

RIVAL THE KLONDIKE GOLD FIELDS

Rich Placers in the Recently Opened Yaqui Valley.

STORY TOLD BY AN EXPERT.

George H. Smalley of Phoenix Says \$2,000,000 Has Been Taken Out.

RETURNS FROM A TOUR OF INVESTIGATION.

One Man's Work for a Single Season Netted \$60,000—Americans Rushing for Claims.

PHOENIX, ARIZ., Oct. 3.—The first authentic information concerning the reported rich gold discoveries in the recently opened Yaqui Valley...

"I have been in the richest mineral region in the southwest," said he, "and when the difference in conditions and accessibility are taken into consideration, I believe the Yaqui country will compare favorably with the Klondike."

Heretofore only a few conflicting rumors have reached civilization from the seats of the Yaqui excitement at Hermosillo, Nogales and Guaymas. But these have proved sufficient to attract hundreds of prospectors from all over the country.

"No more newspaper work for me," he said. "I have struck something better."

He has located three claims of his own in Yaqui Valley, and on the evening of the day of his arrival in Phoenix he started back to his Yaqui gold mines.

"And the farther south I went the less I heard about the new gold fields," said he. "Even at Guaymas nothing of a definite nature could be learned."

For half the year it is possible to reach the upper Yaqui Valley by small boats that set out from Guaymas. At this season, however, the current is too strong, and the only communication with the Yaqui settlements is by mule trains.

Smalley went back to Hermosillo and from there to Minas Prietas. At the latter place, which is about sixty miles from the capital of Sonora, he joined a party of Americans who were outfitting for the Yaqui region.

They bought pack mules and riding ponies and set out with a guide over a very rough trail to Saypage, 100 miles distant. Below this lies the Yaqui gold fields, where for centuries a nation of warriors has held its own against the Spaniard and the Mexican.

STOCKTON, CAL., Oct. 3.—Jerome Meyers, one of the first chiefs of police of Stockton, and an old time citizen, dropped dead of heart disease at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon while playing cards in a Main-street saloon.

Meyers was one of the best known men in this city. Years ago he held positions of public trust and in the sixties was chief of police of this city.

For a time he was in financial straits, but a short time ago a brother in Indiana died, leaving him a snug fortune. Meyers went East some months ago to secure this wealth and with \$15,000. Since then he has taken life easy, and his many friends thought he would live long to enjoy the fruits of an eventful life.

His sudden death today brought sorrow to many. Meyers was popular. Meyers was a member of the Exempt Fire Company. He leaves a widow and a married daughter in this city.

BATTLE WITH CATTLE THIEVES.

Sheriff's Posse Clashes With Two desperadoes on an Oregon Range.

BAKER CITY, OR., Oct. 3.—Sheriff Kilburn and posse engaged in a battle with two cattib thieves at about 9 o'clock night on the Lower Powder River. Forty shots were exchanged.

It was dark when the Sheriff and his men came upon the bandits, who had with them eighty head of cattle.

Both sides opened fire and Fred Hull, one of the thieves, was shot through the arm. Both of the desperadoes escaped in the darkness, and Hull rode to this city, where he called a doctor to dress his wounds.

His partner, Earl Wheeler, has not yet been captured.

It was the plan of the thieves to drive the cattle into Idaho and exchange them and then drive the strange cattle back here for slaughter.

The thieves are members of a gang which has operated extensively in this section.

THE PISTOL WAS LOADED.

Young Austin Orr of Visalia Killed by a Phoenix.

up into the heart of the Sierra Madre, on the Aros, one of the tributaries of the Yaqui. Their theory is that there must be very rich ledges in the mountains from which the placer streaks have been washed down.

"Nevertheless, all things considered," said Smalley, "I believe the Yaqui will turn out greater than the Klondike."

SANTA CLARA COUNTY'S FAIR.

Fine Displays Arranged in the San Jose Pavilion—Good Racing and Coursing.

SAN JOSE, CAL., Oct. 3.—The county fair, which opens to-morrow, will eclipse any exhibition of the kind ever held here.

The pavilion has been decorated in cream and orange and presents an attractive scene. In the center a band stand, with the Board of Trade booth under it, has been erected.

To-day a large force was busy arranging things so that everything will be in readiness when the fair is opened.

To-morrow evening the exercises will open with a band concert and speech-making. Each evening of the week there will be musical and literary programs.

At Agricultural Park to-morrow afternoon there will be 2:30 and 2:25 pacing races and a 2:40 trot. Lynette, Alka, Teddy the Roan, Fioracita, Adele, Fitz Lee and Galska will meet in the 2:30 pace.

On Tuesday there will be two trotting and two running events; on Wednesday, one trotting and three running; on Thursday, two trotting and two running; on Friday, two trotting and two running; on Saturday, two trotting and two running.

On the last three days of the fair there will be coursing matches, for which a large number of dogs have already been entered.

BURGLAR JOHNSON CAUGHT.

Desperate Crook Apprehended in a San Jose Opium Den.

SAN JOSE, CAL., Oct. 3.—C. W. Johnson, who is wanted for burglary in Watsonville, was captured in this city last evening by Chief Kidward.

