TEACHERS CAPTURE THE CITY

Prominent Educators Here to Attend the State Session

Indications Point to the Most Successful Meeting Ever Held.

Arrival of Dr. A. S. Draper, President of the University of Illinois.

TO MAKE AN ADDRESS.

Programme of the General and Special Sessions to Be Held During the Week.

From all parts of the State and from Oregon and Washington as well, leading educators are pouring into San Francisco to attend the thirty-first annual session of the California Teachers' Association this week. Several hundred teachers have already arrived, and many more are expected to-day and to-morrow.

The most notable visitor is Dr. Andrew S. Draper, president of the University of Illinois, who arrived last evening, in response to an invitation extended by the association several months ago to address the session. Dr. Draper will deliver two addresses before the convention, and on Thursday evening, at their invitation, he will deliver a public address in Native Sons' Hall on "The Organization of City School Systems." Dr. Draper is one of the best-known educators of the East, a polished orator, and his address will doubtless be the feature of the convention. A committee, headed by R. D. Faulkner, principal of the Franklin Grammar School, met Mr. Draper at Port Costa yesterday and escorted him to his rooms at the Baldwin Hotel, where he will remain until the close of the session and then return home by the southern route.

Other notables to arrive during the day were State Superintendent Black of Sacramento and Frank J. Brown, State Superintendent of Schools of Washington, and his wife.

The general sessions of the convention will be held in Metropolitan Hall, beginning at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning. The opening exercises will consist of music by the students of the San Francisco Normal School, under the direction of Miss E. Carpenter; address of welcome on behalf of the citizens of San Francisco by Mayor James D. Phelan; music by the Philomel quartet; address of welcome on behalf of the San Fransisco School Department by Superintendent R. H. Webster; response and president's annual address, L. J. Chipman, Superintendent of the Santa Clara County Public Schools; address, "The Special Work of the Normal Schools," President A. H. Randall of the State Normal School.

After recess there will be more music by the Philomel quartet; an address on "The Stratford Schoolmaster," by Frank J. Browne, State Superintendent of Schools of Washington; address on "The Functions of the State Touching Education," by Dr. A. S. Draper, University of Illinois.

The programme for Wednesday is as follows, beginning at 9 o'clock: Music by the Knickerbocker male quartet; address, "The Wealth of Words," President Martin Kellogg, University of California; music, Philomel and Knickerbocker quartets; address, "The Home and School," Mrs. E. G. Greene, Santa Cruz, President of the Home and Child Study Association; address, "The Certification of Teachers," Samuel T. Black, State Superintendent of Schools. After a recess of ten minutes C. M. Elliot will give a vocal solo, which will be followed by a business meeting.

Thursday morning—Music by the Philomel quartet; address, "The Spirit of the Teacher," Andrew S. Draper. Recess. Vocal solo, Mrs. Etta B. Blanchard; council of education; reports of committees.

Friday morning at 9 o'clock the programme will be as follows: Music by the students of the San Francisco Normal School, under the direction of Miss E. Carpenter; remarks on the proposed celebration of Lincoln's natal day by the public schools of California, by R. H. Webster; address, "Humane Education," Miss E. M. Gay, State Superintendent California Humane Work, San Benito Springs; address, "The Text Book as an Educator," Fred M. Campbell; report of committees; vocal duet, Mrs. Eva Tenny, Mrs. Emilie Parent; poem, "Educational Progress," Professor Charles H. Allen, San Jose; address, "Education for the Art of Life," Professor E. H. Griggs, Stanford University.

The department of manual training, of which James E. Addicott, San Jose Normal School, is chairman, and Richard D. Faulkner, San Francisco, is secretary, will meet in Portala Hall, Native Sons' building, Tuesday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, when there will be a discussion on "Manuel Training in the Grades" between Dr. Elmer E. Brown of the University of California, Mrs. C. L. Place of the San Jose Normal School, W. J. Kenyon, of Stanford University, R. D. Faulkner of San Francisco, R. P. Gleason of Oakland, Rebecca F. English of the San Jose Normal School and Howard L. Lunt of Long Beach.

At 3 o'clock there will be a discussion on "Correlation of Manual TrainingWith Academic Branches" between P. M. Fisher of Oakland, W. A. Tenny of Fresno, Ednah E. Rich of Santa Barbara, Arthur Chamberlain of Pasadena and President A. S. Draper of the University of Illinois.

Other department meetings will be conducted as follows:

Department of school administration—Sierra Hall, Native Sons' building: Tuesday afternoon. Superintendent Robert Furlong, San Rafael, chairman; Superintendent Kate Ames, Napa, secretary. "School Organization," Dr. Andrew S. Draper, University of Illinois; "Correlation of Educational Factors," Dr. Thomas P. Bailey Jr., University of California; "City School Supervision," Superintendent C. L. Ennis, Los Angeles. Discussion of city supervision. The report of committee of twelve on some of the applications to the schools of California—Superintendent T. J. Kirk, Fresno; discussion—Superintendent J. P. Garlick, Alameda County; Superintendent Alfred Harrell, Kern County; Superintendent Job Wood Jr., Monterey County; Superintendent J. S. McPhaill, Tulare County.

