LIBERTINE WON THE HANDICAP IN A GALLOP

Hohenzollern, the Favorite, Ran Second.

"SKEETS" IN RARE FORM

MONTALLADE DOWNED A BUNCH OF FAST SPRINTERS.

Adolph Spreckels Took the Opening Race at Ingleside — Montanus Enjoyed an Easy Win—Four Choices in Front.

The starters in the mile handicap at Ingleside yesterday did not finish as they were played in the betting. The general public backed Hohenzollern, the mount of "Skeets" Martin, at even money. After finishing in front on four occasions, "Skeets" made sorry work of it with Hohenzollern. Taking him back at the first turn, he afterward sawed wood with a vigor, arriving at the wire, just after Johnny Reiff and Libertine had passed it. Some highly cultivated money, in big and little chunks, was placed around the ring on Storm King, but an indifferent third was the best the hack horse could do. Libertine carried 107 pounds, and ran like a wild horse, stepping the distance off in 1:42½. He was at one time 8 to 1 in the ring.

Though the fields were large and unwieldy, four favorites led their fields out. The riding of "Skeets" Martin was the feature of the day's sport.

Ed. Corrigan took the first purse hung up, with Adolph Spreckels. The gelding, with "Skeets" Martin on his back, was played down to favoritism, and always prominent, passed El Salado at the paddock, winning handily. The latter mare, from the Baldwin stable, was well supported at odds of 10 to 1. Cavallo made a good run from the rear, taking the show.

Liberal scratching in the seven furlong run that followed reduced the field to eight starters. The Montana bred colt Montanus, trained by Billy Randall, was installed a sharp choice. The bay fellow caught the 75 to 1 shot Silver State as the wire was neared, and won without much effort. By dint of considerable persuasion, Rutter landed Plan in the place, a neck ahead of Silver State.

The speedy but somewhat erratic Amelia Fonso was a pronounced favorite over her field in the third event, at six furlongs. She soon showed first to a straggling start, but was hard ridden at the finish to beat Promto, a 10 to 1 shot piloted by Turner. Interfered with at the far turn, Sir Urian was a close third.

Corrigan's aged gelding The Bachelor seemed to be about the fit for the mile and a sixteenth selling affair, and went to the post a 7 to 10 chance. Heading Meadow Lark when half the distance had been covered, he won easily. Joe Mussle finished a hard ridden third, behind the Roots entry.

The six furlong dash that followed resulted in an upset. Opponent at 9 to 5 had a heavy following, while Zamar and Horatio were equally well backed at a longer price. Tom Ryan started his recent purchase Montallade, and after Zamar and Horatio had run themselves to a standstill, Martin came along with Ryan's horse and won hands down. Horatio was placed second over Zamar. The winner was as good as 5 to 1 in the betting.

To-Day's Entries.

First Race—Seven furlongs; three-year-olds and upward; maidens.

630 Rey del Rio.....107	5 Arbaces 119
... St. Simonian.....119	451 Florence Fink...102
630 Guatemoc 104	540 Gottlieb 109
409 Jazabel 110	600 Master Lee.....104
630 Sevoy 109	630 Elsin 107
... Gliberto 104	606 Henry C.....112
630 Odd Eyes.....102	551 Felicite 102
600 Glengaber 107	... Nora Richards..107

Second Race—Seven furlongs; three-year-olds and upward; selling.

599 Cyril 106	632 Faversham 89
(614)O'Connell 111	(548)Rey del Tierra..106
617 Highland Ball...103	625 Coda 99
(546)Imperious 102	586 Imp. Mistral II.110
606 Two Cheers.....101	(624)Guilder 106

Third Race—One and a quarter miles; hurdle handicap.

536 Granger 149	631 Tyro 134
536 Tortoni 150	638 Ockturuck 129
(554)Silverado 142	411 Peter II.....125
631 Major S.....136	512 Our Johnny.....125
639 Michael G.....140	570 Joan 125
631 Joe Cotton.....136	

Fourth Race—One and an eighth miles; Tarpey Stakes.

(436)What-er Lou....116	557 Morellito 109
641 Storm King.....104	634 David Tenny....110

Fifth Race—Three furlongs; two-year-olds.

633 Mountebank 113	633 Tom Sharkey....110
608 Tanobe 110	633 Kitty Kelly....110
... The Flatterer...110	... Merry Month...113
... Lorello 110	613 Reg. Hughes....110
633 Morbid 110	... Flamora 110
... Winyah 110	626 Pidalia 110
553 St. Anthony.....110	... Bamboulia 113

Sixth Race—Six furlongs; three-year-olds and upward.

