TONOPAH ROAD NOW ASSURED

Rails and Cars Are Ordered and Bids for Construction Will Be Awarded Next Week

TO RUN TRAINS IN JUNE

Conference Between General Manager Kruttschnitt and Alonzo Tripp Hastens Work

General Manager Kruttschnitt of the Southern Pacific Company and Alonzo Tripp, general superintendent of the proposed new narrow gauge road between Tonopah and Rhodes Marsh, were in conference for some time yesterday, and later the information was given out that plans for building the sixty miles of road had taken definite shape and that construction work would begin in a few days. At yesterday's meeting the Southern Pacific Company agreed to furnish the necessary steel rails, which will be delivered at Sodaville by the company next week. Representatives of several construction firms have already looked over the ground and will bid upon the grading work on January 21. General Superintendent Tripp also placed a contract with Hammond & Co. during the day for fifteen combination gondola cars and by telegraph ordered the immediate shipment from the East of two forty-ton Baldwin locomotives on which he has had an option for several months. In discussing the new road Tripp said at the Palace Hotel yesterday:

"The financiering of the new road has been effected by the backers in Philadelphia, a fact which was conveyed to me by telegraph this morning, and I at once set about getting matters in shape for the inauguration of the work. We expect to have the first train operating between Rhodes Marsh and Tonopah by June 1, and the contractors will have to give a $50,000 bond to complete their work by that time. The Southern Pacific officials have offered the Tonopah company every possible aid in hurrying the completion of the road and we are not figuring on any further difficulties."

Although Rhodes Marsh is mentioned as the terminus of the line, the company has entered into a traffic alliance with the Southern Pacific Company whereby it will have the use of four miles of the Carson and Colorado Company's tracks to Sodaville, where the terminal offices of the new line will be established. At the latter place the ores from the mines of Tonopah will be transferred from the narrow gauge cars to those of the Southern Pacific for shipment to Salt Lake, where they are to be handled by the smelter companies.

It is expected that the ores from the newly discovered mining district known as the Gold Fields will be hauled to Tonopah and from there shipped over the new road to the main line of the Southern Pacific.

New-Year Dinner.

With its air of rest and restful air and cuisine and service unsurpassed, famous Hotel El Paso de Robles is the place to spend New Year's. Curative mud or water baths from the celebrated Hot Springs quiet the nerves and relieve aches; driving in beautiful hills about, breathing tonic mountain air, in warmest sunshine, makes one glad to live. Round trip holiday ticket only $. 20 from San Francisco. For reservations apply to W. A. Junker, manager, Paso Robles Hot Springs, Cal.*

Saloon-Keeper Attached.

A writ of attachment in the sum of $686 69 was served yesterday on John Crowley, a saloon-keeper at 15 Mason street, at the instance of L. Nathan, for goods furnished and delivered.

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Ladies' Very Best Vici Kid Lace Shoes, straight foxed with natty up-to-date plain coin toes, hand-turned soles and high Cuban heels. ONE PRICE ONLY, $3.00. Sizes 2½ to 8; widths AA to E. The same style sold elsewhere for $2.50 and $4.00.

WE WILL BE OPEN TO-NIGHT, NEW YEAR'S EVE, UNTIL 10 P. M.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

On and after this date this store will again close at 6 p. m. on week days and 10 p. m. on Saturday nights.

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GUESTS OF MRS. ADAMS ENJOY UNIQUE LUNCHEON

Event Is Characterized by Original Decorations on the Style of a Circus, an Interesting Vaudeville Programme, With Special Orchestra Music, and Some Delsarte Dancing

MRS. JOHN CHARLES ADAMS, WHO GAVE A UNIQUE TEA TO MANY FRIENDS YESTERDAY.

Music, charming women and a delightful menu—all these and more were pleasing factors in the very successful luncheon given at the University Club to-day by Mrs. John Charles Adams of Oakland. It was complimentary to Mrs. J. Malcolm Henry of Washington, D. C., who is spending the winter with relatives in this city.

