THE DIREFUL CONSEQUENCES OF THE BELVEDERE DROUGHT

TROUBLES OF THE DRY ABORIGINES.

IT is remarkable, but it is none the less true. It is hard to account for, but still it is. No one will credit it, yet it is a fact, substantiated beyond the peradventure of a doubt. The fierce hill tribes that inhabit the mountain fastnesses of Belvedere—yclept the "beautiful" by those who own land there which they desire to dispose of—are sore because they have no fresh water.

Do they miss it as a beverage? No, of course not. Who ever heard of a Marin County aborigine drinking water when there was anything else in sight? But they need it for a variety of other purposes, and there is none in sight. That is, there is none nearer than the railway tank at the ferry landing, and that is a long way to go for a canful when one wishes to nourish the flowers that ornament one's front porch. Consequently Belvedere is dead sore and the proud flesh is hourly becoming more sensitive. Some one must be to blame. Some one is. That some one is John Coop, superintendent of the Belvedere Land Company. Why John is to blame no one seems to know exactly. But, as whenever a great misfortune visits a locality, some one has to be the scapegoat, and as John doesn't seem to worry himself much about the matter either one way or the other, why, John might just as well be chosen to bear the blame as any other goat on the hillside.

The Belvedere Land Company has a franchise granted it by the hamlet of Belvedere, which the public-spirited citizens residing therein incorporated into a city some time ago. Why the Land Company should have a franchise of any sort no one seems to know. But as soon as the little place across the bay began to put on the style of a metropolis it was necessary to grant some sort of a franchise to some one, so a franchise was granted to the Belvedere Land Company to do pretty much as it pleased in any old way or in any old matter.

Houses were built on the hillside, families moved into them and all was merry as a marriage bell. The only thing lacking was water. The Land Company came to the rescue, and, like Moses of old, smote upon the rock until a bright, limpid stream gushed forth.

Then the Land Company began to lay pipes. It laid them on the hillsides and in the valleys; it placed them on the mountaintops; it buried them underneath the sands of the beach. It not only attempted to supply private families but extended its patronage to laundries, power-houses and hotels as well. The reservoir could not stand the strain on its resources. It sank lower and lower until, finally giving up in despair, it went under altogether, and on the night of July 3 refused to be worked for another drop.

This is the tale the residents tell. Mr. John Coop, the superintendent, as far as can be learned, ascribes the cause of the drought to a breakage in the pumping machinery, which will in time be remedied.

Whatever the cause the effect is chaos.

The lights in the hotel, which are supplied by gas generated by a water-power engine, took a night off and went out. The guests went in and were forced to grope their way about the halls with the aid of wax candles, tallow dips, lanterns, matches, fireflies or anything that would make a glimmer. Luckily, as many young men were over there passing their Fourth of July holiday, the girls were able to provide themselves with sparks, by whose aid they were enabled to comfortably penetrate into the darkest recesses of the most crooked corridors.

The confusion of the night of July 3 reached the proportions of a panic when the morning of the Fourth dawned.

All sorts of fireworks had been stored up in preparation for the day, but no one had the courage to set them off. If the grass should catch fire, where was the water with which to extinguish the blaze? Some few venturesome spirits suggested swimming out to the center of Richardsons Bay and holding the night's display there. The idea, however, was not generally adopted. The Fourth was a comparative failure from a small boy's point of view. It could not even be called a first-class fizzle. There was not enough water in the town to make one.

Since the Fourth things have continued in the same way. No relief has as yet appeared, and the residents have been driven to a point of desperation which verges on insanity. In some the latter distressing taint is already beginning to make itself strongly manifest.

Indignation meetings are held on the boat every night and morning. They are general. Private and select meetings are held nightly in the various homes and the language of the strong man is frequent and painful and free.

The Belvedere Land Company is threatened with lawsuits and all sorts of horrible things and its agent is made the subject of popular (or unpopular) demonstration. But it availeth not.

