

GRACE REUNITES

After Forty-Six Years John Beck Finds His Relatives.

Family Has Mourned Him as One Dead Since He Left His San Francisco Home Nearly a Half Century Ago.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

SAN RAFAEL, March 26.—After believing all his kin dead and after a lapse of more than forty-six years John Beck, a farmer of Napa and Sacramento counties, was yesterday conducted into the presence of his sister, Mrs. J. E. Wooten, and to-morrow brother and sister will journey to San Juan, San Benito County, where an 82-year-old mother who clasp her son to her breast after almost a half-century had separated them.

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When I left San Francisco," said he to-day, "I went to Sacramento and obtained employment in a dairy. I stayed at that under Benjamin Crocker for almost a half-century had separated them. On November 7, 1855, little John Beck left the home of his mother and stepfather in San Francisco and set himself to the task of building his own fortune."

After entering the employ of the railroad company Mr. Beck worked upward and was for seventeen years a superintendent under the name Beck, but some years ago he returned to farming and now has considerable property in Napa and Sacramento counties.

When young Beck returned to San Francisco in 1880, his people had moved to Alameda. Later they went to Watsonville, where the aged mother now resides. Mr. Beck has several half-brothers and sisters whom he has never seen, and one sister, who had married Mrs. Wooten's son, is intended to call the whole family together at the mother's home at San Juan. The news will be broken to the mother, Mrs. Wooten, and the sister, lest the shock may have serious consequences.

BULLET STOPS KILN-FIRED DEPUTY SHERIFF NORRIS KILLS WESLEY DOLLARHIDE AT KLAMATHON.

YREKA, March 26.—At Klamathon, a small lumbering town near here, Wesley Dollarhide, a young man about 25 years of age, was shot and killed by Deputy Sheriff George Norris this afternoon. Dollarhide and "Jack" Norris, a brother of the Deputy Sheriff, engaged in a street fight and Dollarhide stabbed his antagonist seriously. Deputy Sheriff Norris attempted to interfere in the fight, when he was attacked by Dollarhide with a knife. The Deputy drew his revolver and fired two shots, both of which took effect, and Dollarhide died instantly.

"Jack" Norris' wounds are serious, but it is believed he will recover. His brother, Deputy Norris, came at once to Yreka, the county seat, and gave himself up to the officers.

Reception to Veterans. PETALUMA, March 26.—Antietam Relief Corps of this city to-day celebrated its tenth anniversary with a banquet and reception. G. A. R. veterans were the guests of honor. The corps is in a flourishing condition. The Relief Corps and G. A. R. post are preparing to take a prominent part in the division encampment at Guerneville next month.

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GOVERNOR NAMES KIRKPATRICK TO BE HARBOR COMMISSIONER

Manager of the Palace Hotel Is Appointed to Major Harney's Place on the State Board.

SACRAMENTO, March 26.—J. C. Kirkpatrick, manager of the Palace Hotel in San Francisco, has been appointed to the State Board of Harbor Commissioners to succeed Major P. J. Harney, whose term of office expired last Saturday. Official announcement of the appointment is hourly expected.

There were many applicants for the prize and the names of a half dozen confident aspirants were frequently mentioned. Early in the field was ex-Surveyor General Brown, but he became convinced several months ago that his prospects of success were not bright. Among the confident seekers of the prize were ex-Superintendents Ed Smith and E. I. Algetinger and State Senators Frank Leavitt and Sig. Bettman. The San Francisco merchants fancied that Wakefield Baker and Isaac Upham were well to the front in the favor of the Governor and that either one might walk away with the commission to serve the people on the water front of San Francisco. Manager Kirkpatrick was not among those mentioned by any of the political prophets, hence the announcement of his selection will create surprise.

The Governor also made other appointments to various State institutions. The list included A. W. Foster of Marin County, regent of the State University, vice himself; George M. Hawley and G. B. Grow, Harbor Commissioners at San Diego, vice Norman H. Cookran and Frank H. Dixon; C. H. Davis, Fort Warren at San Diego, reappointed; E. J. Rice and L. B. Dockweiler, Trustees San Diego Normal School; Clifford Coggins, Trustee Union Normal School; F. C. Jacobs, Trustee San Jose Normal School; H. G. W. Dinkelspiel, Trustee San Francisco Normal School.