(629)Satsuma 115	... Merry Boy.....112
424 Saintly 97	624 Crawford 105
624 Limewater 100	(621)Gualala 95

Selections for To-Day.

First Race—Florence Fink, Glengaber, Felicite.

Second Race—Imperious, Rey del Tierra, O'Connell.

Third Race—Tyro, Ockturuck, Tortoni.

Fourth Race—What-er Lou, Morellito, David Tenny.

Fifth Race—Mountebank, Kitty Kelly, Morbid.

Sixth Race—Satsuma, Gualala, Limewater.

Favorites Have an Inning.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 7.—Weather cloudy; track heavy. Tom Kingsley and Tinkler were the only beaten favorites. Results:

Six furlongs, J H C won, Lady Callahan second, Bishop Reed third. Time, 1:17½.

Six and a half furlongs, Hobart won, Sister Fox second, Jimmie McCleery third. Time, 1:26¼.

Seven furlongs, selling, Simon D won, Banquo II second, Tom Kingsley third. Time, 1:33½.

Six furlongs, selling, Reckon won, Dolly Welthoff second, Merry Day third. Time, 1:19.

One mile and twenty yards, selling, Nailer won, Klondike second, Fleeda third. Time, 1:52¾.

One mile, selling, Locust Blossom won, Swordsman second, Tinkler third. Time, 1:48½.

Dr. D'Evelyn, returned from the East. Office, Phelan building.

Was Fixed for Business.

Christopher Martin, who was arrested early Sunday morning on top of Gildea's clothing house, Market street and Grant avenue, by Special Officer Husted, while trying to break through the roof, was yesterday held to answer by Judge Conlan before the Superior Court on the charge of burglary, in $5000 bonds. He was also sentenced to six months in the County Jail for having burglars' tools in his possession. He had not only burglars' tools, but a large quantity of dynamite, and when it was brought into court the Judge promptly ordered it taken out again.

Death of Peter F. Dillon.

Peter F. Dillon, whose attempt at suicide was noted in yesterday's issue of The Call, died in St. Mary's Hospital at a quarter of 6 o'clock yesterday morning. The deceased was 60 years old and kept a small grocery at No. 27 Minna street. He recovered consciousness shortly before he died and told his attendants that he was cleaning his pistol and that it was accidentally discharged.

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THE CALL'S RACING CHART.

INGLESIDE RACE TRACK, Tuesday, Feb. 7, 1899.—Thirty-ninth day of the Pacific Coast Jockey Club meeting. Weather fine. Track fast.

EDWIN F. SMITH, Presiding Judge. JAMES F. CALDWELL, Starter.

636. FIRST RACE—Six furlongs; selling; four-year-olds and upward; purse, $400.

Index.	Horse.	Age.	Weight.	St.	¼m.	½m.	¾m.	Str.	Fin.	Jockeys.	Betting. Op.	Betting. Cl.
(521)	Ad. Spreckels, 5	109		2	...	3 2	2 2	...	1 1	H. Martin	5-2	9-5
611	El Salado, 4	104		6	...	2 ½	1 ½	...	2 3	Bullman	6	10
577	Cavallo, 5	109		9	...	7 ½	9 2	...	3 2	Snider	6	7
542	Una Colorado, 6	109		8	...	9 2	6 1	...	4 ½	Rutter	30	50
...	Naranja, 5	109		1	...	5 h	3 ½	...	5 2	Spencer	6	7
577	Glen Anne, 4	106		10	...	8 ½	7 2	...	6 2	Jones	6	7
619	Ballister, 4	106		11	...	10 ½	5 h	...	7 4	J. Daly	20	40
605	Fly, a	109		5	...	1 2½	4 h	...	8	Gray	8	12
457	Cardwell, 6	112		12	...	4 2	12	...	9	Beauchamp	15	40
601	Schnitz, a	112		7	...	12	11 1	...	10	N. Turner	20	40
...	Judge Napton, 4	106		3	...	6 2	10 1	...	11	W. H. Martin	40	75
544	Don Fulano, a	112		4	...	11 1	8 ½	...	12	Hennessy	12	20
273	Bliss Rucker, 4	111		13	...	13	13	...	13	Piggott	8	15

Time—¼, :24½; ½, :48½; ¾, 1:14¾. Winner, E. Corrigan's b. g. by Longfellow-Jennie Treacy. Good start. Won first three driving.