Johnson was caught in an opium den on South San Pedro street. On his person was found a complete burglar's outfit, including chloroform and a long brass tube for injecting the drug through keyholes.

FALLS DEAD AT A CARD TABLE.

Sudden Passing of Jerome Meyers, One of Stockton's First Chiefs of Police.

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OUTLAWS TRACED TO OAKLAND.

Sheriff Johnson of Mendocino Believes He Has the Ukiah Bandits Located.

UKIAH, CAL., Oct. 3.—Sheriff Johnson believes he is close upon the trail of the two outlaws who robbed the Ukiah-Boonville stage last week and murdered John R. Barnett, one of its passengers.

The Sheriff received some important news last night, and as a result he and two deputies made a quiet trip to Oakland, where they are now working upon the clew they received.

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CONCLAVE OF PORTUGUESE.

Supreme Council of the State Union to Meet at San Leandro.

SAN LEANDRO, CAL., Oct. 3.—The eleventh Supreme Council of the Portuguese Union of the State of California will meet here on Tuesday. The session will last at least three days, considerable business awaiting transaction.

During the past year the society has prospered exceedingly. Supreme President F. L. Lemon has instituted seven new councils, and the increase in membership has been about 700.

The Nichi Nichi correspondent says Mr. Speyer is trying to further the spread of Roman Catholicism in Korea, and to cause the expulsion from the country of American Protestant missionaries.

It is reported that 5000 Chinese have

arrived at Swatow, China, opposing the proposed founding of a Christian church there.



JOSEPH EBANKS, MURDERER.

Having No Influential Friends to Invoke the Law's Delay, He Will Die on Friday.

SAN QUENTIN PRISON, CAL., Oct. 3.—For the reason that no one on the face of the earth calls Joseph J. Ebanks' friend the mullon will on Friday next drop through the trapdoor of the San Quentin gallows to his death.

Ebanks' nerves have apparently gone to pieces, for he paces his wooden cage, talking continually. His first night within the confines of San Quentin and the death-chamber was one of torture.

He remained with the condemned man quite a time, during which time Ebanks received religious consolation.

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arrived at Swatow, China, opposing the proposed founding of a Christian church there. Bravos to the number of 1000 have been dispatched from Canton to pacify matters.

A case of cholera is reported at Ishikawa Shickom.

Sufferers from dysentery throughout Japan numbered 50,121 up to September 14. In Tokio 22 per cent of the cases have proven fatal.

A consequence of the recent increase in the cost of rice about 2000 of the poorer inhabitants of Shimotina and Iida made an attack on the dwellings of the manager of the Matsumoto Commercial Bank.

A Seoul dispatch says Chin Sanghun, Minister of Finance and Acting Minister of War, has resigned, and that his successor will be Min Chong Menk or Nam Chong Chol.

FOUR HUNDRED SLAIN. Reported Defeat of a Spanish Army in the Philippines.

TACOMA, WASH., Oct. 3.—Late Manila advices by the steamer Victoria to-day report fighting still going on in the Philippines.

A party of liberators attacked a convent at Paombong, which was defended by a detachment of Spaniards, and after a hot fight captured the place.

At San Rafael a party of rebels under General Natividad met a regiment of Spaniards and a desperate battle ensued which lasted several hours.

The rebels were obliged to flee, throwing away their arms to save their lives. The Spanish loss was 400 dead and wounded.

In the Pampanga province there is a general revolt of the towns owing to the cruelties of General Zeraffe, who was recently promoted and made Governor of the center of Luzern.

It is reported that the province of Camarines has risen on account of the execution of prominent citizens.

BOOTH AT SAN QUENTIN. The Commander of the Volunteers of America Talks to Eight Hundred Convicts.

SAN QUENTIN PRISON, CAL., Oct. 3.—Eight hundred convicts listened in rapt attention to Commander Ballington Booth within the walls of San Quentin Prison to-day.

He accompanied the Salvationist, arose and asked all the prisoners who desired to serve in the cause of Jesus to raise their hands.

The arms went up to the number of 100. It was an impressive sight and one long to be remembered.

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HARNESS KINGS TO MATCH SPEED ATTRACTIVE FEATURES OF LOS ANGELES' RACE MEETING.

Silkwood, Searchlight and Joe Wheeler Will Strive for Supremacy.

Auction and Booking Privileges Will This Year Be Controlled by the Association.

LOS ANGELES, CAL., Oct. 3.—At a meeting of the board of directors of the Sixth District Agricultural Association the following-named judges were appointed for the coming year.

L. J. Rose Sr. of Los Angeles, J. W. Brooks of San Francisco and J. W. Wilson of Sacramento.

It has been decided to have auction pools and book betting. The association has heretofore sold the betting privilege for a lump sum.

The Santa Catalina band has been secured to give a concert every afternoon during the week.

It is estimated that 100 harness horses and 250 runners will be stabled at Agricultural Park during the meeting.

Which is to meet Searchlight and Joe Wheeler in the free-for-all race, never looked better in his life.

It has been arranged to have the free-for-all race on Saturday, October 16, the third day of the meeting.

Klamath is being prepared for the free-for-all trot at Santa Ana.

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