YOUNG WIFE OF YOLO MERCHANT ENDS HER LIFE

Mrs. A. Levy Commits Suicide.

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Mrs. A. Levy, the young wife of a prominent merchant of Yolo, committed suicide at Livermore shortly after 5 o'clock this afternoon by hanging.

Her lifeless body was found suspended from a water pipe in the lavatory by a strip torn from her dress. The suicide was committed in one of the Anspacher cottages at the Livermore Sanitarium. Mrs. Levy had been under treatment for nervous prostration and mental trouble for about three months. Dr. Robertson states that she was doing nicely and was on a fair road to permanent recovery, and he is at a complete loss to account for any reason that prompted the act. She had been allowed the freedom of the Anspacher cottage and a nurse was no longer guarding her.

When the nurse went to the place this afternoon she found the lavatory locked, and becoming alarmed promptly advised Assistant Physician Harpscer, who, having a pass key, opened the door and discovered the patient dead.

The suicide was very determined. It was necessary for Mrs. Levy to bend her knees beneath her body in order to accomplish her desperate purpose.

Deceased was a native of California, aged 24 years. She was married only about two years ago and leaves a husband and little child. Coroner Mehrmann was notified of the case to-night and has ordered an inquest to be held some time to-morrow.

FACTORY LEFT TO BURN FOR LACK OF WATER

Fire Department Stands Idly by While Flames Consume a West Berkeley Building.

BERKELEY, Oct. 15.—Twice during the past week have the residents of the university town had object lessons on the need of an adequate municipal water supply. Three thousand dollars' worth of property has gone up in smoke, and not a hand raised to save it. That the amount of damage done was as small as it is is only due to accident. Two buildings have been burned to the ground, one on Thursday evening, the other last night, and on both occasions the firemen have stood by, powerless to do anything for lack of water.

Last night's blaze was in the box factory on the corner of Bancroft way and San Pablo avenue, West Berkeley. The fire broke out late in the evening. The alarm was turned in as soon as the flames were discovered, and the West Berkeley volunteer company turned out in good time. The firemen found, however, that no water could be obtained from any reasonable distance, and they were compelled to take their engine to the firehouse, while the factory gradually burned to the ground.

The building was owned by P. S. King of West Berkeley and was used by him as a box factory. The total damge is estimated at $500.

Reihl Dies From His Wound.

OAKLAND, Oct. 15.—Professor Emil Reihl, the musical instructor, who on September 11 fired a bullet through his head at his mother's ranch near Alma, Santa Cruz Mountains, died to-night at the Receiving Hospital in this city. Deceased was a native of Germany, aged 40 years, and leaves a widow residing at 125 Hanna street, this city.

INVESTIGATING LAUNDRIES.

Labor Commissioner Meyers Enters Upon His Official Duties.

The first work the new Labor Commissioner, F. V. Meyers, and Chief Deputy Kelsey have undertaken is the investigation of the white laundries of this city. Soon after they took office complaints were made that the employes of these places were being worked unusually long hours and at small wages. The inquiry has been carried on among the large laundries only, and the conditions under which the employes labored were not all that the officials could desire. They discovered that in the mangle and ironing rooms the operatives are compelled to work from 7 o'clock in the morning to 8 and 10 o'clock at night. The work is particularly hard and wages are not sufficient. In some of the places the employers pay from $10 to $12 per week and furnish board. Where board is not provided the pay is about $20 per week. These figures apply to the mangle room, where the rough ironing is done by means of machinery, which dries and smooths out such articles as tablecloths and sheets.

Those who do the better class of ironing receive from $4 to $6 a month more. In the four or five laundries visited the operatives number about 1000, and the majority are girls and young women. The Commissioner speaks very complimentary of the nice, intelligent appearance of the girls employed. Another cause for complaint is that the pay days are too far apart. At some of the laundries payment is made monthly, and at a few the employes receive their money every two weeks. Considering the small amounts received they state that it is necessary that they should be paid oftener in order to meet expenses. Commissioner Meyers states that during his investigation he has not found any direct violations of the law, but the condition of the operatives could be greatly improved. He proposes to discuss the situation with the employers and see if the hours can be reduced a little and the work made easier.

RELIEF CORPS.

Reception Tendered to a Delegate Returned From the National Convention at Philadelphia.

At its last meeting James A. Garfield Corps, Woman's Relief Corps No. 21, tendered a reception to Mrs. S. Wilson of Oakland, who a few days before returned from the thirty-third annual convention of the Women's National Relief Corps, held in Philadelphia. After a brief business meeting there was an adjournment to the banquet hall of the Alcazar building, where two hours were spent in an enjoyable manner. To pay their respects to the guest of the evening were Mrs. Dora Wilkins, president of the corps; Caroline Dibble, M. Souders, Nellie Hendricks, Miss Wilson, Mrs. Van Horn, Mrs. E. C. Dunn, Mrs. M. A. O'Brien, Mrs. Sweet, Ida Brown, Jennie Goodwin and Mrs. Hattie M. Baldwin of Meade Corps; also Messrs. Crail, Hayes, Marks and Kilgore of Garfield Post, Grand Army of the Republic.