Shainwald, Buckbee & Co., who represent the Belvedere Land Company, say they know nothing about it. John Coop, their superintendent, turning a deaf ear to the contumely that is being heaped upon him, goes on in the even tenor of his way, undisturbed by the storm that rages about his devoted head. The milkmen are following each other through insolvency, and the residents when they want water for washing or cooking purposes are forced to chase the duck.

ANARCHY AND BLOODSHED IS THEIR STORY

Wrong and Trouble in Guatemala.

CUPIDITY IS THE CAUSE

PRESIDENT CABRERA PICTURED AS A HUMAN FIEND.

Letters From Central America Which Portray a Scene of Confusion and Demoralization in All Walks of Life.

From private advices received in this city last night from San Jose de Guatemala it appears that that unfortunate country is again in the throes of internecine war, or something very much resembling war. The mercantile confidence of the community has been so shaken that business is practically at a standstill and exchange has reached the enormous premium of 500 on United States gold.

The cause for all this seems to be the desire of the new President, Estrada Cabrera, to call in enough gold to redeem the six millions of worthless paper currency which he issued some time ago. The methods he is pursuing to acquire this immense sum are peculiarly those of the average Central American President. Picking out those of his countrymen of known wealth or great financial backing, he proposes that they lend him a certain sum on what he tells them is good security. The penalty of refusal is death or confiscation of their estates, the penalty being exacted on some trumped up charge or other.

Naturally such procedure is not conducive to much confidence in the justice of the government and only one result can ensue—anarchy and general demoralization of both social, business and official life.

If the advices received last night are correct this result seems to have already been obtained.

Dr. Jose Llerena, president of the Conservative party, together with Juan Francisco Ponciano, president of the Occidental Bank; Jose E. Sanchez, one of the wealthiest capitalists in Gratemala, and a number of their adherents, are at the Mexican legation, where they have gone, seeking protection from their powerful enemy. Don Recendo Devilla, president of the Bank of Columbia, has been expelled from the country, as have a number of other wealthy gentlemen who have refused to comply with the demands of the new dictator.

Congressman Rosendo Santa Cruz, one of Cabrera's strongest opponents, was executed on the 27th of last month in the prison yard of Tachi, and another powerful Congressman who dared to stand against the new President, Jose Maria Ubizo, was started barefoot from Cheto to Esquipulan. Shortly after his guards had left the first named town they returned and reported that their prisoner had been shot while attempting to escape.

He was no doubt assassinated by Cabrera's orders in the manner which has proved so popular with a number of other Central American Presidents. These are not the only deaths that have occurred by a good many. In the Santa Rosa district alone no fewer than sixty-nine executions have recently taken place. The letter received last night closes depicting the country in a state of chaos and its wealthy families fleeing to Europe and the United States to rest in exiled safety until the trouble shall have juleted itself and things once more asssumed their normal aspect.

"THE MESSIAH" SUNG AT PACIFIC GROVE

Auspicious Opening of the Twentieth Session of the Coast Chautauqua.

PACIFIC GROVE, July 8.—Never in the history of the Chautauqua Society on this coast has one of its annual assemblies been begun under such favorable circumstances and with so notable an event as marked the opening of the twentieth session in Assembly Hall in this city tonight. Instead of the usual grand opening concert, the Chautauqua manager brought the San Jose Oratorio Society here, and, together with other oratorio singers and some of the best soloists of the State, it gave a splendid performance of Handel's "The Messiah." James Hamilton Howe, late of the Boston Conservatory of Music, conducted the oratorio. The soloists were Mrs. Mary Weaver MacCauley of San Jose, soprano; Miss Beresford Joy of Los Angeles, contralto; Frank Coffin of the Tivoli Opera Company, San Francisco, tenor; S. Homer Henley of San Francisco barytone, and Miss Ada May Churchill. There were 125 voices in the chorus.

