

LAUNCHED A HUNDRED YEARS AGO

Exercises to Commemorate the Birth of the Constitution.

DISTINGUISHED MEN PARTICIPATE.

Daughters of the Revolution Also Take Part in the Celebration.

OLD IRONSIDES AS THE NAVY'S BEGINNING.

Senator Lodge and Others Speak of the Lessons Taught by the War of 1812.

Special Dispatch to THE CALL.

BOSTON, Oct. 21.—Untoward weather conditions interfered with the out-of-door exercises to-day marking the centennial of the launching of the United States frigate Constitution.

Among those present were many daughters of the Revolution, whose organization had a prominent part in bringing about this celebration, members of the State militia, representative United States Government officials and representatives of foreign countries.

Governor Wolcott introduced Theodore Roosevelt, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, who spoke in part as follows:

"The moment of the Constitution's launching was the beginning of our navy as we know it to-day. It was fifteen years after the launching of the Constitution and her sister ships before that proud flag which was menaced was humbled, and during that fifteen years there were many people who objected to the maintaining of a navy.

"It was because we had the Constitution and her sister ships that we came out of the war with credit, and it is due to a policy contrary to that which prompted the introduction of such vessels that in recent years brought us to danger of the gravest national dishonor."

At this point Major William H. Garland of Boston, who was a powder-boy on board the Constitution in her famous battle with the Guerriere, was presented to the audience, and Governor Wolcott himself led in the cheers for the veteran.

Major Quincy of Boston then delivered a short address. Professor J. W. Churchill of Andover read Oliver Wendell Holmes' poem, "Old Ironsides," briefly, and the historic address of the day was delivered by Senator Henry Cabot Lodge. Senator Lodge, after dwelling at some length on the history and victories of the glorious old ship, spoke particularly of the way in which our small but well equipped navy of that day more than retrieved on the water the reverses which a terry administration and a half-sighted foreign policy had invited on the land, He said:

"England and Europe received valuable instructions from the war of which this

battered old ship is the sign and symbol, but we Americans were taught a great deal more. We learned that weak defenselessness meant war and strong armies and readiness meant peace, honor and quiet. It is well to note that the lesson of wise preparation taught by the war of 1812 and always worth remembering is even more important now than then, for to-day wars are fought in a few months, while it takes years to build modern ships and cast riddled guns. Weakness and defenselessness mean war. Readiness, preparation and courage mean honor and peace. Where we were unprepared in 1812 we suffered; and where we were prepared we prospered and vindicated our national existence."

In the naval parade the marines and sailors from the vessels from the North Atlantic squadron in port, comprising the Massachusetts, the New York, Texas, Indiana and Brooklyn, were in line, accompanied by the Massachusetts Naval Veterans, Kearsarge Naval Veterans' Association and survivors of the Eighth Massachusetts Volunteers. The parade was under the direction of Brigadier-General T. J. Carter, Inspector-General of Massachusetts, chief marshal. It started from the foot of State street at 2 o'clock. On reaching Constitution wharf a passing salute was fired. At the Charlestown Navy-yard Governor Wolcott, with his staff and invited guests, boarded the famous old frigate, where a reception was held. The wharves were bedecked with bunting and to-night the Massachusetts and New York were illuminated.

FRIGHTFUL TRAGEDY.

Father in Jail, Charged With the Murder of His Wife and Child.

SPOKANE, WASH., Oct. 21.—When Mrs. A. J. Lynch entered the residence of C. W. Kessler late this afternoon a shocking scene was presented. Mrs. Kessler was dead from a ghastly wound in the throat, and near by lay her 4-year-old son with a bullet through his neck. The husband and father is in the city prison half insane and under suspicion of having killed his wife and child. He protests his innocence, and claims that his wife killed their child and committed suicide. Physicians think the child will recover.

FORTIFICATIONS AND HARBOR IMPROVEMENT

Estimates Made in the Report of the Chief of Engineers.

General Wilson Says That a Vast Sum Must Be Expended for Coast Defenses.