Lincoln Relief Corps No. 3, Women's Relief Corps, will hold its campfire and entertainment in B'nai B'rith Hall on the night of the 25th inst. in behalf of its fund for the relief of soldiers who are in distress.

Pacific Council.

Pacific Council No. 8 of the Order of Chosen Friends has arranged for an entertainment and social to be given to its friends in Myrtle Hall of the Alcazar building on the evening of Friday next.

Parlor Reorganized.

Grand Organizer John A. Steinbach, assisted by Grand Secretary James J. Jamison, Grand Outside Sentinel J. H. Marcuse, District Deputy Joseph A. Bilhartz and a number of the members of Marysville Parlor No. 6, Native Sons of the Golden West, in Wheatland a few evenings since reorganized Rainbow Parlor No. 40, with fifty-two charter members. The following named were installed as officers for the current term: J. A. Stewart, past president; W. H. Niemeyer, president; B. F. Sowell, first vice president; T. E. Farnsworth, second vice president; F. Rickers, third vice president; E. T. Manwell, recording secretary; F. T. Grant, financial secretary; W. Hanson, treasurer; C. F. Grant, surgeon. Trustees—J. A. Hicks, J. A. Muck and F. W. Anderson.

Woman's Liberal League Meets.

The council of the American Women's Liberal League held a meeting Saturday afternoon at 515 Van Ness avenue, Susan M. Theale presiding. The object of the meeting was to call the attention of the Government to the fact that many foreigners are employed in Federal offices. Resolutions asking the Government not to appoint to any Federal positions any person who has not resided in the United States for at least ten years, were adopted.

League of the Cross.

Company I, League of the Cross Cadets of St. Peter's Parish, will give an entertainment on the evening of October 30 at St. Peter's Hall, Florida street, between Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth streets. Captain Denis Geary, U. S. V., will lecture on the campaign in the Philippines. A musical and literary programme will also be given.

Company C of the League of the Cross Cadets of St. Joseph's, St. Patrick's and St. Roses's parishes will entertain their friends at Metropolitan Temple on Friday evening, November 3. Captain Denis Geary will lecture on "A Soldier's Life in the Philippines."

NEW DEFINITION OF RELIGION PROPOUNDED

REV. B. FAY MILLS AT FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH.

Declares It Is "That Fine Sense of the Soul That Connects the Individual With Universal Purpose."

Rev. Benjamin Fay Mills, who is visiting this city, occupied the pulpit in the First Unitarian Church yesterday morning. Mr. Mills created quite a stir here some seven years ago with his revival meetings at the Mechanics' Pavilion. He has since become a convert to Unitarianism and during the past two years has been preaching to a large congregation in the Hollis-street Theater in Boston. He will remain in this city for two weeks and next Sunday will be heard at the First Unitarian Church in Oakland.

When asked whether he would accept the call to the latter church Mr. Mills replied that it had not as yet been extended to him. A friend of his in Boston, he said, had had some correspondence on the subject, but Mr. Mills had not considered it. His subject yesterday was "A New Definition of Religion," which he said an inspired friend had recently given to him.

"Religion," said he, "is that fine sense of the soul that connects the individual with universal purpose. That word 'purpose' is the greatest word in the land. Nothing is so despised as a seemingly purposeless life, and on the other hand life is ennobled when it has some great purpose in view. The foundation of every religion without exception is based on some great purpose. Even the Socialist and the Anarchist is not so far away from religion in his utterances when we consider the redhot purpose of these social reformers to put into practice what they regard best for the world's welfare and what to them seems right.

"Every religion has experienced the baptism of purpose and the more that purpose is realized the truer will that religion be. The great universal purpose of the uplifting of humanity is a religion in itself. We all have some connection with the great eternal purpose of living a righteous life and doing what is right as far as we are able. It is the universal purpose to get a grip on the individual and ennoble his soul with a love for the Creator.

"It is not the name of religion that counts, but the reality. The questions that are fraught with wondrous importance are: 'Is this a universe? Is there a purpose in it? Is that purpose universal?' We should enroll ourselves in the one great eternal harmony of dutiful purpose. There is no limit to the possibilities if the definition of religion be true and the religion be practicable.

"I expect a new expression of religion to-day aside from any article of faith which may be prescribed by denominations. We will make the choice of choices if we believe in righteousness, in universal purpose and the manifestation of God in and through the goodness of the individual life, and thereby we will attain the perfection of religion."

STEVENSON BRINGS SUIT.

Wants an Accounting From the Badger Mining Company Directors.

