

MYSTERIOUS SUICIDE OF HENRY FEUSLER

Well-Known San Francisco Man Puts a Bullet Through His Head at Sheep Ranch Mine.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 23.—Henry Feusler, a well-known San Francisco man, committed suicide at a sheep ranch near here today. Last week he came up with David Guttmann, manager of the Sheep Ranch mines, from San Francisco, intending to remain there and work on the mine. At about 5 o'clock Mr. Guttmann approached him in the Anderson Hotel and gave him final instructions regarding his duties as watchman, at the same time handing him a revolver and lantern. Noting Mr. Feusler was looking somewhat unwell, he said, "Take a walk down to the company store and see the boys before you go on duty." Feusler turned, went out of the front door and down the steps to the street. There he stopped short, drew the revolver from his back pocket and fired a bullet into his head, killing himself instantly.

TACOMA BRINGS DOWN A HALF MILLION IN DUST

Angus McDonald, a Miner, Shot in the Shoulder by a Passenger He Had Attacked.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Aug. 23.—The steamer Tacoma has arrived with \$500,000 in gold dust and 650 passengers from Nome. Most of the gold came down the Yukon from Dawson to St. Michael. While on the way down a shooting scrape occurred on board the Tacoma on August 15, which came near ending the life of Angus McDonald of Dawson, Me. McDonald was in the saloon when he was attacked by a passenger. McDonald was struck in the shoulder blade, making a painful wound. The United States Marshal at Seattle was notified to meet McDonald on his arrival and to arrest Keenan.

Among the returning passengers on the Tacoma was Reginald Dahl, who is credited with having a small fortune aboard. Dahl went north in charge of Dr. Jackson's expedition to take charge of the reindeer set by the Government to relieve the reported distress of miners along the Yukon over two years ago. The steamer Santa Ana arrived at 2 o'clock from Nome with a large number of passengers and is in the stream undergoing quarantine inspection.

CHLOROFORM USED BY THUGS AT NOME

Holes Cut in Tents and the Drug Introduced Through Long Rubber Tubes.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Aug. 23.—Reports from Cape Nome by the steamer Tacoma indicate that much lawlessness prevails there and from eight to a dozen robberies occur nightly and people are not safe from attacks of thugs after nightfall. The lawless element predominates and those whom they fear to rob on the steamer and in the saloons use means of a long rubber tube through which chloroform is forced, after the tube has been inserted through a hole cut in the canvas. The occupants of as many as twelve tents have been robbed in this manner in one night and in one instance it was with difficulty that a victim was restored to consciousness. The nights at Nome are rarely peaceful and now chloroform prevails as early as 5 o'clock and the law-abiding people are afraid to appear on the streets after that hour. The criminal class which rushed to Nome with the expectation of reaping a harvest in surething games have been disappointed and are broke. As the winter season approaches they are resorting to desperate means to make enough to get out. The smallpox epidemic has about ceased and when the Tacoma sailed only three or four cases existed and no new cases were reported for more than a week. The steamer Dirigo arrived from Skagway at 7:30 p. m., bringing 100 passengers and one ton of gold from Dawson.

TO PROTECT GAME Association Organized and Officers Elected at Sisson.

SISSON, Aug. 23.—Persons interested in the preservation of the game and game laws have organized here an association named the Siskiyou Fish and Game Protective Association and have elected the following officers: W. H. Shepley, president; W. A. Sharpe, secretary; W. W. Foster, attorney; directors—W. W. Van Arsdale, J. M. Schuller, C. C. Smith, H. H. Patterson. The purpose is to prosecute offenders against the game laws, stock the mountain lakes with fish, and to do such other things as may help the sporting fraternity. The membership is composed of the best class of citizens in the community, and they intend to see that the law is obeyed by every one. The law which they did was to offer a reward of \$25 for the arrest of any person violating the law. Persons shooting game out of season have become so common that this step had to be taken to preserve the game here, as this is one of the best trout and fishing grounds in the State and it is intended by this organization to see that it is kept in the same state as has been going on will now be stopped.

RATIFICATION AT MILL VALLEY Handsome Purse Raised for the Family of Engineer Thomas.