Adolph Spreckels was shooting on his own preserves. El Salado was unbottled. The vintage was good, but the corkage bad. Glen Anne out of luck again. Una Colorado ran surprisingly well. Cavallo came from the timber regions.

Scratched—Grandezia 107, Melvin Burnham 109, Billy McCloskey 112, Brown Prince 109, Sokombeo 106.

637. SECOND RACE—Seven furlongs; selling; three-year-olds and upward; purse, $400.

Index.	Horse.	Age.	Weight.	St.	¼m.	½m.	¾m.	Str.	Fin.	Jockeys.	Betting. Op.	Betting. Cl.
623	Montanus, 3	101		5	3 ½	2 1½	1 ½	1 1	1 2	W. H. Martin	3-2	6-5
210	Plan, 4	104		2	4 1	4 2	4 h	2 h	2 ½	Rutter	6	6
611	Silver State, a	105		3	1 1	1 ½	2 1	4 1	3 1	Jones	20	75
586	Ko Ko, 6	109		8	8	7 1	7 1	6 1	4 h	I. Powell	40	150
611	Dolore, 5	107		1	2 1	3 h	3 h	3 h	5 h	Bullman	7-2	8
609	Gauntlet, 3	103		7	7 h	5 h	5 1	5 ½	6 2	Devin	3-2	16-5
592	Judge Stouffer, 5	107		4	5 2	6 1½	6 2	7 1	7 3	H. Martin	10	8
625	Roadrunner, a	112		6	6 h	8	8	8	8	Gray	40	200

Time—¼, :25; ½, :49½; ⅝, 1:02½; ⅞, 1:28¾. Winner, W. D. Randall's b. c. by Montana-Flirt. Good start. Won easily. Second and third driving.

Montanus handled his company well. The route was a trifle short for Plan. Silver State and Ko Ko will win shortly. Dolore was a bit short. Judge Stouffer hated to leave the bench, and made no showing.

Scratched—Novia 108, Polish 110, Magnus 104, Diara 95, Rapido 107, Our Johnny 110, None Such 104, Yankee Doodle 110, Zarro 107.

638. THIRD RACE—Six furlongs; selling; three-year-olds and upward; purse, $400.

Index.	Horse.	Age.	Weight.	St.	¼m.	½m.	¾m.	Str.	Fin.	Jockeys.	Betting. Op.	Betting. Cl.
622	Amelia Fonso, 6	100		4	...	1 1½	1 1½	1 ½	1 ¾	H. Martin	6-5	1
188	Prompto, 4	109		1	...	2 1	2 1	2 2	2 2	Turner	6	10
602	Sir Urian, 3	104		7	...	6 1	4 2	3 2	3 6	Bullman	7	7
(579)	Castake, 4	106		5	...	9 2	8 ½	7 1	4 3	W. H. Martin	7	12
(618)	Rio Chico, 3	94		10	...	8 h	9 2	8 2	5 2	E. Stimpson	8	25
(612)	Bonibel, 3	92		9	...	7 ½	6 h	6 h	6 1	M. Kelly	12	25
548	Ockturuck, 4	99		8	...	10	7 h	9 1	7 2	Hal Brown	20	100
594	Initiator, 4	104		6	...	5 h	10	10	8 2	Rutter	10	25
543	Uncle True, 4	105		3	...	4 1	5 1	5 1	9 3	Frawley	40	60
(572)	Aluminum, 4	106		2	...	3 h	3 ½	4 h	10	Spencer	8	10
582	The Fretter, 3	99		*	...	...	...	...	...	J. Woods	12	10

*Left.

Time—¼, :24½; ½, :49; ¾, 1:15. Winner, W. P. Magrane's b. m. by Fonso-Amelia P. Poor start. Won first three driving.

Amelia Fonso had nothing to give away at the end. Sir Urian was bumped at the far turn, losing a couple of lengths. It will always seem as if Castake could have been closer up. Nobody told Johnny Woods the barrier was up, and The Fretter was left.

