

WON BACK HIS FORTUNE, THEN DIED

Peculiar Story of a Quarrel Between Brother and Sister.

Coincidence Like That Which Distinguishes the Quack-embush Case.

Robert Bright Had Given His All to His Sister and Then Regretted It.

The burial of the remains of Robert Bright from Masonic Temple Wednesday afternoon closed another chapter of a peculiar story from real life.

As long ago as June, 1895, Robert Bright's sister, Mrs. Mary Craig, purchased a beautiful coffin in anticipation of the occasion, but between that date and the date of the funeral such a breach had grown up between the two that the coffin was not used.

Another and equally handsomely some casket was purchased by the Masons, and over it Mrs. Craig and her family upon the one side and the other relatives and legatees upon the other the contending factions of the family glared upon one another.

When Mrs. Craig purchased the coffin she was, by voluntary deeds from him, in possession of Bright's entire estate, worth \$30,000.

The case had been bitterly contested before Judge Hebbard and had barely been finished and the judgment secured against the sister, recovering to the brother the estate which he had given her, when he died.

Robert Bright was worth about \$20,000 in cash, as well as some valuable real estate. He was 70 years of age and his wife being long dead and childless, he had been living for fifteen years past with his sister, Mrs. Craig, at 1431 Pine street.

Mrs. Craig, 77 years of age, is the widow of "Billy" Craig, who was at one time famous for hot Scotchies dealt out at his resort at Dupont and Washington streets.

In June, 1895, Robert Bright was stricken with partial paralysis, and in a few days was about to die he handed over his bankbook, putting cash for nearly \$9,000 at the San Francisco Savings Union and over \$8,000 in the German Savings Bank to her name.

He also deeded her a valuable lot on Pacific street, as well as other property, with the proviso that she was to transmit from the same certain bequests which he specified.

It was at that time that Mrs. Craig purchased the beautiful casket. Not only that but a monument to mark the grave of his wife as well as to be ordered.

At these attentions Mr. Bright is said to have been pleased. Indeed, his condition very materially improved, inasmuch that there was no telling how long he might live.

The lower half of his body, however, was dead and he could not move without the aid of a nurse, who could not be with him constantly. In fact his many wants overtaxed her household and her patience.

He himself insisted that he must have a nurse night and day and against this Mrs. Craig protested, as being an inexcusable expense. She also declined to further cook his meals, and he was compelled to get one of his tenants, Mrs. Flockhart, residing over on Broadway and Pacific street, to cook and bring them to him.

Finally, the nurses being discharged by Mrs. Craig, Mr. Bright himself removed to Mrs. Flockhart's house. He demanded of his sister that she return the money he had given her, but she refused and also refused to pay for the nurses.

Bright then engaged Charles L. Patton as his attorney to bring suit for the recovery of the money. The case was tried before Judge Hebbard and a few days ago a judgment was rendered in Bright's favor. This, as stated, had hardly been accomplished when Bright died. Indeed, the findings of the court have not been entered, and the counsel for Mrs. Craig, F. S. Castiehan, will insist upon a technical right to have the case retried on the ground that the plaintiff's death occurred before the trial was finished—the same point that is being raised in the Quack-embush case.

Bright's attorney, Patton, says he has no fear that there will be any technical objection to the trial, as the testimony is all in and the court has rendered judgment. He will merely substitute the names of the special administrators, which have already been appointed, and resubmit the case.

The deceased was buried by Golden Gate Lodge of Masons, of which he was a member, the remains being laid in the Masonic Cemetery.

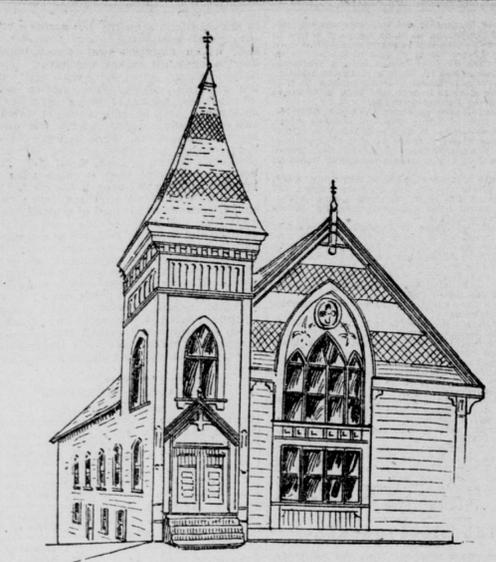
Bright came here in 1849 and was a prominent member of the Society of Pioneers. A number of the Pioneers attended the funeral. There were eight pallbearers, of whom were, the late Golden Gate Lodge, F. and A. M., two from the Pastmasters' Association, two from the Odd Fellows and two from the Pioneers.

