

JOHN MILLER'S TRAGIC DEATH

Suicide of the Prominent Farmer of Sacramento County.

Many Years Ago, It Is Said, He Became Involved With the Southern Pacific.

HEAVY DEFALCATION CLAIMED

But He Knew Too Much About the Contract and Finance Company and Was Not Prosecuted.

SACRAMENTO, CAL., Oct. 8.—Midnight—Word has just been received in this city of the suicide of John Miller, one of the wealthiest and most prominent farmers of Sacramento County, who for years past has been a resident of Walnut Grove. As yet the reports of the tragedy are meager, as the ranch of Miller is situated some distance from the little village, but it is known that Miller has been in ill-health for some time and has been suffering from severe pains in his head, which at times have affected his mental equilibrium and it is thought that, believing death to be but a matter of a few weeks, and living in dread of insanity, he ended his sufferings with a bullet from his pistol. John Miller was a man of brilliant attainments, finished education and polished manners, a direct descendant of one of the oldest families of aristocratic Virginia. At the outbreak of the Civil War he joined the Confederate cause, and eventually became a colonel, being promoted from the ranks for his intrepid bravery.

At the conclusion of the war he came to California and located at Sacramento, where he entered the employ of the Central Pacific Railroad in a clerical capacity when the main line was located in this city. His brilliant intellect and accomplishments soon caused him to attain a very prominent position, and after he severed his connection with that corporation he met and married a widow of immense wealth and social standing named Terry, whose former husband had been one of the founders of the Friend & Terry Lumber Company of this city, one of the largest and wealthiest firms in the city. Shortly after the marriage they removed to Walnut Grove, where they purchased a magnificent ranch and erected a handsome residence and have since resided. Mr. Miller was one of the most prominent Democrats in Sacramento County and was a power in his party.

Coroner Clark has just left the city for Walnut Grove and will probably convey the body to this city. Some years ago Miller was secretary of the Finance and Contract Company, now known as the Pacific Improvement Company of San Francisco. This was the company that did all of the grading and track work for the Southern Pacific, in fact it was part of the Southern Pacific, and as head of its financial department Miller was on the most intimate terms with the heads of the railroad corporation and with all the company's secrets.

He was discharged suddenly from his high position, and with the news of his discharge came the announcement that \$800,000 was missing from the coffers of the railroad. There was some talk of prosecution, but it was learned that at the threatened to bring others with him across the bay should he be sent there. At any rate talk of prosecution subsided and soon Miller was again a free man. But he never got his place back.

Soon after he left San Francisco and moved to the interior of the State.

SANTA ROSA SILVER BARREGE

Grand Jubilation in Which 5000 Persons Participated.

SANTA ROSA, CAL., Oct. 8.—The barbecue of the Silverites at Sebastopol to-day was a great success socially and was enjoyed by fully 5000 people. The Bryan Club of Santa Rosa arrived in a special train, arrayed in white caps, not unlike those affected by German bakers, with the name of Cutler across their snowy iron in bold black letters. After a few marches and counter-marches in the limited space afforded by Main street, the crowd assembled beneath the beautiful pines of Morris Grove to listen to the speaking. From a gaily decorated grand stand G. N. Saunders called the meeting to order and introduced John S. Saunders as president of the day.

Mr. Saunders welcomed the guests in the name of the people of Sebastopol and introduced William Craig of San Francisco as the first speaker. Mr. Craig reviewed the political history of the country from the time of Jefferson and Hamilton to the present day, and although his speech was somewhat too statistical for the crowd it was on the whole a very complete exposition of Democratic doctrine and received close attention. After the Heister Glee Club had sung "America" and the band had rendered a popular air the president of the day presented F. A. Cutler of Humboldt. Mr. Cutler received a flattering reception and an eloquent and impassioned plea for silver. He promised to vote for the opening of the Nicaragua canal and to follow in the footsteps of Judge Maguire on the railroad question. At this juncture the savory odors of barbecued meat began to waft the old factory organs of many people and the announcement of dinner was hailed with cheers.