Stockholders and directors of the Badger Gold Mining and Milling Company have decided to go to court and settle various and vast differences now existing between them. Late Saturday afternoon Attorney Louis P. Boardman, on behalf of A. V. Stevenson, a stockholder, filed suit against the corporation, A. B. Bennison, H. W. Mathews and J. J. Meyers, constituting a majority of the board of directors, and S. K. Bradford, G. W. Dewitt, H. L. McClane and John Hughes, for an accounting of all moneys paid out in salaries and other expenses of the mine, including development and purchase of materials, and for all moneys that have been received by the corporation from the proceeds of the various mines operated under its direction.

It is alleged that the defendants named, constituting a majority of the board of directors, have voted to pay excessive salaries to Dewitt and McClane, superintendents of the properties, and that they have conspired together to create fictitious indebtedness and liability that the profits of the corporation might be diverted. Some thirty allegations of misconduct on the part of the defendants are made by the plaintiff, and when issues are joined a bitter legal battle is anticipated. Upon the filing of the complaint Mr. Boardman, on behalf of his client, filed a bond in $10,000 for the appointment of a receiver to take charge of the properties, but a short time later the defendants deposited a bond of $20,000 and a receiver was not appointed.

DANISH LADIES' SOCIAL.

A Large Audience Enjoys an Entertainment at Saratoga Hall.

A large audience, consisting of the friends and members of the Danish Ladies' Relief Society, were enjoyably entertained at Saratoga Hall Saturday evening.

The programme consisted mainly of the one-act farce, "Tre For En." Previous to the presentation of the farce a piano solo was performed in a masterly manner by Thomas Hanning, and Miss C. Decker rendered a vocal selection.

The cast of the farce was capably filled by the following: Madam Brandt, P. Paulsen, Kristian Vitta, Nygaard Karoline, F. W. Thisted, Gabriel Kristensen, H. H. Nygaard Torn, H. C. M. Beck, Kaspar Malling, H. Otto Prahl, Madam Mortensen and J. C. Hansen.

The committees in charge of the affair were composed as follows:

Committee of arrangements—Mesdames Thomas Mikkelsen, J. L. Baar, P. Paulsen, C. M. Sorensen, James Madison, P. Danielsen, A. Sonderup, Messrs. J. Topp, S. Federspiel and H. Ravn.

Reception committee—Mesdames H. Birkholm, C. Johnson, W. Nielsen, E. Blohme, Messrs. C. J. Larsen and J. Petersen.

Floor manager—James A. Sorensen.

Floor committee—Messrs. J. Topp, John Thompson, J. M. Christiansen, H. Frost, S. Federspiel and Henry Jacobsen.

SUCCESSFUL OUTING.

Swedish-American Club at Shell Mound Park.

The members of the Swedish-American Political Club and their friends gathered at Shell Mound Park yesterday, the occasion being the ninth annual day and moonlight picnic of the organization. Nearly a thousand pleasure seekers went over during the day to enjoy themselves and they were not disappointed. The various amusements on the grounds were well patronized and dancing to the music of an excellent band engaged the attention of nearly all the guests. The club has 350 members on its roll and has been organized nine years. It is independent in its party affiliations, its object being to indorse the best available candidates. It is a power in the Swedish colony and its treasury is in a healthy condition.

The following committee had the picnic in charge: D. Malander, president; J. P. S. Johnson, first vice president; C. Dalin, second vice president; Alex Olson, secretary; G. Peterson, treasurer; August Sjogren, August Peterson, Andrew Olson, C. F. Johnson; floor manager, F. O. Sjogren; floor committee—August Peterson, G. M. Turner, Ed. Nelson, T. Mellin, H. P. Fosberg.

State Red Cross Meeting.

The State Red Cross Society will hold its annual meeting at the Philomath Club rooms, corner of Bush street and Van Ness avenue, next Tuesday morning. Delegates from all parts of the State will report for their respective socities.

LEAPED EIGHTY FEET AND MET VIOLENT DEATH

Louis P. Crogan Destroys Himself.

OAKLAND, Oct. 15.—Melancholia, superinduced by homesickness, is the supposed cause that impelled Louis P. Crogan, aged 17 years, to jump, this evening, from a roof story or fifth floor window on the south side of St. Mary's College to the campus, nearly eighty feet below, where his limp and almost lifeless body was picked up by several of the brothers and carried into one of the classrooms. Dr. I. E. Nicholson was immediately summoned, but his services were not required. The young man's neck was broken, his backbone and many other bones were shattered and he breathed out a few moments.

The deceased came here on the 5th inst. from his home in Corbell, Humboldt County, where his father is a lumberman. He registered at St. Mary's College, but did not announce what course of study he intended to pursue, and his peculiarities were noted at the time by the various brothers at the college. He would go about murmuring to himself incoherently, and Brother Walter was impressed with the idea that Crogan was somewhat mentally deranged. Later the young man's condition became such that on the recommendation of Dr. J. Maher he was placed on a comfortable cot in the infirmary department in the roof story of the college, where he had remained the past five days almost constantly in the care of Lawrence Carroll, a trained nurse.

Five days ago Brother Walter wrote to the parents advising them of their son's condition, and asking whether to send him home or what course should be taken, but thus far no reply has been received.

