STUDENTS CHEER PARDEE'S NAME

Collegians Rejoice Over Passage of Appropriation Bill.

Demonstration at Meeting Where Distinguished Men Speak.

BERKELEY, March 13.—The name of Governor Pardee was cheered again and again this morning by the students of the University of California when President Wheeler read to them at the meeting held this morning in Harmon gymnasium a telegram from the chief executive of the State saying that he had signed the bill appropriating $250,000 for a new building to take the place of old North Hall. The legislators, too, came in for their shade, and Pardee's name was sent echoing out of the big building and over the campus. The telegram which caused so much demonstration on the part of the student body is as follows:

SACRAMENTO, March 13, 1903.
To President Benjamin Ide Wheeler, Berkeley, Cal.: University bill for $250,000 for new building signed this morning. Another evidence of the generosity of California toward the university. GEORGE C. PARDEE.

President Wheeler also announced that Governor Pardee would be present at the Charter day exercises, and that President David Starr Jordan of Stanford University would be the principal speaker of the day. He also cautioned the undergraduates against again breaking the university rules by indulging in the usual rush on Charter Hill which precedes the Charter day ceremonies. He said that serious complications were likely to arise if the students indulged in another rush.

The speakers of the meeting were Rev. Peter C. Yorke, the new Regent, and President Slocum of Colorado College. It was Regent Yorke's first appearance at the university since his appointment.

GOVERNOR SIGNS BILLS.

Many Measures Receive the Approval of the Chief Executive.

SACRAMENTO, March 13.—Governor Pardee signed this batch of bills to-night and sent them to both houses.

Senate bill 594, by Ralston, prohibits the use of the bristle burr, tack burr or other like devices on horses or other animals.

Senate bill 406, by Smith, relates to unlawful interference with public fire alarms. The act provides that any one who willfully tampers with, molests, injures or breaks any public fire alarm apparatus or maliciously sounds a false alarm, is punishable by imprisonment in the County Jail for one year and a fine not exceeding $1000.

Senate bill 382, by Welch, empowers and authorizes the Board of Harbor Commissioners to pay the claim of J. D. Spreckels & Bros. Co. by reason of the collapse of a wharf loaded with coal burkers. The sum must not exceed $21,000.

Senate bill 283, by Nelson, authorizes each city and county to sue for the recovery of any and all moneys due or hereafter to become due as delinquent taxes upon any and all personal property.

Senate bill 85, by Wolfe, relates to the amount of real estate that may be owned or held by corporations whose object is not pecuniary profit. It permits benevolent associations to own and possess any number of acres not exceeding 160 acres of land in the country outside of any incorporated city or town, and on which the annual income and profit does not exceed $50,000.

Senate substitute bill 11 relates to the definition of certain words which appear in the Codes.

Assembly bill 816, by Black, permits Mrs. Stanford to relinquish the management of the Leland Stanford University.

Assembly bill 9, by Barnes, fixes the duties of marshals in the various incorporated towns.

Assembly bill 427, by Waste, appropriates $250,000 for the construction of a students' building at the University of California.

Assembly bill 28, by Cromwell, establishes a poultry experiment station in the county of Sonoma and appropriates $5000 for equipping and maintaining the station.

ASSEMBLY MAY STAY.

Lower House Must Attend to Bills or Remain in Session.

CALL HEADQUARTERS, SACRAMENTO, March 14.—At a conference with the Governor and a number of the members of both houses at 1:30 o'clock this morning it was practically decided to hold the Assembly three days after the adjournment of the Senate, provided the railroad bills for the Western Pacific are not passed this morning. This can be done under a constitutional provision and it is said the Governor has given his consent to the arrangement, which is possible, because no concurrent resolution for adjournment has been adopted by both houses.