Considerable originality was displayed in the decorations, which carried out the idea of a circus as far as possible. Red and white streamers were festooned from the center of the ceiling in tentlike fashion and in the mural decoration grotesque masks and gaudy tin horns played their part. In the center of each table toy drums, rough riders, ballet dancers and wild animals were grouped and were later carried away by the guests as souvenirs of the occasion.

A vaudeville programme between courses prevented any tendency toward ennui and orchestral music gave a pleasing support to the constant murmur of feminine voices. Miss Jean Logan, society's favorite dancer, appeared in two graceful delsarte dances, in one of which she wore a Greek costume and in the other a Japanese kimona. The musical end of the programme was supplied by a quartet of male voices in a number of popular selections.

Just before the ladies left the tables confetti was passed around by Mrs. Adams' beautiful little daughter, Vere de Vere Adams, and showered upon the guest of honor with good wishes for the New Year.

Mrs. Henry is a large woman of the very pronounced blonde type, just the opposite of her hostess, who is petite and dark. Mrs. Henry wore a handsome white lace gown with a large toque of white tulle.

Mrs. Adams resembles Mrs. Pat Campbell somewhat and the resemblance is increased by the long clinging gowns she affects, and which are always designed by herself. Her dress yesterday was of some soft, blue, filmy stuff, ornamented with pearl embroidered butterflies, and a wreath of flowers was twisted through her dark hair.

Miss Lulu Bothin, one of the season's debutantes, was an attractive figure at the luncheon in a dainty white chiffon gown and hat and her hair a la Peggy O'Neill. Miss Katherine Dillon wore a becoming and exquisite white lace gown. Mrs. Clarence Mann wore over her reception gown a long coat that was the envy of everybody. It was of heavy green—a real grass green—silk and the deep collars were appliqued with Persian embroidery. A beautiful long green plume almost covered her flat modish hat. Another striking feature of Mrs. Mann's costume was the large hoop rings she wore, a style now becoming very popular in Paris.

Mrs. William Sesnon was also a guest and charmingly gowned, her famous collar and belt of cameos attracting much attention.

Mrs. Frederick Stolp, Mrs. E. J. Cotton and Mrs. J. Loran Pease of Oakland were among the richly dressed women at the luncheon.

The list of invited guests includes:

Mrs. J. Malcolm Henry, Mrs. A. H. Voorhies, Mrs. Selden S. Wright, Mrs. D. D. Colton, Mrs. Frank Grace, Mrs. H. E. Huntington, Mrs. E. Burke Holladay, Mrs. William J. Dingee, Mrs. Hubert Howe Bancroft, Mrs. Henry Wetherbee of Oakland, Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Oliver Orrick, Mrs. John L. Howard, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. J. Howard Smith, Mrs. Edson Adams of Oakland, Mrs. Ames, Miss Florinne Brown and Miss Geraldine Scupham of Oakland, Mrs. Philip Van Arsdale, Mrs. Irving Moulton, Mrs. T. T. Dargie, Mrs. J. R. Scupham, Mrs. John M. Merrill, Mrs. L. H. Bryan, Mrs. Wellington M. Burnett, Mrs. Henry C. Farnham, Mrs. Sidney M. Van Wyck Jr., Mrs. Gregory, Mrs. Frank Powers, Mrs. Spencer, Mrs. Henry Payot, Mrs. Gaston M. Ashe, Mrs. Thomas Porter Bishop, Baroness Von Horst, Miss Katherine Dillon, Miss Patricia Cosgrave, Miss Alice Sullivan, Miss Etelka Villiar, Mrs. Runyon, Miss Marie Wells, Miss Juanita Wells, Miss Edith Simpson, Miss Marie Bull, Miss Kathleen Bull, Mrs. Percy Kessler, Mrs. Robert Cunningham, Miss Van Wyck, Mrs. Henry H. Dutton, Mrs. Paul Bancroft, Miss Lulu Bothin, Miss Emily Stone, Mrs. Dickenson, Mrs. Joseph Masten, Mr. Cock, Mrs. John P. Young, Mrs. Herrick, Mrs. William Willis, Mrs. Lillian Brown Everts and Mrs. Frederick Stolp of Oakland, Mrs. Francis R. Musser, Mrs. Francis M. Dimwoody, Miss Jean Howard, Miss Scupham, Mrs. J. Loran Pease, Mrs. E. J. Cotton, Mrs. C. E. Cotton, Mrs. Gordon M. Stolp, Mrs. James Pierce, Mrs. Irvin M. Ayres, Mrs. Franklin Poore, Mrs. George A. Webster, Miss Maren Stone, Miss Ruth Anderson, Miss Helen Partridge, Miss Erwina Smith, Miss Laura Van Wyck, Miss Lucy Bancroft, Miss Sharboro, Miss Shirley Cookman Hayes, Miss Marietta Havens, Miss Josephine Pierce, Mrs. Edgar Painter, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Stephenson, Miss Whitney, Miss Hittell, Mrs. Walter Henry, Mrs. Kellogg, Miss Eva Powell, Miss Blanche Powell, Mrs. William High, Miss MacMillan, Miss Mau, Mrs. C. M. Mann, Mrs. William Sesnon, Mrs. Dick, Miss Hawley, Mrs. D. Haskell, Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. William Kirk, Mrs. George S. Meredith, Mrs. Dunn, Mrs. Bigelow, Mrs. Hood, Mrs. Woods, Mrs. J. L. Martel, Mrs. James Miller Merrill, Mrs. William Ashburner, Mrs. Zoe Green Radcliffe, Mrs. Valentine, Mrs. Maxwell, Mrs. Stanley B. Revett, Mrs. Thomas Morffew, Miss Robina Henry, Miss Vere de Vere Adams and others.

