

# MONGOL BROTHERS COMMIT MURDER

## Two Folsom Chinamen Fatally Wound a Third.

### One Holds Their Foe While the Other Crushes His Skull.

#### Friends of the Victim Leave Him to Gasp His Life Away in Solitude.

FOLSOM, CAL., April 17.—In a discussion over the ownership of a pile of old lumber to-day Ah Won and Ah Foo, two Chinese residents, came to blows. A brother of Ah Foo joined in, and the two succeeded in getting Ah Won down. While Ah Foo held him his brother pounded his head and body with a cobbstone until he believed his life was extinct. They took the body of Ah Won and threw it over a fifteen-foot bank into a deserted mining claim and then fled.

There was an onlooker to the fracas, and he hunted up Constable Michael Burke and informed him of the supposed murder. The officer hurried down through Chinatown where the fight had taken place and captured the Chinese brothers and landed them in the lock-up. Ah Won was found to still have life in him, and after his injuries were attended to he revived sufficiently to identify his assailants. He was taken to his cabin, where he was examined by the Chinese physicians, and as they pronounced his case hopeless he was carried down to an old deserted cabin on the river bank by the members of the company to which he belongs. They, after sticking a number of burning punks into the earth at his head and feet, deserted him and left him to gasp his life away.

As the District Attorney was unable to come up and conduct the preliminary examination to-day Constable Burke took his prisoners to Sacramento and lodged them in the County Jail. Had they been left here they would probably have been killed by the friends of Ah Won.

#### Insurance Agents Combine.

SACRAMENTO, CAL., April 17.—After the recent reorganization of the Insurance Underwriters' Association in San

Francisco notice was sent to the city agents in Sacramento, Stockton, San Jose and other cities that their commissions would be reduced from 20 to 15 per cent. As a matter of protection the agents have formed a State association of their own, every member of which is pledged to accept no less than 20 per cent. It is claimed that the Sacramento agents retain 20 per cent of all policies written and forward the balance to the underwriters, and a grand row may result.

## PEST IN FRESNO VINEYARDS.

### Vinehoppers Threaten the Destruction of the Season's Wine and Raisin Crop.

FRESNO, CAL., April 17.—The vineyardists are alarmed over the ravages of the thrips, or vinehopper, on the growing vines this season. These little insects threaten at the present time to destroy the coming crop of grapes. Already they have come forth in such great numbers that they have in places sapped the growing canes and fruit forms of their vitality. They do not feed upon the structure of the vine, but sap its strength by sucking the juice of the tender canes and leaf.

The insects seem to be migratory, or rather the air is full of them from 10 o'clock in the morning until night, and as a result the treated vines are immediately re-stocked with the pests. A telegram was to-day sent to Professor Hilgard of the State University asking that experts come immediately to study the pest and devise means for its destruction. It is expected that they will be on the ground next week. Special effort will be made to have Alexander Crow, the noted specialist, visit Fresno and investigate the existing conditions, which threaten the destruction of the wine and raisin crop.

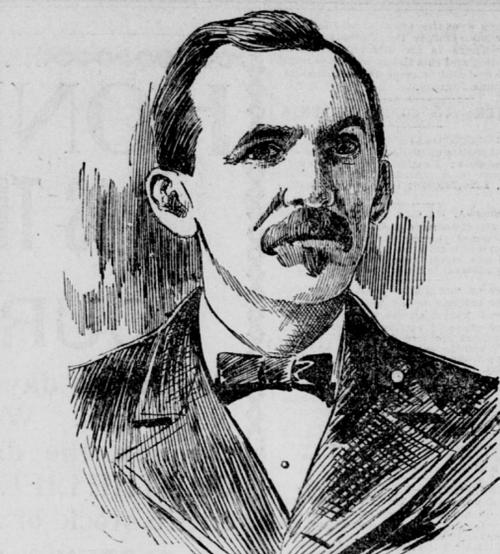
Reports show the vinehopper is far fewer in number and the damage less where vineyards are plowed early and deep. The depredations extend to rose bushes, etc., and where they have done their deadly work the leaf has a pepper-and-salt appearance.

