

### BLAKEMAN SAYS HE WORKED HARD

#### Testifies That His Fee Was Approved by the Court.

#### Story of the Litigation of the Bell Estate Told by Attorney.

Attorney T. Z. Blakeman occupied the witness stand throughout the entire day in the hearing of the creditors' contest of the account of the special administratrix of the Bell estate, which was resumed in Judge Coffey's court yesterday. Blakeman testified at length concerning the legal services performed by him in behalf of the estate and for which he was allowed \$200.

Blakeman said the sum was not paid to him until his claim had been scrutinized by Judge Coffey. The court allowed the fee with the mutual understanding that it was subject to contest by the creditors the same as any other item of expenditure might be. The point made was a valuable one for the administratrix and for Blakeman himself, inasmuch as it showed that the fee was not considered excessive by the court and that Blakeman was entitled to charge that sum.

In the course of his examination by Attorney Galvin, Blakeman told of the vast litigation in which the estate was involved and which occupied his attention for two years. He related the circumstances of the removal of George Staacke as executor on the grounds of fraud. Staacke sought to compromise a claim against the Robinson estate for \$500, but Blakeman forced the estate into liquidation and secured over \$40,000 for the creditors of the Bell estate.

The various items of expenditures which were the subject of contest by the creditors were explained in detail by Blakeman. The payment of \$100 to Baldwin, a real estate man, which meant the purchase of the property at the amount bid for it by one Peters, who had bid in the property with Blakeman's consent in order to save it from being knocked down, was the value of the mortgage.

In speaking of the litigation with Miss Louise J. Thompson for the fulfillment of a deed to the Laguna ranch on the grounds of collusion between Staacke and Miss Thompson, Blakeman said that Attorneys Drown, Leicester & Drown, counsel for the Bell creditors, are also counsel for Miss Thompson. The ranch is claimed to be worth \$125,000, but was knocked down to Miss Thompson with Staacke's assistance for \$55,000, the amount of the mortgage and accrued interest.

The cross-examination of Blakeman was begun, but little interest was attached before adjournment of court. The matter will go on again next Monday morning.

### COURTNEY INDICTED FOR MURDER IN NEW YORK

#### He Will Be First Tried Here for the Killing of Policeman Robinson.

Captain Seymour received a dispatch yesterday from Captain Titus of New York stating that James Courtney, alias "Lesdville Jimmie," had been indicted there for murder in the first degree and that a bench warrant would be mailed at once. The dispatch concluded, "Hold him for us. Wire if we can have him."

A reply was sent that Courtney would have to stand his trial here first for the murder of Policeman Eugene Robinson last January. The arrival of Frank Kauffman, alias "St. Louis Frank," in a few days will be followed by the prosecution of the five men for Robinson's murder.

The crime for which Courtney has been indicted in New York was the murder of Clara Engelhart at her residence, 72 DeLaney street, in that city on October 8, last.

**For Booklovers.**  
"O for a Bookie, and a Shadie Nookie," wrote the old-time poet. Both of these are found on the Overland Limited. The library is a branch of the "Booklovers' Library," members of which can exchange books exactly as they do at any of the Stationary Branches, taking one book out to the train, leaving it there when returning and taking another with them on their journey's end.

Secure descriptive booklet at Southern Pacific Information Bureau, 413 Market street.

**SUES GAS COMPANY.**—John P. Gallagher, proprietor of the Hotel Langham, filed a suit for \$10,000 damages yesterday against the Equitable Gas Light Company. He alleges that the defendant corporation caused him to be injured by cutting off the supply of gas at the Langham without any reason therefor.

## STRANGE DISAPPEARANCE OF MOTHER AND DAUGHTER PIZZLES POLICE

### Mrs. Eva Miller and Mrs. Adaline Schaefer, the Last Named Newly Wed and But 18; May Have Perished or Met With Foul Play in the Forests and Hills That Cover the Ingleside District



Mrs. Eva Miller and her daughter, Mrs. Adaline Schaefer, who is the wife of O. H. Schaefer and but 18 years of age, left their homes Tuesday afternoon to ride in the direction of Ingleside. It is known that they visited Trocadero, but at that point all account of them has been lost. Their disappearance was reported to the police and Morgue authorities and since then detectives have been attempting to unravel what threatens to become a sensational mystery.