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The maids and matrons of the smart set had a busy day of it yesterday. What with teas and luncheons, great and small, there was merrymaking—and right jolly merrymaking—in the air. Mrs. John Merrill gave a luncheon to the fair fiancee, Miss Caroline Ayers. The affair, being wholly informal, presented a charming afternoon's entertainment. The following guests were entertained: Miss Caroline Ayers, Miss May Ayers, Miss Laura Bates, Miss Helen Dickens, Miss Ella Morgan, Miss Edna Dickens, Miss Gertrude Bates, Miss Agnes Buchanan and Miss Alice Schussler.

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Mrs. Charles K. Hartley was hostess yesterday at one of the most elaborate luncheons given this season. Red roses and riots of red carnations bloomed beneath the red glow of shaded lights, producing an effect altogether coseate. The guest of the hour was Miss Florence Gibbons, a debutante, dainty as a bud should be, and in her gown of white chiffon made a charming picture. Fifty guests accepted Mrs. Hartley's hospitality.

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Mrs. George Boardman gave a tea yesterday in honor of the much-feted bride-to-be, Miss Bernie Drown. Was ever fiancee feted by friends as Miss Drown has been? And that in spite of the unfortunate mishap to her mother, which necessarily forestalled many functions. The rooms were made beautiful by the prodigal use of pink roses and feathery greens. Miss Drown, after the manner of the season, wore white. Mrs. Boardman, the hostess, appeared in a stunning gown of black velvet. About 300 guests called, sipped tea and exchanged greetings for the coming year. The following ladies assisted in receiving: Mrs. Chauncey Boardman and Mrs. Danforth Boardman, daughters-in-law of the hostess; Mrs. J. W. Carey, Mrs. Alex D. Keyes, Mrs. Guy Edie, Mrs. McKeever, Mrs. Harry Poett, Miss Emily Carolan, Miss Stella Kane, Miss Stella Salisbury, Miss Cadwallader, Miss Blanding, Miss Ellinwood, Miss Sallie Maynard, Miss Ethel Tompkins, Miss Newell Drown and Miss Ethel Cooper.

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Mrs. E. A. Trefethen entertained a number of friends at luncheon to-day, at which the pleasant announcement was made of the engagement of her daughter, Miss Donna Felter, to Lieutenant Harry Todd Powell, U. S. R. C. S.

