FINALE OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Ignores the Desire of Voters to Express Their Opinion.

Citizens Wish to Be Allowed a Free Preference of Representatives.

Mercantile Bodies Do Naturally What They Decline to Do Compulsorily.

OAKLAND OFFICE SAN FRANCISCO CALL, 908 Broadway, Feb. 21.

The action of the City Council last Wednesday night in refusing to let the matter of Sunday closing of saloons go before the people is certainly the most remarkable piece of legislation that has come from the City Hall. The result of the question would have been to secure a definite idea of the sentiment of the voters.

Then again, it was not for the guidance of the present Council, but of its successor; again, it was the expressed wish of certain members of the Council two years ago that the matter should be submitted to the people before the Council took upon itself the responsibility of closing the saloons on Sunday by ordinance.

Yet the Councilmen who are now going around telling the electorate how anxious they are to thoroughly represent the people refused to give that same people an opportunity of expressing their opinion at the polls. Many people think that if a majority of voters voted for Sunday-closing that the matter would be settled at once, but this is not so. The proposition was simply to allow the question to go before the people so that the next Council might be guided by the result.

The question that arises from the action of last Wednesday does not go to the merits or demerits of Sunday closing. Even this question, important as it is in the eyes of many people, is of secondary weight compared to the significance of denying the voters the privilege of expressing their opinion even after the City Attorney had stated that it could legally be done. The motive that actuated the majority of the Council need not be discussed, and the possible result of such a vote is a matter of indifference when compared to the injustice of denying a representative body of citizens the right to record their preferences for the guidance of those who profess to represent them. The presumption that naturally arises is that had the question been public parks instead of saloons the right of expression would still have been withheld.

A few months ago a suggestion was made in this column that if the merchants of Oakland ever accomplished anything of merit, it would be by the united action of all the mercantile bodies. This suggestion has inadvertently been followed. There is a Merchants' Exchange and a Board of Trade, and for a long time there was a feeling between them that could scarcely be called harmonious, although it was not exactly jealousy and yet it was. However, when it became necessary for some steps to be taken to acquire something for this city the natural thing took place and all united.

This has been apparent on many occasions and was first manifested in the question of public parks. The committee having this in hand is composed of members of both bodies and of the Good Roads Association. Then came the question of the Valley Railroad, and a similar joint committee was appointed; then came the State Fair project, and still another joint committee; then there was some indorsement needed for several bills before the Legislature, and this was done at joint meeting. Now the question arises, why should two sets of headquarters and officials be maintained when the fact is recognized that success can only be assured by all pulling together? STUART W. BOOTH.

Y. M. I. CELEBRATION.

Fine Programme to Be Rendered at the Exposition.

OAKLAND, CAL., Feb. 21.—The Y. M. I. councils of this city will hold a demonstration at the exposition building tomorrow night. The programme is as follows: Overture, orchestra; opening address, Chairman R. H. Hammond, president Oakland Council, No. 6; vocal solo, "The Palm Song," Frank Valerga; vocal trio, "Morning Invitation," J. W. Solen, W. J. Rattigan and G. E. Hayward; vocal solo, "Wailing" (Millard), Mrs. M. W. Carr; overture, orchestra; oration, "The Spirit of the Constitution," James H. Barry; quartet, "The Sword of Bunker Hill," J. W. Solen, W. J. Rattigan, G. E. Hayward and J. F. Cone, St. Mary's College; chorus, "Three Cheers for the Red, White and Blue," by the audience; music, orchestra.

The ushers in charge of the affair are: George L. Doolan, chief usher; Council No. 6—D. J. Haliahan, F. D. Moore, Ed Skain, B. McElroy, T. P. Hogan; Council No. 8—J. Gillick, J. Conroy, Harry Luttrell, John Connolly, Thomas Mulcahey; Council No. 31—John J. Mulgrew, Dr. B. Stetson, A. Kretz, John Moran, George Lamb.

ATHLETES CELEBRATE.

Washington's Birthday Remembered at St. Mary's College.

OAKLAND, CAL., Feb. 21.—The athletic association of St. Mary's College celebrated the birthday of the "Father of his country" last evening by a literary and musical programme. The music was of a high order of excellence and reflects credit on Professor Schorcht, the musical director of the college.

The college quartet rendered several selections and was repeatedly encored. The elocution of the students in the various numbers was characterized by force, distinctness and gracefulness of action. The young thespians who donned the "socks and buskin" in the "Hidden Gem" acquitted themselves admirably. The officers of the association are: President, J. W. Solen; vice-president, J. F. Cone; secretary, C. J. Mogan; treasurer, T. H. Donovan; field captain, W. J. Rattigan.