The will was filed Wednesday. Following are the bequests: To Caroline Flockhart, \$20,000; to Jane Thompson, \$500; to Emma Clark and her children in equal shares, \$10,000; to the Protestant Orphan Asylum, \$3,000; to the Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home of San Francisco, \$1,000; to Temple Degrees Lodge No. 19, I. O. O. F., \$500; to the Little Jim ward at the Children's Hospital, \$500; to his sister, Mrs. Craig, \$5, and to John M. Loose the residue. The testator states as his reason for making no large provision for his sister that she is already well provided for and does not need any assistance from his estate.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORERS. An interesting session of the Golden Gate Union. The Golden Gate Union of Christian Endeavor held a regular monthly executive committee meeting at the Y. M. C. A. last evening. The treasurer reported that five societies have paid their appropriation to the 1897 convention fund, \$2,243.55 having been collected to date, and there is an immediate prospect of the balance being received in the near future.

A meeting will be held in the Y. M. C. A. Hall Sunday afternoon, March 21, at 3 o'clock, to discuss the true meaning of the program work. Ex-President Wiles will present the detail of the growing organization of Christian Endeavor. The prospective addition of this work of young people to the flourishing local union will mean much to the coming convention and the Endeavor cause.

The newly appointed press committee has decided to issue weekly a publication containing the news of Golden Gate Union, which will be known as the Golden Gate News.



Holly Park Presbyterian Church, the Cornerstone of Which Was Laid Yesterday Afternoon.

CORNERSTONE OF A HOUSE OF GOD

New Presbyterian Church Started in Holly Park.

Ceremonies Participated In by Residents of the Neighborhood.

An Octogenarian Places the Stone and Three Clergymen Conduct the Services.

The cornerstone of a new Presbyterian church was laid yesterday afternoon at the corner of California avenue and Lizzie street.

From the immediate neighborhood were assembled those that will form a part of the congregation of the edifice, which is to be ready for occupancy by summer time.

The site of the new church is upon a hillside overlooking a large part of the southwestern districts of the City.

The services consisted in an address by the Rev. Mr. Jenks of the First Presbyterian Church, a prayer by the Rev. G. D. B. Stewart of the Franklin-street Presbyterian Church and general remarks by the Rev. R. W. Reynolds, the pastor to whose energetic efforts are largely due the erection of a permanent building for his congregation.

The stone, a small, plain block of hard, gray sandstone, was adjusted to its final position by Jacob Bost, the patriarch of the congregation, who has gone almost thirteen years past the allotted three score and ten.

In the cornerstone were placed a copy of the Call, the Chronicle and the Examiner, and a copy of the constitution of the Occident, the Presbyterian church paper; a history of the church, beginning with its simple organization under Rev. L. A. Gardner in February, 1890; a complete list of all its members, and the children of its Sunday-school; and its membership in the Christian Endeavor Society.

A WREATH OF LAUREL

Mlle. Trebelli, Soloist at Yesterday's Symphony Concert, Honored.

An Excellent Programme Presented by the San Francisco Symphony Society.

A crowded house greeted the San Francisco Symphony Society's third concert at the Columbia Theatre yesterday afternoon.

The bright particular star was Mlle. Antoinette Trebelli, whose beautifully fresh, clear voice, as usual, charmed and delighted her audience.

For the fourth concert on March 18, Mrs. Gertrude Auld-Thomas will be soloist, and Hugo Mansfeld pianist. The following is the programme: Overture, "Genoveffa," Schumann; piano concerto, Raffi suite, "Les Erinnyes," Liszt; vocal solo, Mrs. Gertrude Auld-Thomas; Norwegian Artists' Carnival, Svendsen.

EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGED.

F. F. Pierson, traveling salesman for the Crane Company, arrested in plumbers' supplies, 23 First street, was arrested yesterday in Jackson. Amador County, by Sheriff Gregory. Detective Silver will leave this morning for Jackson to bring him back to the city.

Pierson was arrested at the request of Chief Crowley on a warrant sworn out by the manager of the Crane Company, charging him with felony embezzlement.

"IT MUST PASS OR WE'LL SECEDE"

Judge Kerrigan on the Sunday Racing Amendment.

He Says the West Is Enthusiastic Over the Movement.

The Consul for the North California Division Home From the East.

Frank H. Kerrigan, chief consul of the North California Division, League of American Wheelmen, returned from the East last night, where he has been to attend the National assembly of the league.

He was met at the pier by Judge Dunne, Percy N. Long and other intimate friends, all prominent in local cycling matters, and all of whom he has known for many years. As is generally known, Judge Kerrigan went East with R. M. Welch as delegates to the assembly from Northern California, to secure the passage of an amendment permitting Sunday track-racing under the league's sanction in such divisions as desired it.

The movement had the hearty support of Illinois, Louisiana and all the Western States, and was promised all the New York votes, but at the last moment Chief consul Potter of New York deliberately broke his promise, and with this opposition the measure was defeated.

Mr. Welch returned a week ago and Judge Kerrigan after waiting two days to see if something could not be done has come back, his waiting having been fruitless. No other name was suggested.

"I don't know whether you know it or not, but this thing is creating ten times more agitation in the East than it has here, although California is looked upon as the leader of the movement."

"I read the interview with Welch in the Call a week ago while I was in Chicago, and I have thought just as he has said that we had better wait until the National circuit, which will begin late in April, leaves here before we secede if we do then."

"I was talking with Root of the Referee in Chicago. He said, 'going to secede?' I said, 'Yes, I think so.' He said, 'That's right; you ought to. We'll be right with you.' And he said that the Referee made the hottest kind of a fight for Potter's election before the assembly."

"Gerlach, the member of the National racing board in Chicago, is ready for secession and hates Potter and his Tammany-like methods as he would poison."

"There are seven members of the National racing board, and Chairman Giddens commands more respect than any man in the L. A. W. to-day. Well, sir, on the floor of the assembly he got up and said the board was unanimously in favor of Sunday racing under divisional option; that every racing man in the country is in favor of it. Yet it was defeated. That shows how little the league cares for its racing interests. It was an outrage to refuse professional admission to membership."

"I was directly as to his own position in the matter Judge Kerrigan said: 'Well, I feel this way. I am chief consul of the North California division. It's just this—we have tracks to support and men are making a living out of racing. They can't do it any more unless we have Sunday racing. Saturday afternoon meetings don't pay, and holidays are too infrequent. We have tested this thing thoroughly. If we would say, stay in the league if we could get this measure passed at the next session, but we can't. I said to Gerlach in Chicago: 'Is there any chance of our getting this next year?' 'By no means; the same selfishness, narrow-mindedness and foolish sentiment that prevail now will prevail then.'"

"Then again a lot of people think that if it was resubmitted we would win, and there is a chance of this. I waited as long as I could in New York, but didn't see Potter again. I doubt if he or his executive committee could do anything. Here is the assembly, which has by a big vote stamped its disapproval on Sunday racing. How could Potter or the committee take any favorable action in the face of this?"

"My idea now is to resubmit it by mail vote to the delegates. It could be done very quickly. That would not obtain if it was not that we have got Potter and his crowd dead scared."

"This secession talk, coming as it does from all parts of the country and from so many strong divisions, has frightened them. Potter, of course, wants a successful administration, and here it would get a terrible setback at the very start."

"I have been interviewed in a dozen different cities, but have declined to talk secession. I am chief consul of this division and as such desire to avoid disruption of the league. If we would avoid disruption then I'll resign and we'll secede, and do it with a will."