Department of kindergarten education, Shasta Hall, Native Sons' building. Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Pauline W. Dohrmann, Stockton, chairman; Miss Martha L. Bullock, Alameda, secretary. President's address, Mrs. Pauline W. Dohrmann, Stockton; address, Professor F. B. Dresslar, University of California; address, Dr. Andrew S. Draper; "The Legal Requirements for the Certification of Kindergartens in the Public School System," Genevra Sisson, Stanford University; "Our Los Angeles Kindergartens—Past, Present and Future," Mrs. Marietta E. Staples, Los Angeles Normal School; "Ten Minutes Worth," Dr. Thomas P. Bailey, University of California.

Department of classics, Yosemite Hall, Native Sons' building, Tuesday afternoon—Professor Edward B. Clapp, University of California, chairman; Principal W. S. Thomas, Petaluma, secretary. "Organization," introductory remarks by the chairman; "The Choice of Latin Authors for the Preparatory Course," Professor E. M. Pease, Stanford University; "High School Greek—Some Practical Problems," Vice-Principal M. C. James, Berkeley; "The Teaching of Scansion," Leon J. Richardson, University of California; "The Teacher as Student," Catherine E. Wilson, Girls' High School, San Francisco.

Department of English, Cabrillo Hall, Native Sons' building, Tuesday afternoon—H. C. Petray, Livermore, chairman; Anna C. Murphy, Berkeley, secretary. "Aim and method in teaching language and literature." 1. Elementary schools—(a) Resolved, That true stories are more conducive to language development in the first four grades than myths, fairy stories and folk lore. Affirmative—Miss Alice B. Smallfield, Stockton; negative—Miss Frances O'Meara, Santa Rosa. Five-minute discussions—Mrs. Mae Sims, Stockton; Anna Murphy, Berkeley; T. L. Heaton, Berkeley; Professor E. H. Griggs, Stanford University; Harr Wagner, San Francisco; Mrs. R. V. Winterburn, Stockton. (b) "The Aim of Literature in Grammar Grades," Miss Evelyn Gilmore, Oakland. Five-minute discussions—F. E. Perham, Berkeley; Helen S. Wright, San Jose Normal; Harry Lynch, Centerville; President C. M. Ritter, Chico Normal School. 2. Secondary schools. "Adaptation of Character Study to Language Development," Miss Agnes Madden, Oakland; "Aims and Methods in Secondary Schools," Miss L. May McLain, San Rafael. Five-minute discussions—Professor Bradley, University of California; Ariana Moore, Livermore; Irene Hardy, Stanford University; J. D. Burks, Woodland High School; Clement Young, San Francisco Boys' High School. "Aims and Methods in General in Teaching English in Primary and Secondary Schools," Professor Julius Goebel, Stanford University.

Department of Music, Sierra Hall, Native Sons' building, Wednesday afternoon—Juliet Powell Rice, Los Angeles, chairman; Laura V. Sweesy, Pasadena, secretary. Class singing, 100 voices, led by Professor Milton Lawrence, San Jose; "Evolution of Music in Primitive Man—Rhythm and Tune," Professor John Comfort Fillmore, Pomona; "To What Extent Shall Our Knowledge of Race Development be Used in Teaching Singing?" discussed by Dr. C. C. Van Liew of Los Angeles and Dr. F. B. Dresslar of Berkeley; lesson in singing, classroom exercise, under direction of Miss Estelle Carpenter.

Department of Nature Study, Shasta Hall, Native Sons' building, Wednesday afternoon—Professor O. P. Jenkins, Stanford University, chairman; Miss Alice Gates, San Rafael, secretary. 1. Reports of sub-committees—(a) educational value of nature study; (b) the state of nature study in Northern California, R. S. Holway, San Jose Normal School; G. W. Beattie, Berkeley; Frank Dunn, Berkeley.

1. "The State of Nature Study in Southern California"—Superintendent Elwood Cubberly, San Diego; Superintendent Edward Hyatt, Riverside; B. W. Griffith, Los Angeles; Mrs. Alice Merrit Davidson, Los Angeles.

2. Outline of a course in nature study—Professor O. P. Jenkins, Stanford University.

3. "Literature Helping the Teaching of Nature Study," Professor Fernando Sanford, Stanford University.

4. Information on Natural History of California, (a) Natural History Survey of California, (b) Bibliography of Natural History of California, (c) Formation of Systematic Descriptions and the Collection of other Information of Natural History objects in California, Professor Vernon Kellogg, Stanford University.