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The winter picnic of Mrs. Bowie-Dietrick's planning was voted a tremendous success on Tuesday night. The house became a woodland glen for the hour, December became May, and the fun that reigned was that of May time. Games hardly commensurate with dignity, but highly productive of fun, were played, the "festive board" was done away with and with it the dignities of evening dress. The men forsook their "spikes" and the maids their frumperies for the joyous freedom of picnic attire, which greatly facilitated their squatting in a picnic fashion upon the erstwhile grassy glade.

More of these functions would soon render stupidity in society a thing to be shunned.

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To-morrow evening the officers at Mare Island are preparing to celebrate the passing of the old year in fitting fashion. A fancy dress ball is to be given, to which many from this side are invited.

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The regular monthly meeting of the Association of Pioneer Women of California will be held at 2 p. m. January 1, 1904, in Golden Gate Hall.

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The Entre Nous will hold a leap year assembly and german at the Palace Hotel on Friday evening.

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The production of "My Colorado Belle" at Mrs. de Young's to-night by a cast of society folk will be quite the biggest event on the cards. It is distinctly a young people's affair.

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The social science department of the California Club appeared yesterday in the role of hostesses to the inmates of the County Hospital. There were no elaborate decorations, nor swagger gowns, nor ethereal music, but the reception was distinctly in keeping with the spirit of the hour. And the music given in the wards by the choir boys of the Good Samaritan Mission was of the kind that lifts up hearts—and there are hearts a-plenty that need it in the city's home for its friendless sick.

Good things dear to the inner self were distributed by the good ladies and a fine programme was rendered in the chapel for the convalescents.

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The engagement is announced of Miss A. Adeline Smith, daughter of Mrs. J. A. Smith, to John A. Percy, formerly of the law firm of Pierson & Mitchell. The bride-to-be is a stunning girl of the California type and is possessed of a fine personality.

The groom is well known in legal and social circles.

The wedding will occur early in the spring.

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The tea which Miss Charlotte Ellinwood had arranged for New Year's day has been indefinitely postponed on account of Mrs. Ellinwood's illness.

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At a card party given yesterday afternoon at her residence in Berkeley the engagement of Miss Marjorie Erwin, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Erwin, to Lieutenant James Gibson Taylor of the Thirteenth Infantry, stationed at Alcatraz, was announced. Those participating in the pleasant function were young lady friends of Miss Erwin from San Francisco, Oakland and Berkeley, among them Miss Maude Myers, Miss May Myers, Miss Alma Mitchell, Miss Alice Downing, Miss Edna Shafter Orr, Miss Florence Thrall, Miss Edna Wilde, Miss Lucille Webster, Miss Kate Jackson, Miss Mabel Reed, Miss Linda Kemp, Miss Elizabeth Thompson, Miss Elsie Ames, Miss Effie Wade, Miss Helen Robinson, Miss Rhoda Howell.

Big Cloak House Closed for Two Days

Much interest will be taken by the ladies of this city at Baron's first great clearance sale. $25,000 of the finest garments will be sold at less than half price. The store will be closed Friday and Saturday to prepare for the many bargains. Sale will commence Monday morning at 10 o'clock sharp. Baron's Cloak and Suit House, 762 Market st. *

CONTEST OVER CLUNIE ESTATE

Widow of Late Congressman Announces Her Intention to Fight for a Larger Share

OPPOSES DISTRIBUTION

Claims That the Wealth of Her Late Husband Was Acquired After Their Marriage

The long expected row over the estate of the late millionaire politician, Thomas J. Clunie, has materialized. Yesterday in the Probate Court Mrs. Florence Clunie, widow of the deceased Congressman, created a sensation by opposing the petition for partial distribution of the estate by Andrew J. Clunie, her brother-in-law, and by announcing that she intended to ignore her husband's will and claim half of the estate under the law governing community property. If she carries out her intentions and succeeds in showing that the estate of Clunie was acquired after her marriage to him she will receive $500,000, instead of the realty valued at about $200,000 bequeathed to her in the will.