Crushed His Foot.

OAKLAND, CAL., Feb. 21.—Bert Casebold, a lad 11 years old, met with an accident this afternoon that will cost him a limb and may end fatally. He was playing in the railroad yards among the cars. One of his companions in a spirit of fun pulled out a coupling pin and when the freight train was started young Casebold was between the detached cars. As soon as the trainmen discovered that their train was broken they backed up the locomotive and the lad's leg was caught between the bumpers. It was badly crushed and the doctors at the Receiving Hospital decided that amputation was necessary. Casebold is a pupil of the Prescott school and his father is foreman at the railroad roundhouse.

To-day's Parade.

OAKLAND, CAL., Feb. 21.—All the arrangements for to-morrow's parade were completed to-night and the grand marshal announced that there would be no changes from the programme published in full last Friday.

The various divisions will form south of Seventh street on Broadway, and the word to advance will be given at 10:30 A. M.

ALAMEDA COUNTY NEWS.

BUSY BURGLARS.

Three Stores Entered and Robbed Saturday Night.

OAKLAND, CAL., Feb. 21.—There were three burglaries reported to the police today. During the previous night Ned Thayer's saloon on Eighth street was entered and the till and nickel-in-the-slot machines were robbed. The thief entered by prying open the entrance door.

W. H. Stanneis, who keeps a saloon on the old county road, reported that his place was entered and money, jewelry and diamonds worth $300 were taken.

The grocery-store of J. H. Lange at Fifteenth and Cypress streets was also entered and some goods were stolen.

Bioletti-Carleton Nuptials.

BERKELEY, CAL., Feb. 21.—Instructor F. T. Bioletti of the department of agriculture at the State University was married yesterday to Miss Eugenie Carleton at St. Mark's Episcopal Church by Rev. George E. Swan. Owing to the fact that both families are in mourning the wedding ceremony and celebration attending it were very simple. They went south for a fortnight on their honeymoon. Upon their return they will live in Berkeley.

DR. ALGER WILL PREACH

Berkeley to Have a New Pastor for the Unitarian Church.

A Man Well Known as a Forceful and Fluent Speaker and a Profound Thinker.

BERKELEY, CAL., Feb. 21.—The pulpit of the Berkeley Unitarian Society is soon to be filled by Dr. William R. Alger, one of the ablest divines and exponents of advanced thought in the country. He has been engaged for a period of several months, but it is believed he can be induced to remain permanently in the State. Dr. Alger comes from Boston, where he has lived almost continuously for the last fifty years, and where he has gained for himself almost a National reputation through his preaching and the publication of a number of valuable works. Chief among his productions is his "History of the Doctrine of Future Life," of which fifteen editions of octavo size have been issued. This work has been translated into all the cultured languages of the civilized world. Prominent among his other works are his "Solitude" and "Consolation."

Graduating with honors from Harvard in the generations of men succeeding Emerson, Dr. Alger belongs to what is called the "bloom of Unitarianism." He is in his seventy-sixth year. He has lived to see Unitarianism change its basis from broad theism to almost absolute agnosticism and has kept pace with the times.

He is regarded as an "idealist" in philosophy, his views being more closely allied to those of Thomas Aquinas than of any other philosopher.

At about the age of 50 Dr. Alger suffered a general collapse from overwork and went to Europe for his health. Improving much while there he returned and again took up the work of a pastor, but this time in New York. Following it for a few years there he returned to Boston, where he has remained ever since, preaching most of the time at Music Hall and at Metropolitan Temple.

Six years ago he came to California and was instrumental in building up the Unitarian Society at Berkeley. He will be remembered as a fluent and pleasing speaker, having a remarkable power of presentation. President Kellogg of the State University calls him the modern Cicero.

"IN KOKOPO" AGAIN.

Berkeley Students Will Reproduce Their Thanksgiving Day Farce at the Macdonough in Oakland.

BERLELEY, CAL., Feb. 21.—Active preparations are being made by the student-actors at the State University for the presentation at the Macdonough Theater, in Oakland, next Saturday evening of the Thanksgiving farce, "In Kokopo." The play has been completely revised and recast, and a number of specialties have been added. The performance will be given as a benefit to the track athletic team.