What became of Mrs. Miller and her daughter is a puzzling question. The theory that they became lost in the Ingleside hills and forests has been advanced. A strong suspicion that foul play is responsible for their absence from their firesides seems plausible and is strengthened by the knowledge that the women had more than an ordinary amount of money in their purses and some jewelry when they started out on the journey.

According to Miss Mabel Miller, daughter and sister to the lost ones, and Schaefer were no domestic troubles to cause their disappearance. Mrs. Schaefer was happy in her new-found home and Mrs. Miller never intimated that she was unhappy with her lot in life.

**Talked of Taking Car Ride.**  
Where the mother and daughter are or what has been their fate are queries left to the police for solution. As soon as Captain Seymour received the report he immediately detailed Detectives Bailey and Riordan on the case, but their investigations until an early hour this morning led to naught.

Mrs. Miller, residing with her daughter, Miss Mabel, at 84 Mission street, had been ill for several days and on last Saturday was forced to temporarily abandon her employment on Eighth street. She remained around her home and on last Tuesday morning expressed a desire to return to work, but was opposed by her daughter and cautioned to rest until she became strong again. Mrs. Miller replied that she would do so and shortly before 8 o'clock Miss Mabel went and took her car, leaving her mother alone. Before Mabel left, Mrs. Miller said she would probably take a ride during the afternoon, but the conversation on the subject was not prolonged.

Shortly after the noon hour Mrs. Miller went to the residence of her other daughter, Mrs. Schaefer, at 1135 Mission street, and when Schaefer, who had been employed as a clerk by H. C. Bunking, a grocer, at 14 Eighth street, came home to lunch. During the repast the subject of the car ride was mentioned, but before it was dropped without any discussion. Schaefer returned to his work about 1 o'clock and together they discussed the vigil they were keeping.

As the evening grew a sense of uneasiness came over the clerk and his sister-in-law. Inquiry made in the neighborhood developed nothing and no word whatever was received from either of the missing women. Finally it was mentioned that something had delayed their return home and that they had stopped at the residence of some friend over night. But the following morning brought no word and until noon nothing had developed that would give any clue as to what had happened to them. Friends were conferred with, but no information was gleaned and in the afternoon Schaefer, accompanied by Miss Miller, drove to Ingleside.

At Ingleside it was learned that two women answering the descriptions of Mrs. Miller and her daughter had alighted from a car about 3 o'clock and continued on foot in the direction of Trocadero. At Trocadero some of the attendants stated that the women had remained until about 6 o'clock, then started to leave the grounds. While at the resort Mrs. Schaefer amused herself by riding a pony and from this she was remembered.

At this place all trail of the missing women was lost. Schaefer and Miss Miller, disheartened and worried, drove back to town and discussed the advisability of requesting police assistance. Early in the evening they called at the Hat of Justice and the Morgue, where they related the story of the disappearance and their futile search. Detectives Bailey and Riordan took charge of the case, but there is little that either of the officers can accomplish until to-day.

When seen at her home last evening, Miss Miller was grief-stricken over the disappearance. She could not give the slightest clue as to where her daughters were or might possibly be. She emphasized her belief that they had met some evil fate.

"My mother was ill," she said, "and I advised her not to go to work on Tuesday. When I pleaded with her she started to remain at home, but said a car ride would do her good if she started early in the afternoon. She is subject to attacks of heart prostration and suffered much from a cold that had settled on her lungs."

**Fear They Met Robbers.**  
"It may be that while walking back from Trocadero to the car at Ingleside she missed her way and was overcome by one of those spells. Night may have overtaken them and both may have wandered about through the hills, unconscious of where they were, and was overcome by a large band of robbers. They may have been murdered by some villains who might have discovered them roaming about, after having robbed them of what they possessed."

Schaefer is in the same excited frame of mind, but can say no more than his sister-in-law. He will renew his search with the assistance of the detectives to-day.

