

FILLMORE-STREET MYSTERY IS SOLVED BY THE POLICE

Young Frazer Was on the Trail of a Phantom Thief. Detective Crockett Makes Heroic Efforts to Soothe the Nerves of an Excited District.

The police and the residents of the Western Addition spent considerable time yesterday investigating the strange events which happened in the stillness of the night on Friday in the newly occupied house at 623 Fillmore street.

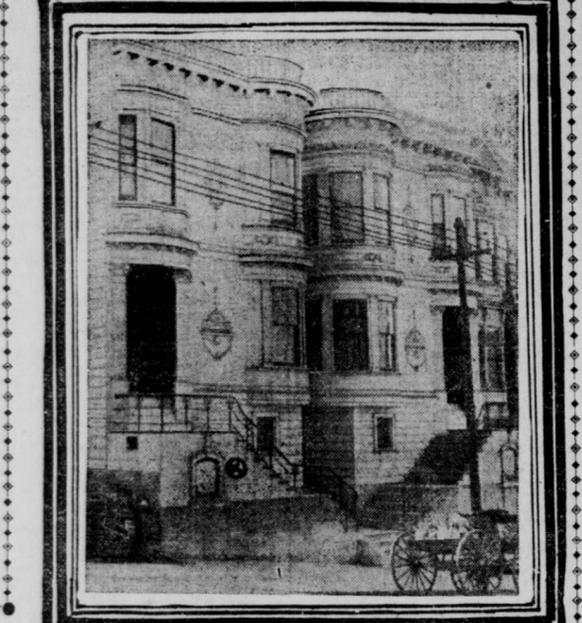
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The family of a Captain Frazer moved into the house last Thursday and on Friday night Mrs. Frazer, her daughter and her son, Roland Frazer, were in the house.

According to the story told by Mrs. Frazer to Detective Crockett last night, her husband had submitted a report to Chief of Police Sullivan, Chief of Detectives Seymour determined yesterday to make a more thorough investigation, and he detailed Detective Crockett on the case.

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son, Roland, believed that he heard a burglar moving in the house. The burglar, however, was greatly alarmed by the family, and particularly by the son, who, according to the story of his mother, jumped from bed, seized a pistol and fired two blank cartridges in the house.

These were the unusual incidents which aroused and alarmed the neighborhood and brought Police Officer J. E. Gleason to the house. The officer heard the story of the family, and with a vision of midnight marauders in his eyes dashed to the house, down Fillmore street, to 623 Fillmore street, to the house where he was lost to the excited eyes of the watchers who had been aroused by the shots.

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Henry Schwartz, through his attorney, George D. Collins, filed a complaint against Chief of Police Sullivan yesterday with Foreman Kibbler of the Grand Jury. He alleges that Chief Sullivan accused members of the Police Court jury of having been induced by corrupt influence to acquit Schwartz on the charge of selling a false bill of exchange.

I accordingly demand of you an immediate investigation of said accusation and do now offer to furnish the most convincing and unassailable proofs of the absolute falsity and malicious nature of the charges and to make complaint against the said Chief of Police and to accuse him of having willfully and maliciously resorted to said charges and given publicity to the same for the sole and only purpose of intimidating any and all jurors that may hereafter be summoned for said case.

Therefore do accuse the said William P. Sullivan Jr. of being guilty of malfeasance in office to wit: Willful misfeasance in office contrary to and in violation of section 753 of the Penal Code of the State of California, and do respectfully request that you cause the production of my proofs in support of this complaint.

regard the proceedings as being silly in the extreme," said Chief Sullivan, referring to Schwartz's complaint last night. "I never intended to give him a run for his money. If the Grand Jury takes up the matter, I will be glad to see the rest of the gang in their true colors."

The venire is countermanded. The venire of seventy-five jurors to be summoned for the second trial of the case against Henry Schwartz, charged with pool selling, which Judge Conlan ordered issued Friday, has been countermanded. The judge said yesterday he would not issue the venire till he ascertained whether another judge would try the case, as he intended, under instructions from his physicians, to take a vacation from this morning till next Monday.

This is to certify that Mr. Henry Schwartz is under my care. Some time ago he had a stroke of paralysis, which has rendered him unable to take any exercise or fatigue at the present moment may bring on another attack. His condition at the present time must command me to ask a postponement of his trial, or any consideration of any kind of his case.

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Ordinance on the Subject Is Passed to Print by the Supervisors. Fences May Be Twenty Feet High Until July 1, 1901—Liquor License for Concert Halls Adopted.

