ELTRINGHAM GOES FORTH A FREE MAN

Killing of Clark at Angels Camp Regarded as Justifiable.

DEFENDED HIS HOME

Public Opinion Approves the Decision Rendered by Justice Shephard.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

ANGELS CAMP, Aug. 2.—Henry Eltringham, who shot and instantly killed John W. Clark on July 17 at the home of the former near Vallecito, was given a preliminary hearing before Justice Shephard at Murphys to-day. Frank J. Solinsky defended Eltringham and District Attorney McSorley appeared for the prosecution.

The facts as brought out were substantially the same as those given in The Call at the time of the killing. Eltringham was in court and took the stand to testify in his own behalf. The once rugged mountaineer is now but a shadow of his former self. His face displayed the torture he has experienced since the eventful day when Clark met his death.

Dr. C. H. Freeman, the autopsy surgeon, testified to the nature of the wound. The 45-caliber ball entered the left arm, shattering the bone, and, continuing on its fatal course, completely tore out the heart, leaving the body near the right nipple. This testimony conflicted with the statement made by Eltringham before the Coroner's jury and the prosecution attempted to build a case around this point. Clark was shot in the left side and Eltringham testified at the inquest to the effect that he fired at the man's right side and strengthened his statement by describing the relative positions of the principals.

Mrs. Eltringham's father and brother being in the vicinity of the scene of the tragedy according to a previous arrangement and both being armed, the story was circulated to the effect that Clark ran after being shot at by Eltringham and was killed by another shot from a gun in the hands of some one else. Eltringham explained that when he testified at the inquest he was nervous and excited and had no clear recollection of the proceedings. After Mr. Solinsky finished with the witness the case of the prosecution went up in a mist.

Justice Shephard took the case under advisement and rendered his decision at 7 o'clock to-night. The defendant was discharged and went out among his friends, who filled the town hall to witness the proceedings. General satisfaction is expressed at the decision rendered by Justice Shephard in upholding one in protecting his home from a fiend such as Clark proved himself to be.

SMELTING TRUST A STOCK-JOBBING SCHEME

Testimony of M. C. Chambers Before the Industrial Commission at Salt Lake.

SALT LAKE, Aug. 2.—The sub-committee of the Industrial Commission reached here last night and held two sessions to-day. At the morning session ex-Congressman C. E. Allen of the Centennial-Eureka mine was examined.

He said his mine used machinery and he thought everybody connected with the mine was benefited by it. He did not think the Utah mine owners could afford to pay Colorado prices for mining, because the ore here is of a lower grade. He thought the Utah smelters had been benefited to some extent by the shutdown of the Colorado smelters.

In the afternoon M. C. Chambers, superintendent of the Ontario mine, was before the committee. He expressed himself as believing that the mining interests of the State were in a thriving condition. He was in favor of an eight-hour law and was fearful of the results of trusts. He thought the smelting trust was a stock jobbing scheme and that the capital represented by the trust was more than the plants were worth.

TREATY AGAIN ATTACKED.

French Paper Claims America Has All the Best of It.

PARIS, Aug. 2.—The Republique Française to-day renews the attack on the Franco-American treaty, declaring that the reductions obtained on French products are insignificant, while France, it adds, has granted considerable concessions, entailing large industrial sacrifices, especially, for example, on machinery, in which nowadays America displays great superiority.

Venezuelan Boundary.

PARIS, Aug. 2.—M. Malet-Prevost, the secretary of the Anglo-Venezuelan Arbitration Commission, in his presentation of the Venezuelan case before that body to-day devoted his argument to showing that up to 1814 Spain had effective control of the coast from the Orinoco to the Esequibo.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

Men as Nurses.

There isn't one man in fifty thousand who is a good nurse. The average man feels as much out of place in a sick-room as a bull must in a china-store. His heart may be ever so full of sympathy, but his feet are heavy and his fingers clumsy.

In most cases when a woman's general health breaks down the original cause is weakness or disease of the distinctly feminine organism. The only permanent cure lies in the correction of all these disorders. Husbands should know that Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is the only medicine that invariably cures all ailments of this nature without "local treatment" and "examinations." It acts directly on the delicate and important organs concerned. It makes them well and strong. It allays inflammation, heals all internal ulceration and stops debilitating drains. It soothes and tones the nerves. Found at all medicine stores. An honest druggist won't urge upon you a substitute.

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AUTOMOBILE HAS REACHED BUFFALO

All Difficulties Being Overcome in the Westward Journey Across the Continent.

