

ALFRED AUSTIN'S BIRTHDAY ODE TO THE QUEEN

Verses by the Poet Laureate in Honor of Victoria's Eightieth Anniversary.



LONDON, May 23.—To-morrow, being the eightieth anniversary of the birth of Queen Victoria, the poet laureate of England, Alfred Austin, has written a birthday ode, entitled "An Indian Summer." A magnificently bound copy of the ode will be presented to Her Majesty to-morrow at Windsor.

Mr. Austin has given the privilege of exclusive publication of the ode in the United States to the New York Herald and the San Francisco Call. The work follows:

Springtime was flowering in your fair young face, When first the scepter laid on you its load. Springtime and seedtime—and how well you sowed: In the rough furrows life's long duties trace, Scattering with lavish heart the smiles of youth and grace.

THE OLYMPIC CLUB WHEELMEN'S RELAY TEAM.

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George P. Fuller, H. E. Anthony, E. A. Bozlo, Thomas H. White, L. H. Smith, Captain T. G. Spillane, E. F. Russ, Edward Mc Ness, George E. Kroetz, H. S. Bailey, The Relay Cup, Edw. O. Kragness.

Winners of the Great Inter-Club 100-Mile Relay Race Around the Bay, Sunday, May 14, 1899. Time, 4 Hours, 46 Minutes, 24 3-5 Seconds.

GOOD SUM OF MONEY AWAITS A CLAIMANT

Confided to A. Richley by a Suicide.

TRAGEDY ON THE HIGH SEAS

U. S. CONSUL AT HONOLULU NOW HAS THE COIN.

The Frenzied Deed of an Insane Man on the Steamer Claudine Near Hilo Last January Is Recalled.

There is now in the hands of United States Consul Haywards at Honolulu the sum of \$188 which is awaiting a claimant. This amount was presented to A. Richley on the steamer Claudine, running from Hilo to Honolulu, last January by a young man who plunged into the waters off the island of Maui after enjoining Richley to seek out his mother, who he said lived in Oakland. Mr. Richley left Honolulu two weeks ago, and up to that time the money was still in the possession of the Consul, in whose hands he had placed the money for safe keeping. Mr. Richley arrived in this city last Sunday and is a guest at the Occidental. The story of the suicide best told in his own words:

"I made the acquaintance of a young man at a hotel in Hilo, who said his name was Charles Burke. We became quite friendly, and he told me he had come to Hilo on a sailing vessel from San Francisco. We both agreed to take passage on the interisland steamer Claudine for Honolulu, and did so. "The next morning before daybreak I heard my name called, and on going on deck I saw Burke on the outside of the rail clinging to a rope. He was talking wildly, and handing me a check for \$100 and \$51 in money, told me to give it to his mother to pay off the mortgage on her home. I tried to reason with him and persuaded him to come back on deck; but he continued to mutter something about being wrongfully accused as a defaulter to the extent of \$300. I finally prevailed on him to come into the captain's cabin to get some whisky. He went with me, but as we reached the cabin door the young man, becoming frightened, ran away from me and plunged overboard. We threw out a life preserver, but the suicide had probably been devoured by the sharks, which abound in those waters. "In his inaudible talk I understood Burke to say that he was at one time connected with the Pacific Improvement Company of this city, but on communication with that concern I was informed that the suicide was one Bedford, who was book-keeper of the City Improvement Company and had disappeared a short time before."

Sunnyside Republicans.

Sunnyside citizens met last night at the residence of Gustave Schnee, 66 Joost avenue, and organized the Sunnyside Republican Club with the following officers: W. A. Merrill, president; A. H. Hansen, vice president; Gustave Schnee, secretary; J. Brown, treasurer. The object of the club is to elect the forthcoming convention delegates, who will be opposed to the tyranny of bosses and boss politics. After passing a resolution endorsing the action of the Call in suggesting the Dewey monument movement the club adjourned.

Fractured His Skull.