Following will be the cast under the new arrangement:

Queen Yoyo ..... Joe Rosborough
Jib-Jab, astrologer to the Queen ... DeWit H. Gray
Rabbs, lord of the leisure hour ..... Dudley Dean
Swatem, lord of the slipper ..... Will C. Russell
Clinchem, lord of the royal cinch } William Smith
Gyp, court jester }
Lcie, Queen's private secretary .. Henry B. Quinan
Leonora, daughter of Queen ..... Fred A. Knight
Gertrude ..... Cyrel Wigmore
Ethel ..... Henry Brizzard
Ox ..... Benjamin Bakewel
The Legit, a weary actor ..... Sterling Carr
Troubador, with a love theme. Otto T. Wedemeyer

PROFESSOR GRIGGS LECTURES.

He Speaks on "Spiritual Perspective" Before Berkeley Unitarians.

BERKELEY, CAL., Feb. 21.—Professor Edward H. Griggs of Stanford University spoke before a large audience at the hall of the Unitarian Society this morning on "Spiritual Perspective."

His discourse was practically an exposition of ethical doctrines, founded upon fact and built up by philosophical reasoning. For the elaboration of his address he drew largely upon literature and profane history, alluding directly to the Bible only once.

His address was more in the nature of a popular lecture than a sermon. He dwelt at length on the idea that truth is a matter of change of standpoint; that there is no such thing as hard and fixed truth; that truth depends upon man's horizon; that as man advances in intelligence so will his ideas of things spiritual advance, and that everything must be viewed in the light of the whole before we can say that there is a reality.

After Diseased Cattle.

BERKELEY, CAL., Feb. 21.—Dr. Herbert N. Rowell, Berkeley's Health Officer, is determined that the people of the college town shall not suffer from eating diseased meat and bacilli-containg milk. Today he captured another sick bovine, and he is now carrying on an experiment with the viscera to determine how near dead the animal was while still being used as a milch cow. When he has concluded his experiments he will take his results before the Town Board, in the hope of securing the passage of a town ordinance making it a misdemeanor, punishable by a heavy fine, to sell or offer to sell diseased meat or milk.

The doctor declares that the prime cause of the numerous cases of typhoid fever which have been prevalent of late has been unwholesome milk and meat. Much of the milk has been diluted with impure water and the meat has come from cattle afflicted with tuberculosis.

DIED.

KAMMERER—In this city, February 22, 1897, Mrs. F. Kammerer, beloved wife of F. Kammerer Sr., and mother of Minnie Lucchesi and Fred and Gus Kammerer, a native of Brannschweig, Germany, aged 63 years 7 months and 21 days.

NEARLY DROWNED IN THE CANYON

Manuel Pereisa Caught by the Flood While in His Tent.

The Creek Rose Suddenly While He Was Sleeping Near Haywards.

He and His Tent Were Carried Off by the Force of the Water.

OAKLAND OFFICE SAN FRANCISCO CALL, 908 Broadway, Feb. 21.

Manuel Pereisa was nearly drowned and partly beaten to death by contact with roots of trees last night in a gully near Palomares Canyon.

For several weeks the Portuguese has been camping in a little tent on the banks of a small stream. He has been working on neighboring ranches and carried his tent with him wherever he went. It was a very light affair, barely sufficient to keep out the hail and not sufficient to keep out the rain, but it was all that he owned.

Manuel Pereira and His Tent, Washed Away by the Flood in Palomares Canyon.

During the rains of the past week Manuel Pereisa has frequently been forced to get up at nighttime and make additional anchorage for his tent, but this did not induce him to change his quarters, for he was in a hole between two mountains and was well sheltered from the fiercest of the storms.

During the past four days the heavy rains swelled the little creek into a stream of goodly proportions, and the violent rains of Thursday caused the water to rise sufficiently to soak the handful of straw on which the lone rancher slept. Manuel, however, retired as usual, but about 2 o'clock yesterday morning the water rose several feet and rushed through the canyon like a mill stream. Manuel was asleep at the time and was not aware of the flood until his tent was washed away and he found himself being whirled along the stream and occasionally meeting with a blow from some piece of tree or roots as he was carried along the bank.

He nearly lost his life trying to recover his old tent. His efforts were unsuccessful and all his worldly belongings were washed down the canyon and have not yet been discovered and probably never will be.

A couple of hours later Manuel, half dead with fright and almost frozen to death, walked into Haywards and was glad to sleep in a warm stable with some horse-blankets to cover him. His face is badly cut and one of his legs is bruised severely, and he is surprised that he should have succeeded in saving himself from a most unpleasant death at midnight in the flood.

LAUNDRYMEN TO COMBINE.

Chinese May Take One House and Do All Their Business Under One License.