The crowd literally "followed their noses" to where the savory smells originated and made short work of the many fat beefs and smaller animals provided for the occasion.

The first speaker after dinner was Allen Galloway of Hadsburg, an aspirant for Assembly honors. He was commended in brief, and was followed by the principal speaker of the day, James G. Maguire of San Francisco.

The dense shade afforded by the trees surrounding the platform was something totally lacking in the forenoon and a magnificent audience greeted the speaker. The familiar arguments of the silver parties were used by Mr. Maguire, but his happy humor and witty applications elicited much laughter and applause. After the usual cheers for everybody and everything in sight the larger part of the crowd boarded the evening train for their homes, but many stayed to enjoy the grand ball which will wind up the day's pleasures.

STOCKTON MEETING A FAILURE.

Cold Weather Chilled the Ardor of the Silverites.

STOCKTON, CAL., Oct. 8.—To-night about 300 people gathered on the plaza to listen to George Fenning of Oakland, a representative of the Populists and Silverites, who addressed them on the issues of

the day. The meeting was not nearly the success that was expected and was disappointing in many respects. The speaker last night's Republican speaker, and audience failed to work very well last night and there was very little cheering. One thing that was very interesting was the change in the weather to-night, as it turned out very cold and many staying at home. The silver club here is hanging to make a vigorous campaign and has prepared for a number of addresses to be delivered within the next two weeks at various points in the county.

MONTEREY REPUBLICAN RALLY.

Hon. D. McKinley Addresses a Tremendous Assemblage.

MONTEREY, CAL., Oct. 8.—One of the greatest Republican rallies ever seen in this county was held at Bagby's Opera-house on Alvarado street to-night. Farmers from Carmel and the Toro arrived in the afternoon, and the streets were filled with country folks this evening to witness the parade and participate in the rally. The speaking was under the auspices of the McKinley-Hobart clubs of this place and Pacific Grove. Hon. D. McKinley of Santa Rosa, the candidate for Elector, was the principal speaker of the evening. Long before the night for the speaking to commence the opera-house was filled, and when the speaker of the evening entered the hall the enthusiasm was very pronounced.

Men shouted and stamped their feet, while the ladies, who constituted about one-third of the audience, were content with the simple waving of their handkerchiefs. The hall was artistically decorated with ferns and palms. The stage was festooned with garlands and cut flowers. Mr. McKinley's speaking stand was a large picture of Major McKinley and surrounding there were pictures of Lincoln, Garfield, Arthur and Harrison. The Monterey brass band rendered a grand selection before the speaker's coming. Captain Thomas G. Lambert was chairman of the evening. He made some well-directed remarks in regard to the present campaign, and dwelt at some length in alluding to him as one of the most influential speakers of this campaign and doing the Republican cause more good in this State than any other candidate.

Mr. McKinley opened his argument by assuring the mechanics and laborers of Monterey and vicinity that he was one of them. He dwelt at length on the silver question and strengthened his argument by a number of statistics. He concluded about one hour and a half, after which several local speakers gave their views of the present campaign.

TACOMA'S SOUND-MONEY MEN.

Merchants Meet and Organize for Vigorous Campaign Work.

TACOMA, WASH., Oct. 8.—The business men of Tacoma who favor sound money and good substantial government have organized themselves into a club to further the interests of Tacoma, the State of Washington and National Government.

Fully one-third of the hundreds who have signed the petition in the Doanville clubroom yesterday afternoon and elected George H. Stone permanent chairman and Professor H. B. Dewey permanent secretary, and started the Tacoma Business Men's Sound-Money Club on the road.

A notable feature of the club is that it is composed of business men, without distinction of party. Democrats and Republicans alike are joined in the single purpose of defeating the election of the silver advocate. The membership turned in numbers 248. There are upward of fifty lists still out with an estimated total of 300 names more.