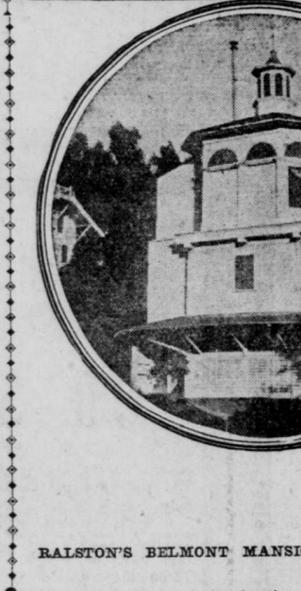
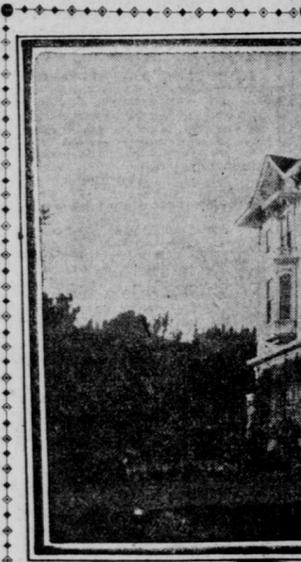
MILL VALLEY, Aug. 23.—An enthusiastic ratification meeting was held here this evening by the members of the Citizens and Taxpayers' party. The nominees were indicated and a motion was made for incorporation. Bonfires burned in prominent places, guns were fired and a band discoursed patriotic airs. Speeches were made by D. H. Bibb and many others. Resolutions of sympathy were passed for the family of the late engineer, who lost his life in a fire on Mount Tamalpais, were adopted. A subscription was made for a substantial amount. A subscription list was started and in a few minutes the sum of \$105 was subscribed.

Murdered by Robbers. SAN DIEGO, Aug. 23.—W. M. Hitchcock today killed a notice of seventy-eight dollars of eighty acres each on mineral land in the Carisbrooke country, on the desert side of the mountains. He says that he represents Bakerfield and is ready to put machinery on to the claims and bore for oil. He says that he has been in all the fields of the State and that the indications at Carisbrooke Creek are better than any he has seen. The filings cover nearly 300 acres of land.

Woodland's Hard Luck. WOODLAND, Aug. 23.—City Attorney Anderson has given the City Trustees a written opinion that debts secured by mortgages, mortgages or other security, such as warehouse receipts, are not assessable. The city will lose the taxes on property valued at more than \$100,000.

RALSTON'S BELMONT PALACE WILL BECOME A MADHOUSE

Dr. Gardner to Resign His Position at the Napa Asylum and Open a Sanitarium.



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CALIFORNIA is about to lose a great officer and gain what is planned to be a great institution. Dr. A. M. Gardner, medical superintendent of the Napa Asylum for the Insane, and one of the famous physicians of the State, intends to resign his position and establish a private sanitarium in the famous mansion which William C. Ralston built at Belmont. Dr. Gardner purchased the property three days ago and as soon as his plans to establish a thoroughly equipped sanitarium were matured he will resign. It is his purpose to



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perhaps, the most famous private palace on the Pacific Coast. In the olden days it was the scene of oriental luxury and the rooms that will now echo to the riot of merriment sounded once to the revelry and mirth and gaiety of wild spirits called together by the fabulously wealthy owners who lavished fortunes in caprice and indulged the wildest fancies of extravagance. In the days of its decadence the palace became a young ladies' school. The property which he has purchased for his sanitarium was bought by William C. Ralston for \$1,500,000. The house is,

TRAIN WRECKED BY TWO BOYS

When Arrested at Fresno Admit They Threw the Switch Just to See What Would Happen.

FRESNO, Aug. 23.—John Bost, a colored youth, and a white companion aged 17, named Scott Wright, are under arrest here by Detective Meade of the Southern Pacific for having thrown the switch at the Southern Pacific depot on Saturday night, causing an engine to crash into a freight car loaded with steel rails. The engine was badly damaged. The switch was opened with a monkey wrench. The act was a boyish freak. The switch lock at Bartons was similarly broken. Trial will take place Monday under the new law with death. The youths have no conception of the enormity of their crime. Bost said that he and Wright had unlocked the switches to "see what would happen."

