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DRUGGIST FACES SERIOUS ACCUSATION IS Preferred Against T. M. Lash.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 6.-T. M. Lash, for twenty years a druggist in this city and known throughout the State as the manufacturer of certain proprietary tonics and bitters, was arrested this afternoon on a complaint charging him with murder. The accusation was sworn to by Mrs. Virginia Buck, mother of Mrs. Nellie Dewey, who died on November 15 and was buried four days thereafter...

MURDERER GREEN GOES CALMLY TO HIS DEATH

Expresses Hope on Gallows That His Fate Will Be a Warning to Others. CASCADE LOCKS, Or., Dec. 6.-James G. Green was hanged in Stevenson, Wash., at 7:45 this morning in the presence of seventy-five persons. He walked to the gallows and betrayed no indication of a breakdown. When asked if he had anything to say he replied: "I hope this will be an example to the public and I wish everybody to keep out of such scrapes."

Pinned Under Fallen Tree.

SANTA ROSA, Dec. 6.-Henry Cox of Occidental had a narrow escape from death yesterday. He was engaged in chopping down a large oak tree. It fell in the wrong direction and pinned him to the ground. After an hour's work Cox's companions extricated him from his position. While one of his legs was broken in two places, he was not badly hurt otherwise. One of the limbs had prevented the body from falling directly upon him, although he was pinned just beneath it.

Herrera to Box Baker.

BAKERSFIELD, Dec. 6.-Aurelio Herrera, the boxer whose stock was soaring skyward until he met Terry McGovern, has signed articles of agreement to fight Tom Baker at Fresno next week. The bout will be straight Marquis of Queensberry. A preliminary will be fought between Mauro Herrera, a brother of Aurelio, and Billy Crawford of Madera.

Railways Elect Officers.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 6.-The following officers were elected at the annual directors' meeting of the Santa Fe, Prescott and Phoenix Railroad and the Prescott and Eastern and Bradshaw Mountain railroads, held in New York, yesterday: President, W. M. Murphy, vice president, E. D. Kenna; secretary, Wallace Fairbanks; assistant secretary, L. C. Deming; treasurer, Wallace Fairbanks; general manager, Victor Morawetz; general attorney, W. C. Campbell.

TETANUS YIELDS TO NEW SERUM

Physicians Cure a Victim of Lockjaw in Santa Ana. SANTA ANA, Dec. 6.-That tetanus may be successfully treated with the newly discovered serum has been demonstrated in Orange by Dr. Wood of that city and Dr. Bruner of Santa Ana. Wendell Travoli, five years of age, accidentally cut his foot on a rusty nail two weeks ago. A few days later lockjaw set in. The two physicians decided to use the serum treatment as a last resort. After six injections the deadly tetanus yielded, the convulsions gradually subsided and the patient is now considered out of danger. The serum is taken from tetanus patients and acts practically in the same manner as the virus used in inoculating against smallpox.

JURY DECLARES BUSH GUILTY OF ABDUCTION

San Francisco Man Who Carried Off a St. Helena Woman Must Pay the Penalty. NAPA, Dec. 6.-Joseph Bush of San Francisco was convicted in the Superior Court here yesterday on a charge of abduction. He will be sentenced next Monday. The crime of which Bush stands convicted was committed on the night of November 14. With two accomplices, Bush went to Vallejo from San Francisco, hired a livery team and drove out to St. Helena. There he carried off Annie Lightenfelt from the Stone Bridge House and drove to Vallejo with the woman, where they were overhauled by the police. Bush and Miss Lightenfelt had been living together for two years. The woman left Bush and came to this valley. He followed her and on his arrival in St. Helena took her away with him by force.

Mrs. Bane Gets Divorce.

WILLOWS, Dec. 6.-The court yesterday decided the divorce case of Bane vs. Bane, which created quite a stir here several weeks ago from the fact that it was tried behind closed doors, and the plaintiff acted as her own attorney. Mrs. Bane was granted the divorce against her. The property rights were decided against her, but she was granted the custody of the children and a monthly allowance.

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George Ade

George Ade, whose fables have echoed merrily throughout the land, is entering a new field. His forthcoming short stories will appear in McClure's.