Crogan complained of sleeplessness, and Dr. Maher frequently administered bromide and other sleep-inducing potions to quiet his nerves. Shortly after 5 o'clock this evening Nurse Carroll stepped out of the room to bring his ward supper. During his absence Crogan arose in his nightrobe, placed a chair near a window, so as to enable him to open it, and then jumped to his death.

Brother Walter has sent a telegram to the parents, but Corbell is about ten miles from a telegraph office or postoffice, and some time wil elapse before they hear the news.

The remains have been removed to the morgue, and Coroner Mehrmann expects to hold the inquest next Tuesday.

HOME LIFE IS THE NATION'S DEFENSE

Rev. F. B. Cherington, pastor of Plymouth Congregational Church, took for the subject of his sermon yesterday the commandment "Honor thy father and thy mother." Briefly, he said:

The fifth commandment establishes the authority of the home. The family is a heaven-ordained institution. Its dignity, sanctity and authority must be preserved, if social and civil order endures. Plato, prince of philosophers, and speaking from the very summit of Greek culture in his republic, has no place in his ideal organization for the house-life, as the Scriptures understand it.

The family is the unit of the state; the hearthstone is the cornerstone of the temple, the foundation stone of government, the keystone of social order. As a nation's homes are, so is the nation.

The homes of our colonial days produced the men of blood and iron who successfully fought our Revolutionary battles; who with high manhood attuned to every noble principle framed the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution. Honor of parents, reverence for parental authority, loving loyalty to all the home interests, must precede all other virtues that make commercial life honest while it is aggressive; social life pure while it is progressive; civil life just while it is strong.

The home training is the most important that influences the life of the individual. Here all the germ virtues are planted that in the mature years unfold in all the flower and fruitage of a noble life. Here as nowhere else the forces are developed that determine character and conduct.

REV. GEORGE C. ADAMS IS WELCOMED HOME

A welcome service of song was given at the First Congregational Church last night, the occasion being the return of the pastor, Rev. George C. Adams, D.D., from a vacation trip through the United States. Dr. Adams visited his old home at Portland, Me., and attended the International Congregational Council at Boston, Mass., in September. At Providence, R. I., he preached before the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Nations.

As the service was of a choral nature Dr. Adams omitted the sermon and only addressed a few brief remarks on "The Congregational National Council." He said in part:

"You cannot in these days of personal freedom dictate to a church as to what it shall or shall not do. The American spirit of liberty is gaining in the church. In Congregationalism there is nothing smothered. We talk right out. Nobody has a right to tell a Congregationalist to keep silent; if they do he has a right to tell them he 'won't.'"

Dr. Adams expressed his gratification at being in San Francisco again.

ELOQUENT DISCOURSE BY FATHER McCOURT

Father McCourt preached an eloquent and forcible sermon at old St. Mary's Church last night. A large congregation listened to his address with the closest attention. His text was, "I forgive thee all the debt because thou besoughtest me. Shouldst not thou then have had compassion on thy fellow servant, even as I had compassion on thee?" The preacher said, in part:

It seems that one of the most difficult virtues to acquire, and one of the hardest to practice, is that virtue spoken of to-day in the Gospel—that of forgiveness of injuries, and yet it is the virtue to which we as Christians are most strictly bound. Let the words of to-day's Gospel be a warning to you. The wicked servant had been freed from a heavy debt, yet he refused to show a like favor to a fellow servant who owed him a beggarly trifle. And his lord, being angry, delivered him to the tortures until he should pay all the debt. So also shall my heavenly Father do to you if you forgive not every one his brother from your hearts.

WORRY AND NOT WORK THAT KILLS MEN

"Don't Worry" was the title of a sermon delivered last night by Rev. E. Nelander before the congregation of the First English Lutheran Church. He chose as his text "Take therefore no thought."—Matthew vi:34. In part, he said:

It is not work that kills men; it is **worry.** A genuine Christian never worries, because God is managing his affairs. To him God says: "I have all the resources of the universe; when you get in trouble call on Me and I will help." How much should that man worry? What lion will dare put his paw on that Daniel? The Stoics would say, "What can't be cured must be endured." The Christian philosophy is better: "All things work together for good to them that love God." Christ meant man to be happy; this life to be as happy as the next. Did ever a to-morrow of a darker order stand before any soul than stood before his? Yet he did not allow the dark to-morrow to invade the **bright to-day.** Sufficient unto the day was—can be held! To-morrow is God's. When it comes God comes with it, and in His strength we live, believe, obey!

St. Brendan's Fair.

St. Brendan's Church fair will end Wednesday evening of the present week. This evening the ladies of the Children of Mary booth will be at home, entertaining, by reason of postponement caused by the rain of Thursday evening. The ladies of the booth are: Miss Mary McCarthy, Miss Mamie Prince, Miss Loretta Ryder and Miss Florence Kiley. The programme will be musical. The raffling of all articles will begin also on this evening and will continue up to Wednesday evening. Many of the articles are valuable.