#### Distributing Patronage in Kern.

BAKERSFIELD, CAL., April 17.—The executive committee of the County Republican Central Committee met this afternoon and decided on a plan of action with reference to the disposition of the postoffice "nap" within this county and the receivership of the Land Office at Visalia. The plan is for the committee to hear the claims of all applicants; those making the best showing are to be recommended to Senator Perkins for appointment on April 24. The claims of those seeking positions at Kern, Delano and Garlock, the most prominent business offices outside of the county capital, will be heard, as will those of persons seeking to be Receiver of the Land Office. On May 8 the candidates for the Bakersfield office are to be passed upon.

#### Troopman Brokenman Killed.

TACOMA, WASH., April 17.—William A. Jones, a Northern Pacific trooperman, acting as switchman at the Halfmoon freight yards, was run over and killed this evening by a switch engine.



M. J. DOLAN, Assistant Engineer of the Fire Department.

# ENGINEER DOLAN'S HEROIC DEED

## He Rescued J. H. Ruliff's From Impending Death.

### Chief Engineer Sullivan Recognizes His Great Bravery.

#### He Is Recommended to the Commissioners for the Second Scannell Medal.

Assistant Engineer Michael J. Dolan of the Fire Department stationed at engine house 15, on California street, between Laguna and Buchanan, has so distinguished himself as to call for the approval of the chief engineer, who recommends that he be given a medal of honor. The heroism by which Engineer Dolan distinguished himself was at a fire on Buchanan street, April 2, when a coal oil lamp was upset, a little notion-store on Eddy street, alongside of the wood and coal yard belonging to John H. Ruliff. In consequence of the storage of several cans of oil in the rear of the store the flames were instantly communicated to the woodshed and stables. In the stables were some valuable horses belonging to Ruliff. He undertook to save them and in so doing he collapsed from the dense smoke and noxious fumes. In this condition he fell prostrate and helpless. His means were heard by Engineer Dolan, who had entered the building for the purpose of freeing the horses.

At the risk of his life he struggled manfully in dragging the helpless form of Ruliff from the building. This was no small task, as the engineer is a small man, while Ruliff is large and heavy. During the struggle Foreman William J. Keneally of Engine Company 14 saw the exhausted condition of his superior and assisted in dragging Ruliff into the air. After the rescue the brave little fireman turned to aid and instruct his men, wholly unmindful of the smarting burns about his face and hands.

Chief Engineer Sullivan lost no time in reporting this act of bravery to the Fire Commissioners, recommending that the "Dave Scannell medal" be bestowed upon Dolan. Special mention was also made of the bravery of Foreman Keneally. The bestowal of the Scannell medal on the proposed recipient will be the second restoration since the gift was provided for by the will of the late Chief, Assistant Engineer John Willis was the first to be thus honored.

## FRESNO CITIZENS TRIUMPH.

### Evangelist Johnson Causes the Last of His Suits for Damages to Be Dismissed.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., April 17.—The last of the numerous suits brought in the Federal courts here against newspapers and citizens of Fresno by Evangelist J. T. Johnson was settled this forenoon by Johnson's attorneys consenting to a judgment for the defendant citizens, and a stipulation that each side pay its own costs. This makes the third defeat for Johnson during the past two weeks, and leaves him without hope of ever recovering money for his lacerated feelings. Johnson's last suit was against a number of prominent citizens of Fresno who formed a "committee of safety," which took every precaution to protect the preacher against the fury of an enraged populace after the evangelist had questioned the chastity of Fresno women. The action grew out of the famous "citizens' meeting" at the Fresno National Bank, wherein Johnson signed a statement expressing regret for his utterance and his willingness to apologize. One feature of these trials is of importance. It was clearly set forth in the instructions to the jury by Judge Weiborn in the cases against the Fresno Republican and Expositor that there is a limit to the aspersions of private character from the pulpit which the law will regard, and renders them open to denunciation by the public press.