Senator Leikens said this morning that this could be done and he expected that it would be. He would not assert that the plan depended upon the passage of the bills, but from another source it was learned that this is the programme.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—Harry A. Barrows, formerly disbursing officer of the Census Bureau, who was dismissed some months ago for embezzlement, was sentenced to-day to three years in the penitentiary.

POSTUM CEREAL.

ARISTOCRATS

Should Be Allowed Good Things as Well as Other People.

A Chicago lady, visiting friends in Leon, N. Y., heard her hostess say one morning, "All of the aristocrats on Allen Hill have discarded coffee and are using Postum Food Coffee in its place." It seems the doctor had advised the change as a remedy for different stomach and other disorders caused by coffee drinking.

"But when I first made it I was careless. It was only half boiled and drowned in water, so husband, after sipping it, pushed it back and said, 'no more of that stuff for me.' I concluded it was not properly made and examined the package carefully, finding that it must be boiled fifteen or twenty minutes after the real boiling begins.

"Next morning husband said, 'You don't mean to tell me this is the same coffee you gave me yesterday, why this is fine.' He drank two cups and since that time we have used no other coffee, and both of us have made a decided improvement in health.

"I had suffered for a long time from dyspepsia, nervous prostration, poor appetite and the usual disorders of stomach and bowels, not knowing that coffee was the cause of the trouble. Not getting any coffee from my hostess, except the Postum, I not only found it delicious, but my appetite improved, the flatulence and stomach distress left me and I quickly began to gain in flesh. Now I am enjoying a degree of health that I never expected to attain.

"After I left home my brother, who has been an invalid for some time, broke down entirely. He was a coffee drinker and had distress in his stomach always after meals. Finally his stomach refused to retain any food at all, then the doctor insisted on his leaving off coffee and using Postum. He drank Postum four times a day with rich cream and some sugar and absolutely no other food for several days, then he carefully added other food in small quantities and gradually began to get well. He now eats all kinds of nourishing foods and is again working at his trade." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich

COUNTRY CLUB SCORES A HIT

Burlingame's Rival Has Society Leaders' Approval.

Life Membership List Is Closed and General Roll Is Opened.

Oakland Office San Francisco Call,
1118 Broadway, March 13.

Life memberships in the Claremont Country Club, the exclusive society organization designed to outdo Burlingame in fostering outdoor sports, have been taken to the limit fixed by the directors. The number is twenty-five and each subscriber pays $1000 for his membership.

The directors announce the following life members: Edwin Goodall, William Pierce Johnson, A. Schilling, F. S. Stratton, F. C. Havens, F. M. Smith, P. E. Bowles, F. W. Van Sicklen, Benjamin Bangs, A. S. Macdonald, William C. Henshaw, Phoebe A. Hearst, A. L. Stone, Whitney Palache, Thomas Addison, George W. McNear Jr., Thomas Prather, C. M. Goodall, William A. Magee, J. H. Chanslor, Louis Titus, Edward M. Walsh, George C. Perkins, H. J. Knowles and William Letts Oliver.

Their subscriptions represent the nucleus of the $100,000 fund that will be raised to purchase and to improve the property—125 acres—on the east side of Claremont avenue and College way, extending back into the foothills.

There is a considerable supply of water on the property, as well as a quarry of brown cement rock, suitable for road and path building, while the land is of such a diversified character that the incorporators, who have considered many sites, deem the one chosen the most desirable of any tract now available for country club purposes. There is level land suitable for tennis or polo, and from the hills and heights on the property a view is obtained that is almost unrivaled for its beauty. The entire Bay of San Francisco, the Golden Gate and the cities about the bay can be seen. Protected by the hills as the property is, the climate is unsurpassed.

As the property selected contains a larger acreage than is necessary for the purposes of the club, it is proposed to set aside about twenty-five acres for building sites. This acreage will be subdivided into lots and sold, under certain conditions, to the members of the club, who will have the privilege of erecting dwellings thereon.