ALAMEDA, CAL., Feb. 21.—The recent rumors of the Chinese laundrymen combining and erecting a vast establishment of their own are given little credence by those who know the Mongolian's love of the American dollar and his reluctance in parting with any more of them than necessary. However the scheme to combine is not unlikely to be carried to a completion. The Trustees will probably pass the ordinance now before them, fixing a license that would be almost prohibitory to them individually. In view of this fact a move is now on foot to unite them all in one big establishment, where one license would serve all, and remove to the opposite side of the estuary. The large building, now occupied, has been talked of, and would be suitable for such use. It is located on the streetcar line, and just outside of the city limits. This is what the Board of Health had in view when it recommended the license. Railroad avenue will then be straightened, and the ramshackies torn down.

Washington's Birthday.

ALAMEDA, CAL., Feb. 21.—The Board of Trustees will not meet to-night, as it is a legal holiday. Unless a special meeting should be called they will not meet until March 1. All of the offices in the new City building will be closed, as well as the library. The Postoffice will be open from 8 to 10 A. M. and the carriers will make one delivery of the mails. Business generally will be suspended, but the stores will remain open during the forenoon.

Last Lecture in the Course on Egypt.

The course of lectures on Egypt being given at the Young Men's Christian Association by Rev. Haskett Smith will conclude with a lecture at the Association Auditorium, Mason and Ellis streets, this evening on "The Pyramids and Pyramid Builders." Mr. Smith's lecture will be made still more interesting by the display of many beautiful stereopticon views of these great monuments which stand not only as monuments in honor of the dead, but as evidences of the great skill of this wonderful people. It is a subject which is interesting to all and a large audience is expected.

AROUND THE DIAMOND.

The Violets Defeat the San Francisco Athletic Club by a Score of 12 to 6.

The San Francisco Athletic Club tried an experiment yesterday that proved costly. They allowed a young man by the name of Fleming to pitch two innings for them, and within that short time the "southpaw" created a record that will stand for quite a time. In the two innings that he pitched the Violets stacked up eight runs in this order:

F. Kelly, one of the many Kellys who compose the Violets, came to the bat and after watching Fleming's windmill style of delivery was given his base on balls. Kennedy by reaching far out was able to make a neat sacrifice hit, advancing Kelly. O'Day sent a pop fly to Van Nordman, and that gentleman gathered it in neatly. Sweigert was given his base on balls and filling the bases. Egan was hit on the top of the head and smilingly took his base, allowing F. Kelly to score. J. Kelly also took a base on balls, forcing Sweigert home, and Kronck went to first on called balls. Fitzpatrick went out on a fly to Sheehan and ended the inning.

The Athletic Club boys came to bat, but went out in short order.

The next inning proved to be an easy thing for the Violets. Fleming could not get the pitching under control and in one, two, three order the Violets went to first on balls or by being hit by the pitcher. When the procession around the bases ended the Violets had six more runs to their credit, and had not Raymond, their regular pitcher, gone to the box the Violets might have been running yet.

The Athletic Club boys did all they could to even up the score, but Fitzpatrick pitched a steady game and held them down to five hits.

The Athletic Club team was able to pile up six runs, but strive as they might they were unable to overcome the tremendous lead given by their experiment.

At no stage of the game was there any sensational playing. It was evident that both teams suffered from a lack of practice, and this may be attributed to the stormy weather of the past week.

The Athletic Club made a mistake in putting Fleming in the box. The young man gave evidence of being an excellent pitcher, but seemed to be sadly in need of practice.

The playing of Sweigert and Ford at first were features. The following is the score:

S. F. VIOLETS	A.B.	R.	B.H.	S.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
F. Kelly, s. s.	3	2	0	2	0	4	3
Kennedy, 2 b. & c.	6	1	3	0	1	1	1
O'Day, l. f.	5	1	0	0	2	0	1
Sweigert, 1 b.	3	3	0	0	13	1	0
Egan, c. f. & 2 b.	3	2	1	0	1	2	1
J. Kelly, 3 b.	5	2	0	0	5	3	1
Kronck, c. & c. f.	3	0	2	0	4	0	1
Fitzpatrick, p.	5	0	1	0	1	4	0
T. Kelly, r. f.	4	1	1	1	0	0	0
Totals	37	12	8	3	27	15	8

S. F. ATHLETICS	A.B.	R.	B.H.	S.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Sheehan, l. f.	3	0	0	0	2	0	0
Spellman, 3 b.	5	0	2	0	2	5	0
Reisso, r. f.	4	1	0	0	1	0	1
Johnson, s. s.	5	2	1	1	0	5	2
Van Nordman, 2 b.	4	2	0	0	3	2	0
Ford, 1 b.	4	0	0	0	10	1	2
Gianini, c. f.	5	1	1	1	1	1	1
Dreus, c.	2	0	0	1	8	2	0
Fleming, p.	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Raymond, p.	5	0	1	0	0	2	1
Totals	37	6	5	3	27	18	8

S. F. Violets	2	6	0	0	0	3	0	0	1—12
Base hits	0	2	0	0	0	3	1	1	1-- 8
S. F. Athletic Club	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	2— 6
Base hits	1	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	0— 5

SUMMARY.