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SENATOR'S WIVES INCITE MURDER

Two Men Plot and Encompass the Death of Their Rival.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

TUCSON, Ariz., March 26.—Jose Lopez was the victim of a sensational shooting in San Pedro Valley last night. The affair was the result of jealousy over a senorita. Leandro Castillo and Gregorio Martinez planned to kill Lopez. They got him drunk and the conspirators took enough liquor to avoid arousing suspicion as to their purpose. When they thought Lopez was in a proper state of intoxication the two men brought up the names of the girl, and a lively argument arose. Leandro Castillo drew a six-shooter and killed Lopez.

Castillo fled, accompanied by Martinez, with officers in pursuit. Castillo, while mounting his horse, scorned his ankle and has a lively argument arose. Leandro Castillo drew a six-shooter and killed Lopez.

There is great excitement among the vaqueros in San Pedro County over the affair, and it is believed that cowboys will attempt to punish Castillo before officers can arrive at the ranch.

CUTS THE PRICE OF FRUITS FOR EXPORT

California Cured Fruit Association Acts Without Consulting the Packers.

SAN JOSE, March 26.—The California Cured Fruit Association has cut the prices of prunes for export one-half cent a pound, and 8 cents for the sizes from 40's to 50-JW's, inclusive. The packers' company this afternoon notified the jobbers of America and Europe of the reduction. This action of the Cured Fruit Association was taken without the advice of the packers. While the latter may not seriously oppose the reduction it is said that in view of the fact that the cut is made not so much to meet competition as to unload an oversupply the American dealers should also have had the benefit of the reduction.

On the other hand, the association people say that the cut would be of no material benefit to the American trade, but is absolutely necessary if California prunes are to be sold in Germany, where the prune is in demand for less money than the California product can be sold for there on a 2 1/2-cent basis. The new basis—2 cents—puts the exporter on an equal footing with the jobber of European prunes.

Decides a Water Suit. VISALIA, March 26.—Judge W. B. Wallace to-day rendered a decision in the case of the Hubbs and Miner Ditch Company vs. the Pioneer Water Company. This was a suit to restrain the diversion of water from Tule River. Judge Wallace gives both plaintiff and defendant the right to divert water from Tule River, and divides between them the costs of the trial.



JOHN C. KIRKPATRICK, THE NEW MEMBER OF THE STATE HARBOR COMMISSION.

Leavitt, Henry Pierce, John H. Grindley and John G. Matton Jr., Directors of the County School for Deaf and Dumb and Blind; W. W. Van Arsdale, Fish Commissioner, vice Charles Gould.

POLITICS OF THE APPOINTEE.

Has Affiliated With Democracy and Silver Republicans. Colonel John C. Kirkpatrick is well known in this city as the manager of the estate of the Sharon estate. He is a capable, energetic business man. In the management of ranch properties of the Sharon estate in Kern County he distinguished himself.

FRANK P. FLINT'S SUCCESSOR.

L. H. Valentine Will Be Southern California's District Attorney. LOS ANGELES, March 26.—United States Senator Bard announced to-day that L. H. Valentine will succeed Frank Flint as District Attorney of the Southern District of California. Mr. Flint purposes to resign some time in December.

VICTOR'S FRIEND DIES IN ASYLUM

Richard Caton's Life Goes Out Within the Walls of Highland. Special Dispatch to The Call.

SAN BERNARDINO, March 26.—The death of Richard Caton, aged 68 and a native of England, is reported from the Southern California Hospital for the Insane at Highland, where he was committed on February 1.

Caton was for many years a prominent merchant in England. Having accumulated a comfortable fortune, he retired from active life. After his wife died seven years ago he became disoriented and childless. Acting upon the suggestion of his physicians, he sought the mild climate of Southern California and accompanied by his daughter, located at Pomona. There they were surrounded by all the comforts of life. Last year Caton visited his wife's grave in England and ever since that time his mind has gradually failed.

