

**The Call**  
 FRIDAY, AUGUST 14, 1896

**AMUSEMENTS.**  
 BALDWIN THEATRE.—"The Masqueraders"  
 CALIFORNIA THEATRE.—"The Irish Artist"  
 COLUMBIA THEATRE.—"The Great Unknown"  
 MOROSCO'S OPERA-HOUSE.—"The Two Orphans"  
 T. W. CLAYTON'S THEATRE.—"The Masqueraders"  
 OPERETTA.—High-Class Vaudeville.  
 SUTRO BATHS.—Bathing and performances.  
 NIGHT THEATRE.—Daily at Market street, one block east of the Park.

**PICNICS AND EXCURSIONS.**  
 Excursion to the Martin Murphy Homestead Tract, near Mountain View, Saturday and Sunday, August 15 and 16.  
 Excursion to Canada, Sunday, August 18.

**AUCTION SALES.**  
 BY CHAS. LEVY & CO.—This day (Friday), Furniture at salesroom, 1185 Market street, at 10 o'clock.  
 BY L. H. BIRD—Saturday, August 15, Hardware, at 1928 Valencia street, at 11 o'clock.  
 BY HASTON & HINDRY—Tuesday, August 18, Real Estate, at salesroom, 688 Market street, at 12 o'clock.  
 BY EASTON & ELDRIDGE—Saturday, August 22, Real Estate, at Mountain View, Santa Clara Co., at 11 o'clock.

**CHARGES AGAINST AN EX-BANKER.**  
**A. D. Childress May Be Tried for Criminal Libel.**

**LOS ANGELES TROUBLES**  
**The W. A. Vandercook Company Accuses Him of Embezzlement.**

**HE OVERDREW HIS ACCOUNT.**  
**Letters Written to Eastern Agents of the Corporation the Basis of the Libel Charge.**

Criminal libel is a charge that A. D. Childress, formerly president and manager of the now defunct City Bank of Los Angeles will probably be called upon to answer in addition to the accusations of fraud and embezzlement that were recently brought against him by the W. A. Vandercook Wine Company in a suit for \$1200 filed in the County Clerk's office. Certain letters that have just come to light will be made the basis of the libel charge.

Coming as they do on the trail of the charges that were made against Childress in connection with the City Bank, the matter is of more than passing interest. After the failure of the Los Angeles corporation and the subsequent legal difficulties in which Childress and his associates became involved over the transaction he came to San Francisco, and in January, 1895, became identified with the W. A. Vandercook Wine Company in the capacity of secretary.

The ex-bank president had influential connections, through whom the drafts of the company on its many Eastern agents could be cashed without the delay of waiting for remittances from the East, and such accommodations were just what the company needed at that time. So Childress was made secretary and bookkeeper.

Up to August of last year Mrs. W. A. Vandercook, who was one of the principal shareholders in the company, was satisfied with the manner in which Childress' end of the business was conducted, believing implicitly that his reports of the flourishing condition of affairs were correct.

"One day when I was asked to see the books, however," says Mrs. Vandercook, "Childress refused me any information and I began to be suspicious. I insisted on a detailed statement, telling him that I thought he had drawn more money than was entitled to. This he admitted, promising, however, not to take more until profits had accrued, so that he could do so under the terms of his agreement. About a month after that he violated this promise and I caused the books to be taken from him. He then threatened to wreck the business if I made any further complaint, saying that he could and would do so. A few days later, seeing that he could not continue taking money that did not belong to him, he left the company, taking with him lists and addresses of our numerous Eastern customers. He took copies of all our printed forms, originated and entered Harris, Kingston & Co.'s, a competing house on a small scale, getting into that firm through his knowledge of the Vandercook Company.

"Lacking the power to originate he copied all our business forms, order blanks, etc., which are entirely different from those of any other company, even going so far as to use the same kind of paper and writing in similar style.

"Then he wrote to our agents, throughout the country on the stationery and over the signature of Harris, Kingston & Co. in such a vindictive and libelous manner that several of our agents sent the letters to me, advising us to prosecute him for criminal libel.