At yesterday's meeting of the Board of Supervisors Comte introduced an ordinance intended to suppress pool-selling. The proposed ordinance reads as follows: Be it enacted by the people of the city and county of San Francisco as follows: Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person in the city and county of San Francisco to become an inmate of or visit any house, premises, room, apartment or place carried on, conducted or used as a place for or for the purpose of making, buying or selling pool tickets, making "books" or pools, or for making bets or wagers, or for making bets or wagers or delivering "pool tickets," cards, prints, papers or memoranda showing or indicating or purporting to show or indicate the character or nature of a pool, bet, or wager, or amount of money, or thing, or article staked, or won, or forfeited, or lost, or received, or paid, or offered, or staked, or pledged, or wagered, or bet, or on a race or on a contest of speed between dogs, or on a dog race, or on a contest of speed between horses, or on a contest of speed between men.

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The attention of the Board of Supervisors was called yesterday to the fact that though the city is entitled to use one of the ducts in the conduit system of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company it has never availed itself of the privilege. In explaining the case Reed took occasion to say that notwithstanding the clear ordering of the ordinance under which the franchise was granted to the company Fire Alarm Superintendent Hewitt had persistently appeared before the board and its various committees and urged that maintenance funds be appropriated to place the city's wires underground.

"It is a fact," said Reed, "that large sums have already been expended to place some of the city's wires underground, although the telephone company, which has constructed thirty miles of underground conduits in the business section, acknowledges that it has one of its ducts to place at the disposal of the municipality. The city has gone to the expense of building fifteen miles of underground conduits and this year the sum of \$50,000 has been set aside for maintenance and repairs of the fire alarm system. I request that Mr. Hewitt be cited to appear before the Committee on Public Utilities on Tuesday evening and explain why the property of the city in the telephone company's underground system is not being used."

Reed quoted the following extract from order 2186, passed March 3, 1890, granting underground privileges to the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company for a term of fifty years: Section 5. All rights and privileges granted by this order to the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company or its assigns shall be upon the following conditions: That the city and county of San Francisco shall, during the term thereof, have the use without any expense to said city and county of one continuous run of conduit through the length of all the conduits laid by said company or its assigns for the exclusive use of the fire alarm, fire patrol and police alarm service.

Reed's request that Hewitt be directed to be present at to-night's meeting of the committee was productive of an order to that effect. The Clerk of the Board of Supervisors was authorized to turn over to the Board of Public Works all contracts, plans, specifications, reports and other data relating to the Hall of Justice. Final payments on the Hall of Justice were ordered by adoption of a resolution that an expenditure of \$13,070 be authorized to be made out of the public building fund in payment to the Pacific Surety Company.

White Star Liner Cymric Narrowly Escapes Destruction. NEW YORK, Aug. 13.—The White Star liner Cymric, just arrived, had a terrible experience while crossing the Atlantic. At noon on Sunday, August 5, when the big vessel was nineteen hours out from Queenstown, the Cymric was struck by a fire which started in the forward hold and it raged thirty-six hours, until midnight on Monday, when it was reported to be under control. Hold No. 1, where the fire is believed to have originated, had been flooded for the purpose of checking the flames. The water leaked through into other compartments aft, causing heavy damage to the general machinery stores. The boat, however, was not seriously injured.

SANTA CRUZ, Aug. 12.—Fire destroyed the residence of Jerome Case Bull, at Ecceles, above Felton, Sunday afternoon. In the residence of Jerome Case Bull, at Ecceles, above Felton, Sunday afternoon, a fire broke out in the kitchen, and the residence was destroyed. The fire was caused by a gas stove which had become overheated. The loss is estimated at \$10,000.

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION AND AFFAIRS OF THE PACIFIC SURETY COMPANY. CAPITAL: Amount of Capital Stock, paid up in Cash \$200,000.00. ASSETS: Real Estate owned by Company \$4,800.00. Cash \$25,400.00. Cash Market Value of All Stocks and Bonds owned by Company \$4,800.00. Cash for Salaries \$1,200.00. Cash in Banks \$5,200.00. Interest due and accrued on all Stocks \$1,300.00. Interest due and accrued on Bonds and Mortgages \$970.00. Premiums in due course of Collection \$4,642.72. Cash deposited in Savings Banks \$7,246.52. Total Assets \$307,148.52.

