

MORE BIG GUNS FOR THIS BAY

Special Artillery Board Has Come Here to Inspect Locations.

Government Contemplates Great Additions to Harbor Defenses.

Two New Artillery Regiments to Be Created and San Francisco May Get One.

San Francisco harbor is to have many more big modern guns and mortars and, on the Marin County side, probably another fortified position commanding and protecting the bay and its immediate approach.

A special artillery board of experienced men, commissioned to inspect and report on coast defenses, needed improvements, and positions for contemplated additional armaments, arrived here yesterday morning.

The board has just come from an examination of coast defenses in the Northwest and about Puget Sound. To-day the board will depart for San Diego to conclude their work on the coast, after which they will immediately return to Washington to report.

The familiarity of some of these officers, particularly Colonel Rodgers, with the available positions, has enabled them to make an extended inspection here unnecessary, but the Commissioners visited the Lime Point reservation, across the bay, and the Presidio and Fort Winifred Scott during yesterday forenoon and the early afternoon.

They will report their findings to the Secretary of War, by whom they were detailed for this work.

The government contemplates the addition to the defenses of this harbor of eighty-eight high-power guns, varying from eight to sixteen inches, and of 128 12-inch mortars. At present there are but twelve modern high-power guns in position about the bay.

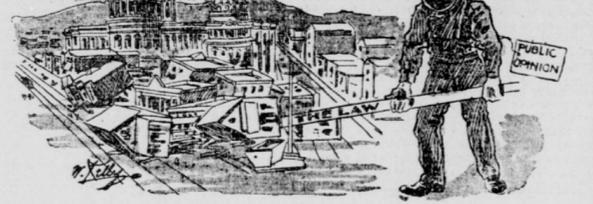
No appropriations have yet been made for these new guns, nor is it likely that they will be supplied except in installments covering a long period of years, the annual appropriations being divided as they are made among the fortifications on the Atlantic and those on the Pacific.

The scheme of improvements also includes the creation of two new artillery regiments, making seven in all for the United States. The one entirely new regiment will be stationed near Puget Sound and California will get another, while the remaining five will be distributed along the Atlantic and Gulf coasts.

This board is to select sites for new batteries, with a view to the readjustment of the present artillery forces all over the United States, and to suggest the most advantageous locations for additional guns and those that are to replace the old-timers.

Rumor has it that when the change comes the present unique state of affairs with artillery forces at Ansel Island and in the Presidio will be changed.

STEPS TO TAKE TO CLEAR THE QUESTION



HOW to proceed in acquiring the City Hall frontage is the question that now suggests itself to the people of this city. Under the complicated conditions by which this city is at present governed, between what was a consolidation law or charter and the multifarious legislative amendments injected into it from time to time by the law-making power of the State, it is a problem of no easy solution to arrive at the proper steps to be taken to dispose of the owners of the property.

The general laws found in the Code of Civil Procedure, which was quoted in yesterday's CALL and which covers the ground from a legal standpoint of condemnation, is all right as far as it goes. But this by no means solves the problem of securing the much-coveted land.

According to the provisions of the Code on eminent domain the owners of property which has been condemned for public use are entitled to and must have the price awarded to them by the trial jury in thirty days after final judgment is entered.

This then to the people is where the snags in the present contemplated acquiring of this property. For in order to have the money in the city treasury to meet the demands of the trial jury, it is necessary that money and before such bonds are issued a special election for that purpose must be held and a two-third vote obtained before the measure would be carried.

The bonds so issued would run for forty years, with a proviso that a yearly tax would have to be levied to pay the interest and provide a sinking fund, which would in all probability mean one-fourth of the amount called for by the bonds.

To get about this matter and to get the opinions of lawyers conversant with the law and of the owners of the property, a special election was held in the City Hall, San Francisco, on the 10th inst.

Joseph Leggett, Judge J. G. Maguire, H. N. Clement and Horace G. Platt, who were present at the election, after looking into the problem for some time, suggested that a committee of responsible and public-spirited citizens might form themselves into a commission and ascertain from the owners of the property the terms of sale, and if all parties or the majority of them

were willing to take a fair price for their holdings. The syndicate could bond the land for, say, a year, agreeing to take the property on the conditions set forth. This would give the Supervisors an idea of how much money would be required to be raised on a bond issue, and with this information before them an election could be called for that purpose, setting forth how much would be needed and for what purpose.