Earned runs—Violets 4. Sacrifice hits—Kennedy 2, T. Kelly, Fitzpatrick. First base on errors—S. F. Athletic Club 5, Violets 6. First base on called balls—S. F. Athletic Club 8, Violets 8. Left on bases—S. F. Athletic Club 11, Violets 10. Struck out—Fleming 1, Raymond 4, Fitzpatrick 4. Hit by pitcher—Egan 2, T. Kelly, Gianini, O'Day. Double plays—Sweigert (unassisted), J. Kelly to Sweigert. Passed balls—Dreus, Kronck 2, Kennedy 1. Time of game—Two hours. Umpire—McDonald.

The California Markets and United States Regulars will play baseball at Central Park to-day. The line-up will be as follows:

Cal. Market.	Positions	U. S. Regulars.
Murphy	First base	Kelly
Lannigan	Second base	Cameron
Smith	Shortstop	Frey
Lee	Third base	Little
Iburg	Pitcher	Peddicord
Strieb	Catcher	Noyes
McMenomy	Right field	Gibson
Spencer	Center field	Meyers
Hearty	Left field	Haines
Waterbury	Extra	Wheeler

Umpire—James McDonald.

Cornell to Have a Big Celebration.

ITHACA, N. Y., Feb. 21.—Cornell University is preparing for a big celebration on Monday. The programme will be: Opening remarks, President Schurman; presentation of portraits of distinguished jurists, Hon. Andrew D. White; acceptance on behalf of the College of Law, Hon. Francis M. Finch; address on Chief Justice Marshall, Hon. Henry B. Brown, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Land Selections Approved.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 21.—Secretary of the Interior Francis has approved selections of lands to the Union Pacific Railroad Company aggregating 58,357 acres. The list approved is in accordance with the Secretary's letter of the 12th inst., directing the Commissioner of the General Land Office to patent lands to this road, as its security-holders have guaranteed to the Government over $45,000,000, the amount due the Government from the Union Pacific.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c.

SCORED FROM MANY PULPITS

Pastors Open the Campaign in Favor of Closing Saloons.

Dr. Coyle Reviews the Action of the Council in Forcible Language.

Declares Their Cause Was Betrayed by Two Members Who Broke Promises.

OAKLAND OFFICE SAN FRANCISCO CALL, 908 Broadway, Feb. 21.

The campaign against the saloons was actively commenced from the pulpits of this city to-day. Being disappointed at having the Sunday-closing question eliminated from the ballot to be used next month the pastors and Christian Endeavorers have decided to secure as large a vote as possible on the matter of absolute prohibition that will be voted upon.

To-day Rev. Robert Whitaker of the Twenty-third avenue Baptist Church, Rev. Dr. Kumner of the First Methodist, Rev. Mr. Sutherland of the Tenth-avenue Baptist—all referred to the matter and urged an active campaign against the saloons, so that a vote would show the Council just how the public feeling stands.

Rev. Dr. Coyle of the First Presbyterian Church had announced that he would handle the matter at length, and his church was crowded this morning. He said:

If my lips could utter all that is in my soul this morning, you would not lack for eloquence. My heart hurts. It throbs in wild rebellion, and no words can express its burning indignation. A similar fire I am sure flames in many of your breasts. I saw flashes of it the other night in this room when a messenger brought us the news from the City Hall. We had planned for the Sunday closing of the saloons, prayed for it, spoken for it, hoped for it, petitioned for it, and were assured that the matter would be at least submitted to the people. When, therefore, after all the promises that had been made and all the assurances that had been given, word was brought to us that our petition was denied and that we were not to have even the small privilege of voting upon it, is it any wonder that we were hot with indignation?

