large hall was filled with over 300 children and their parents and friends. In the first row sat the administrative council of the school, consisting of Dr. J. Pesca, honorary president; P. Barbieri, G. Tacconi, G. Luisi, L. Torre, V. W. Monti, A. L. Baccigalupi.

A long and interesting programme was given by the pupils of the school. The number which aroused the greatest amount of enthusiasm was an amusing farce called "Asterio Giovanni," which the children acted with almost the spirit and verve of professionals.

The play told how a number of young people conspired to drive an elderly lady away from a country village where she had intended to rusticate with her niece for the summer. Angela Ghibaudi, as an arrogant washerwoman, bore off a large portion of the honors, though the following young ladies all sustained their Italian roles excellently: Emma Gronzona, Maria Ferragiaro, Maria Brusco, Matilde Gagliardo, Maria Foppiano, Genoveffa Foppiano, Caterina Schiaffino, Luisa Razzo, Lina Ertola, Ida Bedoni, Ersilia Landucci, Cemelina Valenziana, Maria Valenziana.

A dialogue, telling something about the work of the school, was cleverly sustained by Maria Zaro, Emilia Lucchetti, Anna Macche, Emilia Matilano, Adeina Demartini, Eivira Denegri, Teodolinda Tacconi, Emma Bianchi, Matilde Marzo. But the girls did not bear off all the blushing honors. Though the boys did not perform comedies or dialogues their recitations, however, were well delivered, and some of them were hailed with such bursts of applause the minute they appeared on the platform that it was not until their reputation as artists had preceded them.

Adolfo Schenone recited "Giuseppe Garibaldi"; Vittorio Fignoni gave "Il versillo d'Italia"; Enrico Brusco was applauded for "Italia Libera ed Una"; Luigi Demartini gave "In Casa nostra"; Silvio Tacconi recited "Gioie di una Madre".

The other recitations were: Pietro Gaddi, "Alla Patria"; Natale Soldati, "Le tre Fiamme"; Cesare Bossi, "La Bandiera"; Carlo Torre, "I Bimbi Italiani"; Dismo Denegri, "I Mille"; Rudolfo Monti, "L'Italia"; Tomei Domenico, "Silvio Pellico".

One little girl, Elisabetta Pellegrini, gave a recitation. The pio-Contra, Dr. Pesca, was presented with a bunch of flowers by Giorgio Ferragiaro, who also read a poem in his honor; Carlo Schiaffino made a speech of thanks to the friends of the school, and the exercises ended with the distribution of a number of handsome prizes to the graduates and the leaders of the junior classes.

League of the St. Peps. The quarterly rally of St. Peps Branch of the League of the Cross will be held at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon in the hall on Florida street, between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth. Admission will be free. A programme of musical and literary exercises will be rendered. A feature of the rally will be the essay contest, in the second series, for which there are four contestants. The judges for the occasion are Professor Taaffe, Miss Durand and Miss Gilmore.

Runaway Boys. Chief Crowley received a dispatch yesterday from Los Angeles to look out for two boys—Edward Cummings and Reuben Sawyer, each 16 years of age—who had run away from home. Detective Cody went to the Oakland Motel last evening and arrested them as they left the train. They were taken to the City Prison and booked "en route to Los Angeles."

Kalamazoo, Mich. is famous for coffee. See Thomas Slater's advertisement on page 32.

OLD ST. LUKE'S TO BE TORN DOWN.

Will Be Rebuilt on the Old Site in English Style of Solid Stone.

AN EDIFICE OF BEAUTY.

The Congregation Crowds the Old Church and Demands a New One.

THE VESTRY IS SLOW TO ACT

One Hundred Thousand Dollars to Be Expended—Commencement to Be Made When Vacations End.

St. Luke's congregation is to have a new church, so the vestry have decided, and now the most flourishing congregation in the whole State will unite in the erection



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of an edifice which will be as ornate and elaborate as any religious institution on the Pacific Coast. The old church, located on the corner of Van Ness avenue and Clay street, has nothing historical about it whatever. Erected about fifteen years ago, long before the march of progress had commenced to develop the Western Addition, it started first as a missionary project and had the usual experience of such churches in a congregation small in numbers and depending upon a devoted few for its support. The region in its vicinity gradually developed and St. Luke's grew and prospered.

At last Rev. Mr. Davis was called as its pastor, and under his ministrations the church rapidly increased in membership. During his ministry St. Luke's was enlarged and advanced to a leading place in the diocese. In the liberality of its contributions the church always took a leading place. The congregation increased, and from a low position it became one of the most powerful and aristocratic in the State.

Mr. Davis, during his ministry, clamored for a new church, but the vestry was not with him, and finally he resigned, and was succeeded by the present rector, Rev. W. H. Moreland, who took up the work and gathered the forces together until there is now not a more united, devoted and altogether congenial parish than St. Luke's anywhere to be found.

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erected a grand metropolitan structure for both congregations, but the project was declined by St. Luke's, and the wisdom of its course has been amply demonstrated. "No," remarked Mr. Drown, "we shall not build a cathedral as the Bishop proposed at the last convention, but we shall have a church that will be no discredit to the diocese, and one of the most beautiful of all the churches in San Francisco."

