

SECRETARY OF A SOCIAL ORDER A DEFALTEER

Norddeutscher Verein Suffers Financially.

WILLIAM MUELLER EXPELLED

TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS UN-ACCOUNTED FOR.

The Officer Confessed to Having Collected Dues From the Members Which He Failed to Place on Record.

William Mueller, financial secretary of the Norddeutscher Verein of this city, is a defaulter to the extent of nearly \$200. This revelation came about a month ago as a surprise to the members of the society, who held Mueller's reputation for veracity and honesty above reproach and regarded him as a steady and energetic associate in the books.

At a meeting held April 11 some discussion arose as to money received for dues. It was suggested that the books be consulted, and during the examination some of the members, who had paid their dues for the month, noticed that their names did not appear in the records. Mueller was questioned, while no suspicion rested upon him, and he stated that he had failed to place the credit by mistake. He immediately produced the amount necessary and nothing more was thought of the affair.

Heinrich Thodes, secretary of the finance committee, was not entirely satisfied with the explanation, however, and he commenced a quiet investigation of Mueller's accounts. He discovered that the financial secretary had been in the habit of placing a record of all cash received in the ledger, and that in the book of this system was inaugurated by him about ten years ago, and by it he would be able to account for every cent.

Ferdinand Rathens, president of the Verein, was acquainted with the facts, and he appointed a investigating committee, which worked from the first of April 25. The books disclosed the fact that the dishonest secretary had placed a portion of the receipts in Mueller's pockets after collecting it. At first he embezzled small amounts, but recently he took amounts averaging \$100. In January, 1898, he purloined \$102 and in a corresponding month in 1897 he had taken \$100. The committee report was submitted last Wednesday night.

Each year a committee scrutinizes the books of the Verein. Having confidence in the officers, it has never made rigid examinations, nor has it checked off each item which appears in the accounts. Because of this Mueller was able to keep while amounts appeared in one book and on the accounts of the various members, yet no summary of them was kept in the final records.

Many of the members when the state of affairs was made known to the committee reported in favor of prosecuting the unfortunate secretary. His friends came to his rescue, however, and a compromise on dishonorable expulsion was made. The rules of the society require that a member who has been brought before the committee and when faced with the conclusive evidence broke down and confessed to the crime, and any doubt of his guilt, the rules were suspended and Mueller was dropped from the roll on the right the committee reported its findings.

Mueller has been employed by the Nixie, Mathias & Company, cigar and tobacco dealers, as a bookkeeper. The name of this firm appears upon his bond as secretary of the Norddeutscher Verein and when his shortcomings were made known he was discharged from its employ. He has a wife and family in this city.

CLUB OF LEADING RAILROAD MEN

A. W. FOSTER ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE ASSOCIATION.

The Club Will Meet Once a Month to Discuss Problems in Railway Management. An important meeting of practical railroad men was held at the Palace Hotel last evening to organize an association similar to the Northwestern Club of Chicago. Nearly all the railway lines of the Pacific Coast were represented at the meeting last night. W. E. Amann, mechanical expert, Franklin, Pa., presided. The list of charter members, embracing hundred and three names, was read, and the meeting decided that the new organization should be known as the Pacific Coast Railway Club. A. W. Foster was elected president; H. J. Small, first vice president; W. S. Palmer, third vice president; W. F. Russell, fourth vice president; and H. A. Hummel, assistant secretary. The newly organized club will extend its influence until every railroad organization of the Pacific Coast is represented in its membership. Monthly meetings will be held to hear papers on practical subjects pertaining to the equipment, operation and maintenance of railway lines. Discussion will follow the reading of such papers.

CORINTHIAN REGATTA.

The Yachts Will All Be Out on Decoration Day.

THEIR APPEALS TO EVERY PATRIOTIC CALIFORNIAN

Address to the Public by the Citizens' Committee Having in Charge the Erection of the Monument to the American Navy and Admiral George Dewey.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 25, 1899.