BY JOHN D. DAVIS.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 2.—In a heavy rain and hail storm the transcontinental automobile arrived to-day at 2:50 o'clock and ran down Main street at a good rate of speed. The run from Bergen was made in good time and at a rate of twelve miles an hour until near Monroeville, when a strong head wind and clouds of dust were encountered and headway was delayed.

However, the run of fifty-six miles was made in four hours and a half. We were delayed at the forks, nine miles out, to get gasoline and to wait for the automobile escort. A thunder shower delayed the latter, and in a heavy rain we ran into town alone. The motor has worked perfectly all day and not a hitch has occurred. This is the first day without some trouble since leaving New York, and from now on I think everything will work satisfactorily. At the forks to-day a newspaper man being carried into town slipped on the tailboard and broke it, and we will delay to have it repaired, but will get away to-morrow afternoon.

WIND PREVENTED VERY FAST TIME

BUFFALO, Aug. 2.—An immense crowd greeted the travelers as their carriage drew up in front of the News office. The trip from Batavia to Buffalo was smooth enough. Until Bowmansville was reached the machine maintained a rate of twelve miles an hour. But at Bowmansville the wind shifted and blew dead ahead, and the speed of the machine fell off perceptibly in the face of the wind, and the dust began to blow in great clouds. This was not conducive to much speed either. The automobile behaved splendidly in spite of the adverse conditions.

Forks Station was reached at 11:40 o'clock. This station is only two miles from the city line and the automobile party expected to be in Buffalo, running over asphalt pavements, in a few minutes. They were disappointed, for the vehicle came to a sudden stop. It did not take Mr. Davis many minutes to learn that the supply of gasoline had been exhausted. There was no extra supply aboard. So a reporter took the train to the city and bought a quart, which he sent to the stranded machine. Mr. and Mrs. Davis went to the Iroquois this evening. They occupied a box at Shea's Theater as guests of J. Ambrose Butler of the News.

The dashboard of the carriage will be repaired to-morrow morning, and the journey westward will be resumed about 4 o'clock in time to reach Dunkirk by night.

RULING TO FOLLOW DUCHEMIN'S DEATH

PARIS, Aug. 2.—The tragic death of M. Alphonse Duchemin through an accident to an automobile on July 16 is likely to lead to an interesting decision affecting the constructor. M. Ibert, provisional administrator of the estate of the deceased, summoned the manufacturer and claimed in the hearing before the civil tribunal that the accident was due to the faulty construction of the machine, as the left front wheel alone replied to the brake, causing the machine to swerve violently to the left and upset. The court applied to M. Caute, an engineer expert, to examine the condition of the machine.

BUG THAT LAYS DANCING EGGS

Strange Phenomenon of Insect Life.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

REDDING, Aug. 2.—The sulphur smoke and arsenical fumes thrown off into the otherwise clean atmosphere of Shasta County by the smelting and roasting operations of the Mountain Copper Company have been responsible for more than one strange phenomenon in plant and insect life, but the latest expression is perhaps the greatest novelty of all.

It has just been discovered that the leaves of the common oak tree hereabouts are swarming with embryonic life. Masses of eggs, so small as to give the appearance of an unhealthy splotch, adhere to the under side of the leaf, and as they advance toward maturity they drop to the ground and dance about like electrical automatons. By holding an oak twig containing any number of eggs to one's ear a cracking sound may be heard like the spitting of electric sparks. The shell contains a tiny grub, working for release, but what shape it takes upon reaching maturity is unknown.

The curiosity is attracting a great deal of local attention. In many places in town collections of the eggs are on exhibition. A quantity is laid on a table and immediately they begin to disport themselves, bounding about and springing into the air sometimes to a height of sixteen inches. They are particularly active in the early morning.

No one is able to account for the phenomenon. A theory is advanced that this embryonic parasite's presence in such abundance is probably due to the absence of its natural enemy, the commoner insect life, which long ago fell a victim to sulphur smoke and arsenical fumes. This latest insect novelty takes rank with the sulphur bug, which is at home in the red hot roaster piles stretching along the mountain side above Keswick.

NICARAGUAN CONGRESS MEETS.

President Zelaya Commends the Treaty With the United States.

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Aug. 2.—The Congress of Nicaragua assembled to-day. Senor Gomez, President of the body, presiding. President Zelaya read his message opening the session. In it he commends the treaty made at Bluefields on April 29 with United States Minister Merry and asks Congress to take measures to prevent the threatened deficit in the finances of the country.

President Zelaya says the decision of General Alexander, the arbitrator of the dispute as to the boundary line between Nicaragua and Costa Rica, is favorable to Nicaragua.