Special Dispatch to THE CALL.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—General Wilson, chief of engineers of the army, has made his annual report to the Secretary of War. It is devoted to the fortifications and river and harbor improvements of the country. The estimates for coast defenses for the years 1898-99 are as follows:

Gun and mortar batteries, \$5,000,000; purchase of land for fortifications, \$500,000; protection, preservation and repair of fortifications, \$100,000; preparation of plans for fortifications, \$50,000; seawalls and embankments, \$50,000; torpedoes for harbor defenses, the purchase of submarine mines and necessary appliances to support them, for closing channels leading to our principal sea ports, for useful casemates, cables, etc., to render it possible to operate submarine mines, \$150,000. Total, \$5,310,000.

General Wilson says that during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1897, there was expended on river and harbor improvements \$13,461,639. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1898, his estimates are: Continuous work authorized by Congress, \$18,876,000; other work not provided for by continuing contracts, \$28,432,153.

California: Oakland harbor, \$163,500; San Luis Obispo, \$150,000; San Diego harbor, \$134,400; Humboldt harbor, \$100,000. Oregon: Coquille River, \$115,000; Upper Coquille River, \$18,000; Coos Bay, \$600,000; Siuslaw River, \$100,000; Tillamook Bay, \$52,000; Columbia River, below Tongue Point, \$71,550; Columbia River and Lower Willamette River, \$300,000; canal at Cascades, \$334,200.

Washington: Grays Harbor, \$430,000; Puget Sound, \$25,000; Everett harbor, \$150,000; Swinomish slough, \$47,000.

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—To-day's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance \$210,449,589; gold reserve, \$151,411,118.

YELLOW JACK LESS SEVERE

The Fever Situation Is Improving at New Orleans.

One of the Two Victims of a Day Is Sister Sylvester of St. Joseph's Asylum.

There Has Been Some Frost, and With Cooler Weather the Disease Will Be Stamped Out.

Special Dispatch to THE CALL.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Oct. 21.—The fever situation improved to some extent here to-day. Where yesterday there had been some thirty cases by 1 o'clock at 7 o'clock there were only thirty and at 8 o'clock to-night the number was forty-three. Yesterday afternoon's record was six deaths. To-day at nightfall there had been but two fatalities reported to the Board of Health.

Among the deaths is that of Sister Sylvester of St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum. She was reported to the Board of Health yesterday and the best of attendance given to her, but she seemed to have contracted a very bad case of yellow fever, complicated with other distresses, and there was little chance of saving her life after her case had been brought to the attention of the board.

The weather this morning was cool, and reports below New Orleans are to the effect that there was a light frost last night. Colonel I. D. Ellis of Governor Foster's staff said to a representative of the Associated Press this evening that he received advice that there had been frost in St. Bernard parish and on the outskirts of the city last night. The deposit, however, was slight, and probably not sufficient to stamp out the disease here. It is possible, however, that the fever cases here this evening are a result traceable to the change in the temperature. It does not now seem at all likely that the fever will continue here for any length of time. Business is greatly depressed, but it is confidently believed that with the approach of cold weather the fever will die out and New Orleans recover. The trade she has lost through the fright of the past few weeks.

To-day's deaths were: Sister Sylvester, Patrick Doyle.

SUDDEN DEATH AT SONOMA.

Henry Winkle, a Pioneer Resident, Well Known in San Francisco, Found Dead in Bed.

SONOMA, Oct. 21.—The residents of this place were shocked this morning on hearing of the sudden death of Henry Winkle, a pioneer resident of this valley and San Francisco. Mr. Winkle had returned last night from San Francisco on the evening train, and retired at the usual hour in good spirits and health. Not appearing at the breakfast hour his sister, Miss A. Winkle, went to his bedroom and called him. Receiving no response she entered the room and was horrified to find him cold in death. He had evidently passed away several hours before. The cause of his sudden death was due to heart failure, from which he had suffered for many months.

In addition to his extensive vineyards near this place Mr. Winkle was also the owner of Winkle's bakery on the corner of Vallejo and Battery streets, San Francisco, which was established in 1851. He was a generous, whole-souled gentleman, and his sudden demise will be keenly felt by a large number of friends in Sonoma and San Francisco. Deceased was a native of Germany, aged 52 years. He leaves a young wife and two small children, a brother and two sisters, one of the latter being Mrs. Adler of this place. The remains will be taken to San Francisco tomorrow, where the funeral will be held.

Watsonville's Busy Sugar Factory.

WATSONVILLE, Oct. 21.—Up to 6 A. M. October 19, the Watsonville sugar factory had run 1183 hours, had sliced 53,249 tons of beets, and had produced 6282 tons of sugar. The crop is over one-third harvested.