BOILER-MAKERS' TROUBLES.

They Conclude to Await Action of Union Iron Works Men.

The striking members of the Boiler-makers' and Iron Ship-builders' Union held a meeting at the A. O. F. Hall, 102 O'Farrell street, yesterday afternoon. James Ryan presided. Secretary Ben. F. Hall read the minutes of last Friday's meeting. A stormy debate followed, during which a free fight was once or twice imminent, but Secretary Hall managed to restore order and no active hostilities were indulged in.

No definite decision was reached, the men determining to await the action of the Union Iron Works boiler-makers. Secretary Hall stated that if the Union Iron Works boiler-makers went out the ship-builders would follow. Two representatives from the Union Iron Works were present. The strike will be continued another week pending the action of the employes of the Union Iron Works.

FIGHT NOT LIKELY TO BE POSTPONED

Injury to Jeffries' Arm Hardly Grave Enough to End His Training.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

NEW YORK, Oct. 15.—Whether the championship fight between Jeffries and Sharkey will be held as scheduled on October 27 or postponed on account of the champion having a strained arm is uncertain as yet, but it will be definitely settled on Tuesday morning. At that time the bandages will be removed, and it depends on the advice of a physician whether he will continue to train for the original date. The physician who examined the arm thought the injury was not serious, and the latest advices from the training quarters are to the same effect.

W. A. Brady and Tom O'Rourke will meet in New York on Tuesday and will decide what is to be done. O'Rourke will take a decided step against the postponement, and thinks the injury is of no consequence. Sharkey is of the same opinion, and thinks Jeffries has some other reason for not wanting to fight on October 27. To-night O'Rourke said:

"I believe Jeffries will be able to use his arm in three days as well as he ever did in his life, and he must either fight or forfeit on October 27. Sharkey had been injured just before he fought Jeffries in San Francisco. A strain in his back had affected his kidneys and he wanted a postponement. It was not allowed, and everybody knows the result. Since Sharkey has been training for this fight he has met with three accidents, any one of which I believe was as bad as Jeffries' injury. When it became known some time ago that Sharkey had cut his foot they said at once that he did not want to fight, and that this was merely an excuse. To avoid this report being started again we said nothing of the other accidents, and he will be ready to fight when the time comes. There must be some other reason for Jeffries wanting to postpone the fight."

CORINTHIANS ON A CRUISE.

Yachtsmen of the Club Enjoy Chowder and a Baseball Game at Pasadise Cove.

On Saturday night several yachts of the Corinthian fleet accompanied Commodore Carl Westerfeld's flagship Aeolus to Paradise Cove, being towed up by launches because of the lightness of the wind. A fire was built on the beach and clam chowder and other good things were enjoyed. Yesterday there were lying at anchor in Paradise Cove the following yachts: Commodore Carl Westerfeld's Aeolus, Vice Commodore W. H. Toepke and Sharp's Harpoon, E. F. Sagar's Edna, Paul Biber's Mignon, J. Raymond's Will o' the Wisp, J. R. Savory's Juanita, J. W. Pew's Truant, W. S. Grover's yawl Arcturus, A. J. Young and T. W. Ransome's Clara, F. Barlett's Queen, R. Stevenson's Thelma, L. B. Chapman's Freda, W. F. Humphreys Jr's. Pride, T. L. Miller's Spray, Breitzmann's Cupid, F. E. Baker's Emilie, Hansen's Phoenicia and the schooner Wave.

About noon the yachtsmen went ashore and played the annual Corinthian baseball game between the "Keegans," captained by "Keegan" Schober, and the "Fancies," captained by "Fancy." The teams consisted of eleven men each, and were as follows: "Fancies"—Follansbee, Short, Thornton, Westerfeld, Sagar, Hawkins, Kaiser, Delamater, Thompson, Stack and Denhard. "Keegans"—Buck, Ward, O'Brien, Brickell, Ohlandt, Howe, Kavanaugh, Brennan, "Keegan," Strauss, Morrow. Port Captain J. H. Keefe, with a marvelous red sash around his waist and a mighty ax in his hand, undertook the perilous office of umpire, while C. Westerfeld and C. L. Barrett performed the more obscure but less hazardous duties of scorers.

WAGERING ON THE BIG BOUT.

Champion Jeffries Opens a Warm Favorite, but Sharkey Has Ardent Admirers.

The first wagering on the forthcoming meeting of Champion Jeffries and "Tom" Sharkey was done at Harry Corbett's last night. Jeffries was made favorite, the opening odds being 10 to 6. So many admirers of Sharkey wanted to get on money that the sailor advanced a point in the betting at once, the odds closing at 10 to 7. Shrewd bettors affirm that Sharkey will advance steadily in the popular fancy and that when the men enter the ring it will be even money.