5. Suggestions drawn from experience in the work of Nature Study in the different grades—Miss A. L. Pollock, Stockton; Edward Hughes, Stockton; Josephine Lemon, Oakland; Miss I. Vandergaw, Oakland; Mrs. Ida A. Coady, Oakland; Miss E. B. McFadden, Oakland.

Formation of plans and appointment of committees for the coming year.

Exhibit of apparatus and material used in nature study work in primary and grammar grades.

Department of German—Yosemite Hall, Native Sons' building: Wednesday afternoon. Professor Julius Goebel, Stanford University, chairman; Dr. K. Rendtorff, Stanford University, secretary. "Two Years of German in the Preparatory Schools," Professor Albin Putzker, University of California; "History of the Cosmopolitan Schools," Professor A. Herbst, principal South Cosmopolitan School, San Francisco; "The Importance of German," Professor Martin Kellogg, University of California; "The Study of Literature in the Secondary Schools," Professor Julius Goebel, Stanford University.

Department of history—Portola Hall, Native Sons' building, Wednesday afternoon—Mrs. R. V. Winterburn, Stockton, chairman; Miss Anna Kohler, secretary: "Advantages of a State Organization of Teachers of History," Dr. Elmer E. Brown, Berkeley; Professor A. B. Shaw, Stanford University; "The Proper Use of Sources," Dr. C. A. Duniway, Stanford; Professor William Carey Jones, Berkeley; "The Value of Local History Based on Personal Experience," Anabel McDonnell, San Rafael; Maud A. Southworth, Stockton; Frances B. Orton, Monterey; "Sources in the Elementary Schools," Edward Hughes, Stockton; Emma H. Snapp, Stockton; E. H. Hilton, Oakland; "Shall We Have a State Organization? If So, Its Nature?"

Department of business—Balboa Hall, Native Sons' building, afternoons, December 28, 29 and 30—Madison Babcock, San Francisco, chairman; Mary E. Donnelly, San Francisco, secretary; December 28, "The Necessity of Special Training for Business," Dr. C. S. Haley; "Woman in Business," Miss Katherine C. Fay, San Francisco; December 29, "Penmanship," A. B. Capp; "The Business Side of a Child's Education," Professor C. W. Childs, December 30. A Weak Spot in Our Educational System," H. Weinstock; "Does a Liberal Education Help a Business Man?" J. Richard Freud.

Department of child study—Shasta Hall, Native Sons' building, Thursday afternoon—Milicent W. Shinn, Niles, chairman; Anna C. Murphy, Berkeley, secretary; "Popular Child Study and Genetic Psychology," Dr. Dresslar, University of California; Margaret Schallenberger, Stanford University; "Evolutionary Bearings of Child Study," Dr. Joseph LeConte, University of California; Dr. C. C. Van Liew, Los Angeles Normal School; "Psychology of Religion in Child and Race," Professor Edward Starbuck, Stanford University; Professor E. E. Brown, University of California; "General Comments," President Andrew S. Draper; "Aims of the Child and Home Study Society of California," Mrs. E. G. Greene, Santa Cruz.

Department of Art—Sierra Hall, Native Sons' building: Thursday afternoon. Professor Arthur B. Clark, Stanford University, chairman; Marion Adams, Stanford University, sceretary. "The Place of Drawing in Elementary Education" (paper contributed), Professor Earl Barnes; "What Child Study Says About Drawing," Miss Louise Maitland, Stanford University; "How One School Manages Drawing," Miss Amy T. Campbell, San Francisco.

Department of Mathematics—Yosemite Hall, Native Sons' building: Thursday afternoon. Professor Charles H. Allen, San Jose, chairman; Minnie L. Mackay, Santa Clara, secretary. "Incidental Number Work in the First and Second Years," by the chairman; "Operative Arithmetic," Superintendent J. W. McClymonds, Oakland; "Manuel Training in Its Relation to Concrete Geometry and Mensuration in Arithmetic," Walter J. Kenyon, Stanford University.

Hygiene, Portola Hall, Native Sons' building, Thursday afternoon—Dr. James Black, San Francisco, chairman; Mrs. M. A. Belding, secretary. Hygiene and Medical Facts for Teachers: chairman, Dr. James A. Black; (a) A Physiology in Our Public Schools, Dr. Kate Overacher; (b) Physiology and Hygiene of the Teeth, Dr. H. D. Noble; (c) Defects, Not Faults, Defects of Sight, Hearing and Respirations and Simple Methods of Diagnosis, Dr. J. A. Black. Ample time will be allowed for discussion between papers.

Library department—(Joint session with the Library Association of Central California). Cabrillo Hall, Native Sons' building, Thursday afternoon—J. C. Rowell, University of California, chairman; A. M. Jellison, Mechanics' Institute, secretary; opening remarks; "Use of Public Libraries by School Children—Views of Teachers"; "Desirability and Utility"; "At What Age Should Children Begin to Do Supplementary Reading and to Refer to Libraries?" "How to Induce and to Direct Children to Use Public Collections of Books"; "Attitude of Public Libraries Toward Schools—Views of Librarians"; "The Children's Room"; "Special Privileges to Teachers"; "Library Loans to Schools"; "Books Loved by Boys"; "Books Loved by Girls—Their Educational Value."

