

The San Francisco Call. THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 1897. AMUSEMENTS. BALDWIN THEATER—My Friend from India...

Weather. Generally fair weather Thursday; brisk westerly winds.

COPPER RIVER STILL DRAWING. Another Schooner Being Fitted Out to Take Up Fifty Miners.

The Rebuilt River Steamer Sunol to Go Back on the Vallejo Route.

Two Electricians Fell Through a Roof While Stringing Wires on Beale Street.

Another expedition is being got together to start for the Copper River gold fields.

The river steamer Sunol is to take up her old run between Vallejo and San Francisco next week.

The cerias in the Merchants' Exchange were kept busy yesterday.

The British ship Ancona was to have left for Puget Sound yesterday in tow of the tug Fearless.

Applicants for the manuscript of W. C. Morrow's story, "A Remarkable Woman," now appearing in "The Sunday Call," are informed that an enthusiastic admirer of the author's work.

Resigned After Fifteen Years' Service. John Cairns, who has for fifteen years been connected with the refinery at the Portero formerly known as the California and now as the Western Refinery, has resigned the position of chief engineer.

NEW TO-DAY. Blood Humors. Whether itching, burning, bleeding, scaly, crusty, pimply, or blotchy, whether simple, hereditary, or secondary, it infers to be speedily cured by warm baths with CURICURA SOAP.

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AN ARMED TRUCE IS DECLARED

Commissioner Gunst and Chief Lees Come Together.

STORMY SESSION OF THE BOARD.

The Figel Case the Cause of a Long and Acrimonious Discussion.

LEFT TO FIGHT IT OUT ALONE.

Alvord and Tobin Leave the Combatants Together in the Room. The End Not Yet.

Police Commissioner M. A. Gunst and Chief of Police Lees have declared an armistice.

The Board of Police Commissioners met last night in one of the stormiest sessions since the famous trial of Captain, then sergeant, Wittman.

Chief Lees, resplendent in all the gold lace that adorns his dress uniform, was the first to enter the chamber.

But the board did not adjourn. The minutes after a long and acrimonious discussion, the board adjourned.

Chief Lees apparently opened the engagement for the deep rumble of his chest notes were the first that were heard.

Commissioner Alvord did not seem to take much part in the proceedings, but the others indulged in a general mix-up.

Then the discussion assumed a milder tone, and the chief of police and the commissioners and Alvord emerged and disappeared down the gloomy corridor.

Everybody waited for the other two to come out, but the door was again closed, and the minutes after the chief of police and the commissioners and Alvord emerged and disappeared down the gloomy corridor.

While he was waiting repeated efforts were made to get Mr. Gunst to make a statement, but to every question he answered shortly: "I have nothing whatever to say."

He even refused to state whether charges had been preferred against the chief, and finally turned and abruptly left the office without seeing Chief Lees again.

The latter was detained in his private office nearly a quarter of an hour, and when he finally emerged, was as close-mouthed as the other.

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JOE GODDARD ARRIVES.

Joe Goddard, the heavy-weight Australian pugilist, arrived here on last night's belated Central overland train.

He has come to fight Sharkey, with whom he was matched in London two weeks ago, when he was advised that the sailor would be the best available man for a drawing card.

Goddard, however, purposes, now that the articles are signed, to hold to the agreement and meet Sharkey here. His only provision is that a square referee shall be chosen twenty-four hours before the men enter the ring.

"I thought," said Goddard, when interviewed shortly after his arrival at the Baldwin Hotel, "that this man Sharkey would be the best thing for me to meet. He has never been beaten, and he's a new man. Of course I don't take any stock in his claim to the championship, and don't think that by defeating him I would get the title."

"That is why I looked to Sharkey as my best match—the fight that would take well, I don't care whom I fight. I am out for any man. As soon as I get through this Sharkey fight I'm open to a match with all of them, one at a time, and I'll stay here as long as there's fighting for me."

"I was in South Africa for two years, fighting most of the time. I had seven matches there and won them all. Then about ten weeks ago I returned to England. I spent a month in Ireland, two weeks in Scotland, and two weeks in London, but did no boxing."

"I had been corresponding for some time with Madden. Then finally, when I didn't hear from him about arranging a match here for me, I called to 'Teddy' and he got this match on with Sharkey. As soon as I got word I started right over, and have come right through to meet Sharkey."

"I prepared to put up a good fight, and anyway no one can accuse me of being a faker. I shall probably go over to Sausalito to training quarters. I am a bit heavy now; weigh 206 pounds."

The big, abnormally square-shouldered and square-faced Australian pugilist signed himself on the hotel register, "J. J. Goddard, South Africa."

He looks well and strong, but beyond the prime of a successful fighter. He is accompanied by his youthful manager, "Teddy" Alexander, formerly of Australia, late of New York, who declares that Police Commissioner Mose Gunst told him in New York that San Francisco would be delighted with such a rough, hammer-and-tongs fight as might be expected from a meeting of Goddard and Sharkey.

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DILLARD WAS WELL ROASTED

Lawyer McNab Charged Him With Committing Forgery.

Special Agent Thrasher Was Also Placed on the Oratorical Gridiron.

Argument Begun in the Embezzlement Case Against Ex-Collector Welburn.

An interested crowd sat in United States Judge de Haven's courtroom all day yesterday listening to the first and final argument for the people of Deputy District Attorney Bert Schlesinger in the Welburn embezzlement case.

The crowd was made up mostly of Federal officials and other persons interested in political affairs, but the most interested persons in the court were the relatives of the defendant. His wife, a niece of ex-Secretary Carlisle, her two daughters and her son, occupied chairs back of the attorneys.

Among the other spectators there were but two women, and they had been attracted to the courtroom by curiosity.

Mr. Schlesinger entered upon his argument at 11 o'clock, and resumed at 10 minutes after 2 in the afternoon at the conclusion of the noon recess.

Mr. Welburn had been taken with one of his attacks, and he was unable to attend the trial. His tardiness gave rise to considerable speculation. His wife and daughters from time to time turned their heads expectantly toward the door.

Mr. Schlesinger commented upon the testimony of Sinnott, and claimed that his testimony had been amply substantiated by documentary evidence about which there was no doubt.

Mr. Schlesinger's analysis of the evidence was thorough and shrewd. He overlooked no points, and his arraignment of the defendant, while unimpassioned, was scorching.

"How long," he asked, "do you think that such a man would consider the reputation of a man and his family? While Dillard saw Special Agent Thrasher while he was on the stand, and when he saw Thrasher from this negro changed his testimony till the snail came back again."

"Whenever there was a deficiency in the evidence the cry was 'More Dillard,' and he came into court arm in arm with the special agent, Thrasher."

"You saw this miserable wretch on the stand writhing and squirming and striving in every possible way to avoid saying anything in favor of this defendant."

The speaker charged the Government agent with compounding a felony and subornation of perjury. He believed that "that writhing wretch," if promised anything in favor of the defendant, would testify to anything Dillard wanted to say in the case whenever there was a gap.

Mr. Sinnott was the next witness placed upon the gridiron, and the vouchers and checks were read for the purpose of substantiating the testimony of Welburn.

Frank H. Gould will make the closing argument for the defendant to-day. He will be followed by United States Attorney Foote.

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