The incorporators have the assurance of the Oakland Transit Company that its streetcar lines will be extended to the entrance of the grounds, so that they can be reached quickly and easily from San Francisco, Berkeley, Oakland or Alameda. They believe that when the new ferry system of the Transit Company, now nearing completion, is in operation the grounds can be reached from San Francisco in about thirty-five minutes.

George E. de Golia, who has charge of the legal affairs of the corporation, announces that the money will be raised by the issuance of bonds. That matter is well in hand. With the closing of the life membership list the club has sent out its prospectus for a general membership of 300, invitations having been forwarded to a list of names, selected by a secret committee, of residents of Oakland, Berkeley and San Francisco considered eligible. The prospectus provides:

The membership fee for men or "the head of the family," is $100, and will entitle the family of such member to the privileges of the club, but not actual membership. The family will be held to include the wife and such relatives of the member as reside with and are under his immediate care and maintenance, and, in such cases, young ladies must not be less than fourteen years of age and boys must be between the ages of sixteen and twenty-three. For adult women not included in the family of a member the membership fee shall be $50.

The monthly dues will be as follows:

For men	$5 00 per month
For women	2 50 per month
For families (as construed above and consisting of more than two persons)	10 00 per month

The membership fees and monthly dues of university professors and their families, clergymen and their families (families being as designated above) shall be one-half of the above rates.

The plan of the club is that just as soon as 300 names have been subscribed for regular membership under the plan outlined in the prospectus, bonds will be issued by the corporation for $100,000 to purchase the property referred to. The club will then have a capital of $55,000 as a starter with which to erect buildings, lay out tennis courts, golf links, bowling alleys, polo grounds, football grounds, steeples, etc.

The original incorporators are:

Edwin Goodall, Frank M. Wilson, P. E. Bowles, F. W. Van Sicklen, S. B. McKee, G. W. McNear Jr., William P. Johnson, George E. de Golia, Anson L. Blake, F. H. Ames, A. S. Macdonald, C. M. Gayley, A. H. Higgins, T. R. Hutchinson, E. R. Folger, C. O. G. Miller, C. M. Goodall, Arthur Goodall, C. M. Cooper, A. Schilling.

The officers and directors are:

President, Edwin Goodall; vice president, Frank M. Wilson; treasurer, William Pierce Johnson; secretary, Sam Bell McKee; directors, F. W. Van Sicklen, George W. McNear Jr., P. E. Bowles; attorney, George E. de Golia.

LADY GORDON'S DAUGHTER MAY BE ON HER WAY HERE

Captain of English Tug Thinks He Carried the Child From Gravesend to Dunkirk.

LONDON, March 13.—The captain of a tug says he has reason to believe that the child Cicely, Lady Granville Gordon's daughter by her former husband, Eric Gordon, for the possession of which the recent sensational suit was brought and with which Lady Gordon fled after the courts had ordered her to return the child to its father, is now on its way to the United States. He says he carried a woman accompanied by a child from Gravesend to Dunkirk, and the woman stated that the child was Lady Granville Gordon's.

CONSUL BITTINGER IS INVITED TO RESIGN

WASHINGTON, March 13.—United States Consul John Bittinger of Montreal has been invited to resign. He will be succeeded by Major A. W. Edwards, a North Dakota newspaper man. Consul Bittinger while on leave of absence at his home in St. Joseph, Mo., talked very freely of the relations between the United States and Canada. This was ill received in Canada and has led to the present action.

Old Resident Dies.

Mrs. Isabella Ross Fraser, widow of Daniel Fraser, passed away at an early hour yesterday morning at her residence, 1106 Bush street. Mrs. Fraser was an old and respected resident of this city, having come here in the early sixties from Nova Scotia, her birthplace, and leaves a large circle of friends. She was always admired for her sterling, Christian character. She leaves a daughter and son—Miss Ada Isabel Fraser, who is associated with The Call, and Malcolm A. Fraser, employed as clerk by the Board of Public Works.