"I thought until the latter part of his connection with the company that he was an honest man, as he was plausible and was always taking credit for his own honesty and the dishonesty of Southern California people in general. At any rate, he must settle with the courts for taking money that did not belong to him, for we don't propose that we should be liable for his fraud. The company shall be used to pay for the house furniture and lawns of such a man."

A. D. Childress and his brother, W. T. Childress, owned 494 of the 500 shares in the City Bank of Los Angeles. They received \$25,000 from the First National Bank of this city on an unsecured note shortly after forming the Pacific Investment Company and deeding their property to that corporation.

The First National Bank in its suit against the Childresses alleged that these deeds were not genuine nor produced on record, but merely held to be produced in the event of attachments by creditors of the bank.

The complaint further alleged that the bank magnets were insolvent when the deeds were made.

Since coming north A. D. Childress has been in minor as well as major legal difficulties, being fined recently for assaulting a dog who came to his home to claim a dog he had lost. George H. Perry is the attorney for the Vandercook Company in the suit now pending.

**REGULARS OUT CAMPING**  
**Seven Companies of the First United States Infantry Start for Santa Cruz.**

Seven companies of the First United States Infantry, four from Angel Island and three from Benicia, started yesterday morning on a march of instruction to Santa Cruz. There a camp of instruction will be held for two weeks.

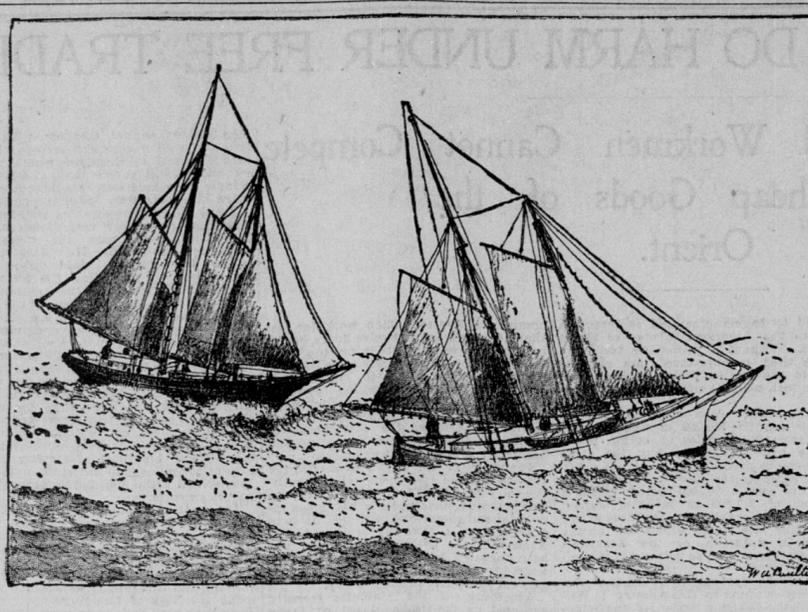
The column is divided into two battalions, commanded by Captains Manse and Connel.

On the march the men will be restricted exclusively to army rations and every detail of camp life will be precisely the same as though in actual campaign. The expedition will be under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Miles. Colonel Shaffer being temporarily in command of the California department in the absence of General Forsythe.

Camp was pitched last night near Ingleside.

**Died From a Fall.**  
 William G. Gannett, Town Treasurer of Sandwich, N. H., died yesterday at the City and County Hospital of pneumonia brought on by an accident. On Sunday he fell from the horse, being thrown by a friend when the horse became frightened, resulting in throwing the deceased out of the buggy and fracturing two ribs. The exposure and excitement brought on pneumonia, from the effects of which he died. Mr. Gannett was on a visit to his daughter, 2208 Twenty-fourth street, and expected to return home next week.

**Sued for Damages.**  
 George O. Perry has sued the Viking Brewing Company for \$850 damages, because of the latter's refusal to transfer to his name on the books of the company forty shares of capital stock of the corporation.



The Halibut Schooners Freia and Norman Sund That Arrived With Full Cargoes From the Fishing Banks Yesterday. The Catch Was Made in a Remarkably Short Space of Time.

