NEWS OF THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

GREET IS PLEASING IN GAYLEY'S PLAY.

"Star of Bethlehem" Stirs a Great Audience.

Quaintness of Medievalism Delights

BY BLANCHE PARTINGTON.

A proudly set turbaned head, a face of ebony lifted toward the evening star, a figure, kingly fashioned and garbed in strange and gorgeous Eastern garments, dark against an Oriental sunset, was my last picture of the "The Star of Bethlehem." It was difficult to believe oneself in Berkeley, in the university grounds, in the twentieth century, in yesterday afternoon in fact, and one of a crowd that had just seen the play in the Harmon Gymnasium. The figure belonged to the player of Jasper, one of the three kings that brought gifts to the infant Jesus. He had walked out of the play into the University of California grounds, and not he, royally striding along with his silent attendant at his heels, looked out of the picture, but the prosaic rest of us. One felt there should have been camels and a caravan, instead of electric cars at the corner, and—but one might just as well say at once that "The Star of Bethlehem" has atmosphere, an atmosphere that reaches over where the footlights should be to the farthest corner of the theater, and lasts for at least five minutes outside of it. So persuasive is the quaint mediaevalism of the thing that for the time one stands reverent and agape, like those that stood by Clerkenwell Priory watching these plays some seven or eight centuries ago.

As every one knows, the play was written—or rather compiled—by Professor Charles Mills Gayley, from a number of old English miracle plays. Ben Greet and his company of English players, for whom the compilation was made, produced it yesterday afternoon for the first time here. Boston, however, saw the first production, Mr. Greet having given the play there in September. For his chief material Professor Gayley has gone to the Towneley plays, in chief the "Secunda Pastorum" and the "Offering of the Magi." The York, Chester and Coventry cycles have also been drawn upon, and several original scenes, most cleverly characteered, have also been added by the dramatist. Songs of the period add a further interest, and the quaint, rhyming measure a further charm.

Undoubtedly the play's chief appeal is to the literati, who think this kind of thing:

> So sedeuth sight was never seen,
> Such a Starne shinand so sheen.

As easily as you and I think the other. It is possible that Professor Gayley has not sufficiently modernized the vocabulary of the play. Still, a public that accepts its opera in Italian has no right to complain of a good, old Saxon phrase or two. Besides, the tale needs few words. It is as understandable to-day as it was to the simple sightseer of Chaucer's time, to which it belongs.

First come from behind the hall singing an ancient carol, the good Clerkenwell monks. They march through the audience to the stage, that represents the Clerkenwell Priory. Still singing, they go behind the scenes and climb to the gallery. Comes Gabriel then. One is grateful to the Greet players for many beautiful pictures. Here is one of the most beautiful. The central curtains divide, to reveal the figure of Gabriel, star-crowned, in a mantle of wonderful blue, lilies in hand and with the exquisitely spiritual face Constance Crawley can bring to the picture. Gabriel plays throughout something of the part of the Greek chorus, foretelling and explaining the story, and one knows what the Crawley voice can do for that.

The tale of the thieving shepherd, Mak, takes up the beginning of the play. It is one of the earliest examples of English comedy, shrewdly interesting and naively humorous. Mak joins the three shepherds that see the star of Bethlehem. He steals one of their sheep. Gyll, his wife, fearing discovery, puts the wether in the cradle, pretending it is a new-born child. The three shepherds come. The groans of Gyll and the protestations of Mak deceive the "herds." They go. But one, out of pity for the poverty of the couple, proposes to leave gifts for the child with a kiss. The wether is discovered and Mak is tossed in a blanket for his sins. The whole story, told in vigorous and terse English, is of strong historic value and in itself essentially dramatic. Mr. Greet was a highly humorous figure as Mak and the other shepherds were also admirably undertaken by their unlabeled exponents.

The second "processus" introduced the three Magi, who, with ingenious symbolism, were represented as black, red and white men respectively. In such mood was one by this time that the shift from the palpable Englishness of the first act to the Orientalism of the second was accepted with utter trustfulness. Splendid pictures were the three Eastern potentates and bravely suggested the poetry and romance of their wonderful journey. Ingeniously interwoven with their scene is the appearance of Herod's messenger, who overhears their story. The next scene shows Herold himself, surrounded by soothsayers prophesying the birth of the new King. One is sorry to see so little of him, so admirably is the tyrant portrayed by John Sayer Crawley.