Alex Greggains has arranged a number of promising bouts for the regular exhibition of the San Francisco Athletic Club next Thursday evening. The principal bout will be between "Jack" McMahon and Gene Mulligan. The remaining boxers are L. Richards and "Bud" Terry; W. Fredericks and E. Duffy; T. Irwin and "Jim" Terry. Each of the contests will be of four rounds' duration and should provide the kind of sport the local followers of boxing enjoy. Greggains will, as usual, referee and can be relied upon to keep the athletes continually at work.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

PALACE HOTEL.

R L Purcell, N Y
F O Carmack, St Louis
R D Robbins Jr, Cal
C B Bellinger, Or
C M Hunter, Kans
H H Kohlsaat, Chic
R W Blake, Boston
W Lewis & w, Denver
Luigi del Orto, La
L C Krueger, Chic
M L Pipes, Portland
W Sanders &w, Alaska
Chas S Morris, NY
C Storck, N Y
E E Caine, Seattle
W H Stimson, N Y
W Stimson & w, N Y
Mary C Pierce, N Y
Mrs E H Congor, N Y
Miss Congor, N Y
H de Gray, J
T T Cedo, Japan
W S Davidson Russia
W G Coxe, Phila
L A Blumberg, N Y
H Allen & w, S Jose
G Gelin & w, U S N
B M Stiebel, N Y
C E Le Munyon, Hono
Fred Lemon, Boston
S C Joerger, Berlin
K Sano, Japan
J H Benedict, N Y
C E Brown, S S Gaelic
H D Wilson, U S N
C G Balentyne, H I
C H Hardy, Eng
F A Hardy, Eng
T J Bourne, London
Thos Lavie, Scotland
E A Scale, Dublin
B Bonney & w, Cal

NEW WESTERN HOTEL.

H O'Neil, Vallejo
E Ware, Stockton
C Nelson, San Jose
F E Meredith, Vallejo
J Mathews, Fresno
R F Cantwell, Phila
L C Clark & w, Cal
H A Snyder, San Jose
W H Gibson, Victoria
H Huth, Sonora
J Mulroy, Manila
W L Fuller, Redlands
M C High, Los Ang
J B Venrub, Los Ang
H H Bergman, Pasden
Mrs McCready, S D
J P Swanson, Vallejo
G A Wagelle, Vallejo
W Mayer, Stockton
J H Whisner, Ft Soott

GRAND HOTEL.

A L Tibbets, Petaluma
F W Stanton, Sacto
W Grant, Biggs
Mrs A W Kerison, Cal
A Kerison Jr, Cal
T Foster Marysville
P B Yates, L Ang
H Todd, Oakland
W Edinger, Carson
J C Magee, Cal
R G Basseridо, L Ang
W Murphy, P Alto
T Treskow, Crockett
W F Parker, L Ang
L E Harris, L Ang
R A Stuart, L Ang
H C Cross, Cleveland
C Hoffman, S Cruz
M Sullinger &, S Jose
G H Bodden, Visalia
L Johnson, Vancouver
M B Williams, NY
C E Jaffe & w, U S N
S A Burnham, Chic
W E Smith, K C
E H Quimby, K C
J H Hilbert, Eureka
R W Weldon, Cal
C Francee, Salinas
F M Chitenden, Cal
T W Wells, Sonora
C Barlow & w, S Clara
F M Gilbert, L Ang
Miss C Watkins, Cal
S C Cochman, Coma
F Reichling, Jackson
G A Clark & w, Cal
J H Garner, R I
A C Maude, Cal
J L de Pauli, Cal
F B Knowlton, Cal
W Bernard & w, Ariz
Mrs J Byrne, Tuscon
G Williams & w, A A
H W Earle, Sktn
E T Purser, Cal
A Seedorf, Butte
J J Willow, Sacto
E Wachhorst & w, Sac

SHAFTER WILL KEEP HIS TWO SILVER STARS

To Retain His Rank as Major-General.

To-day is the date set for the retirement of General Shafter from the ranks of the regular army, and he would go on the retired list if it were not for the fact that he is now serving under a volunteer commission—one which places him beyond the regulation requiring the retirement of officers upon their sixty-fourth birthday. As a matter of fact, he will go on the regular retired list, but he will continue to command this department.

General Shafter has received no notification of the fact that he will be retained, but the case does not call for notification. The action of the law retires him from the regular service in the one case; the failure to appoint a successor in command and to muster him out as a volunteer retains him in the other. So General Shafter will remain in command of this department at the pleasure of the President.