VETERAN BALL-PLAYER ARRESTED FOR FELONY

Lou W. Hardie, Until Two Years Ago One of the Leading Lights of the Diamond, Arrested on Complaint of Peter Lefevre on Charge of Embezzling Funds of Acme Club

VETERAN BASEBALL MANAGER, WHO IS CHARGED WITH EMBEZZLING FUNDS.

OAKLAND, March 13.—Lou W. Hardie, the veteran baseball player, known as "Pop" Hardie to the Californian devotees of the national game, was arrested today on a charge of embezzling funds of the Acme Athletic Club, of which organization he was treasurer until January 1. The specific accusation lodged against Hardie involves the sum of $60, alleged to have been misappropriated.

Hardie's accuser is Peter Lefevre, secretary of the club. The arrest was made shortly before noon to-day. Shortly thereafter Justice of the Peace Quinn of this city accepted Frank J. Moffitt and Emil Nusbaumer as sureties on a bond in $1000 filed for the appearance in court of the accused ball player.

The prosecution of Hardie follows late upon the discovery made last October, according to W. H. L. Hynes, then president of the Acme Club, of irregularities in the accounts which Hardie had been handling as treasurer for two years. For some time Hardie had made no report on the financial affairs of the organization, so Hynes says, and this led to an investigation.

"The first step taken was to stop payment on Hardie's checks as treasurer," explained ex-President Hynes, "at the Oakland Bank of Savings. Then the discrepancy was figured and found to be $268 65, all accrued since October 1. Demand on Hardie was met by his offer to give his personal note for the amount, but that was not satisfactory to the board of directors.

"Still failing to meet the acknowledged shortage, Hardie's arrest followed."

The bulk of the money handled by Hardie represented the club's pro rata of the profits that accrued from the boxing tournaments held monthly at the old exposition and conducted in the club's name by Billy Lavigne. Hardie had been the custodian of a much larger amount than that involved either in the specific complaint against him or in the total shortage the directors report they have uncovered.

Since January 1 Hardie has not been with the Acme Club. He was quietly dropped at the annual election.

Until two years ago "Pop" Hardie had been one of the leading lights in baseballdom. He was for years a star catcher with the old Oakland baseball team and played in the famous championship nine of 1899.

His case will be on the calendar tomorrow in Justice Quinn's court.

COURT ENJOINS TEAM DRIVERS

Must Not Interfere With Business of Transfer Companies.

KANSAS CITY, March 13.—Judge J. E. Phillips in the United States District Court this afternoon issued a sweeping injunction restraining all members of the local Team Drivers' International Union from interfering with the business of eleven of the transfer companies of the city, whose men are on a strike. The eleven companies petitioned the court today to restrain the strikers and their sympathizers on the ground that interference with wagons on the way to depots and shipping yards is in violation of the interstate commerce laws. The plaintiffs argued that goods are in transit, in the meaning of the law, from the moment they are loaded into a wagon, when a receipt is given by the transfer company, and this contention was upheld by the court. The injunction, which is a temporary one, is made returnable on March 20.

Notices of the injunction issued yesterday upon petition of the Kansas City Transfer Company were served to-day upon thirty-eight labor leaders and strikers, but had little effect. But few men were employed to take the strikers' places and what men did go to work accomplished but little work.

In the bottoms ten strikers were arrested for stoning a driver and blockading the thoroughfare and it became necessary to disperse the crowd, but no one was hurt.

Later as many more men were arrested for obstructing the sidewalks and a charge of disturbing the peace was placed against them.

Piper Will Pay Alimony.

Arthur Leroy Piper, whose wife, Mary Helen Piper, has had him haled into courts on numerous occasions in her efforts to compel him to support her and their child, confessed yesterday that he was able to pay her $75 a month. He agreed to do so in the future, and Judge Sloss, before whom the case was heard, dismissed the order to show cause why he should not be punished for contempt. Judge Graham gave Dr. John C. Cowden two weeks in which to raise $35 to pay his wife, Nellie. In the event of his failure to make the payment he will be sent to jail for contempt of court.