I had not thought to see anything more naively funny than the "Dante" hell that the St. Ignatians evolved a week or two ago. But there is a funnier inferno here. Herod summons the devils to help him—little red ones that remind of the deviled ham pictures—and there is a dragon that delights even more. Gray's isn't in it. Yet one accepts the trustful beast without reserve!

The last scene concerns itself with the nativity. Here again is a picture and climax of singular and touching beauty, exquisitely reverent and impressive. The curtains—these, of course, at the back of the stage—open to show the Madonna, leaning over a cradle from which comes the light that illumines the scene. By her side are Joseph, Gabriel, the maid Ancilla and in the front the Magi and the shepherds, who in turn offer gifts. One would have preferred—the illusion was a little destroyed thereby—that the Madonna had not spoken. Better, too, would it have been dramatically to shorten the speeches of both shepherds and Magi. But the feeling was delightfully preserved throughout. The highest praise is due the acting here—so little did it seem acting, and one is grateful for one of the unforgettable pictures of one's experience. Altogether "The Star of Bethlehem" is of the things that may not be missed. It comes here the week after next.

REV. MR. CHRISTOPHERSON MEETS A BAD SWINDLER

Advances Money on a False Check and Reports Crime to the Police.

OAKLAND, Nov. 16.—Unused to the ways of the swindler, the Rev. Rasmus Christopherson, pastor of the Danish Baptist Church, Twenty-fifth avenue and East Fourteenth street, has been compelled to make good his indorsement of a worthless check for $45. The clergyman was touched by the narrative of a stranger.

The pastor says there came to his house on November 1 a young man who gave the name of Hans Hansen, a Norwegian. Hans told how he had run away from his wife at Denver and was penitent. The pastor advised his visitor to return home as quickly as he could.

But Hansen diffidently announced his lack of money. He had a check for $115 on the American State Bank of Yankton, S. D.

The clergyman advanced $45 to land Hansen at Denver. To-day he learned that the check was worthless and the swindled pastor appealed to the police.

TO HOLD ANNUAL BAZAAR FOR BENEFIT OF CHURCH

Ladies of Church of the Advent Arrange Extensive Fair and Entertainment.

OAKLAND, Nov. 16.—The annual bazaar and sale of holiday goods for the benefit of the Church of the Advent in East Oakland will open next Friday afternoon in the parlors of the church. The fair will remain open on Saturday afternoon, closing at 11 o'clock Saturday evening.

The afternoon of the second day has been devoted especially to the children.

Those in charge of the fair and entertainment are:

Mrs. W. S. Goodfellow, Mrs. A. L. White, Mrs. S. W. Cheyney, Mrs. Felix Ellis, Mrs. H. I. Jones, Mrs. Alfred Barker, Mrs. Drennon, Mrs. R. F. Stewart, Mrs. W. L. Fake, Mrs. Zander, Mrs. Duncan, Mrs. Frank Albright, Mrs. Hough, Mrs. Dixon, Mrs. Elliot B. Davis, Mrs. Howard Bray, Mrs. Charles Downey, Mrs. G. W. Richardson, Mrs. L. Frazer, Mrs. Percy Walker, Miss Harrold, Miss Florence White, Miss Marian Goodfellow, Miss Jean Downey, Miss May Coogan, Miss Marian Ellis, Miss Elizabeth McDonald, Miss Julia Welch, Misses Solomon, Misses Jordan, Misses Harrold, Misses Haven, Miss Grace Nourse, Miss Grace Stalder, Miss Ethel Tomlin, Miss Helen Hussey, Miss Ethel Rowe, Miss Mary Fisher, Miss Adele Harris, Miss Edith Parker, Miss Margaret Hatch.

Yarde-Buller Funeral to Be Private.

OAKLAND, Nov. 16.—Funeral services of Mary Leilah Kirkham Yarde-Buller, who died yesterday at the Livermore Sanitarium after a life of adventure and variety, will be held tomorrow from St. John's Episcopal Church with strictest privacy. No announcement has been made concerning the hour of the services. Interment will be in the Kirkham plat in Mountain View Cemetery.