At the hearing of Clunie's petition yesterday it was shown that the estate, which was appraised at $1,017,000, was in excellent condition. With the exception of debts amounting to $5000, not yet due, all debts have been paid and a comfortable surplus is in the hands of the executors of Clunie's will. The estate is in distributive shape, according to the executors, and they have certified that they are willing to turn over to the heirs of the Congressman such portions of the estate as were devised to them. If this were done Andrew J. Clunie would receive the warehouse property in Sacramento, "Jack" Claring-Clunie, the adopted son of the deceased, or the executors of the will, as his trustees, would receive the Clunie building at the corner of California and Montgomery streets, and the widow would receive the realty in Sacramento and this city devised to her. The executors of the will as trustees for the children of Andrew Clunie would also receive certain pieces of realty left them by their uncle.

E. A. Bridgford, B. G. White and Andrew J. Clunie are the executors of the will. They are also trustees for "Jack" Claring-Clunie and the nieces and nephews of the decedent. They hope to convince the court that the widow, in the event that she elects to make her claim for half of the estate, is not entitled to more than the share devised her in the will. They say that the Clunie estate is not community property; that it was acquired by the politician prior to his marriage. They so testified yesterday.

Mrs. Clunie also hopes to show that she is entitled to more of the estate than the will gives her because of the existence of a large amount of personal property discovered by the executors and, as she claims, not reported in the inventory.

The petition will be given a further hearing next Tuesday.

The Old Humpbacks

Are not to be compared to our new patent back, flat-opening blank books, which cost no more than the old style and are infinitely better. We are agents for Berkshire typewriter papers and ribbons, Regal pencils, and headquarters for all office supplies. Let us fit you up for the New Year. Sanborn, Vail & Co., 741 Market st. *

WELCOME THE ORGANIZER OF BIG RELIGIOUS BODY

Hundreds Gather at First Congregational Church to Receive Rev. Francis E. Clark, Founder of the Christian Endeavor Society, Who Stops Here on Way to Lands Across the Sea

THE REV. FRANCIS E. CLARK, D. D., FOUNDER OF CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR SOCIETY.

A rousing reception was accorded the Rev. Francis E. Clark, D. D., founder of the Christian Endeavor Society, by members of the organization who gathered last night at the First Congregational Church, Post and Mason streets.

Dr. Clark arrived from the East at noon yesterday en route to distant lands, where the Christian Endeavor movement has taken a powerful hold.

Dr. Clark in speaking before the assemblage said in part:

The long journey I am taking is in response to invitations to be present at the conventions in Australia, in Africa and in London, England. I shall visit Africa and Italy, France, Sweden and Switzerland, and all centers where the movement has grown to great proportions. London, where I hope to be in May to attend the British National Christian Endeavor convention, is now the chief center of the Endeavor movement of the world. Chicago and Philadelphia at one time vied with each other for ascendency, each with 500 societies, but London possesses to-day more than 700.

In connection with this great and ever growing movement I trust that I may be a living link between this grand land and the nations which I shall visit.

Now, the watchwords I give you to-night are: "Organize," "Vitalize" and "Evangelize." Are they not three good words with which to begin the New Year? They are words in which are found new force and new energy.

Remember, there must be something for all to do—some task for every one of the society to accomplish. We must get at the rank and file.

You know the movement that is going on here and all over the country. It is growing, it is responding to the organization.

I am glad that California has so noble a place in Christian Endeavor work. But organize, vitalize as well, for that inspires life, puts vigor into the organization. Then evangelize. You should have a Christian Endeavor day each year, when we should face our friends with the great question—decision.

I believe that California will make such an advance during the coming year that you will receive the flag with added stars which awaits you in Boston.

Dr. Clark will be at the Greek Amphitheater, Berkeley, at noon to-day, and at 4 o'clock this afternoon will attend an informal conference at the Young Men's Christian Association, this city. He will depart on the Sierra at 8 o'clock to-night.

To Welcome Dr. Clark.

BERKELEY, Dec. 30.—The Rev. Francis E. Clark, president and founder of the Christian Endeavor movement, who is on his way to New Zealand, will visit Berkeley to-morrow morning and speak in the Greek Theater at the university. He will be welcomed by a body of Christian Endeavorers upon his arrival at Berkeley station at 10:45 o'clock and escorted to the theater. He will speak in the theater at 12 o'clock.