CONGRESSMAN ROBBED.

William C. Lovering Encounters a Brace of Pickpockets.

BRUSSELS, Aug. 2.—William C. Lovering, member of the United States House of Representatives, of Massachusetts, was robbed on Saturday last while on his way from Ostend to this city. Mr. Lovering, while in the station at Ostend, was jostled by two men, but he took little notice of the occurrence at the time. On arrival in this city, however, he discovered that his pocket-book, together with $13,000 in valuable papers and notes for £85 sterling, had disappeared. The matter was placed in the hands of the police.

RAILWAY REORGANIZED.

MONTEREY, Mexico, Aug. 2.—The Mexican Mineral Railway Company has been reorganized and the new corporation proposes to immediately extend the line southward to the City of Mexico. The road is now almost twenty-five miles long and runs from this city to the San Pedro mining district.

The Clara Crow Condemned.

STOCKTON, Aug. 2.—The Clara Crow goes to the boneyard. When the trim little steamer was launched thirty-five years ago she was pronounced the crack craft of the San Joaquin. The boat has earned fortunes for several owners and has of late years been used in the upper river service by the California Navigation Company. Recently she was taken out of commission for repairs, but it was found that the old-fashioned machinery had played out and the rebuilding of the boat would not be a paying proposition. The boat was accordingly sold to Cy Moreing & Son, who are engaged in reclamation work on Middle River. The boat will be fitted up as a bunkhouse for the workmen.

To Wed a Suisun Belle.

SUISUN, Aug. 2.—The engagement was to-day announced of Miss Mary Emma Robbins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Robbins of Suisun, and John Grant Sutton of San Francisco. The young lady's father is a local banker and extensive land owner. The marriage will take place on September 14.

FRUIT PRESERVED IN VACUUM CARS

Project of a Stockton Inventor.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

STOCKTON, Aug. 2.—The claim that liquid air as a substitute for ice in cars will greatly facilitate perfect preservation of fruit in shipment is met by a Stockton man with a plan which he declares is superior in every way. Frank E. Covey, who has devised the new system, is already known in the inventive world. He has a working model of his plan here, but is preparing to give it a practical demonstration on a car now being built under his direction in Oakland.

Covey has a practically air tight box about a yard long and a foot and a half wide, which represents a refrigerator car. Attached to this is a pump, by which air is extracted and a vacuum formed, as nearly as possible. Into this box Covey placed a box of peaches, fruit that was really too ripe to be shipped. He pumped the box out every three or four hours. Twenty-two days after he placed the peaches in the box he removed them, and although the weather was unusually warm, they appeared identically the same as when they were "shipped." They had not changed a particle. Rarefied air being lower in temperature, it was several degrees cooler in the box than outside.

Covey's invention is based on the theory that fruit would be preserved forever if no particle of air could reach it.

To ascertain the effect as to dampness two wide-mouthed bottles were placed in the box, one filled with water and the other empty. A vacuum was then created, and when the "car" was opened there was no water in either bottle.

Covey will attach a pump to the underside of the car, with a pipe running up through the floor. The pump will be operated by what is known as a ball-and-socket joint eccentric and will be run from the axle of the car. In this way the air will be kept continually exhausted. By means of a relief valve when the vacuum shows a certain pressure the pump will be released from duty, pumping in air through the chamber and out again. As soon as the pressure is lowered the relief valve will close and the work of exhausting will commence again. The pump to be placed on the first car for a test will be of eight-inch diameter, with a ten-inch stroke.

YELLOW FEVER IN CUBA.

Four American Civilians Stricken at Santiago.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Aug. 2.—Four cases of yellow fever have been reported in the last four days, the victims being American civilans. One case occurred in the Cosmopolitan Club.

General Wood believes there is little danger of an increase of the disease, as nearly all the people are immune through having had the fever or are isolated outside the town. The quarantine restrictions of the port and municipality are strictly observed. General Wood and his staff are in the city.

Work on Blue Lakes Dam.

STOCKTON, Aug. 2.—The construction of the great Blue Lakes dam in Amador County is progressing rapidly. Some difficulty is experienced in getting men who are able to stand the heavy work in an altitude of over 8000 feet. The arrangements for the care of the men have been very poor and an inducement of $2 25 a day was not sufficient to get men to sleep in the open. Bunkhouses are now being built and fair inducements held out for labor. There has been some difficulty in getting the materials over the mountain roads to the site.

CAPITULATED UNDER ORDERS.

Defense of General Pareja Before the Court-Martial.

