

DASHED TO DEATH IN A PADDLE-BOX.

An Unknown Man Leaps From the Ferry-Boat Piedmont.

WAS INSTANTLY KILLED

His Mangled Body Found When the Steamer Reached Its Landing.

HE WAS OLD AND EMACIATED.

Nothing Was Found on the Remains by Which They Could Be Identified.

An unknown man, bent under the weight of his years, his silvery hair soiled by the flying dust encountered, it is supposed, in a long walk from the interior of the State, jumped from the lower deck of the steamer Piedmont when opposite Goat Island at 7:45 o'clock last evening.

He floated quickly toward the stern of the boat, and the crowd of passengers, who had witnessed the old man's rash leap, rushed to the boat's rail in hopes of seeing the suicide rise to the surface of the water. In this they were disappointed, and Captain Smith quickly brought his steamer to a standstill and ordered a boat lowered. After the usual delay on the part of the inexperienced deckhands this feat was accomplished, and the boat went in search of the missing passenger.

A bundle of clothes which was in the unknown's hands when he made the leap was found floating in the steamer's wake, but not a sign of the old man could be found. The boat was rowed round and round the big Piedmont in hopes that the crew would catch a glimpse of the gray-haired man before he sank for the last time, but without result.

Finally the search was given up, and after hoisting the rowboat on board the steamer continued on her journey to this City. Every one on board was feeling depressed in spirits and looked in sorrow at the bundle of worn and ragged clothes. They remembered the pitiful expression on the emaciated face of the man as he rushed to the rail and leaped to his death.

When the Piedmont finally reached her slip and made fast the passengers hurried away on their various missions. Engineer James Wasser, wishing to see that the steamer's paddles were uninjured by the trip across the bay, entered the paddle-box on the side from which the old man had disappeared over the rail.

Being dark in the house he lit a candle, and there, lying on the landing, wedged in between the drain slats, was the body of the suicide. His front teeth had been knocked out from coming in contact with the wheel and his neck was broken.

The engineer hurried from the paddle-house and informed a policeman of his discovery. Deputy Coroner O'Brien was then notified and assisted by Messenger Smith removed the remains to the Morgue.

How the body of the unknown man was carried into the wheelhouse is a mystery. Many are of the opinion that as he struck the water he sighted the steamer's paddle bearing down upon him, and, realizing the frightful death, that of being crushed to pieces, which would follow if he were struck by the wheel, grasped it and was carried to lightning speed up into the wheelhouse, only to lose his hold, and be dashed on the landing above. It is also possible that his limbs might have become entangled in the wheel as he drifted under it, and in this way his life was dashed out in an instant.

When the body was searched at the Morgue only 20 cents was found and nothing by which the man could be identified. This being the case, it is more than probable that he will never be identified and that his body will be interred among the City's unknown dead.

AFRICAN CHIEF JUSTICE.

Victor Eschke of the German Colony on a Visit Here.

The Chief Justice of the German East African Colony arrived on the Rio Saturday night on his way to Germany, where he purposes to make a short visit before his leave of absence from the colony shall have expired. His name is Victor Eschke and he was appointed to the high judicial position a little over three years ago by the Emperor.

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ment, opposite the island of Zanzibar, and extends from latitude 4 deg. south to 11 deg. south and inland to the great lakes of Africa. On the north is a British colony and on the south the Portuguese colony of Mozambique.

Speaking of the country last night at the Occidental, the speaker said that since the Burghers were defeated last year things have been comparatively quiet. Ivory, coutehouse and copra are the principal exports, although coffee promises to be a great industry. Four or five new coffee planting companies were organized last year in Germany. The Arabian coffee does particularly well there, though the coffee disease of Java has already made its appearance, but not to a threatening extent.

"I have spent nearly all my leave of absence in traveling about visiting the different German colonies," remarked the Chief Justice, "and I have seen coffee plantations in many parts of the world, but I have never seen better coffee land than that of the colony I live in. It is a great country for coffee. Inland five days' travel there are fine thriving coffee plantations and tremendous virgin forests and great rivers."

"The Bantu population of the colony, a collection of negro tribes speaking much the same language, is about 4,000,000, and besides these there is the great Massai tribe, a nomadic race of entirely carnivorous people, greatly depleted five years ago because of a plague that caused the death of thousands of wild and tame cattle."

"The capital is Dar-es-Salaam, which because of its excellent harbor is rapidly increasing in population."

COLLECTED AND SKIPPED

A Driver for the Eureka Delivery Company Charged With Felony Embezzlement.