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Special—Elderdown Sacques, one-half off.
For Thursday only. Greenberg & Greenberg, Grant ave., cor. Geary st. *

Committee of Supervisors Meets.

The committee composed of Supervisors Brandenstein, chairman; Braunhart, Connor, Eggers and Boxton, to nominate the standing committees of the new Board of Supervisors, met last night at the City Hall. Nothing much was done, the committee adjourning until next Monday, when it will make its selections. It is said that there will be a number of changes in the various committees.

Commissioners Win Suit.

A decision was rendered in favor of the Civil Service Commissioners yesterday by Judge Murasky in the suit brought by G. P. Mouille. He sued for an injunction restraining the board from interfering with the drivers of police patrols and from calling an examination of applicants for the position of driver.

For a Cold on the Lungs, and to prevent Pneumonia, take Piso's Cure. Druggists. 25c.*

Small Printers Meet.

The small printers met last night at 73 Fourth street and appointed a committee to fix a schedule for job printing in this city. John A. Nace was elected chairman and H. A. Odell secretary. They meet again Wednesday night.

Some very swell wedding invitations come from Knowles, 24 Second street. Main 508. *

Owing to the enormous demand for the tape measure, offered as a premium to Want Advertisers in last Sunday's Call, another supply was ordered and the offer will be renewed next Sunday in order to give every Want Advertiser the opportunity to secure one of these handy articles.

DRUMMERS GIVE MINSTREL SHOW

Delight a Big and Brilliant Assemblage of Business Men and Families at the Alhambra

In mercantile circles it is considered bad form to miss the "drummers' show," as the annual minstrel entertainment given by Golden Gate Council No. 80, United Commercial Travelers' Association, is popularly alluded to. So it was not surprising to find the Alhambra Theater filled to its capacity last evening by business men and their women folk; nor was it cause for astonishment that the performance was unanimously pronounced a "corker," for most of the "gags" rattled off by the end men dealt with persons and things familiar to the audience.

William H. Brown—he is better known as "Billy," although the comedians respectfully addressed him as "Mistah Brown"—sat in the center of the first part semicircle and acted as receiver general for badinage from the eight burnt-cork artists—Billy Brackett, Billy Hobson, Sam Hall, Dave Finney, Billy Hynes, Jack Einstein, Elton Lambert and Tom Holden. Mr. Hobson told of an imaginary train ride to heaven, during which he met many well-known drummers and recognized them by their ruling penchants, and his fusillade of "shots" kept the assemblage in a roar. Mr. Brackett told some adventures in which his friend McCarty was the leading figure. Mr. Lambert got a laugh on the house by glancing up at the gallery and saying, "Why, if there ain't my old friend, Judge Mogan," and then yelling "Rubber!" when the audience twisted its head around to follow his gaze. Mr. Lambert repeated the chorus of his song, "Many Rags," so many times that when he was finally permitted to desist his breath was spent and perspiration was washing the blackness from his countenance. Sam Hall's "Rain Song" won a double encore.

Billy Hynes, whose final appearance as a public entertainer it was, sang his famous laughing song thrice over after he had already contributed three vocal numbers to the programme. Mr. Einstein sang "Dat's de Way to Spell Chicken," and a large basket of selected vegetables was one of the tributes handed to him over the footlights.

There were sentimental songs, of course, and all of them were well sung. W. H. Brown and Carl L. Koening sang bass solos, tenor solos were given by Harry B. Smith and Fred Everett, F. J. Giannini and F. B. Wade contributed barytone solos, and the Columbia Quartet—J. H. Davies, James E. Donohue, J. E. Scanlon and Robert E. Davies—sang a couple of popular numbers.

The olio consisted of a whirlwind dance by Ruth Wilson and Irma Roper, a musical act by Regal and Driscoll, a sketch by the Brittains, colored entertainers, and songs by Harold Forman, the choir boy. Casassa's orchestra furnished the overture and accompaniments.

Aside from the local interest attaching to the show, it compared favorably in general artistic quality with any professional minstrel organization that has appeared in San Francisco this season.