The chairman tonight briefly addressed the club. "I am pleased to meet these manifestations of interest in the vital questions of the campaign, and, regardless of party, to see the business men standing shoulder to shoulder to say to the people of the United States and to the people of the world that we stand for a honest dollar and a chance to earn it."

SNELLING REPUBLICAN RALLY.

Bowers and Smith rouse the Voters' Enthusiasm.

SNELLING, CAL., Oct. 8.—Hon. W. W. Bowers and Senator S. C. Smith spoke here last night to a large and appreciative assemblage from the country around and contiguous towns, upon the political issues now before the people. Bonfires lit up the streets and the firing of anvils awoke the echoes of the old county seat and vicinity. The platform was erected in the old courthouse and beautifully decorated with various appropriate mottoes, California products and pictures of eminent statesmen, and good music was furnished by the Snelling brass band.

After the song, "America," by the glee club, Senator Smith was introduced and began by saying that no party in this country had so indelibly written the words of that song as had the Republican party. The speaker occupied about an hour upon the various points at issue and was frequently applauded. The song by the glee club, entitled, "R-okaby, Bryan," brought out great applause.

Mr. Bowers then came forward and delivered an able address, which lasted more than an hour, and was received with much attention and applause. The speaker said he was frequently asked how he could be a Republican and a silver man. He answered that he was not, that he was in favor of protection and that the Republicans had given the people more silver than any other party, but the Democratic party made it their first act upon assuming power to repeal the Sherman law, which was a Republican law, and that it had been impossible to get a silver bill through a Democratic House when Republicans sustained it. The speaker declared vehemently that he had his own and would not allow a prune, an orange or a pound of wool into this country so long as we could produce them.

The speakers went to Merced this morning, where Mr. Bowers will speak to-night.

Bowers Speaks at Merced.

MERCED, CAL., Oct. 8.—Hon. W. W. Bowers spoke at the pavilion this evening to one of the largest audiences that has greeted any of the political speakers in Merced during the present campaign. Long before the time set for the opening of the meeting the crowds began to gather, and when Mr. Bowers rose to speak the hall was filled to its capacity. He devoted the first part of his speech to the financial situation, and stated that the Republican party was the only friend to silver. He quoted history to prove it, and outlined his own position on the question. Mr. Bowers closed with a powerful argument in favor of the protective tariff, which he showed to be the real issue of the day.

Enthusiastic Selma Republicans.

SELMA, CAL., Oct. 8.—General H. A. Pierce of Los Angeles spoke for McKinley and Hobart in the Opera-house here last night to the largest and most enthusiastic audience of the campaign. Every point made was cheered to the echo, and the name of McKinley set the people wild at every repetition. Deputy District Attorney Williams and G. Scribner of Fresno were present, and made pointed speeches on the issues of the campaign.

POLITICS OF THE PACIFIC COAST

Santa Cruzans Listen to Hon. W. S. Barnes' Address.

Largest and Most Enthusiastic Audience in the History of the City.

PAST AND PRESENT CONDITIONS

Striking Contrasts of the Protective and Free Trade Systems of Government.

SANTA CRUZ, CAL., Oct. 8.—Hon. W. S. Barnes addressed one of the largest audiences to-night ever assembled in the Opera-house. Fully a third of the seats were occupied by ladies. Harding's band led the large crowd to the Opera-house and though not necessary to attract the crowd, played in front of the building for a quarter of an hour before the meeting began.

Mr. Barnes was introduced to the audience by Hon. Carl E. Lindsay, District Attorney of this county, and was accompanied on the stage by ex-Assemblyman Galbraith, president of the McKinley Club; Frank Mattison, County Assessor; L. J. Dake, A. P. Swanton and other leading Republicans. Mr. Lindsay made a very brief but appropriate speech of introduction, alluding to Mr. Barnes as one of the successful attorneys of the State and one fully competent to address the people on the issues of the campaign.