Edward Abrahams, a youth of 19 summers, who resides with his parents on Grove street, between Polk and Larkin, is in serious difficulty. Abrahams for some time has been employed as a driver for the Eureka Delivery Company, whose headquarters is at 1146 Mission street.

A few days ago Abrahams started out with a load of packages, one of which was to be delivered "C. O. D." Abrahams delivered this package all right and duly collected \$3 in money, which he subsequently severed his connection with the Eureka Delivery Company and went into retirement.

G. H. Swain, the manager of the company, started on a hunt for his employee and his outfit after they had been gone an unreasonable length of time. He found the horse and wagon standing where Abrahams had left it, but Abrahams he was unable to find. He immediately swore out a warrant for the recalcitrant driver, charging him with embezzlement, and last evening Detectives Graham and Crockett succeeded in landing him in the City Prison. Abrahams is supposed to have perpetrated several similar thefts.

THE PRESIDENTIAL FIGHT

Effect of the Grand Republican Rally on Saturday Night.

Park Commissioner Rosenfeld Believes McKinley Will Carry New York.

The grand Republican parade and meeting of Saturday night in this City aroused an enthusiasm in the community that is not confined to party, for with McKinley and Hobart and protection to American industries the people see the dawn of a bright future and great prosperity for the country at large.

The display of Saturday night and the logical addresses delivered in the Mechanics' Pavilion were the subjects of many earnest conversations yesterday, and the consensus of opinion was that with such standard-bearers as the Republican National Convention has presented to the people, together with the platform upon which they stand, the party would surely win.

Park Commissioner John Rosenfeld, a Democrat, who returned from the East last Friday, said yesterday: "The nomination of McKinley is a strong one, particularly in the East. There the feeling in his favor is well defined, notably so in New York. The indications are that that State will go for McKinley."

Mayor Sutro, who has returned from his vacation, spent on his ranch near Calistoga, and is ready to attend to municipal affairs again, speaking of the nomination of McKinley, said: "Yes; his nomination is undoubtedly a strong one, but there is no telling what kind of a combination may be worked against him in this campaign."

"For instance, there are the silver Republicans and the silver Democrats and the Populists. If these should join forces and nominate Teller of Colorado it would prove a very important factor in the Presidential contest. As to the Democrats, I do not think they could take up Teller and place him on their ticket, but if such a combination as suggested is made it would undoubtedly put an important figure in the campaign."

PEDDLARS AS BURGLARS

Numbers of Houses Being Entered and Robbed During the Day-time.

Reports of burglaries are coming in with alarming frequency to police headquarters, and every effort is being made to capture the miscreants. The burglaries are not committed as a rule during the inky darkness that pervades the City after the sun has gone down, but during the daytime, when a family has gone to the Cliff or the park for a few hours' enjoyment.

It is known that the burglars are two men who go around under the guise of peddlars, and by ringing the front bell of a house, they ascertain whether the family is at home or not.

The best report received was from G. F. Eberhardt, 832 Grove street. His family are in the country, and about noon Saturday two men forced an entrance into the house by using a jimmy on the rear door.

Every room was ransacked, but strange to say none of the jewelry or other articles were stolen, which has led to the belief that the burglars are afraid to dispose of the jewelry they have taken from other houses for fear of being caught and are after the coin and nothing else, or may have been scared away, as they were when ransacking the house of Lyon Zacharias, 929 Sutter street, last Thursday.

When Mr. Eberhardt went home on Saturday night he found everything in disorder. A desk had been broken open in the search for money, but although the contents had been disturbed nothing was missing.

A jimmy was found in the dining-room which the burglars had overlooked in their hurry to escape. They also left a jimmy behind them at the residence of Mr. Zacharias, on Sutter street, and it would appear as if they were plentifully supplied with that article.

The police desire to warn all householders to be on their guard against peddlars, and those who intend to leave the City for a sojourn in the country should notify the department of their intention, so that the policeman on the beat can keep his eye on the house.

CAPTAIN WITTMAN HAS RETURNED.

A Three Months' Tour Inspecting Eastern Police Departments.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., LEADS.

San Francisco Is Far Behind in Facilities for Housing Policemen.

CIVIL SERVICE A GOOD THING.

Results of His Observation of the Pay and Efficiency of the Eastern Police.

Captain of Police George W. Wittman returned yesterday morning from a three months' Eastern trip, made for the purpose of inspecting the police departments of Eastern cities. If there is any city of prominence east of the Rocky Mountains that Captain Wittman did not visit it has not yet been marked on the map.

The careful opinion that Captain Wittman brings back is that the Police Department of San Francisco is as good in discipline and working methods as that of any Eastern city, but in station-houses, dormitories for the men, and such other equipment, San Francisco is not "in it" with Chicago, New York, Boston, Brooklyn or Philadelphia.