MADRID, Aug. 2.—At to-day's sitting of the court-martial before which Generals Toral and Pareja are being tried on charges of having surrendered to the Americans before exhausting all means of defense at their command General Pareja's counsel read telegrams exchanged with the commander in chief showing that Guantanamo was capitulated only on orders from a superior officer and that the town was without either provisions or means of defense. The other officers advanced a similar defense. The judgment of the court-martial was deferred.

Railway Men in Conference.

PORTLAND, Aug. 2.—C. S. Mellen, the president of the Northern Pacific Railway; C. H. Harriman, chairman of the board of directors of the Union Pacific, and A. L. Mohler, president of the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company, held a conference in this city to-day.

While the officers concerned are reticent regarding the subject of the conference, it is understood that it related to trackage arrangements between the Northern Pacific and the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company.

SHAW NAMED FOR GOVERNOR

State Convention of Iowa Republicans.

OLD PLATFORM ADOPTED

WILL STAND BY LAST YEAR'S GOLD PLANK.

Confidence Expressed in Administration of McKinley and Praise for the Heroism of Officers and Men in the Army.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

DES MOINES, Aug. 2.—The State Republican Convention to-day nominated the following ticket:

Governor—Leslie M. Shaw of Denison.

Lieutenant Governor—J. C. Milliman of Logan.

Superintendent of Public Instruction—S. C. Barrett of Osage.

Railroad Commissioner—E. A. Dawson of Waverly.

Supreme Judge—John C. Sherwin of Mason City.

The first four nominees are the incumbents and were named by acclamation. Judge Sherwin was nominated on the fourth ballot.

The convention met in the new auditorium at 11 a. m. and listened to the address of Temporary Chairman Charles Pickett of Waterloo. The hall was packed with some 2500 delegates and visitors, and Chairman Pickett's address was generally applauded, particularly where he indorsed the administration and its policy of expansion. After the appointment of the working committees, the convention adjourned to 2 p. m.

At the afternoon session the convention listened to an address by former Congressman G. W. Curtis, permanent chairman. Mr. Curtis said in part:

The distinguished results of the Republican victories in the past are happy auguries for the future. The Republican party will, if permitted under Providence to continue to administer the affairs of the Government, maintain order and law and put down all insurrections.

It will also solve and administer the affairs of finance as they produce the greatest possible benefits to all the people. It will so adjust and readjust our trade relations with other nations that the wage-earners of this country will maintain their present proud position of being the best paid and most intelligent laborers in all the world. It will successfully grapple with the problem of unlawful trusts and combines, so that no oppression or tyranny or injurious monopolies shall distress or burden the people.

The following resolution was presented and adopted:

We commend the action of the Iowa delegation in Congress in support of protection, of the Dingley tariff, of the maintenance of the gold standard and on its faithful support of the administration of President McKinley in his policy in peace and war. We rejoice in the prospective election of David B. Henderson to be Speaker of the House of Representatives and indorse him as wholly worthy of that honor. We readopt the following declaration from the Iowa Republican platform of 1898:

"The monetary standard of this country and the commercial world is gold. The permanence of this standard must be assured by Congressional legislation, giving to it the validity and vitality of public law. All other money must be kept at a parity with gold."

And we urgently call upon our Senators and Representatives in Congress to lend their best endeavors to enact these propositions into law. We denounce the Chicago platform and its declaration in favor of free trade and free silver coinage at the ratio of 16 to 1 and its attacks upon the courts as threatening the American people with a departure from the policy of good government that would prove fraught with evil to the American people. The enormities of that platform call for the resistance of all good citizens. As Republicans we make recognition of the loyalty and exalted patriotism of the sound money Democrats and men of all parties who put aside partisanship in order to maintain the good faith of the nation and in resistance to the Chicago platform and its candidate. To maintain the welfare of the people is the object and aim of all governments.

Industry and commerce should be left free to pursue their methods according to the natural laws of the world, but when the business aggregations known as trusts prove hurtful to the people they must be restricted by laws, and if need be abolished.

Confidence in the high purpose of the President, the skill of the officers and the heroism of the men in the army and navy are expressed, and moral and material support promised them so long as there is resistance to the flag anywhere.

MARYLAND DEMOCRATS MAKE NOMINATIONS

BALTIMORE, Aug. 2.—The Democratic State Convention, which was held at Ford's Opera-house in this city to-day, resulted in the nomination of the following ticket:

Governor, John Walter Smith of Worcester County.

Attorney General, Isidor Rayner of Baltimore.

Comptroller, Joseph N. W. Herring of Carroll County.