Mr. Barnes read his address, which dealt with the present condition of the country under a gold standard, with silver used for the purpose of trade; and compared conditions of the country as to finance and production during the last Republican administration and at the present time, and discussed the effect of the purchasing and coinage provision of the Sherman act upon the finances of the country; compared the McKinley bill with the Wilson-Gorman bill; showed the conditions of American manufactures, labor and farm products under the McKinley bill and under the Wilson-Gorman bill; reviewed the history of free-coinage experiments and history of silver-standard countries, comparing them with the condition of the United States at the present time, and gave a general view of his opinion of what the condition of the country would be in case of the election of Bryan and in case of the election of McKinley.

Mr. Barnes is accompanied by Walter S. Blair of his staff. They will return to San Francisco tomorrow, and on the 12th inst. go to San Diego, to speak there on the 14th. Thence they will work up the coast, taking in points between San Diego and Santa Cruz.

SACRAMENTO DEMONSTRATION.

Army and Navy Republican League Holds a Rousing Meeting.

SACRAMENTO, CAL., Oct. 8.—The Army and Navy Republican League held a rousing meeting at their headquarters in this city this evening and listened to a brilliant address by that eloquent young orator, Judson C. Brusie, Republican nominee for State Senator from this district. The speaker alluded to the battles of the Civil War, leading his hearers back to camp life and conflict on a hundred battlefields, and called upon them to assist in the largest vote for President ever known.

During the meeting the Resolutes 100 strong in full uniform entered the hall in solid phalanx and loudly cheered the battle-scarred veterans, who responded in kind. The Resolutes then marched to the State Capitol and cheered Secretary of State Brown, who appeared and delivered a very neat speech on the issues of the National campaign, which he declared would, owing to what he had learned during his recent trip through Eastern States, undoubtedly result in McKinley polling the largest vote for President ever known. This brought forth burst after burst of applause from the club and the hundreds of spectators who had been attracted to the Capitol Park by the mass of torches and the music of the Resolute Drum Corps.

After parading the principal streets the club retired to headquarters. To-morrow night the uniform rank of the Assembly clubs will be in evidence in their native city. Blue Men's membership in this club has been limited to 150. There have been over 500 applications, but it is impossible to obtain sufficient uniforms.

TAYLOR AT SAN DIEGO.

The Colorado Silver-Orator Undertakes to Refute Butcherworth.

SAN DIEGO, CAL., Oct. 8.—W. F. Taylor of Colorado, who it is alleged, was sent out to California by the Teller interests to counteract the influence of Ben Butcherworth of Ohio, spoke here to-night. He had a large audience and was treated with respectful attention. "I am from Colorado," he began, "and I say Colorado will give 100,000 majority for Bryan; and I know, though you may not, that California will give Bryan 40,000 majority. I am a free-silver lunatic, a repudiator, a follower of strange gods, but if the other fellow takes all the men who are hurt by free silver and I take all that are helped will bury him so deep that Gabriel's trumpet will never find him."

The speaker attempted to undo Ben Butcherworth's magnificent speech in this community in the cause of sound money by quoting Butcherworth's letter written to San Diego, in which he had stated that Butcherworth had already shown the consistency of his views at that time and at present, so that Taylor's effort fell flat. Through all the speaker's talk there was the threat of free silver, though he occasionally strayed to some other topic. According to the plank in the Democratic platform favoring State's rights as against Federal authority in the matter of suppressing riots Taylor said:

"I say I fill the office of a State alone and they will manage their own affairs to suit themselves without the interference of Federal bayonets."

Soon after Taylor cried: "I come from the South and as the offspring of an old rebel know the power of this great Government. I say that when you meet to ratify the election of William Jennings Bryan for President, from every hamlet of the South, from the everglades of Florida to the bayou of Texas, will arise the old, wild, sweet rebel yell in the same cause, to celebrate the same victory, under the same flag."