In the mean time, under an amendment to the State constitution adopted in 1892, it requires a two-third vote of the people to authorize the raising of such bonds. With this system, then, the money would be forthcoming at the proper time, and would also be available to meet the legal point in case a condemnation suit should be brought to oust any of the property owners, who should refuse to sell at a fair valuation.

Judge Maguire, who was present while Mr. Leggett was giving his views, commended this method of acquiring the much-coveted frontage of the City Hall. H. N. Clement, who has given the subject considerable thought by reason of his having drafted the law for the defunct charter, as also for the one now in course of preparation, expressed himself as being in harmony with a portion of Mr. Leggett's views, but with a change from a self-constituted syndicate to one appointed by the Supervisors instead, as it would, if for no other reason, assume that of a legal or authorized character.

So far as condemnatory proceedings go Mr. Clement is very dubious until the value of the land is first ascertained. So stated a special election for that purpose must be held and a two-third vote obtained before the measure would be carried.

Horace G. Platt, who successfully carried several condemnation suits through the courts for street purposes, and who is his brother lawyer. He is positive, however, that the money must be paid within thirty days after the final judgment, and in this brief period bonds could not be sold. Consequently an estimate of the expense attending the purchase must be had as one of the initiative steps before anything is done.

As to condemning the ground, he thought that would be the least difficult. To him the bond issue would be the most difficult problem to be encountered.

minimum by including those showing only superficial evidence of disease. This plan would have allowed a series of years in which to meet losses and to look into the merits of the proposition of such destruction.

THEY COME FROM HILL AND DALE

Dairymen's Annual Convention Will Open This Morning.

Matters of Interest to Cattle Owners to Be Discussed.

The Dairy Inspection Bill, Which Was Defeated Last Year, Will Again Be Introduced.

The fourth annual convention of the State Dairymen's Association will open in the Chamber of Commerce Hall at 9 o'clock this morning. Over 1200 invitations have been sent out to dairymen

throughout the State, and a large attendance is expected. The most important business to come before the association will be the discussion and formulation of a bill for the passage in the next State Legislature by which a uniform system of State inspection may be established.

This bill will be many respects similar to the one passed last year, but which was vetoed by the Governor.

The bill was formulated by the association with a view to protecting the owners of dairy cows from the arbitrary work of county Boards of Health and at the same time establishing a uniform system of certifying that conditions of dairies and products within the State. A feature of the proposed act was that of payment for destroyed animals at a low valuation and limiting the percentage destroyed to the

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G. D. GRAYBILL ASKS DAMAGES

Sues the Los Angeles Times for \$50,000 for Libel.

Dr. C. T. Pepper Also Called On to Contribute \$25,000 for Unjust Charges.

Unfounded Accusations Against a San Francisco Business Man That Have Been Resented.

George D. Graybill, a well-known resident of this city, has sued the Los Angeles Times for \$50,000 damages on account of libelous articles published in that paper in the months of July, August and September. The articles in question directly charged that Mr. Graybill had conspired with John W. Kapus in swindling business men of Los Angeles out of \$70,000 by selling them bogus claims on the firm of Goodall, Perkins & Co., the allegation being that Mr. Graybill went under the name of F. C. Vincent while the transactions were going on in Los Angeles.

Dr. C. T. Pepper, who was one of the losers to the tune of \$13,000, came to this city and entered suit against Mr. Graybill for the recovery of his money, but subsequently finding that he had not been injured by the action and expressed his regret that the mistake had occurred. Mr. Graybill thought this was not sufficient recompense for the insult that had been heaped on him and consequently sued Dr. Pepper for \$25,000 damages.

At the time the charges against Mr. Graybill were made public his attorneys, Messrs. Sullivan & Sullivan, informed the lawyers on the other side that Mr. Graybill was in the State of Nevada engaged in mining and that he had not been in Los Angeles for several years. To prove that he had nothing to do with the matter Mr. Graybill came all the way from his place of employment to confront Dr. Pepper, who at once said, "I am not the man, I never saw him before."