The convention was unusually harmonious and all the nominations were made by acclamation, Edwin Warfield, Mr. Smith's principal opponent, withdrawing at the last moment and placing the successful candidate in nomination.

John Walter Smith, the nominee for Governor, is a banker and resides in Snowhill, Worcester County. He has served in the State Senate for three consecutive terms and was elected to Congress last November from the First District.

Isidor Rayner, the nominee for Attorney General, is a lawyer and has long been prominent in political and social circles of the State. He served in the Fiftieth, Fifty-second and Fifty-third Congresses, and is regarded as one of the best political orators of Maryland. All the candidates are favorable to a gold standard.

The date for holding the Republican State Convention has not yet been announced. Governor Lloyd Lowndes has practically no opposition for renomination.

POLITICAL REVOLT IN OLD KENTUCKY

LEXINGTON, Ky., Aug. 2.—A political revolt in Kentucky was inaugurated here to-day. The anti-Goebel conference here for the purpose of calling a State convention and nominating another Democratic State ticket, or part of one, was in some respects perhaps the most remarkable political gathering ever held in Kentucky. The conference was composed of leading farmers and professional men, only a few politicians being in the assembly.

It was manifest from the beginning that the feeling was not against the whole ticket but against its head, and although other nominations may be made against those of the Louisville convention the opposition will be mainly directed toward the defeat of William Goebel.

The gathering was larger than expected. There were 720 men by actual count in the auditorium. Thirty counties were represented. A committee on resolutions composed of one from each district and two for the State at large were appointed. When this committee retired to draft resolutions John Young Brown was escorted to the platform and made a vigorous, impassioned speech in denunciation of the course of the Louisville convention.

The resolutions committee report recommended the indorsement of Bryan and the Chicago platform, denounced the methods of the Louisville convention to secure the nomination of William Goebel, declared that the report of the committee on credentials of the Louisville convention was secured by shameful and fraudulent tactics, denounced "McKinleyism" and other national affairs and provided that the convention be held in Lexington on Wednesday, August 16, to declare principles and nominate candidates for the November election. Each county or legislative district was urged to appoint delegates to the convention, each county being entitled to one vote for every 200 votes or fraction over 100 polls cast for W. J. Bryan in 1896. It was further resolved that Major P. P. Johnston is now the regular and legal chairman of the State Democratic Central Committee, and he was urged to take legal steps in accordance with this position.

POLITICS IN OHIO.

Gold Democrats May Again Vote With the Republicans.

SEATTLE, Aug. 2.—Ex-Congressman J. H. Outhwaite of Ohio, now a member of the Board of Ordnance and Fortifications of the War Department, arrived here to-day. Speaking of Ohio politics Mr. Outhwaite said:

"If the Ohio Democrats reaffirm the Chicago platform the Republicans will carry the State."

Mr. Outhwaite, who belongs to the gold wing of the party, said that a large majority of that element of the party would vote the Republican ticket if J. R. McLean were nominated for Governor or indorsed for United States Senator by the convention.

RISK THEIR LIVES TO RESCUE A COMPANION

Two Brave Young Women of Los Angeles Save a Friend From Death in the Surf.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 2.—The Misses Susie Carpenter and Katie Ridgway were yesterday heroines of an exciting episode in the surf at Redondo. They made brave efforts to save from drowning their companion, Miss Helen Wells, and succeeded. That Miss Wells is to-day alive is due to the act of the two young women, although Miss Carpenter nearly lost her life in the effort to save her friend.

The three, who are daughters of well-known Los Angeles citizens, were bathing in Redondo surf. Miss Wells ventured out too far, and finding herself helpless in the breakers, cried for help. Miss Carpenter swam to her assistance, but Miss Wells, like all drowning persons, became unmanageable, and Miss Carpenter's danger became as great as that of the friend she was trying to save. Both girls would have drowned but for the aid of Miss Ridgway, an expert swimmer, who hastened to their aid and by dint of hard work managed to get them to the life raft.

SAYS THE HARVEY JURY WAS BRIBED

Charge Made by a San Rafael Woman.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

SAN RAFAEL, Aug. 2.—The poolrooms operated at Sausalito have been the source of some ugly scandals, in which the names of prominent citizens have figured, but Mrs. J. P. Roberts of this city gave a story to the Marin County authorities to-day which caps the climax. She alleges that Joseph Harvey gave ex-Sheriff Henry Harrison $60 to be distributed among three jurors who voted for acquittal at his recent trial and that the money was secured by Trustee Sylva of Sausalito. District Attorney McIsaac will immediately investigate the charges and if he deems them susceptible of proof will bring the matter before the Grand Jury.