WILLS FILED.—Oakland, Nov. 16.—The will of the late Teresa E. Howell, known in religion as Sister Mary Salesia of the Sacred Heart Convent, was filed for probate to-day, in which she leaves property in Bakersfield, valued at $500, to the Sisters of the Sacred Name of Jesus and Mary. J. R. Talcott has asked to be appointed administrator of the will of the late Lydia A. Tilleney, who leaves an estate valued at $3500. The sole heir is Lazarus Tilleney, the husband of deceased, who resides in Hennepin, Minn.

RESENTS ACCUSATION.—Oakland, Nov. 16.—Suit for divorce on the ground of cruelty was begun to-day by Mrs. Mary A. Russell against John Russell, a section foreman in the employ of the Southern Pacific Company. She states he has falsely accused her of unfaithfulness, naming her cousin, Florney McCartney, as her companion. She also states that he has subjected her to physical abuse, and she asks for the custody of their minor children, counsel fees and costs.

Advance in Steel and Tin.

NEW YORK, Nov. 16.—Although lacking official confirmation, it is reported that wire products have been advanced $2 a ton by the larger manufacturers. Sheet steel had advanced $2 a ton and tinplate $3.

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MRS. CAMPBELL DIES OF WOUND

With Her Last Breath Young Wife Accuses Husband of Having Caused Her Death

DICTATES A STATEMENT

She Contradicts Defense Offered by Prisoner and Says Shooting Was Wanton

Oakland Office San Francisco Call, 1016 Broadway, Nov. 16.

With her last breath, Laura Campbell accused her husband with having shot her last Saturday night without provocation, and expressed hope that he would be brought to justice. She was just 22 years of age and to-day would have been entitled to a final decree of divorce from the man who caused her death. The victim died at the Receiving Hospital at 8:20 o'clock this morning as the result of a pistol wound inflicted by Lemuel Campbell, a young butcher, from whom she sued for divorce a year ago.

The scene at the bedside of the young woman was pathetic. Her aged father and mother had been summoned and were heartbroken at the untimely end of their only child. District Attorney Allen was there with Court Reporter Eugene Van Court and she told them that while she was performing an act of kindness in helping her husband on with his overcoat he took a pistol out of his pocket and shot her. After the first shot she started to run back into the house and he fired again. When she got this far in her statement she fell back dead. Shortly afterward Lemuel Campbell, who has been detained at the City Prison awaiting the outcome of the injuries, was charged with murder.

The victim of Campbell's brutality was a pretty blonde. Campbell drank to such an extent and abused her so much that she was forced to leave him. She sued for a divorce and was granted a decree on November 16, 1903, and today a final judgment was to have been made in the case.

Last Saturday night Campbell went to the house of Edwin Cutler, 1362 Eleventh street, father of his victim. As an excuse for calling he took a dress-suit case to his wife which she had not taken from their home. They talked over some of their differences in the parlor in the presence of Edwin Cutler and his wife and finally Campbell becoming somewhat abusive was ordered to leave the house by Cutler. He was accompanied to the door by his wife, where he pressed a pistol to her side and fired.

In a statement made to the police by the prisoner after his arrest he said that he went to the Cutler home in answer to a request for him to come there from Mrs. Campbell. He said that she told him she had a pistol and that she was not afraid of him, and that he only fired when he believed she was about to kill him. His story was flatly contradicted by his wife.

Campbell has retained Attorney A. L. Frick to defend him.

FRUITVALE GUILD TO GIVE ENTERTAINMENT AND BAZAAR

Sale of Fancy Articles Opens at Armory Hall This Evening, to Continue Three Days.

OAKLAND, Nov. 16.—The ladies of the Fruitvale Guild have arranged an entertainment and bazaar, which opens to-morrow evening at Armory Hall and will continue until Saturday evening, November 19. A feature of the bazaar will be a voting contest for the most popular lady in Fruitvale.

The committees in charge of the various booths and tables are:

Fancy table—Mrs. Bert Fletcher, Mrs. William Hackett, Mrs. T. Peterson, Mrs. Martin Hauser. Plain table—Mrs. William Churchman, Mrs. A. M. Werum, Mrs. J. Robinson, Mrs. Victor Mauauer. Candy—Miss Linda Lampe, Miss Emma Lampe, Miss Myra Thompson. Icecream—Miss Ethel Howett, Miss Ethel Bayliss, Miss Georgia Evans. George Steele. Lunch and cake, coffee and salads—Mrs. E. Howett, Mrs. P. Frederickson, Mrs. A. N. Frost, Mrs. H. C. Girlock, Mrs. Weir, Mrs. C. C. Baker, Mrs. M. E. Broadway. Side show—Mr. Seely and Harry Fletcher. Art gallery—Herbert Hauser.