The headquarters of the executive and local committees have been established in the private parlors of the Baldwin Hotel. Bureaus of information and registration will be maintained at the Baldwin Hotel, Native Sons' Hall and Metropolitan Hall. Mail may be sent in care of the secretary of the association, Baldwin Hotel.

SANTA CLARA DOGS RUN WELL

The Youthful Rosette and the Older Blackette Down All Fliers.

The Talent Recognizes Fleet Greyhounds and Lands Accordingly.

The leashmen of Santa Clara County are back in their old form. Yesterday's stake at Ingleside was one of the closest drawn of the year. The entry also embraced Eastern stock and the best local stock. But it was the Santa Clara stock that did the work. Curtis & Son's kennels of Santa Clara burg itself have long had a way of taking not only the stake, but also second money. They did it again yesterday with Rosette, scarcely more than a puppy, and Blackette. Then the third money went to McComb & Bryon's Fleetwood, also of Santa Clara County, and S. E. Portal's Gallagher (same county again) was in the next money. So, too, was the same owners' At Last in the next money.

It was a red letter day for Santa Clara County greyhounds. It was a day of true and consistent coursing, with one or two outcroppings of the sensational. Rosette, as was known, had but just recovered from distemper. Consequently, in her first run with Tod Sloane she was closely watched, and the talent felt a bit shaky. It was needless. Rosette ran away from Sloane.

Blackette then showed the same quality of her kennel mate by leaving poor old Dashaway so far behind that it was not even a procession.

Rusty Gold, the late runner-up at Merced, failed to materialize, and Valley Maid thereby got the notch of a bye. But Valley Maid, after losing that bye, then went out and beat the famous Pheron, the only Santa Clara candidate who failed to cross the financial line. The odds were 3½ to 1 in favor of Pheron.

The other "dumps" of the day were Gallagher's win over Lass of Gowrie, the 3 to 1 sure thing, Harkaway's throw-down of the 4 to 1 favorite, Systematic, and Gallagher's doing-up of Occidental, a 2 to 1 shot.

Gallagher, in fact, seemed to puzzle the knowing ones. He is a youngster owned by S. E. Portal of Westside, Santa Clara County, and this was his first public work. It will not be his last appearance, nor will he again be overlooked. Apropos, too, of the dogs that are worthy of watching, the Curtis stock have now carried off everything on at least eight occasions during the past six months. For a time it was Cavalier and Rosette that would pull down first and second money. Then Maud S and Rosette began to duplicate the performance, and yesterday Rosette took in Blackette. They are good dogs and all of the old Rockette stock.

The running in detail yesterday was as follows: Open All-Age Stake—Curtis & Son's Rosette beat M. Murphy's Tod Sloane, J. Byrnes' Mohawk beat J. J. Warren's Sweet Lips, Curtis & Son's Blackette beat C. Evans' Dashaway, J. Seggerson's White Chief ran a bye with Sly Boy, Senorita being absent, Montezuma Kennel's Joy Bells beat Larkey & Rock's Myrtle, J. Murnane's Valley Maid ran a bye with Terrona, Rusty Gold being absent on account of lack of proper condition, Simmons & Donahue's Mountain Beauty beat J. J. Warren's Benicia Boy, G. Whitney's Theron beat J. J. Edmonds' Move On, Dillon & Reilley's Granuale beat O. Herzog's Gazelle, J. Byrnes' Occidental beat W. Link's American Lady, S. E. Portal's Gallagher beat J. F. Grace's Lass o' Gowrie, F. Butler's Susie beat Orient Kennel's Uncle Sam, S. E. Portal's At Last beat J. M. Halton's Alameda, E. Henry's Harkaway II beat D. Shannon's Systematic, E. Wilson's Magnet beat Kay & Trant's Eclipse, McComb & Bryan's Fleetwood ran a bye with Myrtle, Beau Brummel being absent, D. Shannon's Sarcastic beat Larkey & Rock's Emerald, J. Murnane's Flashlight beat D. Shannon's Swinnerton.

First ties—Rosette beat Mohawk, Blackette beat White Chief, Joy Bells beat Mountain Beauty, Valley Maid beat Theron, Occidental beat Granuale, Gallagher beat Susie, At Last beat Harkaway, Fleetwood beat Magnet, Sarcastic beat Flashlight.

Second ties—Rosette beat Joy Bells, Blackette beat Valley Maid, Gallagher beat Occidental, Fleetwood beat At Last, Sarcastic ran a bye with Senorita.

Third ties—Rosette beat Gallagher, Blackette beat Sarcastic, Fleetwood ran a bye with Skyball and beat him at short odds.

Fourth ties—Rosette beat Fleetwood.