In reiterating his advocacy of free silver he said: "At this juncture restore the value of silver from fifty-three cents to \$1.29 is to put the stamp of the Government upon the coin, and the immutable law of supply and demand will force every man to take it and use it. Ben Butcherworth may not know a way to make Eng-

land come to an agreement with us with the silver question, but I know a man somewhere out in this country to-night speaking to countless thousands of needy and hungry Americans, who gaze up at the inspired face of William Jennings Bryan while he tells them how he would make the money power of the world do the bidding of the United States."

PASADENA OUTPOURING.

Perkins and Jackson Address Two Monster Republican Gatherings.

PASADENA, CAL., Oct. 8.—The largest Republican meeting ever held in Pasadena was that of to-night, when the whole town turned out en masse to listen to Senator Perkins and Colonel Jackson. The participation of an immense crowd double meeting was held, the Wigwam and the Tabernacle being both called into requisition, both speakers speaking before each audience. The Wigwam, accommodated 1500 and Tabernacle 800 persons, were both crowded to overflowing.

The distinguished guests arrived at 3:45 o'clock P. M. and were met by a committee of citizens and driven about town. At 7 o'clock the American Club, 175 uniformed men in line, and 50 members of the G. A. R., paraded the principal streets, led by the Pasadena band. Business meetings and private residences on the line of march were illuminated and decorated with flags and bunting. Fireworks and red fire added to the scene. Bands were stationed in front of both halls and the American Glee Club furnished patriotic songs at both places.

Senator Perkins delivered his first address at the Wigwam, and Colonel Jackson at the Tabernacle. Then they exchanged platforms. Ex-Governor H. H. Mathiam presided at the Wigwam. W. E. Arthur presided at the Tabernacle. Mrs. Maynard, a prominent woman suffragist, was allowed twenty minutes at each meeting to give an address on the sixteenth amendment.

A large Los Angeles contingent was present. Senator Perkins made the most stirring address of the campaign, speaking as one inspired, and his every sentiment was received with a shout of enthusiasm. Colonel Jackson also delivered an eloquent address and hundreds of votes must have been gained for McKinley and protection and sound money.

LOS ANGELES REPUBLICANS.

City Convention Meets and Adopts Succeeding Reform Resolutions.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., Oct. 8.—The city Republican convention here to-day attracted widespread attention. An important obnoxious labor and corner of music hall. The day was spent in preliminary organization. The resolutions favor municipal reform; clean, good streets, and recognizing the general use of wheels; demand immediate improvement of the public highways; demand that city officials shall devote their personal attention to the duties of their several offices and that they shall not be absent from the United States; declare in favor of municipal ownership of an adequate water supply; favor a new charter, commend the action of the late Republican County Convention and that the location of a site for the deep-sea harbor is no longer an issue in the municipal affairs of Los Angeles, owing to the late action of Congress respecting this matter.

The nominations so far made this evening are: For Mayor, Julius H. Martin; City Attorney, William E. Dunn; City Engineer, C. S. Compton; City Treasurer, W. H. Hartwell; City Clerk, Charles L. Wild. Adjourned to 10 A. M. to-morrow.

DAVISVILLE SILVER CLUB.

A Combination of Democrats, Populists and Republicans.

WOODLAND, CAL., Oct. 8.—A Bryan and Sewall Silver Club was organized at Davisville last night. It was a fusion of Democrats, Populists and Republicans. The officers elected are: President, Dr. J. B. McMahon (Pop.); first vice-president, E. W. Hammond (D.); second vice-president, J. E. La Rue (D.); third vice-president, Mr. McVey (Pop.); secretaries—W. J. Montgomery, S. W. and C. W. Gossard, Dr. W. E. Bates; finance committee—Frank Chiles, Eli Snyder, Owen McGovern. After the organization the club was addressed by H. M. La Rue of Sacramento.

SANTA CRUZ MEETING.

Charles M. Cassin, Demo-Populist Nominee for State Senator, Speaks.