The affair is under the direction of Miss Annie Finkenstedt.

PUZZLING PROBLEM FOR TRUANT OFFICER TO SOLVE

Berkeley Man Finds Himself in Dilemma as Result of Laws That Apparently Conflict.

BERKELEY, Nov. 16.—Truant Officer Johnson has found himself in a dilemma as a result of the vaccination law, which prevents unvaccinated children from going to school. He reported to the Board of Education last night that the laws conflict and that he is unable to force several children into the schools because their parents take refuge behind the vaccination law. The Trustees were puzzled by the problem and referred it to the Town Attorney for a legal opinion.

The board decided to close the schools for the Christmas holidays on December 16 and reopen them on Tuesday, January 3.

Director Weir reported that the Town Trustees had decided to include an item for $40,000 in the bond issue for the construction of an addition to the High School.

CRIPPLE DIES IN BATHTUB.—Oakland, Nov. 16.—William Black, 29 years old, a cripple who played a violin on the street corners, died in a bathtub to-day at the County Infirmary. He was a character about town.

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MASONS FEAST AT BERKELEY

Annual Banquet Tendered Ladies of Eastern Star by Men of the Chapter

NEW ROYAL ARCH LODGE

College Secret Society to Be Formed by Men of the Order at University

Berkeley Office San Francisco Call, 2148 Center Street, Nov. 16.

The annual banquet of the Berkeley Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, last night was provided by the men of the chapter for the women. The affair was under the supervision of a committee of which R. A. Berry acted as chairman. The dinner hall was beautifully decorated, and there an elaborate supper was served. A musical programme followed. Worthy Patron Roy J. Young acted as toastmaster. A quartet composed of Mrs. Woolsey, Mrs. Waste, Clarence Merrill and Mr. J. Davis rendered several selections. Worthy Matron Eva M. Stone responded to the toast "The Year Last Past" and Mrs. E. C. Marllave, matron-elect, to the toast "The Coming Year." J. E. Kelsey, patron-elect, replied to the toast "Hopes and Anticipations for the New Year."

The officers-elect of Berkeley Chapter will be installed with all the beautiful ceremonies of the order at the first meeting in December.

Prominent Masons of Berkeley, to the number of twenty-seven, have completed the preliminary organization of a Royal Arch chapter of Masons. Dr. Frank Woolsey has been made high priest, W. J. Gompertz king, and J. E. Kelsey scribe. These officers were appointed a committee to secure aid from the Oakland Chapter to complete the work of organization. There being no higher lodge than a blue lodge in Berkeley it has been necessary for Masons desiring to go higher in the order to have the work done in Oakland or San Francisco. This new chapter will make such journeys unnecessary.

The new college Masonic society which was organized last June at Ann Arbor through the efforts of the Masonic Association of the University of Michigan will soon have an affiliated branch at Berkeley. Applications have been filed by the University of California, and the universities of Harvard and Wisconsin. Stanford organized Beth Chapter last night, and so earned the distinction of being the second chapter of the unique college secret society. Membership is purely elective, but only master Masons are eligible. Its aims are chiefly social. It is probable that a chapter-house will be secured here when the society is organized, and this will be the headquarters of Masonry on the university campus.

PRESENT BILL FOR DIVISION OF COUNTY

Merchants' Exchange Appoints Committee to Attend Next Session of State Legislature.

OAKLAND, Nov. 16.—The Merchants' Exchange has appointed a committee to attend the next session of the Legislature to try to have a law made for the division of Alameda County into two counties. The bill provides not only for a division of Alameda County, but embodies a radical change in the present procedure of dividing counties.

The bill provides that upon the presentation of a petition signed by 25 per cent of the voters of any county to the Board of Supervisors the board must call an election and if the proposition to divide receives the support of a two-thirds majority of the registered voters the division is complete without any further action by the Legislature.

Unitarian Conference to Meet.

OAKLAND, Nov 16.—Many ministers of the Unitarian church will visit Oakland to-morrow to attend the regular meeting of the Central Pacific Unitarian Conference, which will be held at the First Unitarian Church at Fourteenth and Castro streets. The opening session in the morning will be devoted to a business meeting of the ministers and a Sunday-school meeting will be held in the afternoon. In the evening a platform meeting will be held at which the general topic, "The Ministry," will be the theme of discussion.