This left the final to be run off between Rosette and Blackette, both owned by the Curtis Kennels of Santa Clara. They divided, in consequence, first and second money.

Rosette is by Emin Pasha out of Rockette. Blackette is by Lord Clifton out of Rockette.

JEWISH SUNDAY-SCHOOL FEAST.

The Sunday-school of the Mission branch of the Jewish Educational Society celebrated the feast of the dedication of the tabernacles yesterday afternoon in Excelsior Hall. The room was crowded, fully a hundred and twenty little ones being present. After a programme in which the talent of the school was allowed to shine forth the youngsters were presented with nuts and candies. The exercises were led by Professor Mongolas. A great deal of praise is due Miss Stella Werner for the time and attention she gave in arranging the programme and training the children. Her assistant was Miss Schloss. Following is the excellent programme:

Music, Miss Edna Schloss; address, Rabbi Voorsanger and Messrs. Greenbaum and Schloss; piano solo, "Martha," Miss Ray Bloom; reading, "History of the Feast of Dedication," Miss Mabel Toplitz; song, "Three Jolly Sailor Boys," Sam and Abe Rosenberg and Abe Friedman; recitation, "The Flower of Liberty," Herbert Yager; recitation, "Miss Bess's First Party," Miss Gertrude Sullivan; vocal solo, Miss Lena Marco; recitation, "Little Knickerbockers," Master Irving Folic; recitation, "Which Will You Have?" Miss Lena Bloom; recitation, "Washington," Sidney Norton; recitation, Miss Freda Rubinstein.

IF CHRIST HAD NOT COME.

"What if Christ had not come?" was the subject of an interesting sermon delivered by Rev. W. S. Urmy, pastor of the First M. E. Church, yesterday morning. He said in part: "What if Christ had not come? Suppose he had not appeared when he did, nor had been seen by men up to this time? What would have been the condition of the world? What would have been our condition had he been living now? It is impossible for us to fully conceive the terrible darkness that had settled down upon the world previous to the Savior's advent. The people sat in darkness and in the shadow of death. They were blinded, prejudiced, filled with evil and all about them was a dense cloud of doubt and unbelief. All the earth was filled with muttering and whispering and in their own minds were thoughts of evil spirits, God's awful wrath and evil vice.

The speaker then drew a vivid picture of Rome and Greece and of the cruelties practiced by their inhabitants and gradual decay due to their mode of living and their low morals. Concluding, he said that had Christ not come we would still be in darkness. We would not have had Sunday-schools, praises to God, no hymn-books, no Christmas entertainments, no schools of Christianity nor anything that tends to uplift our thoughts to a higher plane. His coming has dispelled the darkness and now light has spread itself upon the earth and intelligent improvement has been the result.

FESTIVAL OF CHANUKAH ENDS.

The eighth and last day of the celebration of the Chanukah festival was observed in all Jewish synagogues throughout the city yesterday evening by sermons, appropriate exercises and gifts of candy to the Sabbath-school classes. The festival commemorates the stirring deeds of Judas Maccabeus and his followers when persecuted by Antiochus, the Babylonish King, on account of their religion.

The exercises at the Bush-street Temple began with a series of marches, recitations, hymns and other musical features, after which the play, "Hannah and Her Seven Sons," was carried out by the children belonging to the Sabbath-school. The story of the heroism of Hannah and her sons is given both in the Talmud and the Book of Maccabees.

Following this interesting service came the Chanukah service, in which the blessing was given by the pupils both in Hebrew and English. The tableau of eight lights was the last feature of importance prior to Rabbi Myers' address, "The Jewish Little Hero."

The whole of the eloquent speaker's sermon was addressed to the children in language so simple that all could understand, and yet conveying such a strength of impression as to hold the closest attention of the older members of the congregation. After recounting the story of Hannah and her children, he spoke at length on the message conveyed to the young Samuel by the Lord after Eli's words of advice were followed, and deduced therefrom the fact that all could be youthful preachers and teachers.

"To be regarded with favor by God," he stated, "you must show how much you can do to spread the truth. Show your pride in your noble ancestors by your own heroism, remembering that the true hero is the one who does God's will, even if life be the penalty."

The celebration ended with the singing of the song "America" and the distribution of the souvenirs to the children by William Lissner, head teacher, and Rabbi Myers.

AT CENTRAL M. E. CHURCH.

Dr. Charles Edward Locke preached a Christmas sermon last evening to an audience which thronged Central Methodist Church in every part. His subject was "Let Us Go Even Unto Bethlehem." The text was Luke 2:xv—"Let us go even unto Bethlehem and see the thing which is come to pass which the end hath made known to us." The Christmas music under the direction of J. J. Morris was of the highest order.

