

GOLD BONANZAS ON THE YUKON

Fabulous Stories Told by Oregonians Just Returned.

They Bring Rich Dust From the Famous Clondyke District.

The Great Mining Excitements of California and Australia May Be Repeated.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 15.—It would appear that in the gold placers recently discovered along Bonanza and El Dorado creeks in the Clondyke district of the Yukon, the world is to witness a repetition of the great mining excitements of California and Australia, says this evening's Telegram.

Concerning the big returns from a single pan of dirt, it should be remembered that the dirt is invariably taken from bedrock, and in these immensely rich spots the pay streak is always thin—sometimes not more than two or three inches.

TWO YOUNG THIEVES CAUGHT.

Robbed the Mail at Pendleton and a Store at La Grande.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 15.—Deputy United States Marshal Bentley arrived from Pendleton today, having in charge J. E. Smith and Columbus Weir, two enterprising youths of 17 and 19. They went to the post office at Pendleton, where Smith asked after letters for about every member of the Smith family in Pendleton.

On the other hand, an example is found in the Rhodes claim, where the gravel runs from \$2 47 to the pan on the upper strata to \$4 90 at bedrock, with a pay streak nine feet deep. On such claims as this no barren dirt need be handled, and the net profits equal those where the richer though very much smaller pay streaks are found.

IN A TEXAS ASYLUM.

Forger Hughes Traced by a Portland Detective to Dallas.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 15.—Detective Holsapple, who has been on the trail of John H. Hughes, a forger, since last November, had the satisfaction of learning yesterday that he was in safe keeping, even if beyond reach of arrest. Last November, after forging two checks, Hughes, who was employed as a telegraph operator for parts unknown. Both checks were drawn for \$30. One of them was on the Bank of London and San Francisco and purporting to be signed by H. M. Guthrie. The second was on the Hibernia Savings Bank and bore the alleged signature of E. C. Powell, manager of the Associated Press. He was traced from place to place, but could not be definitely located till Tuesday, when Detective Holsapple learned that he was in Dallas.

LA GRANDE FLOODED.

Large Volume of Water Rushes Down the Canyon.

LA GRANDE, Ore., April 15.—Deer Canyon poured out a large volume of water last night, and by 3 o'clock that part of the town around Depot street was under water. Men and teams were put to work and the water was soon confined to the channel, but the sewers were unable to carry it off, and it was but a short time until the sidewalks, outbuildings, etc., were adrift in the vicinity of the M. E. church South and down to the Hotel Foley. Nearly all of the cellars in the business portion of town are full of water, while a good-sized stream is flowing between the railroad tracks and Jefferson avenue. A system of dykes has been put in on First street, diverting the water into Jefferson avenue, thence to the old channel.

STANFORD-BERKELEY CHESS.

First Intercollegiate Game to Be Played To-Morrow at the Mark Hopkins Institute of Art.

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Cal., April 15.—Stanford and Berkeley will play their first intercollegiate game of chess next Saturday, at 10 o'clock, in Mark Hopkins Institute of Art. Mr. Kuh of the New York Chess Club will act as umpire. Admission to the chess tournament is by invitation. C. Serpas, F. W. Kohler and Merle Johnson are Stanford's representatives. Epstein, De Laguna and Parkhurst compose Berkeley's team.

Carlos Serpas of San Salvador will captain the chess team. He is a sophomore and a student in civil engineering. The training which an engineering course gives has been undoubtedly of great benefit to him. Serpas took up the game in earnest last autumn, although he knew the moves several years ago. He plays a strong game and has no trouble in carrying off two games at the same time. He

plays a good game blindfolded. He has improved greatly during the last few months in openings and the general technique of the game. Last year he was president of the Stanford Chess Club. Frederick W. Kohler of St. Helena, a student in education, is a member of the freshman class. He stands second in rank on the team. As a player he is careful, and several years' knowledge of chess makes him a strong opponent. Kohler was a member of the St. Helena Chess Club before entering Stanford. Merle Johnson of Oregon City is assessor, and takes history for a major study. He is perhaps better known as one of the editors of the art department of the Josh, and a member of Stanford's track team. Johnson plays a brilliant game, and has been putting up an especially vigorous game of late.

BRIGHT STANFORD STUDENTS.

Selected for Positions in Departments of the Government.

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Cal., April 15.—N. B. Stanford, one of the brightest students yet graduated from the zoology department of Stanford, has been engaged by the United States Fish Commission to study the life history of the young salmon at the Olema State hatchery. The position is a desirable one and affords a chance for valuable research. Edwin C. Starks, another Stanford student, has passed an examination which will give him employment in the division of ornithology and mammalogy in the United States Department of Agriculture. He has made a special study of fish and gives promise of a bright future in the field of natural history.

SPANISH CROOKS AT CARSON.

Try to Work Upon Ex-Mint Superintendent.