MURDER FIRST, THEN SUICIDE

A Tragedy in Low Life Has Shocked Tacoma.

Mrs. Frank Aylwin Decoys Her Recreant Lover to His Doom.

Thinking She Has Killed Him She Goes to a Hospital and Shoots Herself.

Special Dispatch to THE CALL.

TACOMA, WASH., Oct. 21.—Love, jealousy and remorse are responsible for a sensational murder and suicide. Mrs. Frank Aylwin shot Pete Sweeney, with whom she is alleged to have been intimate, last night, and later killed herself. It was not until this evening that Sweeney was found lying unconscious and nearly dead on the second floor of an unoccupied building on J street. He met Mrs. Aylwin on K street, apparently by appointment, about 8 o'clock last evening and walked down to the vacant building with her. A violent discussion ensued after they entered and ended with Mrs. Aylwin firing one shot at the man whose love she is believed to have coveted. The bullet entered his skull above the ear on the right side, and is still embedded there.

Mrs. Aylwin left him for dead and locked the door when she returned to the street. Sweeney tried for some time to open the door and failed, relapsing then into unconsciousness. He remained there twenty hours, being found this afternoon by a prospective tenant of the building. About 10 o'clock last night Mrs. Aylwin appeared at St. Joseph's Hospital and asked that Dr. Brown be called. When he answered that he was ill and could not come Mrs. Aylwin said she would stay all night and asked the nurse to give her morphine to allay pains.

As morphine had benefited her before it was given her. The drug evidently had no effect or else she was kept awake by remorse. She had not slept when the nurse visited her bedside at 1 o'clock. At that hour she asked for a rubber blanket and wrapped herself in its folds, drawing the covers about her. She apparently spent the next three hours summoning courage for the fatal shot. Just after 5 o'clock a pistol shot was heard in her room, and the attendants entered they found the bedclothing on fire. When this was extinguished it was discovered that her breast had been burned and that a bullet had penetrated her left lung, passing through her back.

Mr. Aylwin is night bartender at his saloon, the Roxbury. His wife had frequently been out late to parties, and her absence caused no alarm on his return at midnight. This morning he found on their bureau a letter from her, which was probably written between the time she shot Sweeney and her departure for the hospital. The letter stated that she intended to die by morphine and had good-bye to her husband and eight-year-old daughter. She directed her husband to place the child in a boarding-school, asked for a private funeral and requested that her remains be not exposed to public view. She stated that a burial robe would be found in a bureau drawer. The shroud was neatly folded, and pinned to it was a paper bearing the words, "Bury me in this."

After his removal to St. Joseph Hospital this evening Sweeney told his brother and Dr. Brown how Mrs. Aylwin shot him. He had left his wife at his brother's last evening and gone to a grocery store on an errand when he met her. The relations between Sweeney and Mrs. Aylwin have been the subject of whispered gossip for some time. Mrs. Aylwin's attendance at dances and parties without her husband furnished an opportunity for their meeting. Recently Mrs. Aylwin became jealous of Sweeney. It is believed that she determined to kill him and then herself, and that remorse caused her to lose so restlessly at night at the hospital. Sweeney has been a conductor on the cable line for years, being considered the most popular employe of the company. Mrs. Aylwin was 25 years old, a blonde and decidedly pretty.

GENERAL RAIN ON THE COAST

Too Late to Materially Injure the Grape Crop.

Slight Damage Will Result to a Few of the Late Varieties.

Local Packing Establishments Will Suspend, but the Season Is Nearly Over.

Special Dispatch to THE CALL.

SACRAMENTO, Oct. 21.—The rain will do little if any damage to the grape crop of Sacramento County. The rain crops are in the main harvested, while the recent immense shipments of table grapes to the East have about cleaned up that variety. Wine grapes are the only ones out, and they are in no way affected.

CLOVERDALE, Oct. 21.—The storm did very small damage to grapes. Grape crushing commences here one or two weeks earlier than in most sections of the State and is about finished. Only slight damage will result to the few late varieties not yet picked. The skies are perfectly clear to-night. This is a phenomenal grape year. All the wineries have much increased their cooperage, yet they are filled almost to overflowing.