639. FOURTH RACE—One and a sixteenth miles; selling; four-year-olds and upward; purse, $400.

Index.	Horse.	Age.	Weight.	St.	Std.	¼m.	½m.	¾m.	Str.	Fin.	Jockeys.	Betting. Op.	Betting. Cl.
...	The Bachelor, a	106		1	2 1	2 h	2 1	1 h	1 1	1 3	H. Martin	1	7-10
620	Meadow Lark, a	106		3	4 ½	1 h	1 h	2 1½	2 1	2 3	Spencer	2	2
577	Joe Mussle, 5	109		7	7 1	7 3	3 1	3 1	3 2	3 1½	Bassinger	50	50
598	Rosemaid, 4	99		5	5 2	5 h	5 h	4 2	4 4	4 6	Gray	10	15
187	Fashion Plate, 5	104		6	6 3	6 ½	6 3	5 6	5 10	5 6	Rutter	5	10
...	Arundel, a	109		4	1 h	3 1	4 h	6 3	6 4	6 3	Beauchamp	60	100
603	Alvero, 6	106		8	8	8	8	8	7 2	7 8	I. Powell	30	20
...	Michael G, 5	109		2	3 h	4 h	7 2	7 ½	8	8	Bullman	30	40

Time—1-16, :07; 5-16, :32½; 9-16, :57¾; 13-16, 1:24¾; mile, 1:43¾; 1 1-16 miles, 1:50¼. Winner, E. Corrigan's ch. g. by Judge Murray-Spinster. Good start. Won easily. Second and third driving.

The Bachelor was in receipt of a legacy. He rolled in. The others a trashy assortment.

Scratched—San Marco 109.

640. FIFTH RACE—Six furlongs; selling; three-year-olds and upward; purse, $400.

Index.	Horse.	Age.	Weight.	St.	¼m.	½m.	¾m.	Str.	Fin.	Jockeys.	Betting. Op.	Betting. Cl.
593	Montallade, 6	104		5	...	3 ½	4 2	1 1	1 ½	H. Martin	5	9-2
591	Horatio, 5	114		4	...	2 1	2 h	3 h	2 ns	Piggott	5	6
(617)	Zamar II, 5	109		3	...	1 h	1 1	2 h	3 h	Spencer	5-2	14-5
552	Opponent, 4	108		6	...	4 ½	3 ½	4 1	4 1	Turner	9-5	9-5
621	Rey Hooker, 3	99		1	...	5 2	5 1	5 ½	5 2	W. H. Martin	15	10
(411)	Cabrillo, 6	112		2	...	6 2	6 1	6 1	6 1	Snider	25	60
628	Benamela, 5	109		7	...	7 6	7 6	7 6	7 8	Rutter	10	20
...	Perseus, 6	109		8	...	8	8	8	8	Bullman	10	50

Time—¼, :24½; ½, :48¾; ¾, 1:14¾. Winner, T. H. Ryan's b. g. by Montana-Fusillade's Last. Good start. Won easily. Second and third driving.

Montallade, in his new colors, was hard to beat. Horatio and Zamar were raced to death out in front. Zamar looked to have finished second. The "Little Bismarck" took Opponent's speed with him.

Scratched—Heigh Ho 104, Highland Ball, 111.

641. SIXTH RACE—One mile; handicap; three-year-olds and upward; purse, $500.

Index.	Horse.	Age.	Weight.	St.	¼m.	½m.	¾m.	Str.	Fin.	Jockeys.	Betting. Op.	Betting. Cl.
629	Libertine, a	107		4	2 3	1 1	1 1½	1 1	1 1½	J. Reiff	5	5
(590)	Hohenzollern, 5	100		3	3 h	3 2	3 2	3 4	2 2½	H. Martin	1	1
627	Storm King, 5	104		1	1 h	2 ½	2 1½	2 h	3 5	Rutter	8-5	8-5
...	La Penitente, 3	97		2	4	4	4	4	4	W. H. Martin	12	15

Time—¼, :25½; ½, :50¼; ¾, 1:16; mile, 1:42½. Winner, J. G. Brown & Co.'s b. h. by Leonatus-Falaise. Good start. Won easily. Second and third driving.

An infant could have ridden Hohenzollern better than Martin did. The horse was taken out of it at the first turn. New York's society players backed Storm King, but the black one couldn't breast the breakers. Penitente was rank.

CYCLE RACERS READY FOR THE TOURNAMENT

Track Was Completed Yesterday.

FASTEST IN THE COUNTRY

JIMMY MICHAEL AFTER THE FIVE-MILE RECORD.

Fournier and Waller Have Trouble With the Former's Motor Cycle Again—Elkes Wants a Match.

The construction of the cycle track in Mechanics' Pavilion was completed yesterday, and all is now in readiness for the big meet which will open there Saturday night, continuing for two weeks.

Some of the Eastern riders tried the track last night, and pronounce it the fastest indoor track they have ever ridden upon. It is eight laps to the mile, eighteen feet wide and banked three feet on the sides and nine feet on the curves.