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ion that civil service in police departments is a good thing that ought to be fostered, and that politics is not the best thing for police departments. In Chicago there has been too much politics in the department, and in New York civil service does not appear to work so well. There seems to be some influence behind, and the department seems to be demoralized as compared with what it should be. They are fighting among themselves from the Police Commissioners down. The system of doing work in New York is not

strange to the place, for at one time, shortly after his arrival in this City, he was assistant pastor of the church he now has charge of.

The new pastor of St. Francis Church is the Rev. Father T. Caraher who has been transferred from the church at the Mission San Jose, where he has labored for more than twenty years and where he was very popular. He is an eloquent speaker, a gifted writer. A number of his contributions have appeared in the columns of THE CALL. He is also a good executive.

People's Party Club.

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"St. Paul, Minneapolis, Chicago, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Atlanta, Louisville, Washington, D. C., and Boston have good police departments, but in some of these cities politics interferes with the efficiency of the force. When I was in St. Paul Chief Clark, after ten or twelve years of service, was removed for political reasons. Cincinnati has the best method of handling the social evil that I saw," the captain said; "Superintendent Deitsch has got it down fine. It is restricted to certain limits."

"New Orleans, in my judgment, has the poorest police department. They pay their patrolmen \$50 a month, and they work twelve hours. I found that where the pay is small there was a poor police force in all respects. As to pay, San Francisco compares favorably with any city. In the East wages for patrolmen range from \$600 to \$1400 per year. Brooklyn pays \$1400 after five years' service. In New York captains of police get \$2700, Chicago \$2200, Boston \$2000, San Francisco \$1800. San Francisco patrolmen are paid \$100 a month. Some Eastern cities furnish one uniform a year to the men."

Captain Wittman attended the third annual convention of the National Association of the Chiefs of Police of the United States and Canada, which opened at Atlanta May 12. New York was the only city of size not represented. At that convention a long step was taken toward the organization in Washington, D. C., or some other city of a National bureau of identification of criminals. It is proposed to use the Bertillon system of identification, on which, by the way, Captain Wittman says he is "thoroughly stuck."

Captain Wittman will make ample report to the Police Commissioners. He has begun work on it already. He will appear at headquarters to-day.

A CHANGE OF PASTORS.

Reverend Father Conlan Retires From the Parish of St. Francis.

He Goes to Redwood City and Father Caraher of Miss on San Jose Succeeds Him.

Father John G. Conlan, who has been pastor of St. Francis parish, preached his farewell sermon to his congregation yesterday morning.

After dwelling on the gospel of the day according to St. Luke, where Christ took refuge in St. Peter's fishing-boat at Genezareth when pursued by the rabble, the reverend father bid his congregation an affectionate farewell. His leave-taking deeply affected those among whom he labored for the past four years, except when compelled by ill health to relinquish his pastorate temporarily into the care of his zealous assistants. He succeeded the late Rev. John Harrington, having come to this City from San Pablo, where for four years he officiated, and at the same time was pastor of the church at Pinole.

The Rev. Father Conlan was ordained a priest in Italy eighteen years ago. After his ordination he went to Ireland for some time, and then came to San Francisco. The first church in which he officiated, upon his arrival here, was St. Francis, and it was with a great deal of pleasure that he took charge of the church in which he first held service, but the climate of this City was too severe for him on account of an affection of the lungs, and he made application for a transfer to a warmer and more equable climate. The opportunity presented itself when Rev. Father Sullivan of the Redwood City parish expressed a desire to abandon his charge.

Archbishop Riordan offered that parish to Father Conlan who accepted it and entered upon his new duties to-day. He is

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MYSTERIOUS DEATH OF KATIE KEENAN.

Appears to Have Succumbed to Excessive Hemorrhage.

SPECIAL POLICE ALERT.

Watching the Entrances to a Street Where a Midwife Lives.

THE BODY AT THE MORGUE.

Weeping Friends Witness the Remains Being Borne to the Coroner's Wagon.

Late last night Dr. Henry B. A. Kugeler reported to the Coroner's office that there was a case at 26 Carolina street requiring the attention of the Morgue officials. The Coroner's deputies followed up the case promptly, and at 10:30 they had removed from the Carolina-street house the body of a young woman, who, from all indications, had died from internal hemorrhage.

When the dead-wagon arrived at the number there was the usual gathering of curious and sympathetic neighbors, the dim light making the anxious faces appear white and ghostly.