In his sermon Dr. Locke described Bethlehem as located six miles southeast of Jerusalem embowered in olive and fig trees and fringed with terraced grain fields of prodigal fertility. In interesting detail he referred to Joseph, the Nazarene carpenter, and Mary, his espoused wife, to the multitude of singing angels, to the wondering shepherds, to the picturesque wise men from the East, to that sly and cruel fox, King Herod, all of whom had gone to Bethlehem at that first Christmas-tide. He said: "Let us go, not like the angry King to persecute and destroy, but let us seek the quiet haunts of this beautiful oriental city, that like Joseph we may defend our Lord, like the angels we may sing his praises, like the shepherds we may spread about the glad tidings, and like the wise men that we may pour the treasures of our love and loyalty and industry at the feet of the Christmas Jesus."

THE USUAL SERVICES HELD.

Yesterday was rather a quiet day in all the Catholic churches. At St. Mary's Cathedral Father Hannigan preached at 10:30 mass and in the evening Father Dempsey occupied the pulpit. At St. Ignatius, Father Butler celebrated mass and Father Burkard preached. The Ladies' Sodality of the Immaculate Conception met and recited the office of the Blessed Virgin. At Saint Patrick's Father Kane preached on the Incarnation. The decorations at all the Catholic churches are particularly effective this year and crowds visited the churches during the day.

At the Paulists' Church a prominent member of that order is visiting from New York, namely Father Hopper. He intends to stay here for a short time and will then continue his trip through California.

CONFIRMATION AT ST. LUKE'S.

A class of thirty were confirmed at St. Luke's Episcopal Church yesterday at the morning services, Bishop Nichols officiating. Previous to the confirmation exercises the Bishop preached a short sermon on "Creeds." He spoke of the necessity of having one's creed in the heart as well as on the lip, and said that the creed should be stuck to as firmly as a money-making man sticks to making money. Almost all of the Christmas music used on Christmas day was repeated yesterday. At the close of the service Bishop Nichols addressed a few words to the confirmants.

WILL HAVE A NEW SYSTEM.

Rev. W. H. Tubbs, during his address at the Bethlehem Congregational Church last night, referred to his late unpleasantness with the other Congregational ministers, and said: "Sunday will usher in the New Year and after that time we will begin to run this church under a new system, and it will be an entirely new system. I will stay with this congregation and this church as long as the congregation wants me. When the congregation does not want me I will leave and not before."

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

ORPHANS MADE HAPPY

Annual Distribution of Prizes to the Most Painstaking Pupils.

Names of Those Rewarded and Their Gifts—Excellent Programme Rendered.

Yesterday was a gladsome occasion for the little fellows out at the Pacific Hebrew Orphan Asylum, Hayes and Devisadero streets. The large gymnasium was crowded with them, and a goodly number of older folk, too, who came to witness the proceedings and add their voices of praise to those who had by industry and correct deportment brought themselves into notice. The event was the annual distribution of prizes by President S. W. Levy. The exercises were under the direction of Superintendent Henry Mauser, and came before the prize distribution.

As each of the prizes was given to the happy recipient the president made a few well-chosen remarks, stating at the outset that he hoped the rewards earned by these would inspire all to work hard for recognition next year.

The first prize for scholarship, the Behrendt medal and $250, was awarded to Arnold Cohen. Rebecca Lakomy received the silver medal and $100. She received a prize in 1896, also, and her sister Hulda won the $100 for the same year.

For deportment, Etta Reuben was given the house medal and $10. She won a prize in 1894, and her brother Abe took the Behrendt medal for 1893. Albert Taussig took the house medal and $10, as well as the girl. Last year he took a prize for punctuality. Abe Smock and Ida Ciegler said to be two very good children, who have made excellent improvement during the past year, were given $5 each.

For industry Jennie Levy and Milton Goldstein received $5 each. Both were recipients of prizes in 1894.

Ray Anshel and Beatrice Sapero were each given $5 for the best sewing. Ray received a prize in 1894, and her sister Jennie won the gold medal of the previous year. Beatrice's brother, Aaron, was awarded the Behrendt medal last year. He is now in the high school, and later on will go to the Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati and study for the rabbinate.

William Fogel was given the prize for neatness, $5. He was recognized in the distribution of prizes three years ago.

Francis Taussig, Henry Basker and Jennie Grau were each awarded $5 for excelling in Bible history. All are said to be attentive and studious children.

Following is the programme rendered by the children for the occasion:

Anspacher band, "Living Pictures" (Dalbey); motion song, "Drifting"; dumbbell drill, class A; vocal quartet, "Lily of the Valley" (Pinsuti); Anspacher band, "Robin Hood" (de Koven), introducing solos for cornet, barytone and trombone; wand drill, class B; motion song, "The Brook"; Anspacher band, "Under the Double Eagle" (Wagner).

HANDBALL SPORTS GALORE

The San Francisco Courts Are Being Well Patronized by Lovers of the Game.

The exhilarating sport of chasing the little worsted ball and keeping it in constant motion against the three walls of a ball court is one of the games that never lack the attention of those athletes who understand the game and who love to devote an afternoon's time to the enjoyment of the sport. This was the case at the two ball courts in this city during Christmas day and yesterday.