**HALIBUT WILL NOW BE CHEAP.**  
**Two Schooners Arrived Yesterday With Full Cargoes.**

More are on the way. The Occidental and Oriental's Steamer Coptic Arrived Ahead of Time.

Brought the first new teas. Beat the Canadian Pacific's Empress of Japan by nearly twenty-four hours.

Halibut will be cheap to-day. Two schooners, the first of the fleet, got in from the banks yesterday, and in consequence the supply will be greater than the demand. Fish will be a drug in the market for several days to come and the poor people will benefit in consequence.

The little schooners Freia and Norman Sund both got in from the banks yesterday after a smart run. They are loaded down with halibut and as the fish are preserved in ice they will keep for weeks.

After leaving the fishing banks the schooners had a hard time and heavy weather of it, but nevertheless the captains were determined to make time. Double reefs were taken in the mainmasts and head sail was shortened. The little schooners arrived in good time for to-day's market and doubtless both will do a rushing business. There are over a dozen vessels in the halibut fleet and all of them are doing well.

Harbor Commissioners Colton and Cole will to-day visit the Mail dock and its vicinity in order to ascertain where a new wharf can be erected for the convenience of the corporation. It was decided to build the wharf and charge full rates, but just where it will be put up has not been decided upon. Vice-President Schwerin of the corporation was present at the meeting of the board, and asked that special rates be made for the company he represented, because it was a purely American venture. President Colton did not agree with him and said that any and all competing roads would receive the same consideration. The Mail Company will get its wharf, but no concessions in the way of tolls will be made.

The new Japanese line wrote asking if it could have the use of Lombard-street wharf. The secretary was instructed to inform the manager that the wharf would be kept open for them for a reasonable time. In answer to other questions the Commissioners said that a double-track line connecting with the belt railroad would be laid and that electric lights to load and unload at night would be put in.

The steamship company asked for space sufficient to accommodate fifty cars opposite the landing, but as there is no room there belonging to the State the request could not be granted. Accommodation further north can be provided if necessary.

In answer to another question the Commissioners said that the rental would be \$250 a month and the regular rates as charged the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, the Oceanic Steamship Company, the Pacific Mail Steamship Company and the Occidental and Oriental Steamship Company.

Work on the waiting-room of the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company's steamers at Spear-street wharf will begin next week. The Commissioners ordered the work done yesterday.

Pier 12 will be rebuilt with creosoted piles and lumber. Yesterday the Harbor Commissioners let the contract for the job to P. F. Dunbar of the North Beach Creosoting Works.

The whaleback City of Everett has been laid up at Sausalito. There is a big supply of Australian coal in the market at present, so the Rosenfelds will not want any Nantaco coal for some weeks to come.

The Occidental and Oriental Steamship Company's Coptic got in yesterday a day ahead of time. She beat the Doric's time by ten hours, but is nevertheless behind the record. It was a race between the Coptic and the Canadian Pacific's Empress of Japan. Both had the first consignments of new teas from Amoy and the first into New York from Amoy and the first into New York from Amoy and the first into New York from Amoy.

The Coptic brought the following cabin passengers: D. G. Bruce, Lieutenant R. R. Belknap, U. S. N., Miss Bullock, Miss Griffin, Samuel Montague, C. B. Platt, A.

**MUST HAVE MORE MONEY**  
**Schools May Be Closed for Lack of an Adequate Appropriation.**

Superintendent Babcock Says That the Warning Sounded Was in Earnest.

Superintendent of Schools Babcock said yesterday that the warning to the Board of Supervisors regarding the closing of schools sounded on Wednesday evening in the report of the Finance Committee of the Board of Education would certainly be carried into effect unless the appropriation was increased.

"We need more than \$1,000,000," said Mr. Babcock, "for many reasons."

"To begin with, the repeated criticisms passed by the Board of Health upon the condition of our schools have necessitated repairs in all directions. We have added \$100,000 at least over and above what we are allowed. We have been compelled to have all our schools thoroughly whitewashed and cleaned, a thing which has not been done for ten years and was badly needed."