Attachments Are Released.

The numerous attachments levied on Sproats' Market by its creditors were released yesterday by order of the plaintiffs' attorneys, and the premises and stock were turned over to a representative of the Board of Trade, who will wind up the affairs of the defunct concern.

WILL SUPPRESS HOODLUM ACTS

Chief Wittman Gives Orders for Protection of Promenaders on Advent of New Year

MAKES SPECIAL DETAILS

All Persons to Be Arrested Who Refuse to Behave Themselves After Being Warned

With the object of protecting citizens from acts of hoodlums on Market street and adjoining streets to-night and to-morrow morning, Chief Wittman yesterday issued the following instructions to company commanders:

With the expiration of the year 1903 and the advent of 1904 it is expected that a vast number of our good citizens will continue the practice which of late years has become a custom of promenading Kearny, Market and the intersecting streets on New Year's eve, seeing the old year out and the new year in. It has been our experience in the past that rowdies take advantage of this occasion to insult ladies and annoy the promenaders with acts of hoodlumism. I wish the strongest measures taken to see that this does not occur this year.

The following extra details are hereby ordered, and I wish you to give strict orders to the officers so detailed to be prompt and active in seeing to it that the people are protected in their desire to enjoy the evening peacefully. Detail two officers from Company B to each block on the north side of Market street, from Kearny to Taylor streets, and three officers to each block on the south side of Market street, from Third to Sixth streets. Sergeant Christiansen and five patrolmen from Company A are to be relieved by Sergeant Shaw and five patrolmen, to be detailed at Powell and Market streets. Sergeant Brophy and five patrolmen from Company E, to be relieved by Sergeant Campbell and five patrolmen, to be detailed at Grant avenue and Market street. Sergeant M. Anderson and five patrolmen, to be relieved by Sergeant O'Day and five patrolmen, at Stockton and Market streets. Sergeant Blank and five patrolmen from Company D, to be relieved by Corporal Shanahan and five patrolmen, to be detailed at Kearny and Market streets.

Captain Spillane will take personal charge and supervision of all details on Market street and Lieutenant Burnett of all details north of Market. The latter will deploy men from the details at Kearny and Market along the line of Kearny street as far as may be needed, and from those detailed at Grant avenue and Market along Grant avenue as far as may be necessary. All of these details to be in effect at 8 p. m. and continue until 1:30 a. m., when the officers so detailed will go to their regular beats.

Do not allow crowds to gather at any particular point, but keep the people moving. Complaints have been made of people being struck by boughs of trees in the hands of rowdies. Instruct officers to take all such material away from any one carrying the same on the street. Complaints have also been made of young men carrying pots of paint with which to daub the faces of passers-by. Have this stopped and take the material away from them. Arrest all persons who do not behave themselves when warned to do so.

Have the officers on duty during the day of the 31st request all persons with evergreen decorations in front of their premises to remove the same before nightfall, as by this means we will remove some of the ammunition of the hoodlum.

Captain Mooney will order the patrol wagon from the O'Farrell-street station to report at the Central station at 8 p. m. and remain on duty there till 2 a. m.

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The best there is. Reg. 45c.
KONA COFFEE, The famous Honolulu coffee, per lb 20c
A coffee with body and flavor. Reg. 25c.
NAVEL ORANGES, per dozen 30c
Choice—just choice. Reg. 35c.
French Sardines in Oil. Halves .... 25c; Quarters .. 12½c
The Monk brand. Never find any fault with this brand. Reg. 25c and 15c.
MANZANILLO OLIVES, per quart 20c
Choice green olives. Reg. 25c.
CALIFORNIA FRENCH PEAS, per can 15c
Code, Portwood, Petit Pois. Reg. 20c.
FRENCH MIXED CANDIES, per lb 35c
The same the candy stores charge you 50c for.

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E. C. Berry Bourbon, Fine Old Rye — Good old stock. Good cold weather medicine. per bot 75c; per gal $3. Reg. $1 and $4.
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CLARET, per gal .... 40c. Reg. 50c. This will be found to be a highly satisfactory native wine.

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