NEW YORK, March 13.—Police Commissioner Greene to-day relieved Inspector Nicholas Brooks of the command of the detective bureau, owing to Brooks' acknowledgment of failure to get evidence against gambling houses

ACCEPTS PLACE WITH THE UNION

Big Iron Works in the Potrero to Have a New Manager.

LORAIN, Ohio, March 13.—The announcement was made to-night that Superintendent Frank D. Jeffrey has resigned as manager of the local shipyards of the American Ship-building Company to become vice president and general manager of the Union Iron Works at San Francisco. He will remove there within a few weeks.

Announcement is made that L. H. Hart has resigned as chief clerk in the auditor's office of the Lorain Steel Company to become secretary of the Union Iron Works of San Francisco.

An Army of Colonists.

The Southern Pacific lines are carrying many homeseekers into California. Until June 15 the rates are but nominal, $25 from Omaha, $33 from Chicago. Have you reminded some Eastern farmer whom you know of these rates, and the opportunity now offered of getting a farm?

Self-Defense His Plea.

The preliminary examination of Vincenzo Pagano on the charge of murder for shooting and killing his uncle, Pasquale Raffo, at 413 Union street February 25, because Raffo had made aspersions upon Pagano's wife's character, was held before Police Judge Mogan yesterday. For the defense the revolver which was found in Raffo's pocket after he was shot was introduced with the object of showing that Raffo had armed himself, fearing trouble with Pagano, and that Pagano shot in self-defense. The Judge intimated that he would hold the defendant to answer before the Superior Court, and the case was continued till this morning, when an application for bail will be argued.

We are selling agents for the "Waterman" and "Marshall" fountain pens—the "Koh-i-noor" and "Regal" pencils—the greatest writing instruments for good quality and low prices ever made. Sanborn, Vail & Co., 741 Market st. *

Collector Stabs Debtor.

John Vaughan, a collector for the Chicago Clock Company, got into an altercation with Richard Gleinke, a motorman, residing at 4178 Twenty-fifth street, while trying to collect a bill from the latter. Vaughan cut Gleinke in the abdomen, arm and hand with a knife and was arrested by Officer Higgins.

THOMASVILLE, Ga., March 13.—Henry Steele, a negro who murdered Goodman Pittman, a white man, was hanged to-day.

TINY LORRAINE A SWEET RULER

Throngs at Santa Rosa Honor the Little Sovereign.

Interesting Ceremonies Held at Carnival of the Eagles.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

SANTA ROSA, March 13.—The sun broke gloriously through scattering storm clouds this afternoon when Mayor Bower set a jeweled diadem on the infant curls of her diminutive majesty, Lorraine, Queen of the Eagles' carnival. It seemed a sweet concession from old Jupiter Pluvius, who had been dampening all the region and marring all the merriment for three days.

The coronation ceremony took place in the Athenaeum. The royal procession proceeded along the aisle in regal splendor. Wesley Colgan and Earl Wymore headed the column and were followed by Miss Elaine Wymore, bearing a jeweled crown on a satin pillow. Then came the attendants, Misses Edith Mallory, Hazel Barnett, Zelma Mae McDonough, Lucille Griffith, Esther Scott and Gladys Berry. Queen Lorraine came next, attired in her royal robes, and the rear of the procession was brought up by Frank Berry and Garrol Dunn, two tiny pages. After the Queen had been crowned she ascended a throne erected on the Athenaeum stage, and from that place witnessed a performance by artists from the concessions.

To-night the grand ball took place and Queen Lorraine led the grand march. Owing to the fact that it was necessary to postpone the coronation from Wednesday evening until this afternoon the reign of the tiny monarch will be brief. The fair is expected to come to a close Saturday at midnight.

DISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION

Census Bureau Publishes Valuable Statistical Bulletin.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—The Census Bureau to-day issued a bulletin of the geographical distribution of population of the United States. It shows that almost 96 per cent of the total population lives in the country drained to the Atlantic Ocean, more than 53 per cent in that drained to the Gulf of Mexico, 44 per cent in the drainage area of the Mississippi River, almost 3 per cent in the area drained by the Great Lakes, 4 per cent on the Pacific Coast, and half of 1 per cent in the Great Basin. The proportion living within the region drained to the Atlantic Ocean is steadily diminishing, while the part drained to the Gulf of Mexico is becoming relatively more populous, as is the case in a still more marked degree in the Great Basin and the Pacific Ocean region. Of the foreign born 93 per cent live in the region drained to the Atlantic Ocean, 36.4 per cent in the region drained to the Gulf of Mexico and 15 per cent in that drained to the Great Lakes. The proportion in the region drained to the Pacific Ocean is 6.1 per cent. Out of every 1000 negroes 998 are found in the regions drained to the Atlantic Ocean and 61.4 per cent are in the lands drained to the Gulf of Mexico, the proportion in the West and on the Pacific Coast being trifling.

PROBES INTO BILLS FOR REPAIRING MARKET STREET

Supervisors' Finance Committee Hears Evidence From the City Street Improvement Company.

The Supervisors' joint Committee on Judiciary and Streets considered yesterday the bills of the City Street Improvement Company amounting to $1267 60 for repairing the bituminous pavement on Market street. The ordinance authorizing the payment of the demand had been passed to print, but the point was raised that under its original contract for the bitumenizing of Market street the City Street Improvement Company was bound to keep the street in repair for a period of five years without making any charge for such repair work.

J. W. McDonald, president of the company, testified that the bond given for the faithful performance of the work relieved his company from any responsibility in cases where the light and power companies had dug trenches in the street. McDonald said Market street had been torn up 259 times in three years and much of the work had to be done over again.

Commissioner Manson stated that the contract contemplated that repairs should be made by the City Street Improvement Company which were necessitated by actual wear and tear of the pavement only. In a case where an explosion had occurred under Market street the city had once borne the expense of its repair. Commissioner Casey stated that the bill in question was principally for repairs to the pavement which had been dug up by lighting companies. McDonald said that he had not charged the city for repairs for actual wear and tear to the pavement. Action on the bill was postponed until this afternoon, when evidence will be had from the inspectors who supervised the work.

ASSERTS THAT BUTCHER IS GUILTY OF CRUELTY

Secretary Holbrook of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals caused the arrest yesterday of Thomas Horn, a prominent wholesale butcher, for not providing proper shelter and pasturage for his cattle. It is alleged that Horn keeps 300 head of stock in four corrals, two of which are knee deep with mud and water.

Holbrook asserts that if the animals should attempt to lie down they would drown in the ooze. He also states that he wrote warning letters to Horn and three other wholesale butchers several days ago, but that in this instance alone no improvement in conditions was promised.

The accused claims that he is merely keeping the cattle for a few days preparatory to slaughtering them, and that he will fight the case to the bitter end. He was released on $20 cash bail.

Judge Young Passes Away.

Judge William Henderson Young, formerly of Nevada, died in San Francisco yesterday. Judge Young was a native of Ohio, and was 76 years of age. The funeral will be held to-morrow at 12 o'clock from the mortuary chapel of the Golden Gate Undertaking Company, 2475 Mission street.

WIFE CAUSES HIM TO DEPART

First Spouse of Society Man Accuses Him of Bigamy.

Well-Known San Bernardino Resident Suddenly Disappears.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

SAN BERNARDINO, March 13.—Charles Garcia, a prominent society and lodge man of this city, left here for parts unknown yesterday. It is presumed that his destination is Mexico. He departed to escape a charge of bigamy preferred against him by the first of two wives.