TO THE PEOPLE OF CALIFORNIA: The Citizens' Committee to erect a monument in San Francisco to the American Navy in commemoration of Admiral Dewey's victory at Manila Bay respectfully appeals to you for contributions to the fund. We submit the following

REASONS WHY CALIFORNIA SHOULD HONOR DEWEY'S VICTORY:

- 1. He added glory to American arms, and gave the United States a position in the world as one of the great powers, thus extending American influence and exalting American citizenship.
2. He destroyed the Spanish fleet, thereby saving the California coast from ravage, and San Francisco and other ports from being placed under forced tribute to the enemy.
3. His flagship, the Olympia, was constructed in our chief city, and is a credit to our mechanics, who share the success of the war.
4. He gave security to our commerce upon the Pacific Ocean, opened up to us the trade of the Orient, and thus greatly increased the importance of San Francisco and all other Coast cities.
5. Such a monument will adorn San Francisco and reflect credit on the citizens of California. By honoring his name we inspire others to emulate his heroic deeds, so that our country shall always have gallant defenders in its hour of peril.

Thus patriotism and gratitude unite with local pride in this movement, which should receive the generous support of all.

We estimate that a worthy monument will cost \$100,000, and we seek the contributions, small or large, of every one who loves his country and feels that a debt of gratitude is due to the navy for its splendid services, and to Dewey for the pluck, energy and matchless execution which signalized his glorious victory.

The San Francisco daily papers will receive contributions, which may also be sent to the officers or members of this committee. A souvenir receipt will be given in acknowledgment of every subscription to the fund. Respectfully,

- JAMES D. PHELAN, City Hall - Chairman.
CLAUS SPRECKELS, - Vice-Chairman.
IRVING M. SCOTT, - Vice-Chairman.
CAPTAIN R. H. FLETCHER, U. S. A. (retired), - Secretary.
Mark Hopkins Institute of Art - Treasurer.
E. B. POND, 532 California Street.
F. W. VAN SICKLEN, GEORGE D. CLARK, VANDERLICK STOW, W. G. STAFFORD, J. B. REINSTEIN, CHARLES BUNDSCHU, R. P. SCHWERIN, E. W. HOPKINS, JOSEPH S. TOBIN, H. G. PLATT.

THE Dewey Monument Committee, headed by Mayor James D. Phelan, has issued its address to the people of California, setting forth the object for which the committee was formed, giving some of the reasons why California should thus honor the American navy, and Admiral Dewey in particular, and calling on the people for contributions to the patriotic movement. The amount to be raised is named in the appeal as \$100,000, and the San Francisco daily papers and all the members of the committee are authorized to receive subscriptions.

The committee will meet at Mayor Phelan's office at 4 o'clock this afternoon when designs will be submitted for an illuminated receipt to be given to every subscriber to the fund, no matter what the amount of the subscription may be, and which the possessors will be glad to cherish as souvenirs of the occasion.

ably before the general committee. What these plans are, none of the members will discuss, but they are said to be certain to aid the enterprise vastly. Then the sub-committee on design has been devoting much attention to statuary and monuments during the past three days, and is likely to have something of importance as well as of interest to report. There are several other committees to report, as well. To-day's meeting will also complete the preliminaries for the great undertaking so that when the meeting adjourns every member will have his work mapped out and know just what he is expected to do. Each gentleman, for one thing, will be assigned to a certain district which he will thoroughly canvass for subscriptions, and there will be plenty of other work for him to do as well. But the members are all enthusiastic and are willing to undertake any amount of labor to carry the tribute to Dewey to completion.

MRS. DURRANT GOES TO JOIN HER DAUGHTER

Mrs. William A. Durrant, mother of the late William Henry Theodore Durrant, hanged in January of last year at San Quentin for the murder of Blanche Lamont in Emmanuel Baptist Church, left this city last night on a steamer to meet her daughter, Elisabeth Maud Alma Durrant, who has been studying for the past four years at the Royal Academy of Music in the German capital.

Since the execution of her son, Mrs. Durrant has been residing quietly with her husband at the family residence, 425 Fair Oaks street, shunning the notoriety brought upon her and hers by the awful crimes charged against the son. The father has been working at his trade of machine operator in the factory of the Siebe Shoe Company, and the daughter, who was in Europe at the time her brother was arrested for the Emmanuel Church murders, has been perfecting herself in her chosen profession with the ultimate hope of being able to make things easy for the latter days of her parents.