SANTA CRUZ, CAL., Oct. 8.—Charles M. Cassin of Santa Cruz, Democratic-Populist nominee for State Senator for the joint counties of San Mateo and Santa Cruz, addressed a large audience at the opera-house last evening. He declined to pledge himself to vote for any United States Senator, but said that a man who had just advocated free silver at 8:11 P. M. without waiting for orders from any other nation on earth, and who is opposed to any funding bill, would receive his vote. The speaker was well received.

Kelly Speaks at Gilroy.

GILROY, CAL., Oct. 8.—Joseph P. Kelly, Democratic candidate for Congress in the Fifth District, with Hon. W. P. Grady, addressed the citizens of Gilroy last evening at Y. M. I. Hall. The local Bryan Silver Club had nothing to do with the meeting. Mr. Kelly confined his remarks principally to the unifying himself from the attacks of his adversaries.

San Jose Republican League Meeting.

SAN JOSE, CAL., Oct. 8.—Hon. F. X. Schoonmaker of New Jersey will address two meetings in this city to-morrow under the auspices of the County Republican League. The first meeting will be held in the afternoon at 3 o'clock on the Hotel Valencia, and the second at 8 o'clock in the evening at the Casino. In the evening a meeting will be held at the Casino pavilion, Rev. W. D. Nicholas of Palo Alto presiding.

Sound Money Executive Committee.

SAN JOSE, CAL., Oct. 8.—Chairman Crossman has appointed the following members of the executive committee of the Sound-Money League of Santa Clara County: Robert Syer, T. S. Montgomery, Paul Mason, A. B. McNeil, L. M. Hale and E. J. Edwards. The other members are W. O. Bowden, O. H. W. D. Gossard and Dr. A. C. Simonton.

Santa Clara Bryan Rally.

SAN JOSE, CAL., Oct. 8.—Arrangements are being made for a rally of the Bryan forces throughout the county in this city on Saturday, October 31. At noon there will be a parade, followed by a barbecue and picnic at Agricultural Park. In the evening there will be speaking in the pavilion.

Modesto Populist-Democratic Rally.

MODESTO, CAL., Oct. 8.—A Populist-Democratic meeting was held here to-night, with D. T. Fowler of Fresno and Judge Otley of Los Angeles as the speaker. T. A. Coldwell presided and made an opening address. There was much enthusiasm, good speaking and a large attendance.

Palo Alto Saturday Night Rally.

REDWOOD CITY, CAL., Oct. 8.—Ex-Congressman Ben Butcherworth of Ohio, Irving M. Scott and W. S. Barnes will speak next Saturday afternoon at Palo Alto on the silver question. The McKinley Club of Palo Alto has invited them to-night and voted to attend the meeting in a body.

Placerville Populist Jubilee.

PLACERVILLE, CAL., Oct. 8.—Bonfires and a brass band greeted J. G. Gilbert, Populist, who addressed a packed audience at the opera-house to-night. Two years ago the city was a Populist town and voted for Cornell for Congress.

GOOD TEMPLARS' WORK AT VALLEJO

Third Day's Session of the Grand Lodge Is a Busy One.

Matters Relating to Reincorporation of the Orphans' Home Discussed.

GOOD OF THE ORDER REPORT.

Important Recommendations for the Guidance of Subordinate Lodges.

VALLEJO, CAL., Oct. 3.—The third day's session of the Grand Lodge of Good Templars was an interesting one. The morning session was occupied almost entirely in considering matters relating to reincorporation of the Orphans' Home. A very affecting account transpired upon the entrance of Past Worthy Chief Templar Hoag in the Grand Lodge. He had just come up from Fresno, where he had attended the funeral of his wife, and while on the floor Past Grand Chief Templar Kanouse stepped to his side and, taking him by the hand, started to sing in a low voice "Shall We Gather at the River?" The response was taken up by the entire membership and at its conclusion there was scarcely a dry eye in the audience. Consideration of committee reports was then taken up and acted upon as follows:

Your committee on good of the order have taken under consideration the various matters committed to it and recommend the following for adoption:

That portion of the grand chief templar's report relating to the creamery be recognized and heartily indorse. We also recognize the fact, as stated in clauses numbered 1 and 2, that a never before recovered from the unfortunate rupture which occurred in 1884 and 1885 in our order. We can only deplore the fact, but can recall no justly or justly justified cause of the loss referred to in our great work.