CARSON, Nev., April 15.—It transpires that T. R. Hofer of this city, ex-Superintendent of the Mint and cashier of the Bullion Bank, was one of the men that the Spanish confidence operators selected as a victim. They represented that a

Some of the Active Supporters of the Women's Entertainment to Be Given in Petaluma.



Portrait of a woman, likely one of the active supporters mentioned in the text.

young lady relative of his had turned up in Madrid and was anxious to return to America to meet him. He next was informed of her death and the leaving of \$35,000 to him in her will. He was also shown a letter from a priest corroborating the story. Her guardian wanted money, it said, to probate the will and square up certain legal complications. Her photograph was to be sent.

SANTA BARBARA SURPRISE.

Unexpected Resignation of Superior Judge Cope—Charles F. Carrier Favored for the Vacancy.

SANTA BARBARA, Cal., April 15.—The resignation of Superior Judge Walter B. Cope, which was sent to Governor Budd last Monday, was entirely unexpected, except to a few of the Judge's personal friends, and during the first twenty-four hours there was some lively word about among the members of the bar to fix upon his successor. A number of lawyers whose Democracy was vouched for got up petitions and obtained signatures asking for the appointment, and for a time it looked as though the contest would disrupt the party here. Finally, however, the candidates stepped out one by one, until now there are only two names mentioned in connection with the office—Charles F. Carrier and W. S. Day, with the chances favoring the former.

SEARVILLE LAKE FATALITY.

Melchor Duerst, Watchman and Keeper, Is Found Dead.

REDWOOD CITY, Cal., April 15.—Melchor Duerst, a watchman and keeper of Searville Lake, situated about six miles from here, one of the sources of supply of the Spring Valley Water Works, was found dead this afternoon about 8 o'clock in a hole at the foot of the dam with his neck broken and his skull fractured. He had been missing since yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock. It is thought that he was probably taking a short-cut bath on top of the dam, where the water runs over it, and that he lost his balance and fell into the hole below. Duerst was a Swede and about 50 years of age.

Santa Rosa Slender Suit Verdict.

SANTA ROSA, Cal., April 15.—The jury in the case of Miss Clara Vein vs. Manuel Green, today awarded the plaintiff \$250 damages. The action was brought by the young lady to recover \$100,000 damages for false and slanderous words uttered against her by the defendant. The jury, in its verdict, was unable to agree, compromised their differences at an early hour this morning on the above named amount.

WILL IMPROVE FAIR PETALUMA

Society Leaders to Raise Funds by Giving an Entertainment.

Preparations for a Grand Minstrel Show, at Which Surprises Are in Order.

Proceeds to Be Devoted to Beautifying Streets and Squares of the City.

PETALUMA, Cal., April 15.—The ladies of Petaluma are preparing the most interesting society event yet given here. They are going to give a minstrel show in which none but ladies will participate, and a supper and a dance in Armory Hall will follow.

BOGUS SAN JOSE POLICEMAN.

Young Mexican Attempts to Lavy Tribute on Two Belated Boys and Lands Himself in Jail.

SAN JOSE, Cal., April 15.—Adolph Paratio, a Mexican, about 20 years of age, was arrested today on a charge of impersonating a police officer. Last night he stopped Earl Hardy and Arthur Main, boys 14 years of age, as they were returning home from the theater, and told them they were under arrest for violating the 8 o'clock ordinance. Paratio walked the boys down to the City Hall, but said he would let them go if they gave him \$1 each. He said he would have to divide the money with the Police Judge in the morning. The boys agreed to get the money at their homes and the would-be officer accompanied them.

TWO ARRESTS FOR INSANITY.

Both Subjects Had Been Indulging Too Freely in Liquor.

SAN JOSE, Cal., April 15.—Thomas McCloskey, well known about the city as "Tommy the Lady," because of his aptness at female impersonating in singing, was arrested today on a charge of insanity. The accused has been drinking heavily for the past couple of weeks and it is no doubt the cause of his insanity. For the past year McCloskey has been acting as sexton at St. Joseph's Church. He is possessed of a strong mind, and is well known in the city. He was arrested when he was found in a drunken condition on the street. He is a native of Ireland, aged about 40 years. Charles Coley is another man who was locked up today on an insanity charge growing out of a too liberal use of red wine. He is 45 years of age and a laborer by occupation.

Wanted at Castroville for Burglary.

SAN JOSE, Cal., April 15.—John Craig, a prisoner serving a thirty-day sentence for vagrancy at the County Jail, has been identified by John Black Archie McLeod, who is wanted at Castroville for burglary. The man admits his identity, but denies any knowledge of the burglary. The Castroville authorities have been notified and they will come for McLeod at the expiration of his term.

New Schoolhouse for Willow Glen.

SAN JOSE, Cal., April 15.—The citizens of Willow Glen school district, which adjoins this city on the southwest, have voted to issue \$4000 worth of school bonds to aid in erecting a schoolhouse in place of the one recently destroyed by fire. The vote stood 20 to 15. The new building will cost \$6000 and be up to date in all particulars. The work of construction will commence at once.