The article in the Times of September 12 is suggestive of some developments that may be made if the publishers of the paper attempt to justify their reports of what took place in Los Angeles. It was held in that city for several days under surveillance, but at last resented the espionage of his pursuers as the following extract from the Times' article of the 12th of September will show:

On Thursday last a change came over John W. Kapus. He told the detective, who had been his companion for weeks wherever he went, that he was going to Chicago, and he boldly announced that he was on that night going to Chicago. This news reached some of his victims, and they were alarmed. They had long urged the arrest of the young man, but had deferred to the wishes of other alleged victims, who were reported to be "let Kapus alone. He can dig up some money and we will all get out with only a few dollars less in our pockets. Then we will let Kapus had located Vincent, alias Graybill, or vice versa, his partner in the swindle, and was going after him; that Graybill had made his bogus claims, so he had to drag in their friends, to whom they introduced me and recommended my little scheme, and not to mention to have me go to the stand and tell all I know. Graybill did not desert me with me and so I turned up some money on this thing. Then we had the Los Angeles men who knew what they were doing and what I was doing, and who divided every thousand with me from the innocent suckers. Let them arrest me, but you a hundred would not be in jail ten minutes. I can get \$20,000 bail in that many minutes right now. Oh, I'm just going to have you a hundred like to run across Graybill, and may be I will."

Mr. Graybill has an impression that this pretended interview with an anonymous person was the product of some employe of the Times, and for the reason that it is not reasonable to suppose that Kapus would speak of Graybill in that way, when, as a matter of fact, they had never met, and in fact had no knowledge of the existence of each other.

At the time of the investigation that was demanded by Mr. Graybill it was demonstrated that Mr. Graybill had not been in Los Angeles for several years; that he never had anything to do with claims against Goodall, Perkins & Co., and that all the accusations against him were absolutely false.

G. W. Fisher, an ex-convict, was yesterday held to answer before the Superior Court by Judge Joachim on a charge of burglary in \$2,000 bonds. He broke into a room at 224 Montgomery street September 9, and stole watch and some foreign coins. He said he was staying and wanted to get back to the state prison.

California Tobacco-Growers. J. D. Culp and D. A. Aiken have been sued for \$200,000 damages by the San Felipe Tobacco Company for alleged breach of contract.

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GIVEN BACK TO MOTHER EARTH

Impressive Ceremonies Over the Remains of the Late Dr. Robinson.

The Body Interred in the Family Plat at Laurel Hill Cemetery.

Father Woods Pays Many Touching Tributes to the Memory of the Deceased.

With the sweet, sad strains of Beethoven's funeral march resounding through the building the body of the late Dr. Luke Robinson was borne into St. Ignace Church yesterday morning. The edifice was thronged with people who had come to pay the last respects to one who was universally loved and honored by all who came in contact with him.

The many who had known him intimately for years as an honest, upright man, and those who had reaped the benefits of his generous charity, knelt side by side with saddened hearts and tearful eyes.

As the cortege entered the church it was met at the door by the venerable Father Barchi and two acolytes, who preceded the casket to the black-draped altar, where with the mellow glow of many candles joining the softened rays streaming through the stained glass of the chancel the body was rested while a solemn requiem high mass was chanted over it—the last fitting place for the journey from the cradle to the tomb. Then to the sounds of Chopin's dirge it was carried away to Laurel Hill Cemetery and given back to Mother Earth.

The mass was celebrated by Father Barchi, assisted by Father Ramm, deacon, Father Hickey, sub-deacon, Frank Haines master of ceremonies. The sanctuary was occupied by Fathers Freidan and Calgia with twenty acolytes.

The choir, under the direction of Father Collett, rendered selections from the Rossi, Mozart and Lutz masses. Rhys Thomas sang the offertory solo. Father Woods delivered the sermon. He said in part:

"Before us lie the mortal remains of one who was a good father, good husband and an honorable citizen and a faithful servant of humanity. When I see this vast congregation gathered together I know that the work of the deceased has been appreciated.

"People have come here to-day to offer up a prayer for him who has by his untiring zeal snatched many from the grasp of death."

He then paid a touching compliment to the members of the bereaved family, and told of the timely conversion of Dr. Robinson, whose baptism in the Roman Catholic church had occurred but a few hours before his death.

The services at the grave were conducted by the Rev. Father Barchi. W. F. Goad, Henry L. Dodge, Dr. W. J. Keeney, Dr. W. W. Kerr, W. F. Harrington, John Bonfield, Dr. George Seibert of San Jose and Dr. H. W. Harkness, all intimate friends of the deceased, acted as pall-bearers.

A CONDUCTOR'S TRIALS. Discharged Because He Asked for Compensation for His Child. The Case Now in Court, Where a Jury Will Pass on the Company's Methods.