A few days ago Mrs. Roberts' husband disappeared. She tried to get a warrant for his arrest on the charge of having eloped with Mrs. Josephine Nelson. Failing in this she saw Sheriff Taylor and told him that her husband, who had served on the Harvey jury, had admitted to her that Trustee Sylva had procured $60 for three jurors—Roberts, Ramon Valencia and a man whose name she did not know. Ex-Sheriff Henry Harrison, now chief engineer at San Quentin Prison, was accused of having brought the money to San Rafael for distribution.

Sheriff Taylor held a long consultation with District Attorney McIsaac to-day. While both officials refuse to divulge any facts, they promise a sensation in the near future.

Ex-Sheriff Harrison, when seen at San Quentin to-night, denied that there was any foundation for the story.

YEAR OF PROSPERITY AHEAD FOR BAPTISTS

Mrs. Sunderland's Optimistic Address to the Home Missionary Society.

SANTA CRUZ, Aug. 2.—The Baptists from all over California are gathered at their summer resort at Twin Lakes and every cottage and many tents are occupied.

The Women's Baptist Home Missionary Society of California has completed its session. Associational secretaries as follows have been selected to serve for the coming year: For the Sacramento River Association, Mrs. Carroll of Red Bluff; South Central Association, Mrs. F. S. Lawrence of Emmanuel Church of San Jose; American River Association, Mrs. Smith of Shasta; Central Association, Mrs. J. H. Helsley of Ceres; Pacific Association, Mrs. A. D. Banks of Sacramento; San Joaquin Association, Mrs. Austin of Dinuba.

The committee on enrollment includes Miss Edith Reid of Alameda and Mrs. Robert Whittaker of Oakland. On the obituary committee is Mrs. E. R. Bennett of Oakland.

Mrs. Sunderland, the president, was very optimistic in her address and looked forward to a prosperous year, as did Mrs. L. A. Johnson in her report for the board. The treasurer, Mrs. E. A. Joy of San Francisco, reported for the general missionary work $812 78, with a balance of $2 45 on hand. Fifteen dollars and sixty-five cents was raised for the Chinese kindergarten work. Miss Ham of Oakland reported missionary boxes valued at $801 had been sent to missionary churches during the year.

The obituary committee reported that the following had passed from this life during the past year: Mrs. Pierce of Berkeley, Mrs. Perkins of the Tenth-avenue Church of Oakland, Mrs. Jenne of Santa Cruz, Mrs. Davis of the First Church of San Francisco, Mrs. Gilmore of Fresno, Mrs. Strong of Sacramento, Mrs. Price of Red Bluff, Miss Janson of the Dano Norreigen Church of Oakland.

The reports from the associational secretaries were all encouraging and were given by Mrs. J. H. Helsly, late of Gonzales, for the South Central Association, Mrs. Carroll of Red Bluff for the Sacramento River Association, Mrs. Austin of Dinuba for the San Joaquin Valley Association.

Those who participated in the discussion on the apportionment of money that should be raised by the circles were Mrs. J. H. Helsley of Ceres, Mrs. Carroll of Red Bluff and Rev. F. S. Lawrence of San Jose.

The ladies voted to assist Miss Wuttke of Sacramento, who is to enter the training school for missionaries at Chicago. Miss Hagstrom, a missionary among the Swedes in Oakland, who is a graduate of the training school, gave an address.

A missionary platform meeting was held and among the missionaries who addressed the meeting were Miss Egli of the Chinese church, San Francisco; Miss Hagstrom of the Swedish church of Oakland; Rev. F. S. Lawrence, pastor of Emmanuel Church in San Jose and the churches at Palo Alto and Mountain View; Rev. P. Peterson, pastor of the Danish church at Watsonville; Rev. J. H. Hargreaves, and Rev. W. M. McCart of the gospel wagon work.

Rev. C. M. Hill of East Oakland presided at the session of the general convention to-day. It opened with a song and praise service. Rev. Robert Whittaker, the State missionary, gave a report on the present status of work in Northern and Central California. This was followed by a report of State Treasurer E. F. Baker.

In the afternoon an address was given by the pastor of the First Church of San Francisco, who spoke on "Enthusiasm in Our Work."

The open parliament on "How Shall We Care for the Little Country Churches?" brought forth many good points.

The annual sermon was preached this evening by Rev. A. M. Petty.

NEW COLORADO RAILROAD.

It Will Pass Through a Belt of Virgin Timber.

DENVER, Aug. 2.—Contracts have been awarded for the construction of a branch of the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad from Gato to Pagoda Springs, about thirty miles.