The Rev. Bradford Leavitt of San Francisco will speak on "The Claims and Opportunities of the Ministry." "The Layman's View of the Ministry" will be presented by Charles A. Murdock of San Francisco, J. M. Payson of Berkeley and A. H. Elliott of Oakland. "The Training of Ministers" will be discussed by the Rev. E. M. Wilbur, dean of the Unitarian Theological School of this city.

Mayor Signs Ordinances.

OAKLAND, Nov. 16.—Mayor Warren Olney to-day approved and signed the following ordinances: Appropriating $15,000 for the improvement of the Harrison-street boulevard; appropriating $5000 for the erection of a city hospital for contagious diseases; authorizing the Board of Public Works to advertise for bids for an engine-house at San Pablo avenue and Fifty-ninth street and appropriating $6000 for its construction; appropriating $1156 to pay the claim of E. B. and A. L. Stone's assessment on Independence square for the grading of Fourteenth avenue; authorizing the Board of Public Works to construct an intercepting sewer along Third street from Center to Peralta.

PRICE GOES FREE.—Oakland, Nov. 16.—George Price, the Alameda photographer, charged with having obtained money under false pretenses by giving several chattel mortgages on some cameras which did not belong to him, was acquitted by a jury this afternoon. The verdict was brought in in accordance with an instruction from Judge Hall, who held, after all the evidence had been put in by the prosecution, that there was not sufficient evidence upon which to convict him and ordered the jury to find a verdict of acquittal.

NOT AGAINST "CO-EDS"

PROFESSOR AVERS HE FAVORS WOMEN

Philosopher Howison Angry Over Reports That He Declared Otherwise.

Berkeley Office San Francisco Call, 2148 Center Street, Nov. 16.

Professor H. G. Howison, head of the philosophy department of the university, has issued a statement defining his views on coeducation in order to corect what he declares to have been misjudged reports of a recent declaration in his classroom about women students at the university. Professor Howison's statement is as follows:

My remarks about "feminine curiosity" were made playfully and jocosely and were evidently taken so by the women to whom they were addressed and by the men who were present. My remarks on the "entering" of lectures to meet the increasing numbers of poorly qualified students who enter the university were not directed at the women. On the contrary, they were aimed, not at the women students particularly, but at the whole mass of imperfectly justified students, whether men or women.

I am made to appear to take sides with that group in the university—chiefly among the male students, among whom there are some of my colleagues—which "declares there are too many women in the university" and that their "number is inconsistent with the attainment of high scholarly ideals."

I beg to assure the public, to which I feel responsible, that I said no such thing and held no such opinion. I do not sympathize with that anti-coeducation group. I believe that the women are here both by right and by law, and that they are not as yet exercising any perceptible depressive influence on our standards, except such as the ill-prepared among them exercise in common with the many ill-prepared men; and that this is not owing to their sex, but to the latitudinarian hospitality of the university authorities, responding to a like loose kindliness in our general public. What I was really speaking against was this too compliant letting down of our entrance conditions, especially the increasing omission from these of the materials for the culture and refinement of judgment supplied by classical studies and the preparatory study of the two exact sciences, mathematics ano physics.

When I said, "Some of us think that the women are coming to the university in too great numbers," I used the phrase "some of us," not to include myself in the list, but in the common way of mild politeness to indicate without a tone of distance some of my colleagues—few in number, as I am happy to believe. I had no suspicion that it would be taken to signify that their opinion and feeling in the matter were mine.

AT OAKLAND CLUB

By Zoe Green Radcliffe.

OAKLAND, Nov. 16.—It is evident that the Oakland Club includes in its membership many women who are blessed with both artistic and executive ability. Since the club has occupied its present quarters in Maple Hall, the gifted members have been afforded an opportunity to expand their talents, with the gratifying result that the club's social functions have been brilliant successes and the organization itself has made wondrous strides in feminine favor.

The breakfast last month was an unusually enjoyable affair and the luncheon to-day was no less so. One fact the Oakland Club ladies seem to recognize and that is that they must not weary guests, who have already been seated an hour or so, with prosy papers or too lengthy programmes. After enjoying a good menu and a few bright, interesting numbers, guests are pleased to come again, which means much for the helpful cause of the club, for as it grows in popularity it will increase in numbers and its power for good become manifold.