Two years ago when the fight was on—this same fight for the Sunday closing—we were told by the members of the Council that it was a question of too much importance to be decided by them; that they could not take the responsibility of passing such a measure, but if the people wanted it, as good and loyal servants it would give them pleasure to carry out the people's will. Some of us were simple enough to believe them. We had a petition circulated and very largely signed asking the Council to submit the matter and thus obtain the popular verdict. With what result you know. Then another petition was circulated asking that the saloons be closed seven days out of the week. It was not largely signed. Many good people who hate the saloon and would like to see it annihilated, felt that the second petition called for something too radical, too far in advance of public sentiment to accomplish anything, and so withheld their signatures.

But these Councilmen—the same two that disappointed and deceived us before—voted the other night to omit the Sunday closing question from the ticket and submit the question of closing the saloons altogether. Thus they played right into the hands of the liquor dealers. They knew very well that Sunday closing was the thing the people were demanding, but in the face of it all they voted to submit the minority petition, to the great delight of every saloon-keeper and liquor dealer in town. I have no doubt there was jubilee among the members of the California Protective Association and the friends of the liquor traffic when they heard the news. Once more the church people and the Endeavorers and temperance advocates were checkmated, their plans defeated, their hopes baffled, their schemes turned upside down, and the saloon on top.

But while I am disappointed and indignant I am not by any means cast down. It may be that this latest outrage will so arouse the decent people of this city as to crystallize all temperance sentiment into solid and uncompromising opposition to the open saloon. I hope so, and if my words can do anything to bring about such a result they will be gladly spoken. It is related of Napoleon that when in the midst of his wonderful Italian campaign an officer rode up to him with the announcement that the battle was lost. "Very well," said Napoleon, "there is yet time before the sun goes down for another fight." Before nightfall the great Corsican left the field a victor. So in this warfare against the saloon there is yet time for another battle, and who will be so faint-hearted as to say that we cannot win? At any rate we propose in God's name to try, and we shall do it in the consciousness that no faithful effort for the right, though it be apparently futile, can ever be in vain.

Here in Oakland we have 200 saloons and the police report shows that in a list of sixty-nine different offenses there were 1216 convictions for drunkenness alone during 1896. A large number of these were women. These the figures show that about half of all the convictions during the year came from the too free use of strong drink.

And this is the power—the plotting, pillaging, plundering power—that triumphs and flaunts defiance in the face of the church and of decency and holds politicians and people in captivity. I am not putting it extravagantly. It has thrown down the gauntlet and forced the issue and said to us: "Sunday closing is knocked out. Now see what you can do toward closing the saloons altogether. This is your chance, I defy you."

How that challenge will be met I do not know and I dare not predict. I only know that the dictatorship of the saloon in municipal and State affairs is a very real and shameful thing. Newspapers are afraid of it. Candidates are afraid of it. Parties are afraid of it. Business is afraid of it. Read the platforms of the politicians and the declarations of aspirants for office. Not a word, not a hint about the liquor traffic. I understand very well that in some rare instances it is the part of wisdom to say nothing, and nothing is said because speech would only do harm; but in the great majority of cases silence is only another way of spelling saloon. In the great majority of cases political papers and platform-makers and office-seekers are silent because they are in bondage to this accursed liquor power.

We want the advantages and attractions of this city to be made known. For this purpose we are sending facts and figures out over the country. Next July tens of thousands of Endeavorers will be here from every section of the continent, and if they could carry back the news to the East that Oakland had so much regard for decency and good order, so much regard for its homes and young people, that it had closed its saloons altogether, it would do more to advertise this city and fill up its streets with desirable people than anything else. I tell you it is open saloons and desecrated Sabbaths and low moral sentiment that are keeping home-seekers away from California.

But, you say, Oakland gets a revenue of $75,000 a year from its 200 saloons. Close them up altogether and this will be cut off and hence taxes will have to be increased to raise money enough to run the city. Well, that is practical, and let us think of it a little. A leading member of the Council told me during the past week that it is safe to say that each saloon takes in over its bar an average of $15 a day. That makes over $1,000,000 a year diverted from channels of productive industry and legitimate business—over $1,000,000 a year paid into the saloons of Oakland.

Now do you not see that if the saloons were closed a very large proportion of that money would be spent for groceries and dry goods and clothing and things that would enhance the business welfare of the City. Some of it of course would still be spent for drink, for men who want liquor very badly are bound to have it. But I contend that the closing of the saloons altogether would leave far more money to the City than is now derived from license.

Another thing which I want you to be clear about. This is not prohibition. It has nothing whatever to do with the family use of wines and liquors. What you may choose to do under your own roof and when you sit down at your own table is not the present question. No one proposes to interfere with you there. The fight is against the open saloon. We have suffered its insolence and dictation long enough, and now, in God's name, let us close up in solid line, all of us who have too much self-respect, too much manhood, to be cowed and defied and trifled with by this power, and free ourselves from its domination.

