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LOCAL WOMEN TO WORK FOR BEAUTIFICATION OF PARKS AND STREETS



AMONG a number of distinguished guests at Mrs. Merrill's tea on Friday was Mrs. Herman J. Hall of Chicago, who always tries to avoid attention, but cannot help attracting admiration.

CHICAGO PATRONESS OF ART WHO IS VISITING IN SAN FRANCISCO.

held in place by two short bands of white velvet ribbon, embroidered in gold. A number of the fair sex went down to Stanford few days ago to see their friends "read the boards" as full-fledged Greeks.

The Drows have come and gone, taking with them the best wishes of many friends they left behind. John Drew was hospitably entertained at Burlingame and by Mrs. Martin, and had many more invitations he was too busy to accept.

One of the prettiest girls at Hotel Mateo is unmistakably Miss Mary Lee Henry of Kansas City. She is spending the summer at the hotel with the Jacobs family.

Among the pretty things worn so well by Mrs. Fred Jacobs is a pattern bodice of richest blue silk, embroidered all over in white, with touches of gold.

Mrs. J. K. Armsby of Chicago is one of the most attractive women at the hotel. She is always gowned in the best of taste.

Mrs. H. W. Hyers, a most charming woman of New York City, is escorted for the summer in a cottage on the hotel grounds with her husband, a maid and a number of pets which she has brought with her.

Another pretty girl has felt the fatiguing results of popularity. Miss Adelaide Murphy has been entertained nearly to death and must now retire from every thing mundane and take the rest cure.

The Splinters' Club entertained yesterday afternoon for the last time this season. The informal teas given now and then by the literature, music and art sections have been charming affairs, serving to bring the teagong public nearer to the well known artists who modestly call themselves "Splinters."

Dr. A. L. Tibbets of Petaluma is a guest at the Grand. R. D. Hatch of Novato is spending a few days at the Lick. I. Dannenbaum, a merchant of Vallejo, is registered at the Grand.

H. B. Cline, an extensive grocer at Los Angeles, is at the Palace. Dr. C. S. Sargent of Stockton is among the arrivals at the California. J. W. Knox, a prominent attorney of Merced, is a guest at the Palace.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Some Prefer the Oval And colonial styles of picture frames in gold, some admire the quaint shapes in Flemish, old Dutch and ebony; but all who have seen our stock agree that we have the prettiest, most varied and most reasonably priced picture frames ever seen in San Francisco.

An Insolvent Farmer. W. S. McCollough, a farmer, residing in Red Bluff, Tehama County, filed a petition in insolvency yesterday in the United States District Court.

Notice to Passengers. Round trip transfer tickets now on sale at any of our offices. One trunk (round trip) 50 cents. Morton Special Delivery, 408 Taylor street, 650 Market street and Oakland ferry depot.

THE MODOC VENDETTA.

THE acquittal of the Modoc lynchers, who in a cowardly way murdered five human beings, one of the victims being a helpless old man and the other a young boy, has been followed by a vendetta against the witnesses who refused to perjure themselves to shield the guilty slayers.

These witnesses have been compelled to flee the county and some of them do not feel safe from the scene of the crime, but keep in hiding wherever they are for fear that the vengeance of the murderers may find them.

Some of these fugitives were of the party of murderers when the crime was committed. They saw the killing of the gray, old man and the young boy's gallant but ineffectual struggle for his life. They saw law and justice perverted by the connivance of officers charged with the duty of protecting life, and they witnessed the participation by such officers in five murders committed under the most cowardly and cruel circumstances.

What can California do about it? Nothing at all. That county has deliberately written itself down as a place where murder is no crime and the law cannot be enforced. Men who perjure themselves to protect murderers are honored as representative citizens, while those who tell the truth are compelled to flee for their lives.

We have said the State can do nothing about it. That is not intended to mean that the State cannot make some provision against like affairs in the future. The Legislature may provide that the State shall have a change of venue in criminal cases where fear of murder prevents or obstructs the administration of justice.

Such a case as that of Modoc County does not often occur. It is apparently a universal sympathy with crime, with the highest crime known to moral and statute law. In the eye of the law the people of that county are accessories to the crime of murder, some of them before and the rest of them after the fact. There is no reason to believe that murder or any other major crime can ever be punished there.

THE ROCHAMBEAU MEMORIAL.

WITH stately ceremonies befitting the occasion, the statue of the Comte de Rochambeau has been unveiled at Washington and dedicated as a memorial of the aid given by France to the American colonies during the struggle for independence.

The man whose statue has been chosen to stand as a symbol of the great historic friendship between France and the United States is not unworthy of the honor. He has not filled the place in song and story and in popular imagination and affection that Lafayette holds, but none the less his services both to France and to the United States were of the highest order.