For the next two days the assembly programme will consist chiefly of music. To-morrow evening an oratorio praise service will be given by the singers of to-night, and on Monday and Tuesday evenings there will be concerts by prominent San Francisco and San Jose musicians.

The opening sermon of the assembly will be delivered at 11 a. m. to-morrow by Rev. Dr. Thomas Filben, superintendent of instruction of the Pacific Coast Chautauqua, and on Monday and Tuesday classes of scientific, literary and other work will be opened. The regular sessions of the assembly will begin on Wednesday, July 12, and continue through to July 22.

Killed by a Fall.

FORT BRAGG, July 8.—Oscar Olson, 34 years of age, a native of Norway, was killed here last night by falling from a tramway to the wharf, a distance of twenty-two feet. He leaves a widow and three small children.

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Monday Special Sale

Some Special One-Day Sales. *Beginning Monday, with the extraordinary special prices quoted below, and daily thereafter until further notice, the big store will give a series of Special One-Day Sales.* ***A new advertisement will appear each morning*** *announcing the Specials for the day. The items will consist of good staple merchandise that we can guarantee, and the prices will be unusually attractive.* **Read the daily Ads.**

For Monday Only.

Housekeepers' Supplies. A great one-day special sale of items of much interest to the prudent and careful housewife. These prices on staple high-grade goods are the lowest ever quoted in this State for equal qualities:

White Crocheted **Bed Spreads,** fringed, sizes 64x90 inches exclusive of the fringe, just the thing for brass or iron beds, a good serviceable cover, worth a third more than the special price—for Monday, each.....95c

Gray **Blankets,** size 66x78 inches, with pretty red or blue borders, would make a nice camping or summer blanket, worth a third more than the special price for Monday—per pair.....95c

Comforters, large size, for double beds (72x84 inches), filled with pure white cotton and covered with the best grade of silkoline, tufted and handsomely finished with corded edge—special price for Monday only, each.....$1.85

Table Damask, unbleached, 64 inches wide and all pure linen, a strong durable cloth that will give excellent service, nice desirable patterns—a great bargain at Monday's special price, per yard.....50c

Turkish Towels, unbleached, 22x49 inches, good rough long nap and a quick absorbent—special price Monday only, each.....14c

Huck Towels, hemmed, size 17x31 inches, not all linen, but will give splendid wear—Monday's special price, and an incomparably low one, each.....8c

Damask Towels, pink, red and white, fancy borders, with knotted fringe ends, positively all linen, size 18x37 inches—on special sale Monday only, each.....14c

Pillow Cases, size 45x36 inches, made of good, firm and durable muslin—Monday's sale price and on Monday only, each.....8c

Hemstitched Sheets, made of a good round thread sheeting that will laundry well—Monday's special prices:

Size 72x90 inches.....44c
Size 81x90 inches.....49c
Size 90x90 inches.....54c
Size 90x99 inches.....59c

For Monday Only.

Groceries, Liquors. Four great specials from the Pure Food Department. Note also the prices taken from our grocery catalogue and compare with those you've been paying:

Hesperian Haywards **Tomatoes,** regularly 8c can—at Monday's extraordinary price.....**4 cans for 25c**

Only one dozen to a customer.

Emporium Savon **Soap,** 1-lb bars, regularly 4c each—on Monday only.....**16 for 50c**

Jesse Moore "A. A." Whisky, the favorite brand in great demand, per bottle for **35c**

A good **White Wine**—Pleasant to the taste; one you can safely offer to your guests—to-day only per gallon.....40c

Quotations From the Catalogue.