FRIENDS BURIED HIM BY THE ROADSIDE

Remarkable Disposition of the Body of a Man Alleged to Have Committed Suicide at Hearst.

UKIAH, Aug. 23.—A curious story comes from Hearst, a small mountain hamlet on Eel River, in this county. Whatever the facts may be, it is certain that the principal man concerned in the incident lies buried beside the highway with a gaping wound in his throat. The circumstances are as follows: A few weeks ago a man named Thompson arrived in the vicinity of Hearst from Colusa County. Last Sunday Thompson was drinking and having a time with the party for a time. He was tired of life and asked what he ought to do. The man told him if he was tired of life he had better kill himself. Soon after this conversation Thompson got into a skiff and started down Eel River. The story told by the men present is that Thompson had proceeded down stream but a short distance when the boat struck a rock. Thompson then jumped ashore and at once cut his throat. Some time afterward he was found dead. The boat companions took his body back to the saloon, dug a grave near by and without other ceremony than what would be suggested in the minds of a lot of drunken roisterers buried it then and there. No report of the death was made to the coroner. That public official had heard nothing of it until the Call correspondent informed him this morning. The man Thompson may have killed himself; probably he did; but the case evidently demands investigation.

FAIR IN AID OF CHURCH OF NATIVITY

Ladies of the Parish under the Direction of Father Brennan Working Hard to Make It a Success.

MENLO PARK, Aug. 23.—The ladies of the Church of the Nativity are working hard to make the fair which opens September 3 a success and it promises to be one of the great social events of the season. Some weeks ago the pastor, Father Brennan, spoke of the advisability of holding a fair. His suggestion was at once acted upon by the members of his congregation and they set to work in earnest. The following booths have been organized: Sociality booth—President, Miss Nellie Casey; secretary, Miss Nellie Tuttle; assistants, Miss Augusta Tuttle, Miss Agnes Mason, Miss Nellie Maloney, Miss Katie McCloskey, Miss Maggie Moriarty, Miss Maggie Lonihan, Miss Annie O'Leary, Miss Jennie McCloskey, Miss Katie O'Leary, Miss Fannie Casey, Miss Annie Lonihan, Miss Nellie Moriarty, Miss Bernadette Clark, Miss Maggie Roach, Miss Rena Roach, Mrs. David Tuttle, Mrs. Mason, Mrs. Joseph Farrell. Special fancy booth—President, Mrs. Joseph A. Donohoe; secretary, Miss Rosa Brogie; assistants, Miss Angelina Minoggi, Miss Maggie Roche, Miss Annie Minoggi, Miss Mamie Lonihan, Miss Emma Brogie, Miss Mary Roche, Miss Nora Roche, Miss Angiolina Brogie, Miss Corina Barry. Native Daughters' booth—President, Mrs. James T. O'Keefe; vice president, Mrs. M. E. Solzer; secretary, Mrs. Maggie Maloney; assistants, Mrs. C. Gilcrest, Mrs. F. McAvoy, Miss May Garen, Miss Annie Moriarty, Miss Nellie Dubs, Miss Emma Dubs, Miss Nellie Maloney. Fair cake booth—President, Mrs. W. Selby; secretary, Mrs. Le Eyre; assistants, Mrs. Perry Eyre, Mrs. Perry Moore, Miss Carmelita Selby, Miss Olga Atherton, Miss Jennie Carson, Miss Louise Johnson, Miss Jennie Johnson, Miss Katie Carolan. Palo Alto booth—President, Mrs. Charles LaBarre; vice president, Mrs. Charles LaBarre; secretary, Mrs. Callaghan McCarthy; assistants, Mrs. Day, Mrs. Benoit, Mrs. Carey, Mrs. Brogan, Mrs. Harrigan, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. T. W. Allison, Mrs. W. Hughes, Miss Selen, Miss Louis McDougall, Miss Alice Day, Mrs. Joseph Kane, Miss Eva Benoit, Miss Rose Gillan. Japanese booth—President, Miss Louise G. Gandy; secretary, Mrs. E. J. Crane, Miss May Daily, Miss Aimee McAvoy, Miss Edith McLean, Miss May McCullough, Miss May McAvoy, Miss Maggie Wooster, Miss Lennie Blanchard, Miss Martha Davis, Miss Claire Barry. Refreshment booth—President, Mrs. James R. Doyle; vice president, Mrs. M. F. Duff; secretary, Mrs. Annie Doyle; assistants—Mrs. William Doyle, Mrs. Charles Brady, Mrs. Hand, Mrs. Ward, Miss Mamie Maloney, Miss Pearl Farrow, Miss Grace Farrow, Miss Annie Farrow, Miss Carrie Buena, Miss Maggie Gaylor, Miss Maggie Pomeroy, Mrs. Bennett. Sacred Heart booth, with a beautiful selection of special fancy work, superintended by friends of the convent, under the direction of Thomas Fitzgerald. An ice cream booth, etc. Gandy stands in charge of the Children of Mary. Shooting gallery, attended to by the members of the Young Men's Institute. Other novel features will be added before the fair opens.