The six-day riders complain of the track, saying that it is too fast for them, being built more for men like Michael, to whom a mile at a 1:50 clip is but play. F. Ed Spooner, the well-known Eastern cycling authority, however, does not think with them. He says: "The six-day men will find the track all right; but its steepness will cause them to change their tactics somewhat. Instead of riding long stretches at a slow pace, they will rest often and when on the track will ride fast; they'll have to ride fast or fall off the banks. In this way the race will be more dashing, hence more interesting to the spectators, and will also be more humane."

The meet will open Saturday night with short distance professional and amateur races and a five-mile record trial by Champion Jimmy Michael, paced by multicycles. Sunday night will see a similar programme. At five minutes after midnight Sunday night the big six-day race will start. There will probably be about forty entrants, though the killing ride will cut this field down one-half in about three days. It is the intention of the promoters to run short-distance races, record trials and exhibitions by Michael, Bald and other cracks, on the same track during the six-day race. Manager Kennedy says that in Madison Square Garden, New York, on a track two laps smaller than this one, with thirty-four six-day men riding on the track, they started an amateur mile race with twelve men in a heat. This will open the eyes of California wheelmen, who have always thought six men on a track indoors was taking a risk of breaking some one's neck.

When the sprint races are put on, however, the six-day men ride close to the rail in Indian file for the few minutes that it takes to run the race, and enjoy the relaxation from the monotony of continuously riding around that it affords them.

Saturday night's programme is arranged as follows: One mile tandem handicap, professional; one-half mile handicap, professional; one mile handicap, amateur; club team race for Bushnell trophy; five mile record trial by Jimmy Michael, paced by multicycles. Reserved seats will be obtainable to-morrow at the Emporium, main floor.

The mile tandem handicap race should be a "corker"; with the class of riders now here it is safe to say that they will hit up a clip that will be hair-raising. For instance, McFarland alone can circle the track in 2 minutes flat; so can Stevens; now put them together on a tandem, and the result can well be imagined.

Henri Fournier, the French champion, with his gasoline tricycle, and "Dutch" Waller, the famous long-distance rider, had a bad tumble across the bay Sunday. They were en route to San Jose, Fournier in front with his infernal machine setting pace at a 1:40 clip. On the handle bars of the machine he was carrying Waller's coat, tied with a string. The string broke, the coat dropped down into the running gear, and Henri, "Dutch" and their machine vied with each other rolling in the gutter. Fortunately no bones were broken, but Waller carried his own coat the rest of the way. The accident happened near Mount Eden, but Fournier does not think the place is particularly well named.

Harry Elkes, the American middle-distance champion, whose arrival here was noted in yesterday's Call, says that his one aim in coming this far was to get a match with Jimmy Michael, the world's champion, at any distance up to thirty-three miles. Elkes is the first American who ever held the world's hour record, which he made when he defeated the famous English rider, Tom Linton. The record stands at 34 miles 1223 yards, and Elkes thinks he can improve it in a match with Michael and win the race, too. In Elkes' race with Linton he rode the fourteenth mile in 1:35 1-5, equaling the world's record for that distance, flying start.

The Olympic Club Wheelmen will hold an informal entertainment in the gymnasium and a high jinks in the wheelmen's rooms to-night, in honor of the visiting wheelmen.

Eddie Bald, the champion short-distance rider of the world, will lead the cotillion to-night at the fourteenth anniversary ball of the Bay City Wheelmen, to be held in the Palace Hotel maple room.

Reception to Rev. Mr. Brooke.

The annual meeting of the First Unitarian Society of San Francisco was held last evening. Incidental to it was a reception to the Rev. Stopford W. Brooke, who recently came to fill the place of Horatio Stebbins, resigned. Reports were read by the Channing Auxiliary Society of Christian Work, Postoffice Mission, Sunday-school, Hinkley trust fund and Hathaway trust fund. Each report gave evidence of the good work which had been done during the year by the several societies and showed sound financial standing.

At the reception, which immediately followed the meeting, about three hundred members of the congregation participated. Congratulations and addresses of good fellowship were delivered and the new pastor was warmly welcomed.

LATE SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

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Tuesday, February 7.

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DOMESTIC PORTS.

TACOMA—Arrived Feb 7—Schr G. W. Watson, from San Pedro. Sailed—Stmr Al-Ki, for Alaska; Br ship Lynton, for Antwerp.

TRANSATLANTIC STEAMERS.

NEW YORK—Sailed Feb 7—Edam, for Rotterdam; Cevic, for Liverpool.

ALGIERS—Arrived Feb 7—Auguste Victoria, on cruise.

ANTWERP—Arrived Feb 5—Switzerland, from Philadelphia.