To the class referred to in clause 3 we do not wish to see any man leave the order and retire from active service in the face of the foe, or that any should neglect the duties of the subordinate lodge or the order, though possibly more conspicuous, position in the Grand Lodge, or on public occasion.

Your committee is of the opinion that in order that a member may be able to become efficient in the Grand Lodge he must be first a useful member of a subordinate lodge, and as a step in that direction your committee would recommend that the Grand Lodge constitution be amended so that the credentials or certificate of election of a delegate from a subordinate lodge of this body shall set forth the fact that the elected delegate has been a member since upon his subordinate lodge for at least one regular meeting night per quarter during the past year.

The one mentioned in clause 4 of same report we have no word of censure. We recognize the W. G. T. U. and the various church and religious societies, and the various well-appointed organizations, doing a grand work, and surely as our most noble allies, and we are sorry to have any sever their connection with us, but we can truly congratulate them for their noble work. We are proud to have them as our allies, and we will labor on in the faith; that our order is most successful in that we have a well-organized, whereby the whole family circle is complete within the lodges, with no distinction of race or sex, and that our work is purely fraternal, and that our work is fraternity and Christian principles of the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man.

We cannot particularize other paragraphs from 5 to 11, but admit in general the correctness of the report. We will mention paragraph 12, we deprecate the lack of Christian or even fraternal charity often exhibited between members toward those who may differ with them on political matters. Do not let us lose sight of the fact that we are a fraternity bound together by mutual obligations, and that we are reformatory in character and educational in our nature; that we do not desire other than patriotic; that our sympathies are alike for the advancement of our country, and that we are all united in our love for our country. Our lives are broad and complete; let us live up to it according to the best light God may give.

The beneficial feature submitted to us from the grand chief templar's report we find dealt with in the grand secretary's report. We think the latter was well suited to the matter by saying that a uniformly in the order is a necessity, and as the Supreme Lodge has the honor of the order, we advise letting it rest until some future session.

The line of work as reported by our Grand Lodge officer shows new lodges worthy of the mention. We heartily indorse the idea of encouraging local workers and the "hand-to-hand" and "house-to-house" work, also fraternal lodge visitation, and that wherever practical more than one night be given our lectures in each place.

The report of the grand secretary's report is worthy of indorsement by this Grand Lodge. That portion of the grand secretary's report referred to your committee has been already dealt with in a general way.

GEORGE D. KELLOGG, F. M. REYNOLDS, FRED D. KAMMER, Committee on Good of the Order.

The committee on laws and usages reported as follows:

Against admitting secretaries of the Y. M. C. A. to membership in subordinate lodges free.

Against changing the term of probation for receiving the district degree from one to three months.

To-night a considerable sum of money was pledged for the Orphans' Home, which is receiving much attention at this session. Many of the Grand Lodge members visited the home to-day.

At the afternoon session the matter of visiting the home under the management of the executive committee and reincorporating was finally disposed of by making no change in the number on the board of lady managers of the home. The Valley road question was being the salary of the grand chief templar for the ensuing year was discussed until 8 o'clock, without arriving at a definite conclusion, and the Grand Lodge adjourned to the Methodist Church, where a large audience was in waiting.

At an open meeting called in the interest of the Orphans' Home quite a large sum was realized for the benefit of the institution.

CAUGHT AT FRESNO.

John Hammond, an Algalam Thief, Confesses His Guilt.