## PORTLAND WILL CONTEST FAILS.

### Million-Dollar Verdict in Favor of the Executors of W. S. Ladd's Last Testament.

PORTLAND, OR., April 17.—In the United States District Court Judge Bellinger to-day dismissed the bill of complaint in the suit of D. Albert Hiller and Sarah E. Hiller of San Francisco vs. Caroline A. Ladd, William M. Ladd, Charles E. Ladd and John W. Ladd, executors of the last will and testament of William S. Ladd, deceased. The decision, covering every phase of the contest, is necessarily lengthy, but is clear-cut, and forever clears the name and memory of W. S. Ladd from the aspersions cast upon it for the time being that Ladd had manipulated his brother's estate to his own advantage and the detriment of the widow, Mrs. Sarah Hiller. This suit was brought to recover sums

aggregating nearly \$1,000,000, which Mrs. Hiller, widow of J. W. Ladd, and remarried, claimed were diverted from the estate of her first husband through the fraudulent and deceptive handling of the estate by W. S. Ladd. The principal item of the estate to which fraud was charged was the manipulation of a block of 700 shares of Oregon Railway and Navigation stock in the great Villard deal, which, with its consequent boom, brought a spasm of feverish prosperity to Portland. This stock, Mrs. Hiller alleged, with the exception of 950 shares, was converted by W. S. Ladd to his own use and profit.

## STOCKTON'S FUSION TICKET.

### Democrats and Republicans Effect a Combination for the Municipal Campaign.

STOCKTON, CAL., April 17.—Business was almost suspended to-day, so great was the interest taken by Stockton's voters in the conventions of the Republicans and Democrats to nominate municipal tickets. For the first time in the history of Stockton these two factions united. Probably there was never in the State so harmonious an arrangement between the old parties. In the Republican ranks there was some dissension, but the majority of the delegates were heartily in favor of fusion, and the opposition found its efforts futile. The Democrats were for fusion to a man, and when the Republican committee came into the convention to announce the candidates it had named, the old-time rivals of the Democracy were greeted with rousing cheers. The joint ticket put up by the old parties is made up of the following candidates:

Mayor—William Inglis, Republican.  
Street Superintendent—E. R. Littleton, Democrat.  
City Clerk—E. Robinson, Republican.  
City Superintendent—H. T. Condon, Democrat.  
City Treasurer—J. S. Galt, Democrat.  
City Assessor—Captain William Bruce, Democrat.  
Councilman at large—Bruce Harrison, Democrat.  
Councilman—First Ward, J. J. Quinn, Democrat; Second Ward, C. E. Williams, Republican; Third Ward, J. C. Neff, Republican; Fourth Ward, W. C. Neff, Republican.  
School Directors—A. R. Bogus and E. W. S. Woods, Democrats; Mrs. Clara Davis, at large, Republican.  
Library Trustees—Frank D. Nicol and Dr. S. N. Cook, Democrats; Sewall Gowen, Fred M. West and George Buck, Republicans.

## SPEED OF THE GOLDEN GATE.

### The Revenue Cutter Averages Fifty Miles an Hour.

SEATTLE, WASH., April 17.—"She is the swiftest boat of her size I ever stepped aboard of during thirty-three years' service." Such was the comment of Chief Engineer A. A. Boyle of the San Francisco machine inspector of all Pacific Coast Government revenue cutters, to-night, after the speed trial of the harbor revenue cutter Golden Gate. With a new crew, inexperience in the use of coal and unaccustomed to handling the Ward water-tube boiler with which the vessel is supplied, the Golden Gate for six hours, on a course to Port Townsend and return, averaged 13.13 knots, or 15 miles an hour. The contract specifies that it shall make only 12 knots an hour. Under favorable conditions Chief Boyle believes the vessel can make 15 knots an hour.

## Crime of a Chic Negro.

CHICO, CAL., April 17.—Tom Clark (colored) made a murderous assault upon his wife with a knife last evening and cut her quite badly. Mrs. Clark, who had spent the evening at church, was met on the way home by her husband, who was in a furious frenzy, and had it not been for her cries for help, she would have been killed. Clark is locked in the city prison, charged with assault to commit murder.

## Fatal Accident at Sausalito.

SAUSALITO, CAL., April 17.—Charles Stewart, the son of well-to-do parents in Liverpool, died to-day from the effects of a fall on the British ship Osborn, lying off Sausalito. Stewart was an apprentice lad, about 17 years of age and a general favorite with those on the vessel. On Thursday night he fell down the fore hold and sustained serious injuries. He was taken to St. Mary's Hospital in San Francisco, where he died to-day.

## Sacramento Footpad Felled.

SACRAMENTO, CAL., April 17.—At a late hour last night a footpad attempted to hold up Captain Siddons, one of the best-known pioneers of the State, as he was on his way home, but the promptness with which the old forty-niner drew his revolver blocked the highwayman's job and the fellow lost no time in getting away.