WOODLAND, Oct. 21.—Steady rain commenced falling in this city about 8 o'clock this morning and did not cease until 3 o'clock this afternoon, when the precipitation amounted to a trifle over half an inch. Reports from all points in the county have been received, and they indicate that the orchardists and vineyardists have not sustained serious losses. All of the grape crop has been cared for, excepting in the vicinity of Blacks and Davisville. At these places a great portion of the second crop of raisin grapes will be ruined if the storm continues.

SANTA ROSA, Oct. 21.—The effects of the severe rainstorm of last night and this morning upon the grape crop of this section will not be material. All but about 15 per cent of the yield has been gathered, and as the unpicked remainder consists almost entirely of the hardy Mission variety, grape men are not worrying much.

SONOMA, Oct. 21.—A storm prevailed in this valley last night and this morning, and gave the farmers who had grapes on the vines a scare. The vintage season in Sonoma Valley is nearing a close, and consequently but about a third of the entire yield is on the vines, but these will receive but little damage, owing to the fact that they are far advanced in ripeness, and indications are for favorable weather. Those that will suffer most will be Tokays.

NAPA, Oct. 21.—Though the rain has been quite severe in this county it has not had an injurious effect on the grapes, most of which in this section have been gathered. In the upper end of the county about two-thirds have been gathered, the Zinfandel perhaps suffering slightly. The indications are that to-morrow will be warm and clear, so that the damage will amount to little, if any.

LODI, Oct. 21.—The rainstorm has played havoc with the table-grape crop and will cause the shutdown of all packing establishments here; but as the season is nearing the close it is thought no large amount will be lost thereby. Wine grapes are not so badly injured. All packing grapes will now be picked and shipped to the wineries. They do not bring the regular wine-grape price, so the owners will lose on such a deal.

SACRAMENTO REPUBLICANS.

William Land's Interesting Talk to the Third Ward Club.

SACRAMENTO, Oct. 21.—The Third Ward Republican Club held a meeting in its hall at Fifth and O last night and listened to an address by William Land, who in part spoke of his observations during his travels abroad upon matters of public interest. He spoke of the street pavements, water

works, sewerage and the general conduct of municipal affairs in the European capitals. His talk was interesting as well as instructive. Captain Young, the present and coming City Auditor, and Charles Paine, the coming if not the present Trustee from the Third, followed.

The club is composed of young men in the main. W. R. Hall is president, and the roll show a membership of 107 good, sound, active Republicans.

SUICIDE AT WHITE RIVER.

Miss Sallie Tucker, White Demeated, Jumps Into a Well.

VISALIA, Oct. 21.—Miss Sallie Tucker, a maiden lady of forty-five years, committed suicide at White River, in the southern part of this county, last night. She lived with her sister in a small house close to Mitchell's store and some time during the night she went out and jumped into a well. Her body was found soon after daylight this morning. A few days

ago she tried to kill herself by cutting her wrist. She had shown signs of an unbalanced mind.

DISMISSED HIS DEPUTY.