**YOUNG WOMAN WHO, WITH HER MOTHER, HAS MYSTERIOUSLY DISAPPEARED.**

**Refreshments at Trocadero.**

**Strolling toward the Ingleside car.**

**When Fannie Bloomfield Zeisler Comes.**

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**Big Deals Filed for Record.**

**Police Sergeants Take Test for Promotions.**

**Golden City Minstrels.**

**Sutro Estate Loses Suit.**

**Parsons Kays, April 10.**

## F. B. CASH

### Andrew McCreery Sends Big Check to Mayor for Purpose.

#### Believes Additional Branch Institutions Are Advisable.

Andrew B. McCreery presented a check for \$25,000 to Mayor Schmitz yesterday to be handed to the Public Library Trustees for the purpose of erecting a branch library building on a site to be selected and supplied by the city. It is probable that the site will be that on Sixteenth street, near Sanchez, which is under process of being transferred from the School Department to the Library Trustees.

The donation by A. B. McCreery was made through the efforts of Joseph O'Connor, a Public Library Trustee and principal of the Mission Grammar School. Personal communication regarding the offer was handed by Mr. McCreery's private secretary to Mayor Schmitz while the latter was in court listening to the argument in the Health Board injunction case.

The following letter was also received by the Mayor from Mr. McCreery:

**Urges More Branch Libraries.**  
SAN FRANCISCO, April 10, 1902.  
Hon. E. F. Schmitz, Mayor of City and County of San Francisco.—Dear Sir: In view of the fact that San Francisco is soon to have a Public Library building, and believing the usefulness of that institution will be greatly enhanced by the establishment of additional branch libraries, thus deriving the benefit to be derived more closely to the masses of the people, I have to-day deposited my check for \$25,000, payable to your order, with the Mercantile Trust Company of San Francisco for the purpose of establishing a branch of the Free Public Library of San Francisco in such a locality, at such time and in such manner as you, the Board of Supervisors and the Board of Library Trustees in your best judgment may determine.

I make this gift unconditionally, having from your course to this date confidence that the sum thus offered will be employed solely in accordance with the public interest and to the advantage of the citizens of San Francisco. Very respectfully yours,  
A. B. McCREERY.

**P. S.—Personally I am in favor of the Lincoln School as the site for the new Free Public Library building.**  
The Mayor wrote the following reply:  
Mayor Expresses Thanks for Gift.

Executive Department, Mayor's Office.  
April 10, 1902.  
Andrew B. McCreery Esq., 319 Pine street, city.—Dear Sir: I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your esteemed favor of the 10th inst. announcing the deposit of \$25,000 with the Mercantile Trust Company of San Francisco your check for twenty-five thousand dollars, payable to my order, which was used for the establishment of a branch library in the city.

On behalf of the people of San Francisco I thank you for this exhibition of munificent public spirit, and I am glad that you have accepted your generous donation with the feelings of kindly sentiment and with warmest appreciation which I have no doubt you possess.

Gifts of this character from citizens of your standing go far to make us realize the actual breadth of our material resources.

I shall be pleased indeed to co-operate with the Board of Supervisors of San Francisco, and with the trustees of the Free Public Library, as to details of disposition of your most liberal gift, and shall consider it a pleasant duty to consult with you as to your personal views and preferences in this connection.

Permit me, sir, in addition, to express my profound appreciation of the confidence you have manifested in me generally, and believe me most sincerely yours,  
E. E. SCHMITZ, Mayor.

**SETS DATES FOR TRIALS OF ACCUSED TEACHERS**  
Board of Education Will Hear Principal Blanchard, Miss McKinley and W. Zimmerman.

The Board of Education met yesterday and set dates for the trial of three pedagogues against whom charges of a more or less grave nature have been filed. The date on which Principal M. E. Blanchard of the Hancock Grammar School on the findings of Superintendent Webster that Blanchard is guilty of unprofessional conduct was fixed for April 25, at 9 a. m.

Miss Mary McKimery, who was charged with incompetency against whom charges of incompetency have been filed by Principal Lyser of the John Sweet School, will answer them on April 11, at 9 a. m. Professor William Zimmerman, who is charged by Principal Bush of the Polytechnic High School with a lack of discipline, will have a hearing on April 18, at 9 a. m.