Before the fatal noose was slipped over the head of Theodore Durrant, he gained a promise from his mother that she would visit his sister and carry to her his dying word that he was innocent of the heinous crime charged against him. It had been the intention of Mrs. Durrant to take the trip as soon after the execution as possible, but one reason and another retarded her, the principal one being the fear of the notoriety that would attend her trip if taken while the explanation of the tragedy was still being given to the people of the country. Then, again, her daughter's apprenticeship at the Berkeley school, which she was to complete in two that the best time for the journey would be that which would coincide with the graduation, which takes place this month.

OFFICER FLYNN NEARLY KILLED BY A CRAZY MAN

Policeman F. Flynn is being congratulated by his fellow officers that he is not now occupying a slab in the Morgue. A half hour's struggle with a maniac nearly sent him there. In that short period he was shot at, choked, kicked and beaten on the face by Fred Gilbert of 1322 O'Farrell street last night, and it took the best efforts of five other officers to subdue the insane man.

The incident created a stir in the neighborhood, but none of those who witnessed the lone officer battling with his infuriated prisoner went to his assistance. Gilbert became suddenly insane last evening and drove his aged mother from the house at the point of a pistol. She rushed hatless down the street in search of assistance and met Officer Flynn. She informed him of the state of affairs and the officer heroically entered the house. He found the demented son on the top floor of the house and at once tried to pacify him. Fearing that the policeman was going to injure him the insane man rushed to the bureau, where he had hid the pistol, and pointing it at the officer, he became suddenly insane again. Fortunately for Flynn the bullets had been extracted by Gilbert's sister, who feared his man and then a terrible struggle ensued.

Flynn is said to be very powerful, but all his strength he could not cope with the crazy man. Both struggled out of the dining-room into the hallway, down the steps and into the street. The battle Gilbert kicked, bit and struck the policeman in the face, inflicting cuts and bruises. When in the street Flynn managed to get out his whistle and blew shrill blasts for assistance. Five of his colleagues responded, and it took their united efforts to iron Gilbert's feet and remove him to the O'Farrell street station.

JUDGMENT AGAINST THE FAIR EXECUTORS

A mandate from the United States Circuit Court of Appeals was filed in the United States Circuit Court yesterday reversing the judgment of the Circuit Court in the case of William Irvine against James Angus, T. G. Crothers and W. S. Goodfellow, executors of the last will and testament of James G. Fair, deceased. The Court of Appeals directs the Circuit Court to render judgment upon the admission of the parties contained in the bill of exceptions in favor of the plaintiff for the sum of \$11,527.89, with legal interest thereon from May 21, 1884, and \$156 costs.

NEW LIGHT ON CHRISTIAN SCIENCE AND ITS DEVELOPMENT IN NEXT SUNDAY'S CALL.

R. T. Brodek, late prop. Baldwin Hotel barber shop, is located at 226 Powell.

WINCHESTER'S CONVICTION IS MUCH IMPROVED

Smallpox Patient Getting on Nicely.

NO DANGER OF AN EPIDEMIC

PATIENT AND NURSES ARE COMPLETELY QUARANTINED.

Dr. Harvey Writes a Letter to the Board of Health Requesting It to Assume Charge of the Case.

Roy Winchester, Hobbs, Wall & Co.'s stenographer, who contracted smallpox a few days ago, was considerably improved yesterday. His condition is completely guaranteed, and there is, so the physicians say, absolutely no danger of contagion. As soon as Winchester developed symptoms of the dread disease Dr. William A. Harvey, his attending physician, immediately reported it to the Health Department. Winchester was taken to the last Saturday morning, and in the afternoon Dr. Harvey was called in to attend him. The patient was removed to the MacLean Hospital, and there he began to develop the symptoms of the disease. He suffered from a high fever, had pains all over his body, and the rash began to assert itself.