F. E. Howe, who has been a conductor on the Valencia-street cable line for eight years, has had his experience of how a corporation deals with an employe who seeks redress for injuries.

In the case of Howe, who is a married man, and the father of a little girl four years of age, the little girl was the innocent cause of bringing him into closer connection with the company than that of being a mere servant of the corporation.

The conductor's little daughter Agnes was run over by one of the cars on the line of which her father was a conductor a year ago last June and, so severe were the injuries that her life hung in the balance for several months and she will be a cripple for the balance of her life, as one of her legs has been seriously injured.

The father of little Agnes wanted long and patiently for the Market-street Railroad corporation to reimburse him and his wife for their trouble and expense in nursing their child for six months after she was hurt. But the company failed to see it in that light, and when patience ceased to be a virtue Howe made known his desire for a settlement through Division Superintendent A. W. Barron, who has charge of what is known as Division A, which embraces all the cable cars running on Market street.

part of last March, and two days thereafter the conductor was rewarded with a written notice that his services were no longer needed by the company.

No explanation was given, nor was there any reason assigned for his discharge. He had been in the company's service eight years, and never was once reprimanded by the officers for any cause whatsoever. Consequently he surmised that his discharge was brought about because he requested the company to compensate him for the injuries inflicted on his little girl.

He at once consulted W. A. S. Nicholson, his attorney, who lost no time in commencing suit against the company for damages to the child.

The case is now before Judge Bahr, where it will be tried by a jury next week.

MEMORIAL SERVICES HELD. Masons Do Honor to Deceased Grand Masters. At yesterday morning's session of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of California a number of resolutions were submitted and referred to the appropriate committees.

In the afternoon the grand oration was delivered by Grand Orator Francis E. Baker. The remainder of the afternoon was spent in memorial services eulogistic of Past Grand Masters N. Greene Curtis of Sacramento, Clay W. Taylor and Alva B. Conklin, of San Francisco, all three of whom had died during the past year.

To-day will be spent in receiving the reports of standing and special committees. The election of grand officers will be held Friday.

New Divorce Suits. Suits for divorce have been filed in the office of the County Clerk as follows: Annie A. Jones against Louis Jones for desertion; Essie Morris against Simon Morris for cruelty; Sarah Alice Hall against Ernest R. Hall for neglect and cruelty; Jane Wilson against John W. Wilson for failure to provide.

New To-Day. George Leon Allen, alias Bruno, against George Leon Allen, Bruno, against desertion.

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In accordance with the provisions of Section 3668 of the Political Code, notice is hereby given that I have received from the State Board of Equalization the assessments of the property of each of the following named associations or corporations, as fixed by said State Board of Equalization for the year 1897, to-wit:

California Pacific Railroad Company, Central Pacific Railroad Company, Northern California Railroad Company, Northern Railway Company, Southern Pacific Coast Railroad Company, Southern Pacific Railroad Company, Southern California Motor Road Company, Southern Pacific Railroad Company (Alameda and Pacific Railroad Company), Southern Pacific Railroad Company (Napa and Pacific Railroad Company), Northern California Railway Company, Southern California Railway Company, San Francisco and San Joaquin Valley Railway Company, Alameda and San Joaquin Valley Railway Company, California and Nevada Railroad Company, Carson and Colorado Railroad Company, Guelata River Railroad Company, Nevada California-Oregon Railway Company, Nevada County Narrow Gauge Railroad Company, North Pacific Coast Railroad Company, Pacific Coast Railway Company, Palau Valley Railway Company, San Francisco and San Mateo (Electric) Railway Company, Sierra Valleys Railway Company and Pullman's Palace Car Company.

The State and County Taxes on all personal property, and one-half of the State and County Taxes on all real property, are to be due and payable, and will be delinquent on the last Monday of November next, at 6 o'clock P. M., and unless paid to the State Treasurer at the Capitol, prior thereto, 5 per cent will be added to the amount thereof, and unless so paid on or before the last Monday in April next at 6 o'clock P. M., an additional 5 per cent will be added to the amount thereof.

The remaining one-half of the State and County Taxes on all real property will be due and payable at any time after the first Monday in January next, and will be delinquent on the last Monday in April next, at 6 o'clock P. M., and unless paid to the State Treasurer at the Capitol, prior thereto, 5 per cent will be added to the amount thereof.

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