Auction Sales

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT!

Notice is hereby given that on TUESDAY, FEB. 23, 1897, At Chas. Levy & Co.'s Auction Warerooms, 1135 Market St., Bet. 7 and 8, Commencing at 10 o'clock A. M., there will be sold THE SUPERIOR FURNITURE, Rich Parlor Upholstery, Mantle, Mirror, Engravings, 2500 yards of nearly new Body Brussels Carpets, Lace Curtains, etc., etc., of sixty rooms removed from Sutter st. for convenience of sale. Full particulars in Tuesday's papers.
CHAS. LEVY & CO., Auctioneers.

ASSIGNEE SALE.

Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, the 24th Day of February, 1897, At 10 o'clock A. M., we will sell The Hotel Known as the New Washington, 348 Fourth Street, Comprising 120 Furnished Rooms, Barroom, Dining-room and Kitchen. The above will be offered as a whole or in small lots, to suit purchasers. House open for inspection up to date of sale. House in full running order.
CHAS. LEVY & CO., Auctioneers.

GRAND GROCERY AUCTION.

TO-MORROW (TUESDAY) AT 11 A. M., LONDON TEA CO., 40 THIRD STREET, NR. MARKET.
Large variety and all fresh and salable. Horse, Wagon, etc.
FRANK W. BUTTERFIELD, Auctioneer, 602 Market Street.

MILITARY MARKSMEN.

A Large Gathering of Riflemen at the Shell Mound Shooting Range.

The military shots were out in large numbers at the Shell Mound rifle range yesterday and a number of good scores were made. The coming match of 100 men to a side between the First and Fifth regiments is keeping the musket shots alive to their work. Soon after the team of the First won the victory over the Hawaiian National Guard the best men of the Fifth came to the front and challenged the winners for a contest under similar conditions. The challenge was taken up upon the condition that the event should not take place until some time in the spring. The reason for the delay was that it would be too great a tax to call upon the men of the First to prepare for a second match so soon after the first was shot off.

For all the promised delay the men from both regiments are showing much interest in rifle practice and under the surface there is no doubt some quiet preparations being made to qualify with the chosen one hundred. While there was but a small representation of Company L of the First, still the scores were good, as here seen:

Captain Eggert 43, Sergeant Goertzhain 43, E. J. Leary 34, H. G. Leffmann 38, J. Lawler 38, Sergeant Grundman 43, J. S. Leffman 32.

Company A of the Fifth of Oakland sent a good delegation to the range. This company really has two matches on its hands at the present time, both with Company G of the Fifth of Alameda. The conditions are fifteen men to the team, ten shots to each man. The teams are to shoot for a purse of $60. The first match will take place on the first Sunday in March at the Park-street range, Alameda, and the return match will be shot at Shell Mound on the third Sunday in March. Company A's score yesterday stood as follows:

S. Yost 25, F. M. Magill 43, Sergeant McCormick 45, F. W. Peterson 39, G. A. Langford 35, G. W. Brown 34, Corporal Moore 29, Corporal Littlefield 37, King 36, Grismore 31, Smith 37, Tait 42, Lieutenant E. Hunt 37, J. C. Ellis 32, C. Puckett 43, C. E. Poulter 36, H. Kohler 35, A. Jahnigan 41, Sergeant W. Downie 44, W. Dickerson 38, Farritt 38, S. A. Puckett 41, Sergeant Strong 41, Depoy 22, Sergeant Brier 40, Fellows 30, Captain Poulter 41, Sergeant C. H. Ellis 31, Lieutenant Vaughn 45, N. Brink 40, H. Behrend 20, C. Brown 27, J. C. Bergner 34, G. W. Puckett 40.