No prentice hand can run matters military on this coast now, in which fact lies the principal reason for the retention of General Shafter. It is not generally known what an amount of work is attached to the caring for and transporting of the thousands upon thousands of men who have come and gone through this city since the war broke out, and particularly within the last few months. Since General Shafter took command of the Department of California after his return from Cuba twenty-eight regiments have gone to Manila, besides nearly ten thousand recruits, and there are eight more to go within the next month or six weeks. Then, too, there have returned from Manila fifteen organizations of State volunteers, all but two or three being full regiments, and aggregating over fifteen thousand men altogether; and further there have been shiploads of discharged men and sick men received, and ten sets of barracks at the Presidio have been kept full of sick and convalescents. Sixty-five thousand men passing and repassing in the last half year would not be too large an estimate, and in all the going and coming there has not been one man lost as a result of the transportation arrangements; there has been no delay traceable to the army management, and the regiments have followed each other from the East and out to Manila as smoothly as they have followed each other from Manila and home to their own States after being mustered out. At times there have been quartered at the Presidio over twelve thousand men—ten times as many as was ever expected to be kept there—and there has been no trouble, no sickness to speak of and no complaint.

A newcomer would find it hard to keep the department up to this standard, so until all the volunteers have finished their service and San Francisco returns to its former standing as a military station it is probable the President will leave the department in the general's hands.

Captain Leitch, who has been recently promoted from the Twenty-fourth to the Twenty-fifth Infantry, will be General Shafter's chief aid unless the adjutant general wills otherwise. General Shafter has asked that Captain Leitch be appointed upon his staff, but as Captain Leitch has by his promotion come under the orders of the general commanding the Department of Texas, it will be necessary for the adjutant general to make the assignment.

Captain Kittredge, who was in the service during the Spanish war as an assistant adjutant general, was to have been the second aid. He had been mustered out, but was offered a captaincy in the Forty-sixth Infantry. He declined the commission, however, as his private interests require his entire attention. Lieutenant Wilson, who is now General Shafter's only aid, will be retained.

Captain John Lafferty, a retired officer of the regular army, died at his home, 730 Grove street, yesterday. Captain Lafferty began his military career in 1864, when he was given a commission as first lieutenant in the First California Cavalry. He served with that command until the close of the war, and he was then made a second lieutenant in the Eighth United States Cavalry. He became a captain in 1876, and was retired for disability in 1878. During his service with the Eighth Cavalry he distinguished himself for bravery and ability, and he was more than once complimented in orders by his commanding officers. He particularly distinguished himself on scouting expeditions, and on one occasion added to his fame by meeting four hostile Indians while away from his command and fighting them single handed. He killed two and brought the other two back with him to camp. He was a lieutenant then, and for this exhibition of courage and ability as a fighter he was recommended for a brevet as captain.

Captain Lafferty was badly wounded in this and other fights, and the effect of his wounds finally compelled his retirement. Since then he has been in business in this city. He was a member of the Produce Exchange and was well known among all the grain dealers, and a member of the Loyal Legion, the California Volunteers, the Ancient Order of United Workmen and the Knights of Honor. He has two sons who served during the late war with the Oregon Volunteers.

First Lieutenant Charles A. Phillips of the Thirty-second Infantry and Second Lieutenant James A. Simpson of the Thirty-first have been ordered to their homes to be mustered out for disability.

The Forty-second Infantry recruiting at Fort Niagara, N. Y., and the Fortieth Infantry, recruiting at Fort Riley, Kans., have been ordered to prepare for transportation to the Presidio. The Forty-second is under Colonel J. Milton Thompson, formerly a major in the Twenty-fourth Infantry, and the Forty-second is commanded by Colonel Arthur Murray, formerly a captain in the First Artillery.

First Lieutenant John W. Barker, Third Infantry, has been assigned to the transport Newport as quartermaster and commissary for her next trip.

A delegation of friends and relatives of the Iowa boys arrived in the city yesterday and registered at the Occidental, where they will remain until the transport bearing home their heroes is reported. When seen yesterday they said that as yet no definite plans had been made for the entertainment of the boys when they should reach their native State, as it was deemed best to wait until an opportunity be had to consult the men themselves. The people of Iowa, however, are willing to turn the State upside down to give the lads anything they want, and the regiment can rest assured that the reception it will get from the people of the State they have so distinguished will be fully equal to anything of the kind that has preceded it.

The delegation includes the following ladies and gentlemen: Secretary of State G. L. Dobson, Adjutant General Byers and wife, Orator Frank F. Marion, A. A. Mason, Mrs. W. F. Steepy, Mrs. J. D. Cady, Clara M. Flammant, Mrs. J. B. Findley, Mrs. C. V. Mount, Mrs. W. L. Tubbs, Mrs. J. C. Pryor, Mrs. F. M. Crompton, H. O. Williams, J. W. Boden, Jerry L. Ryan, Robert Kissick and Mrs. H. B. Dull.

CONLEY'S AIM WAS BAD.

He Takes a Shot at Mrs. Reeves in Her Rooming-House on Turk Street.

The police are searching for Frank Conley, who is wanted on a charge of assault to commit murder. He was an eye-witness to the killing of Cavanaugh by Wilson in a saloon at Mason and Ellis streets about three months ago.

Saturday night Conley called at 200 Turk street upon a woman who rooms there. Mrs. Reeves, the landlady, entered the room and she and Conley had some words. Mrs. Reeves called him an ex-convict, and he reached his hand under the lounge on which he lay and pulled out a revolver. He fired a shot at Mrs. Reeves, but the bullet went over her head and struck the wall.