A. L. Hancock of the steamer Portland slipped and fell at the corner of Spear and Bryant streets last night. He was picked up unconscious and taken to the Harbor Receiving Hospital, where it was found that his skull was fractured. He will probably recover.

HELPLESS BABE EXPOSED TO THE WIND AND RAIN

Brutal Act of a Mysterious Stranger.

"You ought to be lynched for keeping that poor babe on the streets a night like this," shouted Charlie Stuart as a well-dressed stranger who stood at the junction of Market, Powell and Eddy streets last night with a three months old baby in his arms. He had been standing there since 6 o'clock, and it was midnight when Stuart, who is a prominent traveling man, accosted him. "I am waiting for my wife," meekly replied the stranger, but the nervous twitching at the corners of his mouth and the cold look he gave the baby when he uttered the few words gave the lie to his statement. The little sufferer was blue with cold and wet to the skin, for the pitiless rain drops had been beating down on its uncovered face since 9 o'clock. The child's soulful sobs attracted the attention of everybody who passed, but the heartless wretch who held it in his arms paid little heed to its wails. The people coming from the theaters saw the mysterious man with the crying babe in his arms, and a few minutes later, finding he was a beggar, slipped him change, which he eagerly crammed into his pocket. Stuart, who had noticed the stranger walking up and down Eddy street for an hour or more, became enraged at the sight of the street under the penalty of being arrested. A crowd quickly gathered, and were it not for the fact that the wretch had the baby in his arms he would have been soundly thrashed. He made his escape on the Powell street car. Stuart also boarded the car and rode as far as Ellis street, where he called a policeman. Stuart informed the policeman that the man had kept the babe exposed in the rain for six hours and then left the car. The policeman accompanied the stranger several blocks but did not get his name or place him under arrest. Stuart will visit police headquarters to-day and swear out a "John Doe" warrant for the man's arrest.

MISSION Y. M. C. A. CONCERT.

Proceeds of a Successful Event Will Liquidate Heavy Debt. A grand concert under the auspices of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Mission Young Men's Christian Association was given at Metropolitan Temple last evening. There was a large attendance, and the programme was highly enjoyable. The proceeds of the affair will be used for the purpose of liquidating a debt of the Mission Y. M. C. A. The members of various societies and churches attending the concert were known by badges of different colors as follows: Bethany Congregational, yellow and white; Calvary Presbyterian, blue and white; Central M. E., red; Emmanuel Baptist, brown and white; First M. E., pink; First Presbyterian, red and white; Grace M. E., purple; Howard M. E., green; Mission Y. M. C. A., blue and red; Ladies' Auxiliary, white; Westminster Presbyterian, green and white; Simpson M. E., light blue; Third Congregational, pink and white; Trinity Presbyterian, purple and white; United Presbyterian,

MISSION Y. M. C. A. CONCERT.

Part 1—Overture, "Sans Souci," orchestra; Charles M. Wiggin, director; recitation, Miss Jean Baldwin; violin solo, Armand Solomon; song, "O'Don Fatale," Mrs. Don Pardee; Part 2—Organ solo, grand offertorio in G, W. H. Holt; Philomel Quartet, Miss Billy Flynn, Mrs. Etta Blanchard, Mrs. Bert Mark, Mrs. Emilie Parent; "Annie Laurie," Dudley Buck; song, "The Monk and the Maid," from "The Serenade," Homer Henley; "Norma Fantasie," orchestra; Part 3—Song, "Sing, Sweet Bird," Mrs. Mark; recitation, Miss Jean Baldwin; song, "A Song of Thanksgiving," Dr. Gilbert F. Graham; "War March of the Priests," from "Athalie," orchestra.

Boy Smugglers Caught.

Edward Miller and Albert Martin, each about 16 years old, were arrested by customs inspectors yesterday on a charge of smuggling while coming ashore from the Gauche. They had concealed 110 smuggled cigars between them in their stockings. Martin was caught two weeks ago attempting to smuggle articles ashore from steamers and was let go with a reprimand. He will be prosecuted this time.