Winchester was instantly removed to a cottage at 28 Caselli avenue, and every precaution was then taken to destroy any germs that might have existed in his room at his home, 747 Ellis street, or at the hospital. Dr. Harvey visited the patient yesterday morning he found him very much improved. The cottage where Winchester is being treated is the property of the MacLean Hospital. Since the Board of Supervisors ordered and effected the destruction of the house because of the spreading of this kind of case, it was the duty of the Health Officer to have authority to purchase a structure where Winchester could be isolated the MacLean property was placed in his service. Dr. Harvey directed a letter yesterday to the Board of Health, calling their attention to this state of affairs, and also reminding them that it was the duty of the Health Department to take charge and treat cases of this kind after they assume the responsibility of isolating them.

Winchester's condition was very much improved to-day, said Dr. Harvey. "There is no reason for alarm, as his case is quite mild and every precaution has been taken to prevent the spreading of the disease. I am not very fond of taking care of this case any further, and the Board of Health should assume the medical aid to patients after it once assumes charge of them. A physician should be furnished by the Board of Health. If the pesthouse had not been destroyed Winchester could be treated there by a city physician."

THIS STATE TO HAVE A SPECIAL WHEAT SERVICE

WEATHER BUREAU TO ESTABLISH IT IMMEDIATELY.

Local Forecast Official Willson Now Equipping Stations on the Line of the Valley Road.

The Weather Bureau began work on a special wheat service in this State yesterday. Local Forecaster John H. Willson is now in the San Joaquin Valley establishing twelve stations along the line of the Valley road, and the special following places with rain gauges and maximum thermometers: Elmwood, Merced, Le Grand, Lankershim, Fresno, Reedley, Hanford, Visalia, Tulare, Angiola, Dewey and Bakersfield.

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Bargain Friday

ALL-DAY SPECIAL SALES - Our Greatest Special Sale.

Boys' Suits. Regular \$3.50 and \$4 Values for \$2.35 - Today (Friday) only, we offer 105 Boys' Double-Breasted Coat Knee-Pants Suits; handsome new goods, strictly all-wool—Suits that are made, and will fit as well, as any \$3.50 or \$4 Suit, for \$2.35. All sizes, 8 to 16 years. Two colors in small sizes. Six colors in large sizes. Money refunded instantly and without question if Suit's not satisfactory when you have them home and examine them closely.



Specials Friday and Saturday. Groceries—Liquors. Macaroni—In bulk, yellow or white, cut in short pieces, regularly 6c lb. for 2 days, 6 lbs for \$2.50. Pearl Line—The large size—for 2 days \$2.50. Chicken Tamales—Kapp & Streets, boneless—for 2 days—.80c. Tea—Souchow English Breakfast, regularly 59c lb—for 2 days—.45c. Maple Sugar—500 1-lb bricks, genuine Vermont, regularly 15c each—while supply lasts—.10c. Whiskey—Old Government Bourbon, 100 proof, bottled in bond or distillery bottling—special for 2 days—.95c. Sauterne—A good value at 75c gal—for 2 days—.55c. Pabst Mail Extract—Regularly \$2.65 dozen—for 2 days—.220.

On Bargain Friday Only. \$1.50 Oxfords 87c.

Ladies' Dark Chocolate Lace Oxfords, Color Imperial Lace Oxfords, new coin toes, kid tips, turned sewed soles, a strictly up-to-date summer shoe, in all sizes, sold regularly \$1.50 a pair—special Friday only—.87c.

Paul de Longpierre's beautiful Study of Roses, size 12x20 inches, handsomely colored and mounted on 2 1/2-inch embossed mount, regularly 15c—special to-day—.70c.

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The first indoor championship field and track tournament of the Pacific Athletic Association of the Amateur Athletic Union was held last evening in the gymnasium of the Olympic Club. The presence of a large and select gathering of members and their lady friends. According to the points scored by the different clubs the Olympic came out on top with a score of 25, the Reliance second with 18, the Academic League third with 8, Stanford score was 6, Young Men's Christian Association score was 5, Ariel Rowing Club 3, Grammar High School 1 and unattached 1.

The first event on the programme was a 250 yard dash, which was won by George Klarman, with F. W. Burgers second,