LIABILITIES: Gross premiums on Risks running one year or less, \$..... \$16,200.00. Gross premiums on Risks running more than one year, \$..... 5,000.00. Taxes due and to become, \$..... 1,200.00. Total Liabilities \$22,400.00.

INCOME: Net cash actually received for premiums \$23,197.79. Received for interest on Bonds and Mortgages \$1,472.23. Received for interest and dividends on Stocks \$1,200.00. All other sources \$5,777.60. Received from all other sources \$2,639.85. Total Income \$34,277.37.

EXPENDITURES: Net amount paid for Losses (including \$..... of previous years) \$3,200.00. Paid for Salaries \$1,200.00. Paid for or allowed for Commission or Brokerage \$2,000.00. Paid for Stationery, Printing, and other charges for officers, clerks, etc. \$1,800.00. Paid for State, National and Local Taxes \$1,200.00. All other payments and expenditures \$1,200.00. Total Expenditures \$16,500.00.

LOSSES incurred during the year \$3,200.00. WALLACE EVERSON, President. A. P. REDDING, Secretary. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of August, 1900. M. M. HERRICK, Deputy Insurance Commissioner.

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FIRE PANIC IN ILL-FATED SCHOOL HOUSE

False Alarm Causes a Scramble at Lafayette Primary. Smoke From Stove Makes Pupils Think There is a Third Blaze and They Rush From the Building.

Fire caused excitement for a third time at the ill-fated Lafayette schoolhouse, on Telegraph Hill, yesterday morning. Twice the structure has been afire within two months, and just as it was occupied after the carpenters had repaired the damage it sustained by the last blaze a smoking stove brought on a panic among the young children, which nearly resulted fatally for some of them.

The burned room has been replaced but a short time ago school opened yesterday. New stoves had been set up in each of the rooms and were covered with a combustible substance resembling resin to preserve the iron from rusting. About 10 o'clock in the morning one of the pupils in Miss Carroll's room lighted a fire, and as soon as the surface of the metal became hot the coating emitted a smoke that filled the room.

Some child started the cry of fire, and the little ones, hearing in mind the last two blazes, did not wait for the signal for a fire drill, but rushed pell-mell in the direction of the door. All were very tight, and they stumbled over one another in their efforts to escape. Two firemen who have been in constant attendance at the school since the last fire did all they could to assist the children.

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In assisting the teachers to quiet the children, but their admonitions were not heeded, and the hands of little ones were landed safely in the year. Several of the children received slight wounds. One little girl was bruised about the face, but fortunately no one received serious injuries. After the fire in the stove had been put out the scholars were returned to their classrooms and order prevailed.

Much excitement was caused in the neighborhood. The report that a light had occurred in the school building brought many of the parents to the place, and the scene was one of general disorder.

"YOUNG DUTCHY" FAILS TO REGAIN HIS LIBERTY. Counsel Asks for Reduction of Bail, But Judge Dunne Refuses to Act.

When the hearing of Frederick Hansted's plea for a reduction of bail came up before Judge Dunne yesterday there was a large crowd in the courtroom. Life Pence and W. D. Grady represented the prisoner, and the latter, after the court had heard him, upon learning that a charge existed against him, paid his own way to the city and surrendered to the police. Under these circumstances, the counsel said, his client should have his bail reduced, and he asked that the bond be reduced until the prisoner gave some evidence that he would assist justice.

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MISS ANNIE ACKERMAN AND JUDGE F. H. KERRIGAN. OLONE FRANK A. VAH recently wrote a letter to C. E. Huntington in New York asking for a subscription to the celebration fund. Yesterday Colonel Vahl received a reply from Mr. Huntington to the effect that the railroad magnate had sent an order for \$1000 as his personal contribution and that the matter of a subscription by the Southern Pacific was referred to the directors of that corporation.

The order of Herrmann's Sons, through its president Openy Hook, announced that it will have in line a magnificent float representing the objects of the order. Company A, Veterans of the Civil War, organized in Oakland, Captain C. K. King commanding, will take part in the parade.

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Submits an Opinion on Charter Amendments. In response to a request for an opinion as to the earliest day on which amendments to the charter may be submitted to the people City Attorney Lane has advised the Board of Supervisors as follows: An amendment to the charter submitted to the people of this city prior to January 3, 1902, will not be valid unless it is submitted into effect, would not be free from question as to the validity of its adoption. I do not care to assert that the submission of an amendment prior to 1902 would unquestionably be declared invalid by the courts, but it is my opinion that the date to adopt an amendment and that the Legislature should not be asked to amend before it could take effect.

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