At John Condon's Occidental court, at 120 Grove street, the two days' score was as follows:

B. Clements defeated W. Hassell; score, 21—17, 14—21, 21—19.

W. Collins and B. Clements defeated A. Collins and W. Hassell; score, 21—19, 15—21, 21—10.

A. McVicker and A. Hampton defeated G. Ebner and J. Shaw; score, 21—19, 13—21, 21—20.

T. Lydon and A. McVicker defeated J. Shaw and G. Ebner; score 21—18, 14—21, 21—19.

P. Kilkenney and J. Hayden defeated M. Dolan and Professor Barren; score, 21—16, 19—21, 21—10.

"Cyclone" Hayden and J. Condon tied J. O'Leary and C. Bradley after an exciting game; score, 21—18, 16—21, 21—17; 21—19, 18—21, 21—16.

E. Creeley and F. Molineaux defeated E. Antheon and T. Clements; score, 21—12, 19—21, 21—16.

G. Hutchinson and T. Ryan defeated A. Pennoyer and J. Wren; score, 21—14, 18—21, 21—16.

T. Cashin and P. Hutchinson defeated M. Dillon and J. Pendergast; score, 21—18, 12—21, 21—19.

The games at Phil Ryan's San Francisco court, 858 Howard street, were well contested and ended with the following scores:

D. Rodgers and R. Shea defeated M. McNeil and G. McDonald; score, 21—13, 14—21, 21—18.

P. Matsen and J. Bacher defeated P. Hansen and F. Knobloch; score, 21—12, 15—21, 21—17.

M. Joyce and M. Basch defeated E. Barry and R. Housman; score, 21—15, 16—21, 21—17.

J. Hogan and W. Hamilton defeated M. Basch and M. Joyce; score, 21—12, 13—21, 21—19.

E. Curley and J. White defeated J. Collins and E. Toy; score, 21—14, 16—21, 21—19.

L. Waterman and N. Beyer defeated N. J. Prendergast and D. J. Sheehan; score, 21—14, 15—21, 21—20.

M. Fogarty and P. Foley defeated P. Herrin and M. J. Stokes; score, 21—13, 16—21, 21—15.

J. C. Nealon and T. F. Bonnet defeated J. Riordan and R. Linehan; score, 21—14, 13—21, 21—19.

In a single-handed game R. Linehan defeated T. Kilkenny by the score of 21—6, 2—21, 21—0.

MEETING NOTICES.

SAN FRANCISCO Chapter, No. 1, Royal Arch Masons, meets THIS EVENING. M. M. and P. M. degrees. H. G. PRINCE, Recorder.

CALIFORNIA Lodge, No. 1, F. and A. M., will meet THIS (MONDAY) EVENING, December 27, at 7:30 o'clock. Installation of officers. By order of the Master. FRANKLIN H. DAY, Secretary.

ANNUAL MEETING—The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Sum Dum Chief Mining Company will be held at the office of the company, room 3, in the Hobart building, 532 Market st., San Francisco, Cal., on FRIDAY, the 7th day of January, 1898, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing a board of directors to serve during the ensuing year and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. H. G. STEVENSON, Secretary. Office—Room 3 in the Hobart building, 532 Market st., San Francisco, Cal.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the California Dry Dock Company will be held at the office of the company, No. 302 California st., San Francisco, on Monday, January 10, 1898, at 11 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing a board of directors to serve for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. JAS. W. HART, Secretary. Office—No. 302 California st., room 3. San Francisco, Dec. 27, 1897.

MEETING NOTICES—Continued.

NOTICE of special meeting of stockholders of the Alaska Improvement Company—A special meeting of the stockholders of the Alaska Improvement Company will be held at the office of the company, 3 Steuart st., San Francisco, on TUESDAY, the 28th day of December, 1897, at the hour of 2 P. M., for the purpose of reconsidering the action taken at a recent stockholders' meeting resolving upon a dissolution of this corporation, and for the purpose of taking such action with regard to said dissolution as said stockholders may be advised. By order of the board of directors. H. J. BARLING, President. F. CUMMINGS, Secretary.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

MRS. DR. FISH, 101½ Grant ave., rm. 2; electrician; alcohol, Turkish baths; unrivaled.

L. SNOW, salt, Turkish, alcohol baths. Office 27, 2d floor, front, 17 Stockton st.

ROOMS whitened from $1 and papered $2 50 up. 239 Third st.

JNO. HULTHEN, electro-magnetic massage treatments; alcohol baths. 8 Mason st.

MME. HANSEN, latest galvanic battery and cabinet baths. 116 Taylor st.

BAD tenants ejected for $4; collections made; city or country. PACIFIC COLLECTION CO., 415 Montgomery st., room 6; tel. 5580.

MRS. STEWERT, genuine steam and cabinet baths. 120½ Geary st., room 11.

DIVIDEND NOTICES.