But that is not telling how beautiful the decorations were to-day or who participated in this pleasant affair. High bouquets of shaggy yellow chrysanthemums dotted the long tables and composed the centerpiece of the big round table at which were seated the honored guests. Soft folds of yellow silk formed golden billows around the central base of the round table, autumn leaves and rich-hued gladioli falling on the silk in pleasing contrast. Smilax and palms gave a delightfully cozy appearance to the small stage.

Mrs. Clarence Lancaster elicited many complimentary remarks by her delicious rendering of two songs, "La Primavera," by Rotoli, and "Love's Greeting," by Wilson. Miss Lily Swales, a sweet-faced girl in baby costume—a pale yellow frock, a big blue hat and baby-blue slippers and half socks—was compelled to almost exhaust her repertoire of imitations before her audience was content to let her go. "Dolly's Mamma," "Any Rags" and the baby song from "Wang" were given, and last—and also best—was a recitation, "Little Cat."

The piece de resistance of the day was the playlet written by Mrs. Gerberding of San Francisco and presented by a dozen ladies of the club, under the direction of Mrs. W. S. Palmer. The clever authoress was an honored guest at the luncheon.

The skit represents a meeting of the Vinculum Club directors, very much agitated over a resolution of one of its members, Miss Brown, denouncing the act of a candidate for Mayor in dismissing all women in his employ. The resolution has given the club much unpleasant newspaper notoriety, which, after all, proves to be the proverbial ill wind. While the members are discussing the resolution, pro and con, with convincing feminine logic, word comes that the candidate has rescinded the order for dismissal and begs the clubs to withdraw their opposition to his candidacy.

Mrs. Ed Henderson ably took the part of Mrs. Robbins, president of the Vinculum Club, and Mrs. Henry Abrahamson quite held her own as Miss Brown, the disturbing member. The other ladies in the cast were all good and should be congratulated on the fact that every word they uttered could be heard. The other directors were: Mrs. Tarbox, Mrs. Broadwell; Mrs. Gore, Mrs. Koenig; Mrs. Ford, Mrs. Grandjean; Mrs. Roe, Mrs. de Leon; Mrs. Doe, Mrs. Kisich; Miss Smith, Miss Lily Swales; Mrs. Jones, Mrs. J. J. Allen; Mrs. Steele, Mrs. Melville Tobriner.

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The wedding of Miss Isabelle Kendall and Kenneth Lowden was solemnized this evening at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Kendall, on Fourteenth street. The bride's gown was of panne crepe de chine with a skirt panel and bodice trimmings of duchess and point lace. It was made en princesse, smocking giving a long corsage effect. The veil was held in place with the same orange blossoms that had been worn by the bride's mother. A shower of lilies of the valley and orchids formed the bridal bouquet.

Miss Letitia Barry, the maid of honor, wore white liberty chiffon, and the six bridesmaids were all dressed alike in pink chiffon. All carried maiden hair fern. The bridesmaids were Miss Myrtle Sims, Miss Anita Oliver, Miss Noelle de Golia, Miss Lillian Reed, Miss Marion Walsh and Miss Ruth Kales.

Little Helen Lowden, in white, was flower girl and carried Cecil Bruner roses.

Roland Oliver attended the groom.

The house was elaborately decorated, yellow predominating in one room, red in another and in the large tent where supper was served ferns and palms lent a pleasing effect.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowden will reside in Oakland.

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Mrs. William Lyndham Shiels is "at home" to-morrow, and for Friday Mrs. A. P. Brayton has sent out cards for an informal tea.

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On Friday evening, November 25, the Oakland Club will give an evening affair, a musicale for members and their escorts, and as Madame Caro-Roma and Madame Eugene Barker-Mills are to give the programme a treat is in store. Mrs. E. I. Bartholomew is chairman of the programme committee for that evening.

Will Organize Ladies' Auxiliary.

OAKLAND, Nov. 16.—A ladies' auxiliary of the Ancient Order of Hibernians has been established in Alameda County and the charter will be formally opened on Wednesday evening, November 23, at California Hall on Eleventh and Clay streets.

SAW KNOPF KISS HIS WIFE.—Oakland, Nov. 16.—The hearing of the Van Horn divorce case was continued to-day. Rose Van Horn, the plaintiff, occupying the witness stand the entire day and being subjected to a severe cross-examination. The worst he was able to say about his wife was that, through holes he had bored with his pencil in some portieres, he had seen Adolph Knopf kiss her.