The City Board of Examination filed recommendations to try the issuance of teachers' certificates, as a result of the recent examination held for the purpose, as follows:

Grammar school certificates—Miss Harriet M. Burnett, Miss Evans Sprilley, C. Walker, Miss Alice Merette Reder, Miss Vida Kelly, Miss Beatrice P. Wilman, Miss Willette B. Ross.

Special certificates: Music, of the grammar school—Miss Stella, Miss Martha H. Pope, Miss Belle M. Stanford, Miss Bertha Roberts, Miss Lillian M. Simpson, Mrs. Angie McCallister.

Instruction for the deaf and dumb, high school grade—Almon N. Holden, Miss Zerene McCallister, Miss Mary Bronson Dewing.

Naval architecture, of the high school grade—Vicente Legarda.

Robert H. Barth, of the high school grade—Cookery, of the grammar school grade—Miss Louise Bartlett.

Stenography and typewriting, of the high school grade—Miss Maud Elene Hultberg-Smith.

**Police Sergeants Take Test for Promotions.**  
Twenty-three would-be lieutenants answer questions propounded by Civil Service Board.

Twenty-three out of the forty-five sergeants employed in the Police Department participated in an examination for promotion to the position of lieutenant which was held yesterday in the City Hall by the Civil Service Commission.

The sergeants labored from early morning until dusk in an endeavor to answer correctly the questions which related to three subjects—general knowledge of duties, writing of reports and arithmetic.

Among the questions on the first subject were: "What is the law regarding inhumanity to prisoners?" "How would you treat a prisoner suffering from gas asphyxiation or asphyxiation from drowning?" "State in full what constitutes riot?" "What authority must you have to make an arrest for misdemeanor, upon a warrant, at night?" and others.

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- SPUN SILK HOSIERY for Ladies.** in shades of Black, Pink, Light Blue, etc.; four pairs for \$5.00
- LADIES' LACE LISLE HOSIERY.** A magnificent assortment of patterns; one dozen pairs for \$5.00
- FRENCH MARSEILLES BEDSPREADS.** Full size and choice patterns; 3 for \$5.00
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- WHITE DIMITY.** 34 yards to a piece; fine quality; suitable for underwear or children's dresses; 10 pieces \$5.00
- BLACK TAFFETA SILK.** An extra quality; suitable for waists or skirts; nine yards for \$5.00
- BLACK PEAU DE SOIE.** A special quality; nine yards for \$5.00
- BLACK SATIN DUCHESSE.** All silk; fine quality; ten yards for \$5.00
- REAL APPLIQUE LACE.** 3 1/2 inches wide; 4 1/2 yards for \$5.00
- REAL POINT APPLIQUE LACE.** 4 inches wide; 3 1/2 yards for \$5.00
- REAL LACE SCARFS.** In Point Applique, Guipure and Chantilly; at each \$5.00
- INDIA CHANTILLY LACE SCARFS and FIGURES.** Lace sizes; worth \$10 and \$12; at \$5.00
- REAL OSTRICH PLUME FANS.** with tortoise shell sticks; assorted colors; each \$5.00
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Ladies' fine kid Oxfords, either patent leather or kid tips, extended Goodyear welt soles, correct toe; Friday and Saturday only \$2.15

Ladies' patent leather Oxfords, light hand-turned or Goodyear welt soles; Friday and Saturday only \$2.10

Children's and misses' tan calf Oxfords, broad orthopedic toes, extended soles; Friday and Saturday only: Sizes 6 to 8, \$1.10; 8 1/2 to 11, \$1.30; 11 1/2 to 13, \$1.65.

Children's and misses' patent leather Oxfords, stylishly extended soles, the cutest you ever saw; Friday and Saturday only: Sizes 8 1/2 to 11, \$1.60; 11 1/2 to 13, \$2.30; Country Orders Filled.

Men's velour (soft) calf Oxfords, Goodyear welt, extended soles, an up-to-date, becoming shoe; Friday and Saturday only \$2.85

Men's tan calf Blucher Oxfords, ready-made, extended soles, in particular dressers; Friday and Saturday only \$3.15

Youths' and boys' box calf Oxfords; the last assured perfectly shaped feet; a positively nobby style; Friday and Saturday only: Sizes 9 to 13, \$1.80; 13 1/2 to 2, \$2.10; 2 1/2 to 5 1/2, \$2.30.

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