PEACE JUBILEE AT THE CAPITAL

Season of Rejoicing Is Begun.

Special Dispatch to The Call. WASHINGTON, May 23.—Beginning with an imposing parade of military and other uniformed organizations and closing with a display of fireworks at night, the national capital to-day inaugurated a three days' peace jubilee. The main thoroughfares of the city and all the public buildings are decorated with bunting and the attractive programme of parades and festivities has drawn a large number of visitors. With the exception of a shower, which was not of sufficient duration to mar the occasion, the weather was ideal and Washington has to-day worn its inauguration aspect. The parade, which was the feature of the day, comprised all the regular army and naval organizations stationed in and around Washington, together with the District of Columbia Volunteers, the Delaware National Guard, the Chinese Naval Reserve of Philadelphia, the veterans of the Grand Army and the Fourth and Ninth United States Volunteer Regiments. The procession moved down Pennsylvania avenue between cheering throngs, through the handsome court of honor in front of the White House and passed in review before the president and a distinguished party of public officials. The day opened with the boom of big guns from the Dolphin, which anchored off the navy yard, fired the national salute at sunrise, and church chimers and hundreds of steam whistles joined in the noisy chorus. At noon the departments closed and poured their thousands out to join the crowds on the streets and at the same hour a salute of forty-five guns was fired.

DISBARMENT OF COOPER SOUGHT

Hawaii's Attorney General Will Fight.

Special Dispatch to The Call. HONOLULU, May 16.—The citation of Attorney General H. E. Cooper for malpractice is returnable before the Supreme Court on Monday, June 19. Former Attorney General W. O. Smith will represent Mr. Cooper and a petition is to be filed forthwith to have the hearing immediately. The case in which the Attorney General is charged with having directed both sides was that of a Portuguese taxgatherer who assaulted a Chinese youth and dragged him to jail for non-payment of taxes. The Chinaman appeared and proved in court he was not of the age to pay taxes. The promoters of the Hilo Railroad Company, since receiving their charter and going actively to work, have been struck by a bolt out of a clear sky. Several gentlemen from the mainland with millions at their back are about to apply for a charter and a contract from the Government for a railway to parallel the line around the island of Hawaii. The local corporation is almost panicstricken over this development. It will make a desperate effort to prevent the opposition syndicate getting a franchise. Unsuspecting of any opposition it had not asked for an exclusive franchise and received none. It has not only bought the old Wilder surveys, but has its own surveyors out along the first section. Flannery-Welch Nuptials. SAN JOSE, May 23.—Daniel J. Flannery and Miss May Welch, both popular young people of this city, were married at St. Clare's church, Santa Clara, this morning. Only the immediate relatives of the parties were present. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father R. E. Kenna, assisted by Father A. Raggio. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Catherine Welch. She is a graduate of Notre Dame Convent of this city, and a charming young lady with a large circle of friends. Mr. Flannery has been Deputy United States Revenue Collector of this district for the past seven years. Mr. and Mrs. Flannery left on a short wedding trip to San Francisco, after which they will make their home here. Chilean Army to Be Reduced. Special Cable to The Call and the New York Herald. Copyrighted, 1899, by James Gordon Bennett. VALPARAISO, Chile, May 23.—The War Ministry has decided to reduce the army to 6000 men. The copper output has been small for lack of miners. The Minister of Paraguay in Chile and Peru returned to-day from the latter country.

Pears' What a luxury Pears' soap is! The cheapest soap in all the world besides.

Announcement! NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, JOHN A. McCALL, President. At the close of business to-day the total amount of insurance in force on our books is \$1,000,168,803. This includes only policies on which premiums have been collected and does not include any business in process of completion. THE NEW YORK LIFE is the first company in the world to reach ONE THOUSAND MILLION Insurance in force, and is, therefore, to-day the largest life insurance company in the world. This announcement is made for the information of policy-holders and the insuring public as evidence of the company's prosperity and success. GEO. W. PERKINS, Second Vice-President. NEW YORK, May 23d, 1899.