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Accuses Southern Pacific

Men of Smuggling Cigars. TUCSON, Ariz., Dec. 6.-The paycar of the Southern Pacific Railway was held up in Nogales yesterday by Customhouse authorities and Paymaster C. J. Robinson and Guard M. A. Wilson were arrested, charged with smuggling Mexican cigars across the border. The cigars were found in the paycar and the customs laws allow the Government the privilege of confiscating any conveyance upon which the smuggled goods are found. Although the cigars were of insignificant value compared with the amount of money the paycar contained, yet Customs Collector Doane and deputies held the paycar for twenty-four hours, until proper action was taken by the Government prosecutors. The affair was a serious one for the Southern Pacific Company, and it at once appealed to the Secretary of the Treasury, who ordered the car released. At a late hour last night Robinson was turned over to Paymaster Doane, he having obtained his own release upon bond. The car was to appear on January 10 before the United States Commissioner in Nogales. The customs collector has frequently smuggled cigars from Mexico while he was in Pacific, and the appearance of the paycar yesterday Collector Doane detailed deputies to watch him. It is alleged that guards saw a Mexican enter the car with boxes of cigars, which were brought from the Mexican side of the line. The deputies then seized the car and searched it, finding twenty-three boxes of cigars, which the Mexican had delivered. Paymaster Robinson and Guard Wilson were immediately placed under arrest. The Customs Collector claims to have a strong case against the paymaster, and has asked the collector to place his evidence before the United States Grand Jury.

Meets a Frightful Death.

JAMESTOWN, Dec. 6.-A shocking accident occurred at the Eagle Shawmut mine, seven miles south of here, this morning. The company's mill was being started under the direction of George A. Webster. In moving about he slipped on the wet floor and fell, the upper part of his body falling on the rapidly moving cog pulley and his head severed from his body. Webster was a native of Tuolumne County. He was master-elect of George Washington Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Chinese Camp, and a member of Tuolumne Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Columbia.

Walnut Creek Man Missing.

WALNUT CREEK, Dec. 6.-Anton Matteson, a butcher, left this place two weeks ago with a load of hogs for the Oakland market. On his arrival in Oakland he disposed of his hogs and two men since and fears that some misfortune has befallen him. Messages have been forwarded to the different Sheriffs, but thus far no trace of him has been found.

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Merchants Seek Railroad's Gold

Sue to Recover Millions From the White Pass Line. VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 6.-A suit involving many millions of dollars will be instituted soon by Higgin & Elliott of this city against the British Yukon Company, under which name the White Pass and Yukon route is registered, on behalf of a number of Victoria merchants doing business with the Yukon district. The claimants ask for the return of all moneys the White Pass and Yukon Railway has taken for freight and passenger traffic since the railway was put into operation in 1898. The action will be tried before the Supreme Court in Victoria and will go in turn to the highest court in the land, the Imperial Privy Council. The contention of claimants is that under its charter the White Pass and Yukon Railway is compelled to have its schedule of rates approved by the Dominion Government. According to advice received from Ottawa this approval has not been ordered, although agents of the railway company are now in Ottawa endeavoring to make arrangements to that end. It seems that the railway in Ottawa until this year and the schedules have been returned by the Minister of Railways for adjustment. Claimants contend that the rates charged by the White Pass and Yukon Railway were extortionate and that they are entitled, therefore, to a return of their money. Not only do they allege that the rates were extortionate, but that secret rebates were granted to competitors. When the amount of the total rates paid to the company since its operation are taken into account, the sum to be refunded, should the action be decided against the company, will run into the millions. The claimants meet the suggestion that the road starts from Skagway, in American territory, by the claim that Skagway is in Canada and is claimed by Canada. The charter of the railway company reads that the road shall be built from some point at the head of Lynn Canal to Selkirk, in Northwest Territory. The merchants who are suing rely on section 290 of the Canadian railway act, which reads: Every person from whom any railway company exacts any undue or extortionate toll or charge shall, in addition to the amount so unjustly exacted, be entitled to recover from the company, as damages, an amount equal to three times the amount so unjustly exacted. A number of cases are instanced where suits have been decided against railway companies on this ground.