"I am going to call a special meeting of the board of officers of the North California Division for Saturday evening, March 6, at the rooms of the Bay City Wheelmen. As it is a special meeting, the ten days' notice required by the by-laws is not necessary. Welch and I will report to the board, and then it can take action. That meeting will be a warm one, too, I'll promise you."

"I have members of the New York, Massachusetts and Rhode Island delegations at the assembly. They were very, very anxious that we should not have any step looking toward secession. From what I learned I feel sure if this were resubmitted we would get New York's support."

"That story about Welch and I being jostled white on the floor is all rot. He was not speaking very loud and some one yelled 'louder' at him. Then when he exceeded his time limit some New York men yelled 'Welch' and 'Welch' well, and commanded a great deal of respect both for himself and his position. I was

accused all the attention I could have wished. It was dirty politics that did us up. I told them about the influx of Eastern people into Southern California. They had tried Sunday racing down there and it failed. Any meet would fail with only twelve riders competing, for that is all the people who would be there. Sunday racing and take chances of getting back in the league next year. This was before the vote. I replied that he was unbecomingly quick to commit a wrong to establish a right."

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THE BALDWIN CLOTHIERS,



Judge F. H. Kerrigan.



Injured Her Hip.

Nellie Adams, who lives at 29 1/2 Stockton street, fell through a skylight yesterday morn-

ing, a distance of fifteen feet, and injured her spine. She was taken to the Receiving Hospital, where she remained about 9 o'clock, and for some minutes the wildest rumors were afloat.

It appeared that three young men had come out of the Louvre and one of them had been fooling with a revolver. It went off accidentally and the bullet nearly killed Sam Marks, a young man well known among the sporting men.

Marks was going up the steps leading to the billiard-rooms on the first floor of St. Ann's building, at the moment the pistol was discharged. He felt a stinging sensation in his right hip, but did not hit for a minute or so. He had been hit by a bullet. The three young men disappeared as soon as the pistol was discharged.

Marks had a narrow escape.

IMPERIAL CYCLERS' RACE.

Entries and Handicaps for Sunday's Road Event at Hayward.

The following are the entries and handicaps for the Imperial Cycling Club's ten-mile road race to be held over the Hayward course next Sunday:

I. R. Lind, W. Mack, E. A. Bozio, Milton M. Cook, stretch; A. A. Orton, E. C. Barley, R. F. Haman, J. Minter, E. L. Cordy, W. H. Smith, 2 minutes; J. S. Egan, J. E. Burns, 2:30; J. S. King, H. Yeargan, F. L. Dyer, 3 minutes; C. W. Collins, C. Schneck, 3:30; H. Behrman, T. J. Winslow, G. C. Brodroug, F. C. Behrman, 4 minutes.

The officials will be: W. H. Tucker, referee; George J. Panario, E. F. Finin, Joseph Cstanich, judges; James Lynch, Godfrey Edwards, J. Vincent, timers; G. Sullivan, G. Roche, starters; W. Magfarlane, J. T. Lynch, marshals; E. W. Schneider, C. Trolliet, Arthur Nelson, G. H. Peck, G. Ward, F. A. Biedeman, scorers.

There are ten place prizes and two for time, aggregating nearly \$100. A fine race is expected.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Resignations Accepted and a Number of Appointments Made.

The Fire Commissioners met yesterday afternoon and accepted the resignations of Joseph Kiernan, hoseman of engine 5; James Kelly, hoseman engine 30; M. Quance, hoseman engine 5; D. B. McQuade, driver engine 5, and John Smith, truck 7.

Charles McDonald was promoted from hoseman of engine 13 to foreman of engine 18, and the following appointments were made: Julius Vincent to truck 5; George Faubel, hoseman engine 13; John Murphy, hoseman engine 28, and William Jordan, hoseman engine 30.

R. Driscoll, hoseman of engine 10, was fined ten days pay for neglect of duty, and Thomas Hart, driver of engine 29, two days' pay for a similar offense.

Stole Newspapers.

Andrew Kenner, charged with petty larceny, arrested February 22 for stealing two copies of the Daily Chronicle, the property of D. Walsh & L. Rice, was duly convicted and on March 3 sentenced to six months in the County Jail by Judge C. T. Conlan.

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