Mrs. Garcia No. 1 arrived in this city yesterday, confronting Garcia in the Hotel Stewart. He immediately went to his home on West Fourth street with the idea of persuading the present wife to go with him across the line. But the wife refused to take part in such a course, and made ready to leave for Los Angeles, where her mother resides.

Garcia, seeing that she would not be influenced and realizing his position, then left San Bernardino. He was chief advertising man and designer with a dry goods firm and had, with his second wife, resided in San Bernardino for almost two years.

ARRANGING A WELCOME FOR THE PRESIDENT

Executive Committee Is Chosen to Prepare Entertainment for the Country's Chief Executive.

Preparations for the reception in San Francisco of President Roosevelt are progressing satisfactorily, and it is expected that a general plan of work will be mapped out in a few days, as soon as the committees are assigned. M. H. de Young of the general committee, who was selected to appoint an executive committee of twenty-five from the former body, has announced the following as his choice:

A. A. Watkins, San Francisco Board of Trade; John D. Spreckels, shipping and steamships; George R. Wells, mining; Horace G. Platt, law; R. P. Jennings, wholesale merchants; William F. Herrin, railroads; E. A. Denicke, German citizens; Dr. T. A. Rottanzi, Italians; Colonel M. H. Hecht, Fire Department; George A. Newhall, Chamber of Commerce and Police Commission; David Rich, real estate; R. H. Lloyd, Park Commission and law; I. W. Hellman Jr., bankers and financial men; A. Ruef, law and Franco-Americans; D. Robert, press; Leon Sloss, mercantile corporations; Rudolph Herold, insurance men; General R. H. Warfield, Grand Army of the Republic and militia; E. D. Peixotto, law; H. J. Loughery, Supervisor and labor representative; William J. Dingee, capitalists; E. R. Lilienthal, wholesale liquor merchants; J. J. Gottlob, theatrical world; G. B. Benham, president of Allied Trades-Organized Labor; L. J. Byington, grand president Native Sons of the Golden West.

As soon as these gentlemen can be notified of their appointment a meeting will be arranged and the first definite steps taken toward completing an elaborate programme for the welcoming and entertaining of the President.

DAMAGE SUIT RESULTS FROM A MINING DEAL

L. E. Spencer Seeks Recompense From Charles Sladky for Alleged Breach of Contract.

A suit for $67,900 damages was filed in the Superior Court yesterday by L. E. Spencer against Charles Sladky. The suit involves the ownership of two mining claims in Alaska and is based upon the alleged refusal of the defendant to pay over to Spencer the balance of the price Spencer alleges he agreed to pay for them.

Spencer alleges that in July, 1901, Sladky agreed to purchase from him a claim on Nikala Gulch for $4500 and paid him $1000 on account. A deed transferring the claim was made and placed in the possession of H. A. Flickenger. The deed was not to be delivered for thirty-five days, but Spencer alleges the defendant in some unknown manner obtained possession of it and has ever since failed to pay the balance due on the purchase price. Because of this alleged failure Spencer says he has been damaged to the extent of $9000. He further charges that Sladky, after paying him $1900 on account of a claim on Oregon Creek which he agreed to pay $10,000 for, has not completed the purchase, thereby damaging the plaintiff in the sum of $58,900, the alleged present value of the claim.

LEADING COMMERCIAL MAN JOINS MAJORITY

Samuel Sachs Passes Quietly Away at Family Residence After Long Illness.

Samuel Sachs, who has achieved much distinction in local commercial circles, died of a complication of stomach troubles at his residence, 1904 Franklin street, yesterday morning.

The deceased was 62 years of age and a native of Bavaria. He came to this country while yet a young man and embarked in the mercantile business. In 1886 he founded the house of Sachs Bros. & Co. Much of his time during the last few years has been spent on business and pleasure trips to the East and to Europe. For three months past he has been confined to his room by the illness which caused his death.