## Warships Go to San Pedro.

SAN DIEGO, CAL., April 17.—The United States steamers Monterey and Monadnock left to-day for San Pedro, where they will remain for a week during the Los Angeles Fiesta.

## Why Adam Never Was a Baby.

A Sunday-school superintendent at the close of an address on the creation, which he was sure he had kept within the comprehension of the least intelligent of the scholars, smilingly invited questions. A tiny boy with a white eager face and large brow at once held up his hand. "Please, sir, why was Adam never a baby?" The superintendent coughed in some doubt as to what answer to give, but a little girl of 9, the eldest of several brothers and sisters, came promptly to his aid. "Please, sir," she said smartly, "there was nobody to nuss him!"—Tid-Bits.

ADVANCEMENTS on furniture and pianos with or without removal. Nos. 1017-1073 Mission.

# SALE AT THE MAZE TO-MORROW!

We are next door to selling out—offering our goods without profit to ourselves. At the price we sell goods we should be packed all day long. We think we sell cheaper than any house in town, for we know others could not exist on our earnings. The truth of this will appeal to you when visiting us. To-morrow we start the sale of our Dress Goods Department. We are going to clean it up, and offer every yard in it at a loss to us. Downstairs, in our Wash Goods Department, we offer you anything we have from 1c to 10c a yard less than any one else. Walk downstairs, it won't hurt you, and every step down means a quarter to the good of your bank account. SELLING CHEAP TO-MORROW.

## WE WILL SELL TO-MORROW—

Crepans at 50c a yard that sold for \$1.

WE WILL SELL TO-MORROW—  
Silk and Wool Dress Goods at 50c that sold for \$1.

WE WILL SELL TO-MORROW—  
The Highest Art Novelty Dress Goods at \$1 that sell from \$1.50 to \$3 a yard. These are Pattern Suits, and were originally sold from \$12.50 to \$30.

WE WILL SELL TO-MORROW—  
French Printed All-wool Challies at 25c and 35c a yard that sold at 50c and 75c.

WE WILL SELL TO-MORROW—  
Novelty Checks and Mixtures at 25c and 35c that sold at 50c and 60c. We want to move our dress goods stock, and these prices we hope will do it.

## BLACK DRESS GOODS.

WE WILL SELL TO-MORROW—  
At 35c—46-in. Black Figured All-wool Novelty Dress Goods that we sold from 50c to 75c.

At 65c we will sell the Black Figured Dress Goods we sold at \$1, etc., the way through.

At 75c we will sell Black Dress Goods that formerly sold at \$1.25.

## BLACK SILKS CHEAP.

At 50c—Stripes and Brocades that are bargains at 75c to \$1.

At 75c—Black Satin and Gros Grain Figures that are awful cheap at \$1.25.

At \$1—Black Figured Silks you'll never buy again under \$1.50.

## LININGS CHEAP.

12 1/2c grade Silesia for 6c.

12 1/2c Rustle Lining for 6c.

12 1/2c Grass Cloth for 6c.

12 1/2c Linen Canvas for 6c.

35c Fiber Interlining for 15c.

20c Imitation Hair Cloth for 5c.

Lining Cambrics for 4c.

4-yard piece Binding Velveteen, 5c.

## SMALL WARES CHEAPER THAN ANY ONE.

Ladies' Black Hose Supporters, 10c, worth 20c.

Leather Belts, 10c, worth 25c.

Celluloid Hairpins, 8c, worth 20c.

Paris Buttons, 2 d. each for 10c, worth 20c.

12 packages Lustrina for 6c, worth 12 1/2c.

American Pins, 12c per box, worth 25c.

Little Elastic Webbing, 7c, worth 12 1/2c.

Sheet Music 3 pieces for 5c.

Soap, 3 cakes in a box, 6c, cheap at 10c.

Parker's sewing Cotton, 2c a spool.

Black and White Cassing, 4c a piece.

All-size ribbons, all colors, 5c, worth 10c.

Children's White Mull Bonnets, 10c, slightly soiled, worth 20c.

## Millinery.

If you want the Swellest, Prettiest and Cheapest Millinery in San Francisco you'll find it at The Maze. We have knocked competition silly. Our prices and styles speak for themselves. We are doing the Millinery Trade of San Francisco. It's style and price that do it.