SENIORS OBEY NANCE'S ORDER

University Men March Into Classroom as the Captain Had Directed They Should

Berkeley Office San Francisco Call, 2148 Center Street, Nov. 16.

Amid the jeers and mock applause of the under-class men of the university, the seniors who take military instruction from Captain J. T. Nance marched according to orders into his classroom in North Hall this afternoon.

Two weeks ago the same students rebelled against Nance's requirement that they form in line in the roadway before the hall and march quietly into his classroom. At that time a mob took possession of the roadway, hooting and jeering Professor W. A. Setchell, who tried to quiet them, and preventing any who wished to obey Nance's order.

Captain Nance at once ordered all suspected of complicity in the affair to make explanations to him, or be dropped from the class and lose their degrees. His investigation is still in progress.

The effect of the inquiry upon the temper of the students was noticed today, when the time for marching into classroom came. The seniors formed in lines, under the direction of section monitors, and marched into the building. Sophomores and freshmen shouted in derision, but the seniors took their medicine quietly, while Captain Nance watched the procession from his classroom window upstairs, smiling approval at the spectacle.

The under-class men then dispersed, without further demonstration.

UNIVERSITY EVENTS

BERKELEY, Nov. 16.—The sophomore class of the university has decided to give a play, probably a burlesque, at the Macdonough Theater in Oakland, instead of a minstrel show, as originally planned. The play is to be written by a member of the class and will be produced in February of next year.

L. E. Chapman, '07, has been elected yell leader for the sophomore class at its annual debate with the freshman class next Friday night in Stiles Hall. Fred Barthels, '08, will act in a similar capacity for the freshmen. The question to be debated is: "Resolved, That the State compulsory vaccination law should be repealed." The sophomores will be represented by N. A. Eisner, D. J. Whitney, M. A. Derham and F. A. Buckingham, and the freshmen by F. A. Whitney, M. E. Harrison, H. A. White and Jesse Robinson.

Professor H. Morse Stephens has decided that instead of giving two more examinations in his lecture course of history there will be only one, on December 6 and 7.

The second and last senior assembly of the semester is to be held Friday night at Hearst Hall.

Samuel M. Evans, a prominent member of the junior class, was called to Modesto yesterday by the death of his sister.

Greene Would Extend Line.

AUSTIN, Tex., Nov. 16.—Application has been filed with the Mexican Government by W. C. Greene, president of the Greene Consolidated Copper Company of New York and Cananea, Mexico, for a concession to extend the Rio Grande, Sierra Madre and Pacific Railroad from Terrazas, Mexico, to the port of Agiabampo, on the Pacific coast. The road will be a direct competitor with the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient through Mexico.

Mississippi Town Destroyed.

CLARKSDALE, Miss., Nov. 16.—The entire business district of the town of Dublin, on the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley Railroad, with the exception of one building, was destroyed by fire to-day. Loss, $500,000.

Young Clerk Admits Theft.

OAKLAND, Nov. 16.—Laurence Campana, 17 years old, a clerk for the Salinger Company, was arrested today on a charge of stealing $100 he had collected on delivery of C. O. D. orders. Campana confessed.

Reducing the Military Force.

As some of President Roosevelt's critics claim to have discovered, after reading his letter of acceptance, that while he is peaceful enough now he is preparing for war, it may be interesting to call their attention to the fact that the army, so far from being increased, is of less strength than it was the summer before he succeeded to the Presidency. The actual strength of the regular army, including the hospital corps, the Porto Rico regiment and the Philippine scouts, was, June 30, 1901, 2940 officers and 78,646 enlisted men; total, 81,586. At the close of the last fiscal year, June 30, 1904, it was estimated at 69,836. Though this is an estimate, it is not likely that the completed returns will materially change these figures. For a man who is preparing for war the President is following a most peculiar method in reducing the organized military force of the country.—Boston Transcript.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—Oakland, Nov. 16.—The following marriage licenses were issued by the County Clerk to-day: John A. Vera, 22, and Mary E. Dowd, 20, both of Berkeley; Charles A. Myers, over 21, San Rafael, and Margaret F. Kent, over 18, Oakland; Manuel F. Lial, 43, Centerville, and Anna V. de Andrade, 36, Mission San Jose; Horace Hinman, 21, and Flora Moseley, 17, both of Oakland; Joseph Lagomarsino, 24, and Aletha Blackmon, 18, both of Santa Rosa; Horace R. Hule, over 21, and Harriet F. Bush, over 18, both of Oakland; Harry Baden, 20, and Caroline Clausen, 17, both of Alameda.