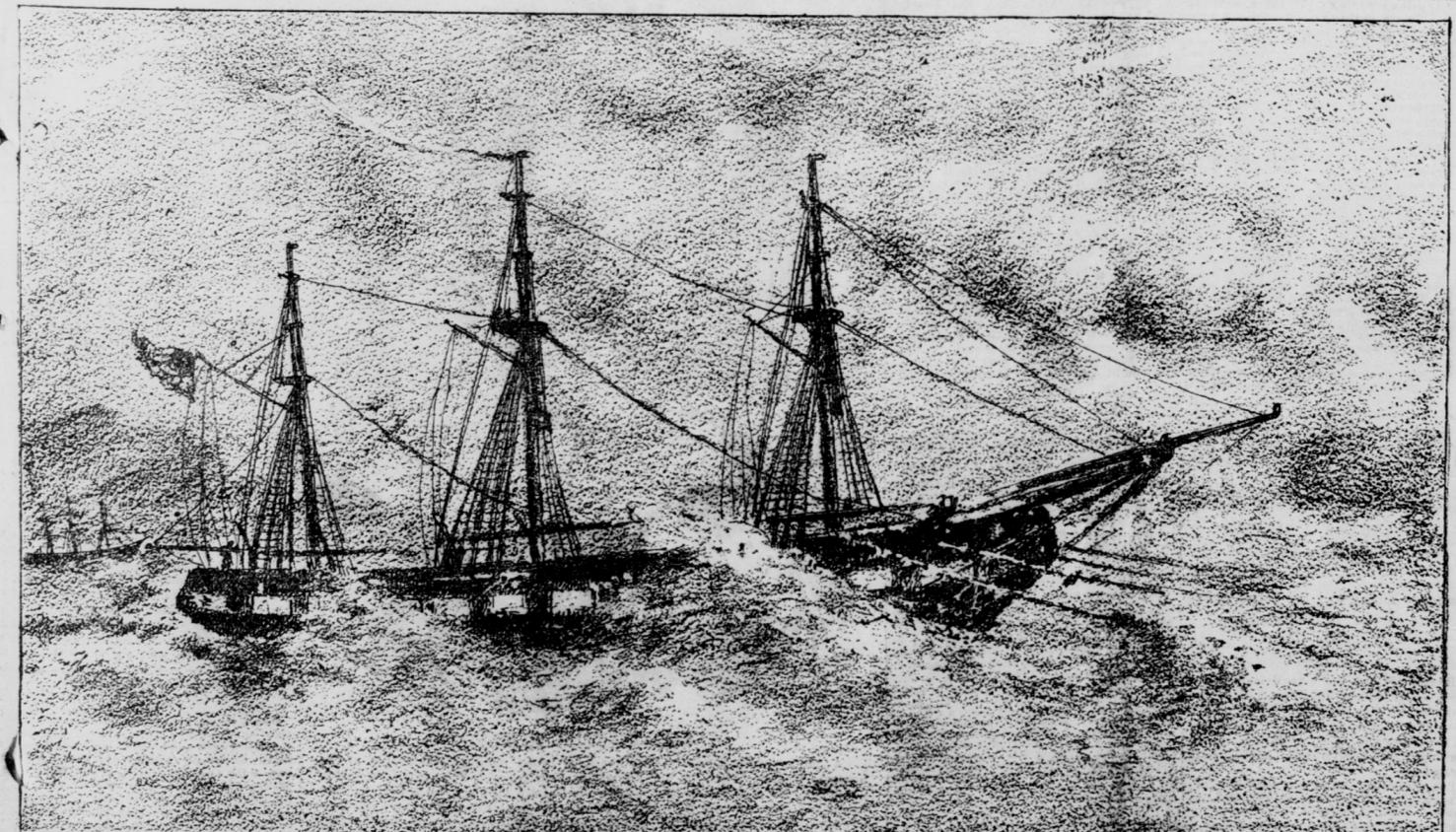
Sonoma's Sheriff Punishes a Dereliction of Duty.

SANTA ROSA, Oct. 21.—Sheriff Sam I. Allen to-day dismissed from service Deputy Sheriff William A. Dougherty on account of his action in connection with the case of F. T. Bacheider, the San Francisco attorney, who was yesterday sentenced to twenty-four hours in jail for contempt by Judge Dougherty of the Superior Court. Sheriff Allen was absent at San Quentin when the order was made by the court committing Bacheider to jail, and the prisoner was in consequence turned over to Deputy Sheriff Dougherty. Instead of taking him to jail, Dougherty took him to the Grand Hotel for his dinner, and at night took him out for a pleasant walk around the streets of the city.

NEW TO-DAY.

Advertisement for S. N. Wood & Co., Columbian Woolen Mills. Includes an illustration of a man in a suit and text: 'A WEEK'S WONDER OF WORLD BEATERS!!' and 'Such phenomenal success never attended any previous sale in San Francisco.'

Advertisement for Dr. Sanden's Electric Belt. Includes an illustration of a man and text: 'RECOVER YOUR MANLY VIGOR' and 'ROOT OUT THE SEEDS OF nervous debility sown in your youth.'



THE CONSTITUTION RIDING OUT A NORTHER IN VALPARAISO HARBOR IN JUNE, 1846. When the gale broke over the roadstead all the light spars were aloft, but in a short time everything was sent down, the jibboom and topmast housed and the heavy yards lowered to the hammock nettings.

Advertisement for a medicine, featuring an illustration of a woman washing clothes and text: 'A washerwoman living in South Bend, Ind., had for a long time suffered from dyspepsia, until one day she gave Ripans Tabules a trial.'