Violets, 24 in a bunch, with foliage, 10c, worth 25c.

Bunch of six velvet Pansies 25c, everywhere 50c.

Moss Rose and foliage 10c, everywhere 50c.

Twelve Poppies in bunch 25c, everywhere 50c.

Branches of Marguerites, Daisies, Apples, Blossoms, Poppies, etc., everywhere 50c.

Buds and other flowers 25c, anywhere 50c.

Two Roses and 2 Buds 15c, anywhere 25c.

Sailors trimmed for ladies or children 25c, worth 50c.

Sailors trimmed for ladies or children 50c, anywhere 75c.

Untrimmed Hats 50c and 75c, everywhere 75c and \$1.

Trimmed Walking Hats 30c, everywhere 75c.

Trimmed Dress Hats \$5 and \$7.50, with more style and value to them than you'll find for half as much more anywhere. Untrimmed Hats and Materials for less than they are sold at wholesale.

## Cloaks and Suits.

Don't do anything here until you've seen us. We will save you a barrel of money. This is the worst season San Francisco ever saw. It's skirts and jackets only. Now we will sell our Skirts, Capes and Suits, all this season's goods, for less money than you can buy as good anywhere in town. We will lose big money, too, for we will have to do it in the end. Here are some of our prices. Come and see the goods!

Tan Kersey Capes \$2.50, worth \$5.

Black Kersey Capes \$5, worth \$10.

Navy Kersey Capes \$6, worth \$12.50.

Ladies' Tan or Green Jackets \$5, worth \$7.50.

Ladies' Empire Jackets \$7.50, worth \$12.50.

Ladies' Kersey Jackets \$12.50, worth \$20.

Ladies' Imported Capes, no two alike, being an importer's samples, all colors, from \$10 to \$25 apiece, and being only 40c on the dollar to see the goods!

Children's Jackets, 4 to 12 years, \$1, worth \$2.

Ladies' Black Silk Dress Skirts \$4.95, worth \$8.50.

Ladies' Black Figured Skirts, \$1.50, \$2.50, \$4. These are three extra special bargains.

Ladies' Black Boucle and Diagonal Skirts \$5, worth \$2.50.

Ladies' Tailored Suits \$5, worth \$7.50.

## THE ACCIDENT TO THE OREGON

### Not Difficult to Locate the Blame Where It Belongs.

#### The Commander of the Ship Is Probably Not Responsible.

#### An Incident That Happened Some Years Ago at the Mare Island Yard.

VALLEJO, CAL., April 17.—The accident to the Oregon is one for which others than the captain of the ship would seem to be responsible, and it should not be at all difficult to locate the blame where it properly belongs. The naval station, Port Orchard, as it is named in earlier reports and is still designated by the chief of bureau of yards and docks, or Sidney, as it was termed in the Navy Register up to 1897, when it was changed to Bremerton, has had a line officer as commandant since February, 1893, and a civil engineer since May, 1894, and as the drydock was completed and tested in April last year it is natural to infer that the water in front of the dock was dredged to the requisite depth of 15 feet for the vessel.

In the report of the bureau of yards and docks of October 1, 1896, the following statement is made under the subject of dredging:

A channel 100 feet wide has been dredged from the entrance to the dock for a distance of 200 feet, and thence widening at an angle of 15 degrees on each side of the axis of the dock. A depth of thirty-six feet at low water has been secured.

Now unless the ship got out of its proper course to a considerable extent the grounding of the Oregon, which draws less than 20 feet, can be accounted for by assuming that the work of dredging was not thoroughly done and that a bank of clay and other material from the cofferdam was not removed. If this is so it would appear that some one in authority is responsible for not having the proper soundings made.

An accident similar to that to the Oregon would undoubtedly have occurred at Mare Island ten years ago, when the dock there was ready for service. The cofferdam was removed in April, 1886, and during the same month a trial of the pumps took place. In March, 1887, the civil engineer reported to the commanding officer that the dock was sufficiently completed to receive ships, and the commanding officer ordered the naval constructor to render a report after due inspection of the dock.