Riverside Murderer Captured.

RIVERSIDE, Cal., April 15.—The County Jail of this county contains another murderer. The man is a Mexican named Antonio Austin. Austin, with a number of Mexicans and Indians, went on a drunk in this city Sunday and a fight ensued. Austin used a club with such good effect that he crushed the skull

of an Indian named Angelo. The latter lived until Wednesday. Austin was arrested today at Colton as he was attempting to get out of the country.

DETACHED FROM MARE ISLAND.

Commander McCalla Ordered to Newport to Assume Command of the War College There.

VALLEJO, Cal., April 15.—Commander Bowman Hendry McCalla, U.S.N., who for the past three years has creditably served the Government as command officer of the United States Navy-yard at Mare Island, was detached yesterday from duty there by Secretary of the Navy Long and ordered to assume command of the United States War College at Newport, R. I. He will depart for the East in a few days, accompanied by his estimable wife and charming daughters. Mare Island and San Francisco society people will greatly miss the McCallas, for the social gatherings at their delightful home have served well to maintain Mare Island's reputation for hospitality. It was at the McCalla home that a secretary of the Navy Herbert was entertained in such royal style a few years ago.

Commander McCalla is now number fifteen on the list of commanders. He graduated at the Naval Academy at Annapolis November 30, 1861, having been appointed from New Jersey. The following are the dates of his promotions: July 15, 1862, midshipman; November 1, 1866, ensign; December 1, 1866, master; March 12, 1868, lieutenant; March 26, 1869, lieutenant commander; November 3, 1884, commander.

On October 3, 1893, he was assigned to the post of equipment officer at the Mare Island Navy-yard, and his services in that capacity are highly spoken of by naval officials. During his administration an electrical department has been established under his supervision, and the plant now consists of some of the finest electrical machinery on the coast.

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Unique Proposal at the Stockton W. C. T. U. Convention.

Annual Election Results in the Choice of Mrs. Hyde for President.

Superintendents of the Various Departments Are Appointed and Confirmed.

STOCKTON, Cal., April 15.—This morning the W. C. T. U. convention opened with devotional exercises conducted by Mrs. Drace of Linden, after which the minutes of yesterday were read and adopted. The election of officers was the next thing in the order of business, but so many of the delegates were absent that it was passed over for a while.

The election of officers was then taken up and resulted in the choice of the following: Mrs. George Hyde of Woodbridge, president; Mrs. George Cole of Linden, recording secretary; Mrs. Mayme Snelgar of Stockton, corresponding secretary; Mrs. E. C. Allen of Lockeford, treasurer; Mrs. Annie Dunn of Linden, auditor; Mrs. Sarah Harry of Stockton, vice-president; Mrs. Helen Goyette, first secretary; Mrs. M. B. Dunning of Woodbridge, second secretary; Mrs. M. B. Dunning of Woodbridge, first secretary; Mrs. M. B. Dunning of Woodbridge, second secretary.

HOT POLITICS AT STOCKTON.

Fusionists Win in City Conventions and Carry Over to the State.

STOCKTON, Cal., April 15.—For years past no such interest has been shown in a municipal election as that which is to come off here on May 18 next. At the last city election the A. P. A., under the name of the Non-Partisans, carried everything before them, but since then their strength has been waning, as was evinced at the election for State Senator and Assemblyman. However, both the Democrats and Republicans regarded them as dangerous in city politics, and both the city committees of the old parties decided to fuse and put up a ticket that could not be beaten. The Democrats, though strongest in their position by reason of the fact that the majority of the A. P. A. were Republicans, made the overture and the Republican committee accepted the proposal.

AN ANGRY WASHINGTON JUDGE.

Bitterly Scores the Governor Over a Commutation Case.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 16.—Recently Governor Rogers refused to commute the death sentence of murderers Carey and Straub to life imprisonment, though recommended to do so by the Board of Pardons, stating that he would only comply upon the additional written request of the presiding judge and the attorney conducting the prosecution. This announcement called forth a vigorous protest from various judges and prosecuting attorneys. Ex-Judge Thomas J. Hume, who presided at the trial of Carey, in an open letter, bitterly criticizes the Governor, saying:

VISALIAN DIES AT SELMA.

Body of J. D. Hyde Found Sitting Up.

SELMA, Cal., April 15.—J. D. Hyde of Visalia died here at 6 o'clock this evening. He came here this morning on the train from Visalia and drove into the country. The buggy and horse came into town at 10 o'clock with Mr. Hyde sitting upright in the vehicle dead. Death must have come painlessly and within a few moments of his discovery. His wife came to the train expecting to meet her husband and is now prostrated with the shock. Deceased is a brother of E. E. Hyde, the Visalia banker. He was for many years registrar of the land office at Visalia and is well known throughout this section of the State.

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