The new road is known as the Rio Grande, Pagoda and Northern Railroad and passes through a magnificent belt of virgin timber, where extensive mills are already being set up and started.

Lively Bidding for Apricots.

VENTURA, Aug. 2.—The dried apricot market in this county is exceedingly strong and many sales are reported. Buyers are offering 10 cents a pound and there is considerable excitement in fruit circles. The Johnson-Locke Company of San Francisco has purchased about thirty-five carloads, or 350 tons of dried apricots. This firm made one large purchase to-day at a fraction over 10 cents. There are about ten buyers in the field, and bidding is becoming lively. Fifty carloads have been purchased. The price started at 9½ cents and is now ruling at 10 cents, with an upward tendency. Many growers are holding for 12½ cents. The entire crop in the county is over 100 carloads.

Rural Mail Delivery.

STOCKTON, Aug. 2.—Special Postal Agent W. E. Annin arrived here from Salt Lake to-day to confer with Congressman de Vries in regard to the establishment of rural mail deliveries in the Second District. Mr. de Vries has made a special effort to secure some of the benefits of the recent law extending the carrier service to country sections and believes he will be able to obtain the service for certain suburban districts of Sacramento and Stockton. Congressman de Vries will accompany Agent Annin on his trip of investigation and will try to harmonize local rivalries in order that the district as a whole may obtain the largest possible benefit.

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

CROWD HELD UP BY FOUR HIGHWAYMEN

BUFFALO, Aug. 2.—A special to the Express from Corey, Pa., says: A bold highway robbery took place in this city at 11 o'clock last night, when patrons of the Pawnee Bill show were returning to their homes. Four armed men held up 500 people. The robbery took place on Center street.

The robbers had destroyed the arc light, leaving the road in darkness, and with drawn revolvers they proceeded to stop the people and carriages, blocking the street until at least 500 people were held. Charles Parton, a hackman, made an attempt to drive on. The four men opened fire upon him, but none of the bullets took effect. The people in the rear of the crowd, hearing the shots, became panic stricken and made a rush for their lives.

A man named Smith, a peanut vender, was relieved of about $60. From a stranger who would not give his name was taken about $200. The highwaymen were not caught.

TWO RACES FOR EACH YACHT.

DORVAL, Quebec, Aug. 2.—The Glencairn III, the Canadian yacht, and the Constance, the American yacht, started today in their fourth race for the Seawanhka cup. The Constance had already won two races and the Glencairn III one. The Constance crossed the starting line at 1:55:23 and the Glencairn III at 1:55:31. The course was triangular, one and a third miles to a leg, to be sailed over three times, twelve miles in all.

The Glencairn III turned the first buoy of the first round at 2:10:21, and the Constance at 2:12:23. The Glencairn III turned the second buoy at 2:31:37; the Constance at 2:34:18. The Glencairn III completed the second round at 3:34:13, and the Constance at 3:35:45. The Glencairn finished first at 4:15:15; the Constance finished at 4:20:54. The deciding race will be sailed to-morrow.

Ferry Landing Site Chosen.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 2.—The several interests affected by the location of the ferry landing at San Pedro and Terminal Island, across the bay from San Pedro, practically reached an agreement to-day when the County Board of Supervisors took up the matter of a franchise for the ferry. The landing on the island given by the Terminal road was selected, and the Third-street landing on the San Pedro side decided upon. The Southern Pacific had agreed to give a landing there, but objected to the Fifth-street landing, directly opposite the landing on the island. Third street was selected as a compromise.

Newspaper Changes.

VENTURA, Aug. 2.—Within a short time, not later than September 1, J. H. Mason will retire as co-publisher of the Ventura Free Press, the Republican organ in this county. Mason has leased his half interest to D. A. Webster, at present publisher of the Santa Paula Chronicle. The paper will be conducted by Willis & Webster. R. A. Dague will again take charge of the Santa Paula Chronicle. The Ventura Daily Signal announces this evening that hereafter the paper will be issued semi-weekly, on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

MEYER—STRAUSS.

Miss Nelly Meyer, daughter of Moritz Meyer and niece of Daniel Meyer, the banker, was married last evening at the home of the bride's parents, 2714 Pacific avenue, to Julius Strauss, a prominent export merchant of Yokohama, Rev. Dr. Voorsanger officiating. Miss Jeannette Meyer, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Leon Meyer of London was best man. Only relatives and a few of the most intimate friends of the contracting parties were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Strauss will take a wedding tour to the South and then depart for Yokohama on the 18th inst.