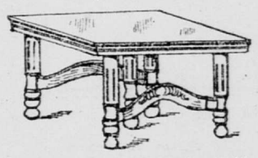
Green Olives	35c
1-gallon tins Pio Moro Oil	$2.00
1-pound tins pure Ground Pepper	25c
1-pound tins pure Ground Mustard	30c
1-pound tins pure Ground Ginger	30c
1-pound tins pure Ground Allspice	25c
2-ounce bottle pure Lemon Extract	20c
2-ounce bottle pure Vanilla Extract	25c
Quince Nectar Syrup, gallon	60c
Royal Baking Powder, 1-lb can	42c
Cleveland Baking Powder, 1-lb can	42c
Emporium Baking Powder, 1-lb can	37c
Drifted Snow Flour	90c
Emporium Flour	85c
Imported Macaroni and Spaghetti	2 lbs 25c
Limburger Cheese, 2-lb bricks	30c

All the Week.

Carpets—Rugs—Furniture. Bought direct from the mill, one carload of Tapestry Carpets of the latest designs and colorings, which we offer this week at a great reduction—***price includes putting down on your floor with lining.***

Best 10-wire Tapestry Carpet, with or without border, per yard.....75c

9-wire Tapestry Carpets—20 different patterns—per yard.....67½c



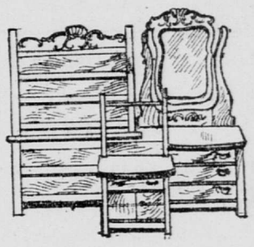
8-wire Tapestry Carpets, good assortment of patterns—per yard.....61½c

Other good grades Tapestry at, per yard.....51½c

Smyrna Rugs—
36x72 inches.....$2.75
30x60 inches.....$2.25

This solid oak Extension Table, polished top, heavy legs, late design, just like picture—very special at.....$6.25

Just arrived, 50 Bedroom Suits—golden oak finish, hard wood, polished, well made, shaped glass on bureau—splendid bargain at.....$13.75



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Men's All-wool $10, $12.50 and $15 Suits now $7.85.

INTERESTS THE PEOPLE OF THE PACIFIC COAST

New Sub-Station of the San Francisco Postoffice to Be Located on Mission Street.

WASHINGTON, July 8.—The Postoffice Department has ordered established on August 1 a sub-station at 1941 Mission street, San Francisco, to be known as Station 13.

The following California Postmasters were appointed to-day; William Doherty, China Flat, Humboldt County, vice John R. McNeill, resigned; William B. Mathews, Johnsville, Plumas County, vice John Neville, resigned. The special service between Teolwass and Unadilla, Kern County, will be discontinued after July 15. A postoffice was to-day established at Valdez, Alaska, and F. G. Bartlett was appointed Postmaster.

Thomas B. Finnegan and William H. O'Connor have been appointed third class letter carriers in the Oakland postoffice at $600 per annum.

Army orders: By direction of the Assistant Secretary of War Commissary Sergeant John Meston, general hospital, Savannah, Ga., is transferred to the Presidio. He will be sent to that post and will report upon his arrival to the commanding officer for duty.

Sergeant Wilber O. Tuggle, Troop I, Sixth United States Cavalry, now at Fort Sill, Oklahoma Territory, is transferred as a private to the Fourth United States Cavalry. He will be sent to the Presidio and will report upon his arrival to the commanding officer, who will furnish him transportation to the Philippines.

Cook James F. Littleton, Troop L, Sixth United States Cavalry, Fort Sill, Oklahoma Territory, is transferred as a private to the Fourth Cavalry. He will be sent to the Presidio and thence to the Philippines on the first transport leaving for that station.

Captain Eugene L. Swift, assistant surgeon United States army, is relieved from further duty at Fort Slocum, New York, and will proceed to San Francisco and report in person to the commanding general, Department of California, for temporary duty.

Pensions—California: Original—George W. Marsh, San Diego, $10; Henry Quibller, Los Angeles; Peter J. Weidemeyer, Sonoma, $10; Samuel Varner, Napa, $6. Renewal—William Ober, Julian, $8. Increase—Samuel H. Phillips, Sacramento, $10 to $12; Michael Maloney, Nimshaw, $6 to $10; Jacob Shesler, San Jose, $8 to $10.