Soon after his return to Pomona in January he made an unsuccessful attempt to kill his daughter because of an imaginary wrong. His arrest for insanity and commitment to the asylum followed. Caton had the personal friendship of England's Queen, and during the diamond jubilee he was shown unusual recognition by the Victoria Memorial and his daughter, who will inherit his wealth. His remains will be taken to England for interment.

ROYALTY CLAIMS ARE RICH IN YELLOW METAL

Stewart Menzies Reaches Dawson With Glowing Reports of the New District. SEATTLE, March 26.—The steamship Humboldt, from Skagway, arrived in port this morning. Reports from Dawson show that everything is quiet there. Work is progressing right along and the coming season is expected to be the best in the history of the district. Special dispatches from Dawson, dated March 21, report the arrival there from St. Michael of Stewart Menzies, auditor of the Alaska Commercial Company. He says he heard very flattering reports from the Koyukuk country during his trip. The Emma Gold Bench and Middle Park Creek claims are promising big returns and are causing great excitement. One hundred dollars was shoveled to the man from Emma Gold Bench last fall, and extensive preparations are now being made to open up operations as soon as the weather will permit.

JEALOUSY REAPS

Clarence Crawford's Second Victim Expires at Compton.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

LOS ANGELES, March 26.—Minute details of the terrible tragedy enacted at Compton last night confirm the early story of the killing of Ward C. Stratton and Ralph Mulherson and the sensational aspects of their slayer, Clarence S. Crawford, in the courtyard of Stratton's home as being the deed of an insane man. Mulherson died at 4 o'clock this morning. He was the first person on whom Crawford attempted to wreak summary vengeance for imaginary wrongs. Mulherson was called from a bunkhouse and shot down in cold blood by the man whom he believed to be his friend.

Compton had not recovered from the excitement of last night's tragedy when the coroner appeared on the scene this morning. Lying in the courtyard of Stratton's home until the chapter of terrible events was rendered complete, Stratton was killed because Crawford imagined the rancher had heaped wrongs upon him there is no doubt. Mulherson was killed because Crawford believed he had related stories in the neighborhood derogatory to Crawford's character and which had caused him to believe that Crawford had deliberately planned to murder Mr. and Mrs. Stratton and then end his own career.

Confession of Jealousy. The body of the murderer and suicide was searched by the coroner. Among other articles found was a passion lock issued to Crawford by the local lodge of the Fraternal Aid Association of Compton. A single sentence that had evidently been penciled on a page of this book a short time prior to the tragedy told the story of Crawford's awful crime. It was: "Jealousy is hell."

Nineteen cartridges were found in a coat pocket of the youth. After leaving Crawford's body members of the jury were driven to the ranch of Daniel Hathorn, where an inquest was held over the body of Ralph Mulherson, who was the first victim of Crawford's wrath. From Hathorn's place the jury went to the ranch of Mason Brothers, where Stratton had lived for the past six years. After the body of Ward C. Stratton had been viewed the evidence of Mrs. Stratton was given. She has suffered a severe shock from the awful tragedy and was able to leave her bed scarcely long enough to tell her story.

Told Her of His Love. "My husband had some trouble with Crawford last August," she said, between sobs. "Crawford quit his employ and a few days later wanted to be taken back. Mr. Stratton refused to give him employment longer he threatened to 'get even' with him. He does not know that Mr. Stratton feared him, but had taken the precaution to warn my husband against him."

Had Crawford ever propose to you that you should leave your husband and elope with him? Coroner Holland asked Mrs. Stratton. "He did," she replied, after some hesitation. "About three weeks before he quit my husband's employ he approached me and proposed to me that he could live with me. He wanted me to elope with him and I refused to go. I repulsed him and he never spoke of it again. For months that he was here I never gave him occasion to speak of love to me. He was a very nice man and had murdered Stratton and Mulherson and killed himself while temporarily insane."

