

FOUR BOLD DAYLIGHT ROBBERS

A Quartet of Thieves Takes a Business Man's Coin.

Located the Hiding Place for the Grocer's Money by a Clever Ruse.

Feigned a Fight While a Confederate Sneaked Behind the Counter.

LEAVE NO CLEW BEHIND.

Haggled About a Broken Window While His Store Was Being Looted.

Four daring burglars made a successful raid on a grocery store kept by Herman Schomaker at Gough and Oak streets yesterday morning.

The proprietor was alone in his store shortly before noon when a young man entered and asked for a cake of compressed yeast.

Schomaker rushed from behind the counter of his store and out on the sidewalk to see what the trouble was and to find out who was to blame for the damage to his place.

The grocer went back into his store. The man who had been drinking the beer when the window was broken was gone.

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THE STORY OF A SENSATIONAL ROBBERY.



leged he threw a paint bucket at him but smashed the grocer's window instead. The man who purchased the yeast cake was about 22 years of age and of a rather heavy build.

DISCRIMINATING DUTY.

Reciprocity to Be Made the Basis of Action in All Cases Coming Under the Rule.

The United States Board of General Appraisers has rendered an important decision on questions arising under the provisions of section 22 of the act of July 24, 1897, relating to the imposition of a discriminating duty of 30 per cent ad valorem in certain cases.

Should any foreign merchandise become liable to the discriminating duty provided for by section 22, due notice will be given by this department.

BOONE'S DISBARMENT.

He Makes Affidavit Accusing Reputable Lawyers of Wrongdoing Similar to His Own.

John L. Boone has filed an affidavit in the United States Circuit Court with his petition for a rehearing in the disbarment proceedings against him, and in the affidavit he tries to make it appear that reputable lawyers have been guilty of similar practices to those for which he was disbarred.

Groom on Top.

Few people have enjoyed the luxury of a genuine Panama hat, owing to the high price asked for them.

Wolcott on the Stand.

When the suit of Charles B. Polhemus against the estate of Charles Mayne was called in Judge Sewall's court yesterday morning, Joseph L. Wolcott, who acted as secretary for the San Francisco and San Jose Railroad Company prior to its coming into the possession of the Southern Pacific Company, was again called to the stand.

Robbed a Rancher.

John W. Carroll, a rancher from Sonoma, met a pretty girl on Post street Monday night who persisted in talking to him.

Had a Free Fight.

H. A. Madden, manager of the saloon at 115 Eddy street, Phillip Gareau and Conrad Bule, engaged in a free fight in front of the saloon yesterday afternoon.

POOLROOMS PATRONIZED BY WOMEN

Pathetic Scenes in the Several Dens on Grant Avenue.

Misguided Females Induced to Part With Their Money.

A Patroness Who Lost Her Last Fifty Cents on a "Lead-Pipe" Cinch.

"MY GOD, I AM RUINED."

The Police Seem Powerless to Suppress the Existing Evil.

Notwithstanding the vigilance of the police, pool rooms for "ladies only" are being conducted without apparent fear.



As the Results Were Announced the Fair Patronesses Scrambled for the Coin.

of detection. The men in charge openly assert that they do not fear the police, and defy them to obtain sufficient evidence against them. As far as the police know three poolrooms for "ladies only" are in full operation on Grant avenue.

gan, who alternate in the tenderloin district, determined to suppress the evil. They conferred with the Chief of Police with the result that a special detail of officers was sent to close the games.

PLEGGED TO EVADE THE LAW

Complete Text of an Important Political Document.

Partisan Plan of the New State Library Board in Detail.

How the Republican Caucus Provided for the Library Patronage.

DEMOCRATS TO BE FIRED.

An Agreement to Abide by the Unit Rule in Making Appointments to Office.

The position taken by Governor Budd respecting the Board of State Library Trustees, who were elected by the last Assembly to take office February 28, 1898, has excited a great deal of comment.

The written demands made upon the aspirants for membership in the new board under signature of the Republican caucus committee, and the pledges responsively said to have been made by four of the five members elect, are held by the Governor to constitute a violation of the purity of elections law.

On this ground, it is announced, he will decline to certify to the elections. The incumbent board will refuse to vacate unless their successors present the necessary certificates, thus forcing the question as to the legality of the election and the proper qualification of the new members into the courts for settlement.

It will be recalled that the election of Messrs. Ryan of Sacramento, Neff of Colfax, Lemmon of Santa Rosa, Flint Sr. of Monterey, and Lee of Los Angeles, was decided upon, not by the Republican caucus immediately after the names of candidates had been submitted, but a week later.

The requirement that no person holding a library position should be removed except by a unanimous decision on the part of the board was deemed a proper safeguard for meritorious occupants.

In order to get around this statutory prescription and bind the incoming board to a partisan program it was decided by the managers of the Republican caucus to make the board a unit in the matter of making new library appointments.

That is to say, the appointment of any and all Republicans chosen by the majority composed of three members was to be approved by the minority, and the board as a whole was to be pledged to the replacement of Democrats by Republicans.

Great caution and secrecy were used in the caucus committee in securing the pledges, as the members seem to have been fully aware of the delicacy of their undertaking.

Under the presumption that the Govern-

sued by the Board to be elected on the 3d day of February next. There are five trustees; that no one in a position in the library can be removed without the unanimous consent of the five; that while the entire management of the library has been left with and given to the Democratic party, and the library has to this extent been a factor in the politics of the State.

We are instructed to inform you that it is the sense of the caucus that whoever should be elected a member of the coming board of trustees should give his assurance that he will see that Republicans are to be given no preference in the library, but are to be placed in and occupy the positions in said library under their control by the will of the majority of the trustees as to any removal; also to pledge the Librarian selected to employ only Republicans as assistants in his office.

As instructed, we now send this communication to you and should be pleased to hear from you by letter or in person at your earliest convenience and in any event before the afternoon of Tuesday, the 23d of February next. Very respectfully, your obedient servants, JOHN H. DICKINSON, THOMAS FLINT JR., W. F. PRICE, Committee.

By JOHN H. DICKINSON, Chairman.

Progressive Barbers. The Progressive Barbers' Association of San Francisco has been organized and will hold its second meeting on Thursday evening at 8:30 o'clock at 102 Seventh street. Forty members have signed the roll.

Committees were appointed to wait on the Labor Council and Labor Alliance asking for affiliation, and on the maintenance of a free employment office. The following officers were elected: W. B. Currie, president; J. Eschen, secretary.

Gold or Silver, Which? The Freeholders last evening devoted their attention to the gold and silver standards. Mr. McCarthy strenuously objected to the words "gold coin" being inserted in the charter.

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