HUMBOLDT Savings and Loan Society, 18 Geary street—The directors have declared the following semi-annual dividends: 4.20 per annum on term and 3.60 per cent per annum on ordinary deposits, payable on and after January 3, 1898. ERNEST BRAND, Secretary.

Dividend Notice—The German Savings and Loan Society, 526 California street: For the half year ending December 31, 1897, a dividend has been declared at the rate of four and twenty-six hundredths (4 26-100) per cent per annum on term deposits, and three and fifty-five hundredths (3 55-100) per cent per annum on ordinary deposits, free of taxes, payable on and after Monday, January 3, 1898. GEO. TOURNY, Secretary.

The Continental Building and Loan Association of California, No. 222 Sansome st., has declared for the year ending December 31, 1897, a dividend of 6 per cent per annum on ordinary deposits, 7 per cent on one year term deposits, 10 per cent to class "F" stock, and 12 per cent to class "A" stock. DR. ED E. HILL, President. CAPT. OLIVER ELDRIDGE, WM. CORBIN, Secretary. Vice President.

DIVIDEND NOTICE—Mutual Savings Bank of San Francisco, 33 Post st.—For the half-year ending December 31, 1897, a dividend has been declared at the rate of four (4) per cent per annum on term deposits and three and one-third (3 1-3) per cent per annum on ordinary deposits, free of taxes, payable on and after Monday, January 3, 1898. GEORGE A. STORY, Cashier.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.—San Francisco Savings Union, 532 California st., cor Webb. For the half year ending with the 31st of December, 1897, a dividend has been declared at the rate per annum of four and two-tenths (4.2) per cent on term deposits and three and five-tenths (3.5) per cent on ordinary deposits, free of taxes, payable on and after Monday, January 3, 1898. LOVELL WHITE, Cashier.

DIVIDEND No. 50 (forty cents per share) of the Hutchinson Sugar Plantation Company, will be payable at the office of the company, 327 Market st., on and after Monday, December 20, 1897. Transfer books will close Tuesday, December 14, 1897, at 3 o'clock P. M. E. H. SHELDON, Secretary.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE.

LADIES! for a first-class servant, see J. F. CROSETT & CO., 316 Sutter st.

A NEAT young German girl desires situation as nurse or housework, $10 to $15 up. MISS CULLEN, 325 Sutter.

A STRONG Swedish housegirl wishes situation; good cook; $15, $20. MRS. NORTON, 323 Sutter st.

GOOD worker; American woman; lately came here; knows what work is and is trustworthy; goes by the day; $1 a day and car fare; strong and willing to work. 255A 3d st., upstairs, room 5.

RESPECTABLE woman with little girl 2½ years wants housework or mind children in parents' absence; references; wages small. Address 255, Call Office.

RESPECTABLE middle-aged woman wishes situation; is good cook; will do down-stairs work or day work. 608 Jones, near Geary.

COOK; Japanese; excellent, first-class cook with good experience, desires a position in a nice family. Address 251 Call office.

WANTED—Position chaperon; good packer; needlewoman; place of trust; light duties; long references. Address LIBA, 1139 Nineteenth st., East Oakland.

A REFINED young widow desires to take charge of rooming house. Address Box 256.

TWO well-educated, refined Englishwomen desire remunerative employment; experienced teachers; good housekeepers; foreign correspondence; amanuensis; daily preferred; together if resident. Box 206, Call office.

NURSE for invalid, either sex; city or country; hospital experience; best references given. Address box 212, Call office.

FIRST class dressmaker wishes board and room in exchange for work. Box 242, Call.

RESPONSIBLE widow wishes management of house; good seamstress; home comforts more than wages. Box 241, Call.

YOUNG lady would like a place as housekeeper; willing to go to the Klondike in the spring. 120½ Geary st., room 2.

EXPERIENCED woman wishes position as housekeeper, or will do housework; city or suburbs. Address J. G., Box 5, Call Office, Oakland.

WOMAN with a child wishes to do work in city or country; is good cook and laundress. Call for two days, 761 Mission.

EXPERIENCED German girl wants a place as housekeeper, or will do plain mending. 223 Post st., room 11, second floor.

AMERICAN woman wishes to do office or housecleaning work; sleep home. 331½ Bush st., room 3.

YOUNG lady desires a steady place as housekeeper; city or country. 126 Fourth st., room 23, second floor.

YOUNG lady wants a place as housekeeper; city or country. Call 207 Post st., room 9.

MIDDLE-AGED American widow wishes position as housekeeper on ranch where only one table is served, or will cook for men on ranch; understands butter-making; good cook; references. Apply room 20, Ahlborn Hotel, 323 Grant ave.

SITUATION wanted as laundress in private family, hotel or boarding-house, by experienced woman. Box 189, Call office.

YOUNG lady wants a typewriter place; city or country. 1015 Market st., 2d floor. Room 17.

LADY wishes position as housekeeper or do