NAPLES—Sailed Feb 6—Stmr Patria, for New York.

HIBERNIANS CLOSE THEIR CONVENTION

Vast Good to the Order Expected.

WATCHWORD IS "EXPANSION"

NEW BOARD GRANTED EXTRAORDINARY POWERS.

A Banquet in the Evening at Which Colonel Smith and the California Boys at Manila Are Remembered.

* "Colonel James F. Smith, Manila: *
* The State Convention, Ancient Or- *
* der Hibernians, from the banquet *
* board cheer your name and send *
* greetings to you and your brave *
* California boys." *
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The Ancient Order of Hibernians seems destined in the near future to renew its vigorous growth of former days and far outstrip all similar societies in point of membership.

The State Convention finished its labors yesterday, and the measures adopted providing for the welfare of the order guarantees that the Hibernians will, before long, be floating on the crest of prosperity such as it has never known before.

Yesterday's proceedings were devoted almost entirely to considering and acting upon amendments to the by-laws, and defining the scope of the Board of Expansion that has just been created. The board was given absolute power within the State to adopt such means as it may consider best to promote the growth and welfare of the order, and to carry out its plans it was decided to levy an assessment of 50 cents a year on each member. As there are at present about 3000 members of the order in the State, this will give the board a fund of $1500 at the outset to work on.

The following gentlemen were elected members of the board for the ensuing year: P. J. McCormick, San Francisco; Frank Conklin, San Francisco; T. H. Carr, Nevada City; M. Farrell, Santa Clara; James Smith, Oakland. The members will begin an active canvass of the State at once. They have several plans partly formulated by which they expect to arouse new interest in this pioneer of Irish societies, and they confidently expect to double the present membership within a year. Established divisions will be rejuvenated and new divisions organized in every section.

The convention also selected the following Finance Committee, which will have charge of all State funds with the exception of that provided for the Board of Expansion: J. J. Donohue, San Francisco, chairman; Martin Dalton, San Jose; P. N. Hanrahan.

The following resolution regarding the California boys at Manila was offered and adopted with cheers:

"Whereas, In the conflict in the Philippines the Eighth Army Corps, composed largely as it is of men of Celtic blood, has shown like valor in the face of the enemy as distinguished our brothers of the army and navy there and elsewhere in our conflict with Spain, and whereas, we have learned through the press dispatches of the most glorious success of this corps in the recent assault on our lines and of the valor of the First California Regiment; therefore be it

"Resolved, That this California State Convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians extend to the soldiers in the Philippines, many of whom are members of our noble order, its congratulations on their victory, its condolences for the gallant lives sacrificed and its hopes for a speedy termination of hostilities."

Another resolution protesting against the proposed American-British alliance was also adopted without a dissenting voice, as follows:

"Whereas, The emissaries of the British Government have for some years been endeavoring to entangle this nation in a so-called alliance; and

"Whereas, The experience of the United States with Great Britain in the Revolution, in the war of 1812, in the Mexican War and in the Civil War should serve as warning against any overtures of this nature; and

"Whereas, It is right and proper for us to protest against a threatening evil to our beloved country, as good citizens and through our Irish blood that has been shed on every battle-field from the Revolution all down through the years against this deadly foe of the country, for, whether in the open or by treachery, she has always proved herself the enemy of American institutions; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That this convention of the A. O. H. protests against any alliance with Great Britain for the reason that such alliance would be against the best interests of this country, would be unnatural in view of England's brutal record, of her tyranny, of her butchery, and that we appeal to all lovers of liberty to take position against any alliance between the two countries or of any union of the stars and stripes with the red flag of despotism, which floats only for privilege as against liberty and is the symbol of force and conquest and greed and lust wherever planted."

The memory of the late Colonel John O'Byrne was honored by the following resolution:

"Whereas, God in his infinite wisdom has taken from our midst a blessed brother, Colonel John O'Byrne, a man who was held in high repute for his noble character, unselfish devotion to purpose and for his pure patriotism; and