Oregon: Reissue—Patrick Holland, Portland, $24.

Washington: Original—Silas J. Tift, Cheney, $6.

FRASER RIVER SALMON PACK IS A FAILURE

Deplorable Condition Caused by the Laws Barring American Fishermen.

VANCOUVER, July 8.—With about the largest salmon run that has ever been known in the history of canning on the Fraser River, this year's pack is likely to be a failure. The fish are running in thousands up the Fraser, yet the scarcity of men is making it a practical impossibility for the canneries to put up a pack that will pay them.

A. E. Tregent, a prominent canner, said to-day that there were 50,000 cases of empty tins in some of the canneries, and he would wager that not 10,000 would be filled. Usually at this time of year there are thousands of boats on the river, but the regulations this year precluded Americans from fishing. Tregent says that yesterday he went through all the fishing community and only 300 boats were out. Of these only two were manned by white men, others being manned by Japanese, Italians and Indians.

"No one would argue the point," he said, "as to which are preferable, Americans or foreigners. The new law made to legislate against Americans has simply brought in a great influx of Orientals, who are really taking the market from the Canadians themselves, and although they cannot speak English they say they are all British subjects."

Advances made on furniture and pianos, with or without removal. J. Noonan, 1017-1023 Mission.

CLERK LEROY M'ELROY CAPTURED IN CHICAGO

Confesses That He Stole the Diamonds of Mrs. Felt and Mrs. Hale, and Will Be Returned.

CHICAGO, July 8.—Leroy McElroy, formerly clerk in the Richelieu Hotel at San Francisco, was arrested here to-day on a charge of stealing $5000 worth of diamonds from Mrs. Felt and Mrs. Hale of Boston, who were guests at the hotel. He acknowledges his guilt and will be sent to San Francisco for trial.

Mrs. Felt and Mrs. Hale, after their arrival in this city, rented apartments in the Richelieu. In one of their trunks were stored the precious gems. At the invitation of one of their friends they took a trip to the interior, and on their return found that their trunks had been broken open during their absence and their diamonds stolen. They at once communicated with Chief Lees, who detailed Detectives Dinan and Wren to arrest the thief. The detectives visited the hotel, and after a thorough investigation became convinced that Clerk McElroy was the culprit. The latter, evidently fearing arrest, suddenly left the city and was finally traced to Chicago. Shortly after his disappearance McElroy wrote to a relative in Oakland, asking him to send the box which had contained the diamonds to 16 South park, Chicago. The letter was turned over to Chief Lees, who telegraphed to the police of Chicago, instructing them to keep a strict watch for McElroy, with the result that he was arrested.

JUDGMENT AGAINST SMALL STOCKHOLDERS

Union Bank Depositors Score Their First Victory in the Courts.

SAN JOSE, July 8.—Judgment was given against eighty stockholders of the Union Savings Bank to-day by Justice Wallace in the suit brought by C. W. Childs and other depositors to recover the pro rata liability of the former. The judgment was given for $14 35 a share, with interest at 7 per cent. There are 608 shares of stock represented by the eighty defendants, who were all small shareholders. The judgment was given with a reduction of $2 a share on portions of the accounts because of their having run the statute of limitations. The total amount of the judgment recovered is $6728 80.

Four hundred depositors were represented in the suit, with accounts aggregating $160,000. The stockholders sued held less than eighteen shares each.

This is the first judgment against stockholders of the Union Savings Bank. There are two suits pending in the Superior Court against the large stockholders. An appeal probably will be taken from the decision, but Attorney Welch, who represents the depositors, is confident of winning in the higher court.

The stockholders are not paying the $10 assessment recently levied by the directors and the bank's attorneys will begin suits for its collection in a few days.

Divorced Because of Desertion.