About 9:45 o'clock last night Miss Katie Keenan died at 26 Carolina street under circumstances that, to the officials, indicated demise from extraneous influence if not operation.

Two or three bottles were found in the room, but their contents have not yet been definitely enough analyzed to indicate the presence of any drug used to stop hemorrhage. The Coroner has them, and an inquest will be held.

Mrs. McCarthy is the landlady at 26 Carolina street. She said last night that Miss Keenan, who was a friend of hers, came to her house two days before and complained of feeling sick. She took to bed and never left it till put into the Morgue wagon last night.

The circumstances and surface indications support the theory that Miss Keenan died of hemorrhage. Dr. Kugeler was called in at a late hour last night, but too late to save the life of the young woman.

During the last few days a Mrs. Balkwell, an accoucheuse who resides at No. 60 Morris avenue, has been called to attend Miss Keenan. Her story is that she treated her for stomach trouble.

The police have taken hold of the case with special officers. Last night they guarded the entrances of Morris avenue pending an investigation of the case. If the investigation warrants Mrs. Balkwell will be arrested to-day. If it does not the police will be withdrawn.

Her husband was reported to have been arrested at her instigation day before yesterday for drunkenness, but a search of the records of the Southern police station, on Folsom street, last night failed to reveal an arrest under that name.

Miss Keenan was 26 years old. She was tall and had a good figure, but her face was not particularly attractive. She was employed in a box factory down toward the city front.

There is a young man who, it is said, has been paying her particular attention during recent months. He keeps a barber-shop on Sixth street.

The remains of Miss Keenan are now at the Morgue and the Coroner will hold an inquest.

ST. ALOYSIUS DAY.

Solemn Commemoration of the Feast in the Church of St. Ignatius.

The feast of St. Aloysius Gonzaga was celebrated yesterday at St. Ignatius Church by the fathers of the Society of Jesus. When solemn high mass was celebrated at 10:30 A. M. the church was crowded to the doors.

The grand altar was a dazzling spectacle. Fauconier's mass in G was sung by a male choir of fifty voices, with the "Benedictus" from "Battiste," and for an offertory piece Cartoni's "Quis Ascendet," which was specially composed for St. Aloysius day.

Rev. Father Calzia, S. J., preached the panegyric of the saint and Father Cottelli, S. J., officiated. The music was directed by Maurice W. O'Connell.

The church was brilliantly illuminated in the evening, when solemn devotions were held in honor of St. Aloysius.

Rossi's vespers were sung by the male choir, also Cartoni's "Quis Ascendet" and Merodanti's "Tantum Ergo." The solo singers in the choir were: D. M. Jones, J. G. Morrissey, C. Berger and C. V. Wood. Rev. Father McKenna, S. J., of Santa Clara delivered an appropriate sermon.

THE ANCIENT ORDER.

Fourth of July Celebration at El Campo by the Hibernians.

It is expected that the Fourth of July celebration by the Ancient Order of Hibernians at El Campo will be successful. It is certain there will be a very large attendance.

The committees are all hard at work, and a fine programme will be offered. This programme will not alone attract thousands of Irish people, but citizens generally, for it will appeal to patriotic citizens.

The literary exercises will be of a quaint character, and will consist of an oration by James H. Barry of the Star, reading of the Declaration of Independence by P. J. McCormack, and other numbers by talented young men. The musical exercises will also be excellent. Miss Katherine Blank will sing the "Star Spangled Banner," and other ladies and gentlemen will take part.

It is recognized that, beyond this part of the programme, the other features should be such as to give pleasure and excitement to the participants. However, every care is being taken to present as fine a programme as was ever given to the people of the community. The Gaelic sports and modern games will be very complete, and the prizes offered will be valuable.

The grounds will present the aspect of an Irish fair.

Y. M. C. A. Monterey Excursion.

On Friday, July 3, the Young Men's Christian Association are to run a special train to Hotel del Monte, Monterey and Pacific Grove, leaving Third and Townsend-streets station at 7 o'clock and the Valencia-street station at 7:10 A. M. Round-trip tickets will be sold only at the association building, Mason and Ellis streets, for \$3 15, half the regular fare, good for seven days. The number of excursionists for this special train will be limited to 500.

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YALE UNIVERSITY. EXAMINATIONS FOR ADMISSION TO THE freshman classes in Yale College and the Sheffield Scientific School will be held in the Union School, 2124 California street, beginning on THURSDAY, June 25, at 9 A. M.

MITCHELL'S MAGIC LOTION SUNBURN

A metal-workers' magazine says that platinum wires have been drawn so fine that two of them twisted together could be inserted in the hollow of a human hair.