STOCKTON, CAL., Oct. 8.—Sheriff Cunningham of this county and Sheriff Gregory of Amador arrived to-day from Fresno with a prisoner named John Hammond, whom they arrested in the raisin center for stealing amalgam from the South Spring Mill Consolidated Gold Mining Company, which is located in Amador County, between Jackson and Sutter Creek. For some time quantities of amalgam were missed from the mine and suspicion fell upon Hammond. Sheriff Cunningham of this county was notified and the services of the veteran thief-taker called into requisition. Last Sunday Hammond decided to take a vacation and Cunningham was notified. Hammond went to Fresno to visit his sister-in-law, Mrs. Sarah B. Martin, and Cunningham went to the same place on the Valley road. The matter of bringing the salary of the grand chief templar for the ensuing year was discussed until 8 o'clock, without arriving at a definite conclusion, and the Grand Lodge adjourned to the Methodist Church, where a large audience was in waiting.

CLOVERDALE'S CITRUS FAIR.

New and Elegant Pavilion to Be Erected to Make Room for the Many Exhibits Promised.

CLOVERDALE, CAL., Oct. 8.—Operations will be commenced immediately for the erection of a magnificent pavilion, to be used especially for the holding of future citrus fairs in this city. The fairs of the past two years have proved such great successes that they have outgrown every large building in town, so it was seen that as a matter of necessity a new building was needed to accommodate the enlarged exhibits and increasing throngs who come to behold the golden fruits.

About a year ago the Cloverdale Citrus Fair Association was organized and incorporated, for the purpose of advancing and encouraging the citrus interests in this county. A splendid building site of nearly an acre of land in the heart of town was purchased, and now a fine building is to be erected on it, suitable for citrus fair purposes, while the surrounding grounds will be beautified with palm, orange and other semi-tropical trees and shrubbery. The board of directors—John Field (president), W. T. Brush, Charles E. Humbert, M. Menahan and F. W. Bush—met last night and completed the final arrangements for beginning immediate work on the building, awarding the construction to George W. Coe, a local contractor.

The dimensions of the building are 60 by 120 feet and will cost about \$3000. It is to be constructed mostly of wood and to be finished by the time of the holding of the fifth annual citrus fair, which will be about the middle of February. Most of the money to pay for the construction is subscribed and that nearly all by citizens of Cloverdale and vicinity, although all of Sonoma County and the adjacent county, Mendocino, is taking a lively interest in the project.

This is an important step in the advance of this county, as it goes to show the increasing importance of our citrus industry. The orange and lemon crop is looking splendid, giving promise of an excellent display at the next citrus fair.

KILLED ON FELIZ RIDGE.

Thomas Orbanum Mistakenly Charges Hearsat for a Deer While Hunting.

UKIAH, CAL., Oct. 8.—Word reached here to-day from Boonville of another of those peculiarly sad accidents which have unfortunately been quite frequent this summer. Charles Hearsat, in company with Joseph Frye and Thomas Orbanum, were out hunting on Feliz Ridge. They separated, Hearsat taking one direction and the other two leaving on a trail which forms a crescent leading in a straight line from the top of the ridge. Hearsat and Frye had been separated for some time when Frye called his companion's attention to what he thought was a large buck. Orbanum raised his Winchester and fired, and both rushed to where the object had stood, when they were horrified to find the dead body of young Hearsat. He had been shot through the head and was instantly killed. Hearsat was 21, the others about 18. No arrests have been made.

CAUGHT A HUMAN FISH.

John Fuss' Body Brought Up in a Net at Aberdeen.

ABERDEEN, WASH., Oct. 8.—Last evening a fisherman known as Austrian Pete, while drifting for salmon in the harbor, felt an unusually heavy weight on his net. Upon hauling up the net he found the dead body of John Fuss entangled in the meshes. The coroner was at once notified and took the body in charge. Fuss had been drinking heavily and after 6 o'clock last evening left Dolan's saloon, on the corner of Heron and F streets, telling his friends that he was going to "jump overboard." They paid little attention to his remark, as he had frequently threatened to commit suicide. He was last seen alive about 7 o'clock and his being picked up so soon afterward is very remarkable. It is supposed