SAN ANDREAS, July 8.—The Allison divorce case came up in the Superior Court of Calaveras County to-day before Judge Gottschalk. Rachael Allison applied for a divorce from her husband, Robert S. Allison. Allison brought a cross-complaint charging his wife with desertion. Allison lives at Robinsons Ferry, about fifteen miles from San Andreas, and is a miner in the employ of the Melones Mining Company. His wife has been living in Stockton apart from him this year. Rather than have their family troubles aired in court, the attorney for Mrs. Allison consented to a divorce being granted to Allison on the cross-complaint, while the child was given to the mother.

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LIKE THE SIAMESE TWINS.

Girl Babies Joined Together by a Link of Flesh.

JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind., July 8.—Mrs. James Huffman to-day gave birth to twin girls, joined together by a link of flesh eight inches long and four inches in diameter, which extends from the pubic bone to the top of the sternum. The base of the union is perfectly firm and the babes are fully developed in every particular. They came face to face, and with one or two exceptions all the organs of their respective bodies were perfect. It is feared they will not live.

Policeman Falls Dead.

SANTA CRUZ, July 8.—Officer S. I. Horton, while standing in front of a cigar store on Pacific avenue this evening, dropped dead from heart failure. He had been on the police force for several years. He was a native of Iowa, 65 years of age. Horton served during the civil war.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

"Oh Promise Me!"

At some time in her life Cupid pleads in every woman's ear, and when that time comes it is a woman's duty to think twice before she answers. She should think once for herself, and once for the man who has chosen her for his life companion.

If she is suffering from a torturing, dragging weakness or disease so prevalent with her sex, she has no right to answer "Yes" until her health is restored. If she does, she will be wretched and ill herself and her home will be an unhappy one. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a scientific remedy that cures all weakness, disease, disorder and derangement of the delicate and important feminine organs. It is not a "cure-all," but a medicine devised to correct this one class of disorders and no other. It has accomplished its purpose in tens of thousands of cases, as is shown by tens of thousands of testimonials of the grateful patients themselves. It imparts vigor and virility to the entire womanly organism, and is the best of all nerve tonics and restoratives. It fits for wifehood and motherhood. It transforms weak, nervous, despondent invalids into healthy, happy women.

"I was so weak I could scarcely walk about the house," writes Mrs. Mattie Scruggs, of Allen's Creek, Amherst Co., Va. "Was reduced to a mere skeleton. I was never free from pain in the back and head and could not sleep at night. I bought three bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and 'Golden Medical Discovery' and two vials of 'Pleasant Pellets.' After taking these six weeks I felt like a new person; slept well and gained in flesh. I am doing all my own housework and we have nine in the family."

A man or woman who neglects constipation suffers from slow poisoning. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure constipation. One little "Pellet" is a gentle laxative, and two a mild cathartic. All medicine dealers sell them. No other pills are "just as good."

ROBINSON IS AGAIN TAKEN IN THE FOLD

Committee Rescinds Its Former Action.

MANY BILLS ORDERED PAID

AFTERMATH OF THE FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION.

At Another Meeting the Business of the Committee Will Be Completed—Schnee Matter Considered.

The Fourth of July committee met in executive session yesterday afternoon to wind up its career and reconsider the expulsion of Colonel T. P. Robinson from its ranks. Robinson was taken back within the fold by unanimous action, the committee finding that the charges against Robinson were not substantiated by the evidence.

The auditing committee made a partial report. All the bills they presented were passed on by the committee. They were taken up seriatum and voted upon. About $1000 in bills unpaid still require auditing, which will be done at the next meeting. The bills passed yesterday were as follows:

California fireworks, flags, etc., $11 36; League of the Cross, $105; decoration of carriages, $45 75; Hencke band, $105; Von der Mehden band, $105; Andrew Banser (Uncle Sam), $10; Professor McKenzie, $25; Spencer band, $105; newspapers, $3 10; rent of hall, $20; Hamilton Evening School, $25; Ritzau band, $105; Press Club quartet, $25; M. M. Blum, $55; Cellerius band, $105; badges, $56 75; Theraux band, $119; invitations, Dodge & Co., $35; Triest-Rosenberg Cap Company, $68 25; Metropolitan Temple, $25; Dijeau band, $105; horse and buggy four days, $6; decorating Grand Hotel, $10; A. J. Levin, office, etc., $10 30; Model Sign Company, $9 50; rubber stamps, $1 25; newspapers, $1 75; regatta, $520; A. J. Levin, $1 25; J. L. Holland, $5; G. Becker, $50; Hayden Printing Company, $3 75; Harry W. Merritt, 75 cents; Mysell, Rollins & Co., $1 50; Anna C. Busteede, $2; rent, $60; G. R. Fletcher, incidentals, $1 12; flag, $10; fireworks, $1500; Hebrew Orphan band, $25; Allen band, $119; Coggins band, $135.

George W. Herrin, chairman of the finance committee, reported that he made a demand upon Gustavus Schnee for $87. Schnee's book showed that but $45 25 had been collected, so the check was returned to Schnee and the money collected turned into the fund. Herrin has not yet completed his report. When the Robinson matter was up for consideration P. J. Walsh moved for the exoneration of John Chretien. There was no second to the motion. The meeting adjourned until Tuesday.

EDITORS AT OUTS.

Legal Fight Over the Calaveras County Delinquent Tax List.

SAN ANDREAS, July 8.—C. W. Getchell, publisher of the Calaveras Prospect, brought proceedings against County Auditor Jack to-day to prevent him paying the claim of the Calaveras Citizen for the publication of the delinquent tax list. Getchell went before the Board of Supervisors at the May meeting and demanded that the board advertise for bids. District Attorney McSorley advised the board to proceed and fix the rate, which it did, at 75 cents per name, also advising Tax Collector Wesson to place the printing at his discretion. Wesson gave it to the Citizen. Getchell carried the case to the Supreme Court, but it could not be heard in time to prevent publication. He was advised to enjoin County Auditor Jack from auditing the claim when presented.

Want Assessments Reduced.

WOODLAND, July 8.—The Supervisors will meet next Monday as a Board of Equalization. Farmers believe that they are paying more than their proportion of taxes, and it is said that a persistent effort will be made to induce the board to make a substantial reduction in the assessments of farming lands.

Death of Elias Gerger.

SANTA CRUZ, July 8.—Elias Gerger died to-day. He was a native of Pennsylvania and 71 years old.

NOW IT'S A REWARD FOR PRETTY AH MOY

THE trials and tribulations of Ah Moy, the pretty Chinese maiden who was ruthlessly torn from the protecting arms of her friends about two weeks ago by Wong Chuck Hing, may never be told, but that the friends of the girl are anxious for her recovery is evidenced by the degree of excitement that rages in the Chinese quarter of the city.

Fong Fat, who claims to be the nearest friend of the girl, has exhausted every resource known to the police and detective force of the city and has now come to the conclusion that the best way to regain the girl is through the cupidity of man, and he has sent forth word that any one who brings the girl to him at his place of business, 1116 Stockton street, will be rewarded to the extent of $300.

That Fong Fat has at last arrived at the correct mode of procedure is evidenced by the activity that is being displayed by the men who make their living by deeds of daring. The highbinder tongs will now try to do that which the police force gave up in despair.

AH MOY, WHO WAS STOLEN.

When Ah Moy was taken away it was given out by the friends of the kidnaper that the girl went willingly and was to be the wife of Wong Chuck Hing. Later developments, however, indicate that it was a clear case of kidnaping, and now the friends of the girl are determined that she shall be recovered, for they are assured that the sole intent of taking away the maiden was to compel her to lead a life of slavery. Fong Fat, who represents the girl's family in the matter, says that since the proper authorities cannot aid them in getting the girl away from her abductors he will give the sum of $300 to any one who returns her to him.