"Whereas, In his life work Colonel O'Byrne represented the best type of Irish manhood and character. He was a brave man, a fearless soldier, but gentle as a woman. He was a distinguished scholar, poet, orator and writer, but unostentatious and without pretense. He was generous and liberal, but without display. His heart beat with warm sympathy for Ireland and he voiced his sentiments with living eloquence and wrote with the force and effect of a great talent under convictions of a loving duty to his motherland. As an American citizen he fought for principles and for the people with all the strength of his energetic nature, inspired by a love for the constitution and the principles of our Government. From a boyhood when his teaching was under the influence and direction of parents who gave to him the inspiration that comes of unsullied and distinguished Irish lineage, he entered on his young manhood and selected for his associates the chosen spirits who were engaged in the cause of Ireland. He brought into his work the broad education that his native talent had enriched. Into the years of middle life in the Eastern States, where his lot was cast, he labored with fidelity and his leadership was unquestioned. When the country was engaged in the great strife of the Civil War he was for the Union and the flag had no truer defender than Colonel O'Byrne. In his profession he took rank with the foremost minds of the day. In all his varied history he was an honor to the race and an Irishman whose record made him worthy of the confidence and respect of the whole people; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That we offer this as a tribute to his memory; that it is a token of our appreciation of his noble character and of his services to faith and country; that we regret his death as a distinct loss to every good cause, and that we tender our sincere condolence to his dear widow and family; that these resolutions be entered on our minutes and copies sent by our State secretary as directed."

In the evening 125 delegates to the State convention and invited guests sat down to a banquet at the Maison St. Germain, on O'Farrell street. P. J. McCormick presided, and at his right sat State President J. J. Donovan, while Rev. D. O. Crowley, State chaplain, was seated on his left. It was 10:30 o'clock when the gentlemen entered the banquet hall and Father Crowley asked divine blessing on those present. The banquet was given by the San Francisco divisions to the delegates, everybody present doing ample justice to it, for the session of the convention had lasted from the afternoon until well into the evening before the work was completed and final adjournment taken.

During the repast the following cablegram was dispatched to Colonel James F. Smith of the First California Regiment in Manila:

"Colonel James F. Smith, Manila: The State Convention, Ancient Order of Hibernians, from the banquet board cheer your name and send greetings to you and your brave California boys."

When it was read to the banqueters prolonged cheers were given for the gallant Smith and his heroic command.

When the last of the edibles disappeared the chairman again rapped for order and proposed a toast to the United States, which was eloquently responded to by Tax Collector Edward I. Sheehan. This was followed by "The A. O. H.," to which Michael Farrell spoke; "Our Sister Societies," ex-Supervisor Jeremiah Deasy; "The Church and Civilization," Rev. D. O. Crowley; "San Francisco," Mayor James D. Phelan; "The Pacific Ocean and International Exposition in 1901," James D. Carr; "Our Boys at Manila," S. R. O'Keefe; "Civil and Religious Liberty," ex-Judge Robert Ferral; "The Day We Celebrate," J. J. Donohue; "The Ladies," J. P. Dignan. This concluded the set speeches, but the delegates lingered long at the tables, good stories and witticisms speeding the minutes until hours after midnight.

WANT TO RESTORE HIM TO LEGAL STATUS

Attorney Thornton's Plea to the Supreme Court to Have a Convict Declared Capable of Inheriting.

Whether or not the conviction and sentence of imprisonment for life of James J. Donnelly operates in law to divest him of any share in his father's estate is a question that the Supreme Court will have to decide within the next ninety days. Arguments on this novel legal point were submitted to the appellate court sitting in bank yesterday by the attorneys for the estate of Thomas Donnelly, deceased, and Charles J. Stillwell, to whom the convict son assigned his claim.

The elder Donnelly died intestate in the early part of 1896, leaving surviving him five children and property valued at $25,000. Prior to his death his son James J. was convicted of the crime of robbery and was sentenced to San Quentin for the term of his natural life. The latter on learning of his father's demise transferred his claim on the estate to Charles J. Stillwell for a valuable consideration, and Stillwell made effort to secure the convict's share.

In distributing the estate Judge Coffey excluded the convict son on the ground that he was civilly dead. Through his attorneys Stillwell appealed and the matter came up for hearing in the Supreme Court yesterday. Besides importuning the members of that august body to declare the convict son alive, Crittenden Thornton, who argued the case, was called upon to defend his alleged action of perfecting his appeal too prematurely and serving and filing his notice of appeal before the judgment of the lower court was entered at length, as required by law.

The point raised by Mr. Stillwell's counsel, which is a novel one, has never been decided in this country. A section in the Penal Code declares that a convict is civilly dead, but whether or not he can take by inheritance has never been determined.

To Improve the North Side.

A meeting of the North Central Improvement Association was held in the assembly hall of the Mills building yesterday afternoon. By a series of resolutions the association petitioned the Board of Supervisors to grant the franchise asked by the Market Street Railway Company for the operation of electric cars over Sixth, Taylor, Geary, Montgomery and Sansome streets; also to repave Sansome and to repair Montgomery streets. The question of the occupancy of the new Hall of Justice by the Judges of the various courts, and their objection to having their chambers and courts removed from the City Hall, came before the meeting and a resolution will be presented to the Board of Supervisors urging them to compel the Judges to occupy the quarters which will be fitted up for them in the new building.