INTERESTS THE COAST. Pensions Issued, Postmasters Commissioned and Postal Changes.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 23.—Post-offices discontinued—Oregon—Kings, Sherman County, moved to Grant. Washington—Vineyard, Bligg County, moved to Bangor. Postmaster appointed—California—S. H. McCoy, Cohasset, Butte County, vice H. B. Will, resigned. Pensions issued to-day—California—Original—William P. H. Reed, Soldiers' Home, Los Angeles, \$6; Elmer Homes, Riverside, \$6; Sylvanus Blom, Avenal, \$6; Increase—William S. Hurbutt, Los Angeles, \$10; Arnold S. Harrington, Los Angeles, \$10; James Gould, Los Gatos, \$12. Original widows—Bessie L. Johnson, Williams, \$8. Oregon—Original—Jonathan Pruett, Fernon, \$8. Increase—Isaac Higgins, Dexter, \$8. Original—John S. Hallet, McMinnville, \$8. Washington—Original—Anton Knabner, Tacoma, \$8; Samuel M. Cole, Puda, \$8. Additional—Matthew G. Lawrence, Latah, \$12; Henry Hender, Pomeroy, \$12.

NEW EVIDENCE FOUND. Two Persons Claim to Have Seen Ardell Shot Donnelly in Fresno.

FRESNO, Aug. 23.—The prosecution has discovered what will prove startling evidence in the case of Charles Ardell, who is now on his way back from Nebraska to stand trial here for the murder of Dan Donnelly on the morning of June 27, 1899. The District Attorney has taken the depositions of two eye-witnesses, who will swear that they saw Ardell shoot Donnelly several blocks from the place where he was supposed to have received the fatal wound. The witnesses are Dan Murphy, a saloon man, and a woman known as Lena Winn. A bartender named Jack Brooks was convicted a year ago of the Donnelly murder on circumstantial evidence and is now under life sentence for the crime. The newly discovered evidence, however, throws a different light on the killing and Brooks may be exonerated. It is a peculiar fact that the new testimony accords with the dying statement made by Donnelly, which was discarded at the trial of Brooks.

Yolo Farmer Injured. Strangled to Death.

WOODLAND, Aug. 23.—At an early hour this morning T. F. Laugenour, one of the wealthiest farmers in Yolo County, left his farm to go to Grays Bend. About noon a man arrived at the Laugenour farm with the information that he had been found in an insensible condition. Physicians have gone to the scene of the accident. The nature and extent of the injuries cannot be learned at this hour. SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 23.—John Barling, formerly a plumber of San Francisco, fell while intoxicated at Skagway, Alaska, and to some way his neck became twisted and he strangled to death. He leaves a brother and sister at San Francisco.

Arizona Republican Convention. PHOENIX, Ariz., Aug. 23.—J. Knox Corbett, chairman of the Territorial Republican Central Committee, has issued a call for the convention to be held in Phoenix September 24.

WOMAN IS BURNED TO DEATH IN FARMHOUSE

Charred Body of Mrs. Rathbone Found in the Ruins of Her Home Near the Town of Evergreen.