INTERESTS THE PEOPLE OF THE PACIFIC COAST

Patents Issued to Inventors, Post-office Changes and New Pensions. WASHINGTON, March 26.—The following patents were granted to-day: California—Charles W. Arrossmith, Courtland, fruit packing device; Thomas Barnett, San Francisco, starting gate; Francis C. Bates, assignor of one-half to W. G. Hawley, San Jose, rural signal device; Edgar A. Beck, Los Angeles, electric door lamp; Warren F. Davis, assignor to Pacific Sheet Metal Works, San Francisco, double seaming device; John A. Duffy, Pomona, sink; Willis H. Fisher and C. Brouse, San Francisco, wash tub; Otto Bruehlmann, Fallbrook, bicycle brake; Edward B. Hoegemann, Oakland, shoe lacing clasp; Augustus Newell, Pasadena, assignor to the Perfect Sliding Door Company, Los Angeles, sliding door hanger; Ole Olsen, Oakland, airship; Wilson G. Ross, Beala, acetylene gas generator; Moses L. Rosovsky, San Francisco, portable steam or vapor bath apparatus; Henry R. Ruppel, San Francisco, fruit brush; William F. Schatz, South San Diego, harness attachment for poles and shafts; Louis B. Tullock, Angles, Camp, starting mill attachment; Warner L. Vestal, San Bernardino, letter box; Howard F. Wallace, Los Angeles, eye glasses; Frank S. Wootley, Los Angeles, power transmitting device.

Oregon—David F. Baker, Mount Tabor, shingle machine; James W. Barnes, Beaverton, animal trap; John M. Mount, assignor of one-half to A. G. Wolford, Silberton, hop and corn curer; William S. Sliger, assignor of one-half to S. A. Manning, McMinnville, hydraulic telescopic fire escape.

Washington—Arlie M. Banks, Tacoma, sled propeller; William C. Campbell, Vashon, draft equalizer; Noah M. Cripe, Elma, belt lacing needle; John B. Mahana and A. A. Pompe, Toledo, bicycle driving mechanism; Hans Paulson, assignor of one-half to H. Klabor, Tacoma, drill.

The following fourth-class postoffices will become presidential April 1: California—Rio Vista, Sebastopol; Oregon—Silverton, Woodburn. Salaries of Postmasters were granted to-day as follows: California—Increase—Thomas L. Moore, Los Angeles, 8.—Original widow—Catherine Dayton, San Francisco, 8. Oregon—Additional—Charles G. H. Osterhand, Marguam, 42.—Increase—David Thayer, Bodaville, 42.—Washington—Original—James H. Nichols, East Sound, 34.

TWO CHILDREN PERISH IN WATERS OF A POND

Little Hilda Williams and Clarence Gill Are Drowned Near Grass Valley. GRASS VALLEY, March 26.—Hilda Williams, the four-year-old daughter of James Williams, and Clarence Gill, the five-year-old son of Thomas Gill, were drowned in a pond near the Reuben Thomas diggings, north of town, as they were playing near the water and both fell in. No one was near at the time to rescue them. One of the neighbors' children, Ida Miller, after they were missing for some time instituted a search and, suspecting they might have been playing near the pond, went there and found the bodies.

MODOC'S SHERIFF FOUND DYING ON A HIGHWAY

Succumbs to Injuries Believed to Have Been Received During a Runaway. CEDARVILLE, March 26.—Sheriff E. D. Hager of Modoc County was found on Friday lying unconscious on the road by some Indians below Alturas. He was brought to Alturas, but remained in an unconscious condition until last night when death occurred from concussion of the brain. It is supposed that his team was thrown through a hole in a fence against a gatepost. His untimely end is deeply deplored. His sister at Oakland was wired for, but failed to arrive before death.

ASSEMBLYMAN FELIZ UNEARTHS A FOSSIL

Finds Portions of a Whale's Vertebrae on a Mountain in Monterey County. MONTEREY, March 26.—A curious specimen of the fossil remains of a bygone age has been discovered by Assemblyman F. F. Feliz of this city in the mountains about eight miles south of Monterey. It is a portion of the vertebrae of a small whale, apparently about three articulations, but disconnected and thrown out of their usual position. The vertebrae are embedded in sandstone rock and are quite perfect in their preservation. The fossil was found at an elevation of 1100 feet above sea level.

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