Company F of the Fifth was also well represented on the range. Some of their scores were up to the average, as shown by the annexed:

F. Schulz 30, L. Moreno 30, Corporal J. G. Carney 31, F. Parker 36, A. Harbridge 35, W. E. Blakeley 19, C. W. Scott 30, Carey 38, Schmarting 24, P. F. Johnson 35, R. Hansen 40, Captain G. H. Wethem 38, Sergeant C. C. Covalt 42, H. Parson 40, A. J. Harford 37, W. Rowe 41, J. McCrudden 24, M. H. Morse 39, Corporal A. W. Blakeley 31, G. Hanson 35, G. Nickerson 40, Corporal I. Swanson 33, Sergeant H. F. Bennett 30, W. Sears 34, F. Howland 41, P. Whalte 33, E. O. Williams 38, A. Sears 42, C. R. Frazier 30, W. G. Leonard 19, E. P. Wells 39, W. F. Griffin 31, McMillan 27, H. Gerrish 11, F. Waters 5, Bray 29, R. S. Mudge 31, A. F. Hanson 31, J. Brewis 33, F. W. Miller 31, Corporal M. D. Bird 30, C. P. Griffin 27, D. C. Preston 34, J. Gent 30, J. Lutgen 35, Lieutenant W. H. Cobbledick 44, E. W. Davis 25, Heffermann 6, A. N. Brewis 42, F. Mitchell 39, Stevenson 31, Wenk 45, W. J. Wilson 33, Ballister 18, J. Clark 10, G. W. Crew 19, J. Magennis 43.

The Knights of the Red Branch Rifles held a practice shoot, with the following results:

Sergeant David Russell 40, Corporal J. J. Robertson 41, James Smith 42, S. M. Cox 29, M. Lane 25, P. Donahue 34, J. J. Loughrey 33, John Green 40, W. P. Harmon 27, James Loughrey 36, E. Rahill 35, J. D. J. Murphy 32, Lieutenant Mannix 36, P. J. Marron 19.

Aside from the regular monthly medal shoot of Company B (City Guard) of the First Regiment, there was an interesting private match among six of the best shots in the company. The conditions were fifty shots to each man for a purse of $25, the winner to pay for a French dinner for the crowd. Charles Perry won the match on 220 points. The scores of the others were: George Herzman 207, C. Lindecker 198, Captain Filmer 215, E. Peppin 199, G. Claussenius 212. The company scores were as follows:

J. B. Wear 40, G. Heinzman 42, C. Perry 44, C. Lindecker 37, F. W. Taylor 40, C. H. Taylor 29, J. Miller 31, E. C. Cordell 39, G. Bell 11, W. L. Overstreet 34, H. B. Sullivan 30, Captain George Filmer 38, E. L. Filmer 43, A. E. Apthorpe 38, G. Ungerman 39, W. H. King 40, E. B. Peppin 39, A. McCulloch 36, S. Roberts 23, F. E. Hawley 34, Woods 37, D. S. Briggs 39, L. R. Townsend 40, George Claussenius 42, W. N. Kelly 37.

AT SCHUETZEN PARK.

Company D of San Rafael Held Its Annual Target Practice.

Company D of San Rafael, Fifth Regiment, N. G. C., held its annual target practice at Schuetzen Park, near San Rafael, yesterday. Considerable interest was taken in the shoot and a large number of people were in attendance. The distance was 200 yards. The following scores were made:

F. B. Moulton 46, J. F. Robinson 46, F. J. Jacobs 44, A. N. Boyen 43, F. Vanderbilt 42, J. Dawson 41, J. Jones 40, P. Treanton 40, J. T. Bustin 40, J. N. Schlosser 40, J. E. Greaver 40, A. A. Smith 39, F. Mulhern 39, F. J. Murray 38, H. Iverson 37, S. Robinson 37, F. Hoffer 36, M. Johansen 36, J. P. Mulhern 36, S. Eden 36, F. Dieckman, 36; Mestrup, 36; E. F. Murch, 35; A. E. Scott, 35; W. Elliott, 35; E. Smith, 34; R. E. Walsh, 34; W. Butterworth, 34; Fletcher, 34; McCannish, 34; H. S. Dawley, 33; J. S. Archer, 32; H. Kockler, 32; P. Le Carnec, 31; J. Barron, 31; V. Cheda, 29; E. Gardner, 28; W. Miller, 27; J. Hart, 26; W. A. Goodeu, 26; G. Sands, 23; A. Barrow, 18; C. L. Coulter, 15; M. de Sarl, 11.

The California Schuetzen Club held its regular bullseye shoot yesterday. J. Kline took the first prize, A. Utschig the second and J. Utschig the third.

The Aberdeens at Washington.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 21.—Lord and Lady Aberdeen arrived at the British embassy to-day where they will be the guests of Sir Julian and Lady Pauncefote for about a week. On Wednesday evening the Embassador will give a brilliant reception to his distinguished guests. In the interval several small dinners and other entertainments will be tendered the visitors and probably an informal visit to the President and Mrs. Cleveland.

Lord and Lady Aberdeen have just come from Nashville, Tennessee, where they attended the wedding of Major Majoribanks, Lady Aberdeen's brother.

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