During the evening many cablegrams and telegrams were received in congratulation of the happy event, and two rooms filled with costly presents attested the good wishes of the friends of the newmade couple.

Alma Howard's Arrest.

There appeared in yesterday morning's Call a short item to the effect that a woman named Alma Howard was arrested for shoplifting at the Emporium. An error was inadvertently committed by the police so far as locating the place where the theft occurred is concerned. The woman was arrested in another establishment in the block above the Emporium.

Death of Capitalist Lowe.

Edmund R. Lowe, capitalist, was found dead in bed yesterday morning at 3 o'clock at his residence, 2118 Post street. He had been attended by a physician for some time, and an inquest was waived. Mr. Lowe was 81 years old.

DYEA BARRACKS RAZED BY FIRE

Military Stores Go Up in Smoke.

SOLDIERS MOVED TO SKAGUAY

BLAZE STARTS FROM BURNING FORESTS.

White Pass and Yukon Railway Buildings at Glacier Reported Destroyed by a Conflagration.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

SEATTLE, Aug. 2.—News of the destruction by fire of the United States military post at Dyea on Friday of last week was brought to this city to-day by returning passengers on the steamship Humboldt. Military stores to the value of $5000 were destroyed. About $20,000 worth of stores were saved by the prompt work of the soldiers under command of Captain Hubby. The fire started in the brush back on the hills and swept down on the fort.

The soldiers composing the garrison have, with their remaining stores, been moved to Skaguay, and are now quartered in one of the large warehouses near the water front.

Forest fires are said to be raging all along Lynn Canal. The Glacier station, roundhouse, outbuildings and water tank of the White Pass and Yukon Railway are reported destroyed.

TWO MEET DEATH IN THE ELECTRIC CHAIR

Oscar Rice and John Kennedy Pay the Penalty of Their Crimes at Auburn.

AUBURN, N. Y., Aug. 2.—Oscar E. Rice, a white man, and John Kennedy, a negro, were put to death by electricity in the prison here to-day. The two executions took place within twenty minutes. Rice was supported to the electric chair in a state of collapse. The executions were successful.

Oscar E. Rice stabbed and slashed his wife with a pocket-knife on March 25, 1898. The woman ran into the roadway, where she fell. Rice threw stones at her while she lay helpless and then cut his own throat. His wound was not serious, but the woman died.

John Kennedy stabbed John Hummings, colored, nine times on October 9, 1898. The murder was caused by jealousy.

DEATH OF E. R. LOWE.

Retired Yolo County Capitalist Passes Away in San Francisco.

WOODLAND, Aug. 2.—E. R. Lowe, one of the wealthy men of Yolo County, died at San Francisco at an early hour this morning. He had been in feeble health for many years, but when he retired at 9 o'clock Tuesday night he was cheerful and apparently as well as he had been at any time for two or three years. His death was due to heart failure.

Mr. Lowe was a native of Missouri and 81 years of age. He married Miss Lucy L. Hodge of Kentucky on December 27, 1847. They came to California in 1852, first locating in Grass Valley and afterward in Sutter County. The basis for Mr. Lowe's fortune was Yolo County real estate, which he reluctantly accepted in payment of a debt.

Mrs. Lowe died in 1898 and Mr. Lowe decided to relieve himself of all business cares and responsibilities. He resigned the position of director in the Bank of Yolo, and distributed the bulk of his fortune among his five children.

The body will be brought to Woodland for interment.

ASTOR IS SILENT.

Will Not Discuss His Recent British Naturalization.

LONDON, Aug. 2.—William Waldorf Astor has been besieged by reporters since the official announcement yesterday that he was naturalized a British subject on July 27.

He absolutely declines to see any one, but has authorized his agents to say that he considers the matter purely personal, has no explanations to offer, is quite prepared for the attacks of the American newspapers, who attacked him when it was previously suggested that there was a possibility of his becoming a British subject, and in conclusion that any interviews purported to be with him are devoid of foundation.

POWER FOR COMSTOCK.

Contract Virtually Awarded for Supplying Cheap Electricity.

The contract for supplying the mines of the Comstock with electrical power at a cheap cost has virtually been awarded to the Truckee River General Electric Company. The terms of the contract were satisfactorily arranged yesterday at a meeting between Attorney W. F. Deal and President Charles Hirschfeld, representing the Comstock Pumping Association, and Attorney Hall McAllister Jr., representing the electric company.

The contract was awarded to the Truckee company because its proposition, after a most searching investigation, was found to be the most feasible. San Francisco and Chicago capital is behind the cheap-power enterprise which is to make a modern and profitable mining camp of the Comstock.

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