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SAN JOSE, Aug. 23.—Mrs. Rathbone, the wife of a farmer residing in the San Felipe Valley, lost her life last night in a fire which completely destroyed her home. Details of the sad accident are lacking and many conflicting stories are told. According to the most authentic account Mrs. Rathbone went to her bedroom at about 8 o'clock, leaving her husband, an aged man, reading in the kitchen. She was gone but a few minutes when the husband heard her screaming for help. He rushed to the bedroom and opened the door, but was almost suffocated by the outward rush of smoke and flames. He called to his wife, but received no answer. He at once devoted his attention to extinguishing the flames, but owing to his advanced age and the meager facilities for fighting fire was able to do nothing, in less than an hour the home was but a pile of smoking embers and this morning the charred body of Mrs. Rathbone was found in the ruins. The origin of the fire is unknown, but it is supposed that a lamp lighted by Mrs. Rathbone as she was preparing to go to bed for the night, exploded, throwing her into the flames, and still another puts Rathbone in an unenviable light, but little credence is given it. According to the latter tale when neighbors arrived they found him devoting all his energies toward saving the contents of the house. He was inside, but it would be useless to attempt to rescue her. They knew nothing of the situation and rendered very little assistance. All that was saved from the burning building was a trunk which Rathbone managed to drag out. The place where the tragedy occurred is in the Harris School district, about eight miles from Evergreen, near the Coe ranch. An inquest was held this afternoon.

SURVEYORS AT WORK ON THE NEW RAILROAD

Line From Los Angeles to Salt Lake to Be Built Without the Aid of Eastern Capital.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 23.—Henry Hawgood is to be the chief engineer of the Terminal new railroad between Los Angeles and Salt Lake City. He is now in the field with a crew of surveyors mapping out the route between Los Angeles and San Bernardino, and promises to complete this part of the work completed within ninety days. The new road will start on its way east from Hobart station and will run through Arcadia Baker ranch, thence through Pomona and east to San Bernardino. Mr. Hawgood was formerly in the employ of the Southern Pacific and was chief engineer for the Free Harbor League in the San Pedro breakwater hearing before the Walker board.

Western capital, without the assistance of Wall street or subsidies, public or private, is to construct the transcontinental railroad between Los Angeles and Salt Lake City. Such an instance has never been known in the history of railroad building in the United States, at least so far as Western lines are concerned. W. A. Clark is not to have the help of the Burlington, Union Pacific or Rio Grande Western in the big enterprise. He and his associates in the present ownership of the Terminal will go it alone all the way and will not ask aid of any other railway corporation in their big end to Los Angeles very important undertaking.

Prohibitionist Committee. SANTA CRUZ, Aug. 23.—The Prohibitionists have elected the following as members of their County Committee: Rev. E. L. Rich of Watsonville, A. L. Ward of Eureka, H. E. Dorr of Santa Cruz, James Hopkins Jr. of Watsonville, E. C. Deering of Soquel, Harry Carter of Santa Cruz, J. W. Feery of Boulder Creek, Rev. E. H. Hayden of Santa Cruz, W. R. Wilson of Soquel, H. E. Burbank of Corralton, James White of Seabright and L. B. Lathrop of Capitola.

Stockton, Aug. 23.—Clarence J. Berry, who made a big stake in the Klondike, has associated with Stockton men with means in a proposition to conduct, near Wakefield, this county, the largest dairy in the State. They have already negotiated for the purchase of machinery for the manufacture of butter and cheese on a large scale, together with other milk products. Berry will put in a herd of 1000 milk cows and the other members of the company will put in 500 more.

Advertisement for Lucke's shoes, featuring a portrait of a man and the text 'Lucke is selling out.' and '16,000 people have bought Lucke's shoes'.

Think of this remarkable record for only twenty days!!! The wonderful success of Lucke's sale is due to the extremely low prices and the fine quality of the goods. Notwithstanding the enormous sales the stock is quite complete—complete enough to insure getting about what you want. Buy now—be guided by the judgment of sixteen thousand people.

Advertisement for Ladies' and Men's shoes, listing various styles and prices, including 'Ladies' kid Oxfords, cloth tops, patent leather tips, hand-turned soles; an extreme value at \$1.55' and 'Men's Congress gaiters, large variety, principally fine makes, such as Banister's, Clapp's, Stacey-Adams' shoes sold for from \$5.00 to \$7.00; price now cut right in half—\$2.50 to \$3.50'.