AN ENTERPRISING AMERICAN OFFERS TO RESCUE CAPTIVE

CALL BUREAU, 1406 G STREET, N. W., WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.-There is one enterprising American who is prepared to rescue Miss Stone from the clutches of the desperate brigands who hold her captive. The State Department has received a letter from this adventurer announcing that for \$10,000 he will guarantee to save Miss Stone and deliver her safely to the American legation in Constantinople. He shrewdly figures that as \$66,000 has been raised to ransom the woman, the Government or Miss Stone herself will be \$56,000 better off by employing his services. The application has not been granted by the department, which proposes to continue its diplomatic efforts to effect the prisoner's liberation. Another cable dispatch was received by Secretary Hay from Spencer Eddy, American charge in Constantinople, regarding his negotiation with the brigands. Communication is slow and Eddy is experiencing great difficulty in convincing the brigands that it is impossible to raise more than \$66,000.

STEAMER ELK SAFE IN PORT

Last of the Nome Fleet Has a Tempestuous Voyage. PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Dec. 6.-The long overdue steamer Elk No. 1 arrived to-day, forty-seven days from Nome. She is the last of the Alaska fleet of steamers to arrive. The Elk brought fifty passengers, and, according to their story, the vessel had a most eventful voyage, with many narrow escapes from being wrecked. On the way down the Elk encountered an almost continual gale and was compelled to seek shelter at every available place. The first of the Elk's mishaps occurred on the night of November 3, when her rudder was carried away. When daylight came it was found that the craft had drifted dangerously close to the rocky beach and Captain Dunham determined to run the vessel on the beach. A jury rudder was rigged and while seeking a favorable place the Elk struck a rock, carrying away her condensers. She was successfully beached, but before her rudder and condensers could be repaired a storm came up and the craft had to be worked off by the use of sails. For three days she was buffeted about in a helpless condition. On November 10 Kadiak was reached, where the rudder and machinery were repaired and the little craft again started on her journey. Between Unga and Kadiak the severest storm was experienced and all on board had given up hopes of reaching shore. Besides having a tumultuous sea to contend with her safety was endangered by ice forming from spray, and several times all hands were called to cut away ice. The Elk reports having sighted the mail steamer Discovery at Wood Island on November 14. Grave fears have been entertained for the safety of the Discovery.

Los Angeles Are Expecting a Heavy Storm.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 6.-No rain has fallen here as yet. The weather to-day has been clear and pleasant, but to-night the wind shifted to northwest and is blowing a gale. The temperature has fallen perceptibly and the conditions presage a storm of some sort, though the sky is clear.

Movement on Foot to "Corner" Remainder of Crop.

FRESNO, Dec. 6.-There is a movement on foot to corner the remainder of the crop of raisins-in fact, the move is practically consummated, according to the best advices. The "approved" companies composing the American Raisin Packing Company, familiarly known as the "High Five," are the principals in the deal. The "High Five" Company has nearly all the raisins of the California Growers' Association in its grasp and its agents are securing the outside crops, which have been held by growers in the hope of higher prices. There is a great demand for raisins and the price has advanced from 2 1/2 to 3 1/2 cents per pound. Speculators are in the field, hoping to realize on the turn in the market. The packers who failed to get the approval of the Growers' Association at the beginning of the season are in the scramble for raisins, as are Eastern brokers. The Growers' Association has sold to the "High Five" 220 carloads of raisins and the association has on hand 400 carloads not confirmed. The "High Five" has offered to take the 400 carloads at the old figure-2 1/2 cents-but the association is holding them for an advance. Growers outside of the association have sold 750 carloads and it is estimated they hold 300 carloads unsold. The struggle is for the possession of those 300 carloads. Rosenberger Bros. of San Francisco, acting as agents for the "High Five," offered 3 1/2 cents in Fowler yesterday and Interdenier & Co. of the "Low Five" offered 3 1/2 cents. Although the American Raisin Packing Company has shipped the 220 carloads East, it is strongly suspected that the raisins have not been sold to dealers, but are held for speculative purposes. President Kearney's cut in prices early in the season, to punish outside growers, has acted in the nature of a boomerang, as the outsiders are being paid more for their raisins than are the association growers.

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