He leaves a wife and three children. The funeral will be held on Sunday morning at the family residence. The interment will be in the Home of Peace Cemetery.

Knocked Down by Streetcars.

James Scott was knocked down by a Sacramento street car between Montgomery and Kearny streets Thursday night, receiving a scalp wound and bruises on the legs. Thursday morning Joe Tobin, a peddler, was driving his wagon on Bryant street, when an electric car struck the wagon, demolishing it and throwing Tobin to the ground, injuring his hip. Thomas J. Laverty, 454 Natoma street, was knocked down by an electric car on Fourth street Thursday night and his scalp was torn. Mrs. Johnson, 669 Turk street, was struck by a Larkin street car Thursday afternoon and badly shaken up at Hayes and Larkin streets.

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FLOOD REFUGEES REACH NATCHEZ

Situation in Mississippi Is Steadily Growing Worse.

Levees About New Orleans Are Still in Perfect Condition.

NATCHEZ, Miss., March 13.—It will be impossible to secure further news from Ashland, where the levee is overtopped by the river, before morning. The relief boat St. Joseph is there now. Everybody in the southeastern section of Jefferson County is ready to move.

The protection levee in front of the Texas and Pacific embankment at Bouge has been torn away by the water, which is now pouring in against the embankment. The railroad has a large force of men and a work train raising its roadbed, which is protecting a part of Concordia Parish, Louisiana. The Betsy Ann arrived this afternoon from Bayou Sara with her cabin full of flood refugees and carrying stock and corn. She left tonight at 8 o'clock for Bayou Sara to take on stock to be shipped here on account of the flood. It has been raining since early last night. The gauge here is 47.3 feet and rising. The danger line is 44 feet.

VICKSBURG, Miss., March 13.—The flood situation in this section is steadily growing worse. It is greatly intensified by the continual heavy rains. The gauge here at 7 p. m. registered 48, a rise of .02 since 11 a. m.

A levee just north of Providence is causing much concern. On the lower Yazoo several of the finest plantations in Warren County are submerged. Specials from Donaldson and Baton Rouge tell of intense excitement at those points as the Arlington levee near the Louisiana capital is feared to be in grave danger. Every able-bodied man, white or black, is being pressed into service and rushed to the danger point.

NEW ORLEANS, March 13.—To-night's gauge is 19.1, which is only four-tenths below the highest water of 1897, and the weather bureau predicts that twenty feet will be reached. It also predicts that weather conditions will remain unsettled. This is the gloomy side of the picture. However, the levees are in perfect condition, the weak spots having been strengthened until they are stronger than the rest of the chain. Men and material are everywhere and every alarm is promptly answered. Guards are kept on duty day and night, not only to detect dangerous spots, but to prevent any tampering through malice or fear.

CINCINNATI, March 13.—The river reached the danger line of fifty feet here at 10 o'clock to-night. The indications are that it will rise slowly until a stage of fifty-two feet is reached.

UNHAPPY COUPLES ARE GIVEN FREEDOM

Decrees of Divorce Are Granted by Superior Court and Other Actions Instituted.

Frank J. Gallery was granted a divorce yesterday from Carrie Gallery on the ground of cruelty. Eva B. Hammell was granted a divorce from Delbert C. Hammell for desertion. Hammell is a member of the prominent real estate firm of Hammell & Son of Los Angeles. Desertion was also the ground for the divorce granted to George W. Stirling from Ellen Stirling. May Ford was granted a divorce from H. R. Ford for failure to provide.

Suits for divorce were filed by Ida Loomis against Tracy Loomis, Leota Hosmer against O. B. Hosmer, Z. M. Shields against A. I. Shields, Sophia Paulson against John Paulson and Minnie Baumann against J. D. Baumann for desertion, and Giovanna Baciocca against Antonio Baciocca and Josephine Kromelbein against John Kromelbein for cruelty.

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