RETAIL SHOE CLERKS.

They Organize a Union for Social and Beneficial Purposes.

On Friday evening, the employees of the various shoe stores of this city met in a body and organized the Retail Shoeclears' Association, the objects being of a social and beneficial character. A great deal of enthusiasm was manifested over the sixty names signed to the roll. Following are the officers elected: President, Frank C. Kelly; vice-president, J. B. Goodrich; rector, secretary, J. F. McGeough; financial secretary, F. Hopley; treasurer, J. P. Griffin.

The following were elected to serve as directors: Messrs. Ewing, Solomon and Tuck. A committee, consisting of Messrs. Smith, Burke, Lynch, Nichols and Fogarty, was selected to prepare the constitution and by-laws.

Some people are always wanting two twos for a one.

concealed his sentiments regarding the advisability of a new church, has been content to let the vestry act, and this body, consisting of men high in the community, after a careful consideration of the subject as well as the needs and resources of the congregation, have now concluded to build a new church and to commence as soon after the summer vacation as circumstances will permit.

Plans of the new church have not yet been fully decided upon, but it has been determined that the new edifice is to be of stone, with a frontage of 63 feet and a depth of 127 feet, taking in the whole area of the present lot.

Probably the general style of the church will be early English, with an interior of ornate design and with a clearstory supported by pillars. It is proposed to expend fully \$100,000 on the structure and to make it in every respect worthy of the diocese and congregation.

St. Luke's has been the scene of a larger number of aristocratic weddings during the present rectorship than all the other Episcopal churches in the City combined.

Rev. Mr. Moreland stated that the need of a new church for St. Luke's was very pressing. A new church occupying the entire lot would afford sittings for a congregation much larger than at present.

"Plans have not been fully decided upon at present," said he, "but the new church will be worthy of its location and a credit to the City."

A. N. Drown, senior warden of the church, said that the vestry of St. Luke's had long ago decided that a new and larger church was greatly needed, but had, on account of the general financial depression, preferred to await better times; but the necessity of a new church had become urgent, and consequently the vestry had concluded that after the summer vacation the commencement of a new building should be made.

"St. Luke's ought to have a stately structure, and the congregation is amply able to provide one," said Mr. Drown. "When a new Trinity was built it was proposed that St. Luke's unite with it in

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The Santa Rosa reached Broadway wharf at 5:30 A. M., but, although all the other passengers were dressed and ready for shore, Miss Overman did not put in an appearance. Neither was the Rev. Dr. C. O. Brown on the wharf to welcome her back to San Francisco, but the hackmen and hotel runners who know the family well say that young Valentine awaited Mattie's coming half a block away from the steamer's dock. They walked in the direction of Market street and later went uptown on a McAllister-street car. The young woman's trunk was labeled Miss Mattie Overman, but her two valises were tagged C. O. Brown, and the transfer man was told to hold all the things until they were called for.

Miss Overman was found in stateroom 25. When in answer to a knock the door was opened, the stewardess put out her head and said, "Miss Smith is not yet dressed." Miss Overman was in full evidence, with all her clothes on, even to her gloves. She was plainly dressed in black and wore a black hat with a white veil. She seemed worn and anxious, and a few minutes later, in answer to a second knock, she opened the door herself. She seemed to be expecting some one, and was bitterly disappointed when she again found a reporter at the door. "I have nothing to say to the press," she snapped and banged the door.

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The captain, purser and chief steward of the vessel respected her wishes, but the cabin-boys soon learned her identity and soon everybody on the Santa Rosa knew who she was. The male portion of the passengers sought every opportunity to get a look at her, but women gave her the cold shoulder. For two days she was practically alone and spent the time in reading and gazing into space and then suddenly breaking out into loud laughter. This proceeding was followed so persistently that many of the passengers and crew came to the belief that her mind is somewhat unhinged.

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Miss Overman was found in stateroom 25. When in answer to a knock the door was opened, the stewardess put out her head and said, "Miss Smith is not yet dressed." Miss Overman was in full evidence, with all her clothes on, even to her gloves. She was plainly dressed in black and wore a black hat with a white veil. She seemed worn and anxious, and a few minutes later, in answer to a second knock, she opened the door herself. She seemed to be expecting some one, and was bitterly disappointed when she again found a reporter at the door. "I have nothing to say to the press," she snapped and banged the door.

After waiting in her room for nearly an hour she sent for a transfer man and handed her luggage over to him. Then with all the dignity she could command she walked down the gangplank. "Did you enjoy your trip?" was asked, and after a moment's pause she answered, "Not very well. I was too ill at first to enjoy anything."

"Now, see here, sir, I did not come up here from San Diego to discuss the Brown matter. Please mind your own business and do not ask me any questions about Dr. Brown." Miss Overman's anger was kindled because of the failure of the prosecuting witnesses to appear. Collector Wise has finally determined that, while the inspector might have been one of his party, the charges against him were not of sufficiently serious character to warrant his dismissal from the service.