The association was recently organized for the purpose of putting life into the district north of California street and east of Kearny. It favors and promotes measures for the improvement of this section and already has a membership of sixty which is composed of representative citizens of this city and of property owners in the district.

Held Up on Natoma.

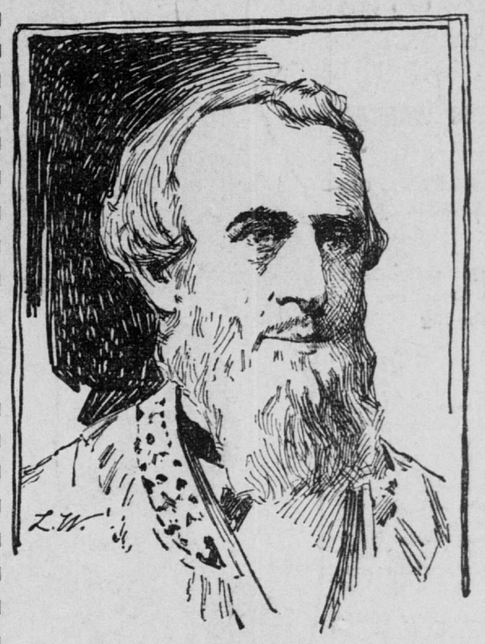
William Taylor, a mulatto, 20 years of age, was arrested early this morning by Officer Deeley on Natoma street, near Mary, and charged at the city prison with robbery. Taylor and a companion held up George W. Harrigan at the place named and relieved him of his watch and chain and $25 in coin. Before their work was completed the officer appeared and arrested Taylor. His partner made his escape.

Out of the Snow.

Teresa Carreno, the great pianiste, has been released from her snow blockade in Colorado and will arrive here this evening. She will play for the first time at Metropolitan Temple to-morrow evening.

PASSING OF JOHN B. HARMON, A PROMINENT ODD FELLOW

BERKELEY, Feb. 7.—John B. Harmon, a prominent attorney of San Francisco and one of the highest officers in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, passed away in this city this morning, aged 76 years. His death takes away one of the oldest of the past grand sires of the Odd Fellow order.



Mr. Harmon was born in Warren, Ohio, in 1822. After graduating from Yale he went to New Orleans, and was there admitted to the bar. He first became an Odd Fellow in the year 1847. Coming to California in 1853, he followed his profession in the city of San Francisco more or less continuously till now, residing part of the time in Oakland and in Berkeley for the last ten years.

In 1869 he was chosen grand master of California, and in 1870 went to the Sovereign Grand Lodge as a representative from this State. The Grand Lodge returned him as State representative every year until he had filled all the chairs of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, being elected grand sire in 1879. As deputy grand sire in 1878 he was appointed to visit Australia, and there reorganized and combined all the lodges of Australia and New Zealand.

He leaves behind a widow, Mrs. May de Neah Harmon, one daughter Mrs. Louis J. Le Conte of Berkeley, and two sons, Dr. R. Harmon of Oakland and D. Harmon. The date for the funeral has not yet been set.

BAY CITY PARTY HAS BEEN POSTPONED

OWING TO THE DEATH OF A PROMINENT MEMBER.

T. Alfred Griffiths, Who Won Fame for the Club in Its Racing Contests, Passed Away Yesterday Morning.

Owing to the death of T. Alfred Griffiths, a prominent member and racing man of the club, the fourteenth anniversary party of the Bay City Wheelmen, which was to have been held at the Palace Hotel maple room this evening, has been indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Griffiths was an old and popular member of the club. He has carried its colors to victory in scores of road and track events.

He was first taken ill with an affliction about a year ago. A trip to Honolulu afforded him no relief, and since his return he has been gradually sinking, until the end came yesterday morning.

Mr. Griffiths was the son of Captain Thomas H. Griffiths, master of the bark Albert. He was 25 years of age, and held a responsible position with J. D. Spreckels & Bros. Co.

The funeral will take place to-morrow at 2 o'clock from the family residence, 34 Liberty street.

CENTURY CHAPTER.

A New Subordinate of the Order of the Eastern Star Instituted.

A new chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star was instituted last night in Franklin Hall on Fillmore street by Assistant Grand Patron George L. Darling