It is to be remembered that Rochambeau on one occasion showed a devotion to the American cause that proved to be of the highest value at a most critical time. When Washington was on the point of moving southward for the purpose of intercepting Cornwallis, the army had been without pay for a long time and the colonial treasury was bare of money.

The chief credit of the support given by France during the Revolution belongs, however, not to one man nor set of men. It is not to Rochambeau, Lafayette, the King nor his counselors that America owes the debt of gratitude for help in her hour of need.

The seventeen-year locust has returned to the East, and has been seen thus far over a region of country extending from New Jersey to South Carolina and as far west as Michigan. It is stated that as the pest appears at such long intervals the native birds do not seem to be aware that he is good eating, but the English sparrow has got on to him and is devouring him at a great rate.

A New York dispatch of May 23 says: "There were four heat victims in this city to-day. A sudden rise in the temperature and humidity from 70 to 76 caused the prostrations." If that be the kind of weather "gentle spring" distributes in that locality what will the summer do when she turns her dog days loose?

The powers have decided that the Chinese indemnity must be paid in gold, and as a consequence of the decline in silver the burden upon China will be much heavier than was expected. Still the powers are acting for China's good, and perhaps in the end China may be able to reciprocate.

McKinley was doubtless right in refusing even to consider Carnegie's offer of \$20,000,000 for the Philippines, but if Mr. Carnegie will make it again the people might now be found willing to make the bargain and give him a heavy discount for cash.

LOCAL THEATERS HAVE NEW BILLS TO PRESENT DURING COMING WEEK



KATHRYN KIDDER

WELL-KNOWN ACTRESS WHO WILL BEGIN AN ENGAGEMENT AT THE COLUMBIA TO-MORROW.

ONE of the distinctly notable events of the present theatrical season is the engagement of Kathryn Kidder, who will appear in "The Country Girl" at the Columbia to-morrow evening. Miss Kidder has occupied a high place in the hearts of local theatergoers since her unquestioned success in "Madame Sans Gene," several seasons imitable impersonation of the humorous French laundry woman.

Peter F. Daily opens at the Orpheum this afternoon. That he will be accorded a warm reception is beyond question. No comedian ever gained more popularity with local audiences than versatile Peter. He has not been here in many a year.

"The Singing Girl" continues on her merry career for one week more at the Tivoli Opera-house. She has been greeted nightly by delighted audiences. Her conferees have also assisted in a marked degree to furnish a delightful entertainment, and their efforts in this direction have been amply rewarded by public approval.

"Fiddle Dee Dee" continues at Fischer's. The burlesque has broken all records in this city and bids fair to establish a precedent that other plays will have hard work to equal. Kolb and Dill are irresistibly funny as German comedians. Their dialect is good and their "business" is funny.

"Hands Across the Sea" is the next offering at the Central Theatre. Miss Fanny McIntyre, the new leading lady, has scored a brilliant success. She gave evidence in "Woman Against Woman" that she possesses talent and versatility.

has been doing splendid work. The company has been greatly strengthened by Earle Brown and Julius McVicker.

Sol Smith Russell's great comedy success, "A Bachelor's Romance," will be presented at the California Theatre this week. The opening performance is scheduled for this evening.

Maudie Fealy, a clever actress, opens at the Grand Opera-house to-morrow evening in her version of "The Little Minister." She will be assisted by the theater's excellent stock company.

A CHANCE TO SMILE.

Sad Havoc.—Western Man.—We had a terrible conflagration in Dugout City last week. Only seventeen houses left standing.

Eastern Man.—My goodness! How many were there before the fire? Western Man.—Nineteen.—New York Weekly.

"Hello! Where are you going with the gun?" inquired Gasaway. "Gunning. Where do you suppose?" replied Brightly.

"Huh! You couldn't hit a barn door." "Perhaps not, but I could hit a darn here, and I might be tempted to do it any moment."—Philadelphia Press.

"No, sir," said Mr. Meekton. "I don't want any 'no seat, no fare bill.'" "But you would like to see some arrangement by which everybody who rides in a street car can sit down?"

"Not a bit of it. I'm too polite. I would not deprive a lady of the satisfaction she gets in glaring a man out of his seat for anything in the world."—Washington Star.

The young pig could reach the swill well enough by putting its snout over the side of the trough, but it was not satisfied with that. It proceeded to get all four of its feet in the trough.

But the mother of the pigs thrust the greedy young monopolist to one side. "Get out of that, you selfish, grasping thing!" she said. "You remind me so much of human beings!"—Chicago Tribune.

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This bit of wisdom comes from China: "There are things which can never be imagined, but there is nothing which may not happen."

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