The naval constructor luckily did not confine himself to an inspection of the dock and appearances, but had soundings made over a large area of the water front where the ships would tie up to the wharf, and also of the entrance to the dock. By means of a sweep or a small chain fastened at one end to a pile and with the light dragging on the bottom, three piles were located, the tops of which were only six to eight feet below high water, and these were in close proximity to the wharf near the entrance of

## "DRY" SUNDAY FOR TACOMA.

### Chief of Police Hoge Declares That He Will Close the City's Saloons To-day.

TACOMA, WASH., April 17.—A row which stirs the entire city is on between the Popo-fusion leaders in the municipal government. Chairman Teats of the civil service commission takes the ground that Tacoma is a wicked city, and he has threatened to file charges against Chief of Police Hoge, who got into office through the commission. At 2 o'clock this morning Hoge called in all policemen on duty and led a raid on gambling houses, resulting in the arrest of twenty men alleged to have been gambling in four saloons.

More important still, Chief Hoge has announced his intention of closing every saloon on Sunday. The saloon men declare they will fight, and all are likely to be arrested to-morrow. It will be the first "dry" Sunday in Tacoma's history if Hoge makes good his word.

In the Municipal Court to-day John Sullivan, proprietor of the Paragon gambling-room, was fined \$20, and the other cases went over until Tuesday. Sullivan took an appeal. Two weeks ago the gamblers were fined \$25 each, such fines being practically regarded as license money.

Poor John L. Can't Fight.  
NEW YORK, N. Y., April 17.—Frank Moran, John L.'s old manager, is indig-

## WASH GOODS DOWNSTAIRS.

Don't be foolish—let your curiosity take you downstairs if your better judgment doesn't dictate it to you. We are money-savers and world-beaters on Wash Goods. See the array of Wash Goods at 75c, 60c, 75c and 85c that we have on sale—hundreds of pieces and from 1 1/2c to 65c a yard less than any other store in town. Get our prices on Linens and Draperies on Window Shades, and you'll be in the basement every time you have anything to purchase in the line of Domestic.

Delphine Suitings come in blue and black, and the newest designs in printings, 5c, made to sell at 10c.

Dress Gingham, 5c, the 10c quality.

Organdie Duchesse, 75c, an American Organdie in beautiful colorings. Other stores get 125c for them.

Pretty Printed Dimities, 75c. No one will sell you this quality under 10c.

French Printed Piques, 85c, worth 15c.

Clover Flannels, 85c, a bargain at 10c.

Silk-striped Challi, 85c, originally 25c.

Guipure Lace Printed Lawns, 85c, cheap at 125c.

Mona Lace Stripes, 85c, worth 125c.

Fine Striped Batistes, 85c, worth 125c.

Lappet Mulls, 125c, everywhere 15c and 20c.

Tissue Broderie, 25c, everywhere 20c to 40c.

French Dotted Dimities and Organdies, 45c, nowhere under 50c and as high as 75c.

## SUNDRIES IN OUR BASEMENT.

9 1/2-inch Berry Bowl, 10c, worth 20c.

9 1/2-inch Glass Water Bottle, 10c, worth 20c.

7-inch Fancy Japanese Teapot, 10c, worth 20c.

10-inch Silverware Tray, 10c, worth 20c.

500 sheets Roll Toilet Paper, 8c, worth 10c.

200 sheets Note Paper and Envelopes, 6c, worth 10c.

Child's Carpet Sweeper, 25c, worth 50c.

14-inch Dress Bell, 10c, worth 20c.

Wagon full of Building Blocks, 12c, worth 25c.

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### RAYMOND'S FLORAL PERFUMES!

#### All the Popular Odors.

Raymond's Olive Oil Complexion Soap!

Containing Lina Oil, Buttermilk and Glycerine. Price per cake, 10c; per box 3 cakes, 25c.

## A SPECIAL DRIVE IN OUR STATIONERY DEPARTMENT.

One-pound package of "Valley Field" cream-lined Writing Paper, regular price 25c a package, cut to 10c a package.

One-pound package of "Dalketh's" Lined Writing Paper, worth 25c a package, special at 10c a package.

One-pound package of "Dalketh's" Lined Writing Paper, worth 25c a package, special at 10c a package.

## New Goods in Ladies' Pocketbooks.

American Seal Combination Purse, silver color, 50c.

New Shades Monogram, with double clasp, 75c.

Genuine Alligator Purse