"Then, again, the board has been obliged to extend the privileges of night schools. Boys at work all day cannot attend school; therefore we must give them a chance when their work is done. To this end we have established twelve extra classes, each containing four hundred or so children, all unable to attend night school before owing to the distance required to travel. And if these have increased our salary roll \$18,000."

"The Board of Health demands that we thoroughly reorganize our sanitary system in schools and put in all the modern improvements. How can we do that without money?"

"We need \$100,000 more at least, and if we get it every dollar will be honestly spent in improvements badly needed. The truth is that the Board of Supervisors don't go into details when they consider appropriations; they just hit upon a lump sum and decide that there is sufficient, without practical investigation. We are trying our best to run the department upon a economical basis as possible, but we wish to do things properly, and we must have money to do them with."

"We shall be sorry to end the work of the department before its proper time, but we regret that it will have to be done. While it is true that complaints have arisen in other years, things are different this year; we are confronted with many needs that have not been emphasized until this year. Teachers want to be paid, and if we can't pay them we must close the schools."

**WILLIAMS WANTS MONEY.**  
**Judge Slack yesterday ordered Mrs. Isabella M. Williams, wife of Richard S. Williams, the ex-customs inspector, to appear in court to-day and show cause why \$1000 of the funds belonging to the Williams, now in the hands of the court, should not be paid to Richard S. Williams.**

**MAGEE WILL INVESTIGATE.**  
**Bank Commissioner Magee leaves to-day to make an investigation of the Bank of National City, which closed its doors day before yesterday.**

**McCULLOUGH AS INSPECTOR.**  
**Through the solicitation of the Southside Club, the engineer of the Merchants' Association, Ernest McCullough, will superintend the repairing of Folsom street, between Third and Sixth, and see that the contractor lives up to the specifications of this contract.**

**THE SAD PLIGHT OF A PHYSICIAN.**  
**Broken in Health He Cannot Stand the Hospital.**

**CHARGES LACK OF CARE**  
**Stayed One Night in the County Institution and Then Left.**

**AN INVESTIGATION ON FOOT.**  
**Health Officer Lovelace Will Look Into the Matter—The Doctor's Story.**

Health Officer Lovelace began an investigation yesterday into charges that have been made against the accommodations and food at the City and County Hospital by Dr. G. W. Day, an aged physician whom poverty and ill health have forced to seek a public institution for the care that his case demands.

Dr. Day, after fighting illness and lack of even the necessities of life for a long time, applied with his wife for public assistance and was sent to the hospital to be cared for. His wife, who was broken down in health from privation and caring for her sick husband, was sent with him to recuperate and receive proper medical attention.

The Days remained one night in the hospital and then left, stating that they would rather return to their obscure lodgings and suffer there than take advantage of the accommodations at the hospital.

"I am a physician," said Dr. Day yesterday, "though in my present pitiable condition I may not appear like one, and I know what care, food and attention should be given the sick. There is nothing like the proper accommodations at the hospital and the food is not fit for well and hearty people, much less sick persons."

"The attendants are careless and worse, and I left because I could not stand the treatment I received. For years I have been a sufferer from the poison of ivy, contracted in the East. When it breaks out anew it causes me great pain and I am unable to help myself. At those times I must have care and I went to the hospital supposing that I would get it there, but I was mistaken."

"No one seemed to understand my case or to care anything about it, except to get through with me as quickly as possible and get away. So I took my cane and hobbled out, glad to be free from such a place. I have been told that the proper thing to do is to prefer charges against the management of the hospital, but I know that the health authorities have heard of

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the matter and will take any steps that are necessary."  
 The matter was reported to Secretary Godchaux of the Board of Health yesterday afternoon, and later Dr. Lovelace of the Health Office was notified. The latter intends to look into the truth of Dr. Day's statements, with a view to such improvements in the hospital service as are necessary.

Dr. Day and his wife, who is scarcely better off than her husband, are now quartered at the People's Lodging-house on Fourth and Howard streets, but as their funds are almost exhausted they do not expect to be allowed to remain there long.

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