Mrs. Reeves shouted lustily for the police. Conley sprang from the lounge and rushed out of the house, disappearing north on Jones street. Captain Bohen yesterday detailed Detective Sullivan on the case.

Arion Concert.

The opening concert for the season 1899-1900 of the Arion Club was given last night at 414 Pine street and participated in by Messrs. Savannah, Clement, Dr. Frederich, Wertsch and H. Holzhauer. Selections from Haydn, Abt, Veit, Schumann, Bizet, Otto, Pressel, Englesberg, Mendelssohn and Penschel were rendered.

LITTLE MISS FOWLER VERSUS EDDIE FOY

There was a blast of trumpets and beating of drums when Josie De Witt came to town with the "Topsy Turvy" circus. There was a still bigger blast and beating for Eddie Foy. Almost unhearlded came little Miss Fowler, with a wardrobe that wouldn't fill a hand satchel and a budget of imitations that ten minutes sees the last of. And with her modest little outfit she proceeds to make business for the Columbia, while Josie and Eddie fill up time.

Miss Fowler, clumpy, in plaid and pigtails, never for a minute takes herself seriously. She knows that by playing Mariette the violets and carnations are forever sacrificed. They will be for some decollete lady or beglittered dancer. There isn't a heart in town in any wise endangered by her visit, but there is a royal good laugh to her credit. And perhaps she chuckles a little in her sleeve when she reflects that the laugh will live to see those footlight darlings inserting a card in dramatic monthlies or making the vaudeville rounds.

As for Eddie—poor Eddie! There is a tradition that his every entrance is the cue for laughter, and America clings blindly to the tradition. That laughter being accomplished, the duty is performed. It will not have to be attended to again until his next entrance. Under other circumstances, Eddie might be pathetic. One might think of him as still plodding on, footsore and weary, with thirteen clamoring mouths to feed and the mortgage coming due. But it doesn't seem to be so. Instead, he clings to center stage like a fourth season belle, and contrives to thrust himself in between the audience and some rather clever people.

"Hotel Topsy Turvy" is from New York, and from Paris before that. It is only a fairly well written farce, but the twing of it and the twang of it smack of importation. For which let us be duly grateful.

SARAH COMSTOCK.

A FOOLHARDY TEAMSTER.

Patrick Lyons Vainly Attempted to Beat the San Jose Train.

Patrick Lyons, teamster for Warren & Malley, contractors, had a narrow escape from death at Sixth and Townsend streets yesterday, through his own carelessness. Lyons had driven from the King street wharf with a wagon-load of bricks and reached the crossing just as the San Jose train, which left the depot at Third and Townsend streets at 11:30 a. m., was approaching. F. Hindle, a yardman, warned Lyons to stop till the train had passed the crossing, but he paid no attention to the warning. D. H. Gates, engineer of a train that was standing near the crossing, also warned him to stop, but he whipped up his horses and endeavored to cross the track before the train reached him.

The result was that the engine struck the hind wheel of the wagon and Lyons was thrown into the air and struck the ground with his head. The wagon was knocked into kindling-wood and the bricks were distributed over the track.

Lyons was taken to the Receiving Hospital in the ambulance, where Dr. Stephen found that his right collar-bone was broken and he had sustained a lacerated wound of the scalp. His wounds were dressed and later he was sent to the City and County Hospital.

NANCE O'NEIL IS A SUCCESSFUL MAGDA

Nance O'Neil is successful in her portrayal of "Magda," because she invests it with that foreign air which makes her unlike all the other (domestic) characters. Notwithstanding her longing for peace and her expressions for love for her sister and father, one knew she did not fit in these surroundings, and from the very moment she entered her home it was easy to foresee a catastrophe. In "Magda," as in "The Jewess," we have one scene that displays the dramatic instinct of the artiste. In the latter it was in the "curse scene," in the former the accusation scene. How dignified and proud; how beautiful in her just wrath was this tragedienne when her Magda accused her faithless lover of his cowardice, his villainy and dishonor in scathing terms of sarcasm! How she enveloped him with burning words of anger! How she stabbed him with the dagger of ire! Only an actress who puts her very soul into her declamation can obtain results such as ornament the performance of Nance O'Neil.

ALFRED METZGER.

CHAPEL COMPLETED.

Ladies' Sodality at St. Ignatius to Have a New Home.

Next Sunday will witness the inauguration of the new students' chapel at St. Ignatius Church. The chapel has undergone a complete renovation during the past months, having been altered and decorated for the use of the Ladies' Sodality. The decorations and frescoing were in charge of Mr. Frezzini, the artist. Special services will be held to dedicate the chapel to its new use. An elaborate musical programme has been prepared and Father Calysia will deliver an address.

The Rev. Philip O'Ryan returned from Chicago yesterday, where he had accompanied Archbishop Riordan on the latter's journey East. He left the Archbishop in the best of health. It was