The Berlin Tageblatt resents the statement made by an American commercial journal that haggling is still the custom in German stores. So far as Berlin is concerned, it says that there is scarcely a respectable store in the city which has not fixed prices.

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REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

Alameda County.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 16.

Puget Sound Lumber Company to Frank and Annie Stryble, lot on W line of Jefferson street, 75 S of Sixteenth, S 28:9 by W 50, portion of lot 6, block 266, Casserly Tract, on Fourteenth street, Oakland; $10.

Margaret Brennan (wife of Frederick) et al. to James Healey (single), lot on S line of Fifth street, 50 E of Linden, E 25 by S 94, lot 25, block 480 P, Adeline and Market streets Homestead, Oakland; also lot on E line of Linden street, 94 S of Fifth, S 50 by E 125, lots 21 and 22, block 480, same, Oakland; $10.

Ann M. Snyder (widow) to Sarah M. Coleman (wife of Ham.), lot on W line of West street, 50 S of Forty-fourth, S 50 by W 90, lot 18, block 2098, Alden Tract at Temescal, Oakland; $10.

Sarah A. McKee (widow) by S. B. McKee, attorney, to George W. Armitage, lot 23, block 7, map of Santa Fe Tract No. 5, deed and agreement, Oakland; $10.

Savings and Loan Society to Realty Syndicate, lot 3, block B, and lot 37, block G, Thermal Hill (formerly Howe Tract), Oakland; $10.

William and Martha Wutz to William Annett, lot on N line of Fifty-eighth (Maple) street, 100 W of Canning, W 50 by N 100, lots 29 and 30, block R, map resubdivision of portion Roberts and Wolfskill Tract, Oakland; $10.

George F. Lyon to Herman Koch, lot on W line of Division street, 100 S of Delaware, S 38 by W 100, portion lot 13, block 9, Shaw Tract, Berkeley; grant.

John and Ada M. Hinkel to Milton Askquith (single), lot on W line of Grove street, 188 N of Ashby avenue, W 122.4 by N 58.71, E 122, S 49.30, lot 28 and portion lot 29, block 10, map subdivision block 10, Central Park Tract, Berkeley; $10.

Cosmos Land and Water Company to Wallace M. Hussey, lots 24, 25, 28 and 29, block 3, map of property and location, Spaulding Tract, Berkeley; $10.

John G. Agar et al. to John V. and Sarah I. Whisten, lot on E line of Market street, 80 N of Thirty-first, N 40 by E 115, lot 23, block 2083, Rowland Tract, Oakland; $10.

Catherine Hyde (widow) to Margaret Hyde (single), lot on N line of Thirty-fifth street, 232:11 W of West, W 33:4 by N 120:3, Oakland; $10.

Same to Maurice J. Hyde, lot on N line of Thirty-fifth street, 199:3 W of West, W 28 by N 120:3, Oakland; $10.

John W. Gaunt (widower) to William P. Mauzy, lot beginning at point 100 SW from SW corner of Durant and Broadway (marked by a stake), said point being mark of dividing line between lots 3 and 4, block A, NE 25, W 181:5, S 25:11, E 174:8, being S 25 feet of lot 4, block A, Fountain place, Oakland; $10.

Edward J. Mealy to Andrea Delucchi and U. O. Cassazza, lot on NW corner of Fifteenth and Peralta streets, N 62:6 by W 110, lots 37 and 38, block 727-A, map subdivision portion blocks 726-A and 727-A and 727-B, Oakland, quitclaim deed; $1.

Mary Mealy to same, same, Oakland, quitclaim deed; $1.

Patrick Malley et al. to same, same, Oakland; $10.

J. S. and Clara Myers (wife) to G. W. Slater, lot 11, block E, map Bella Vista Park, East Oakland; $10.

Piedmont Building Association to Lena C. Nicholson (wife of W. E.), lot 24, block K, map Central Piedmont Tract, Oakland Township; $10.

Frances C. Myers (wife of Francis D.) to Sophie R. Standish (wife of Miles), lot on NE line of Montecito avenue, 100 SE of intersection with SE line of right of way of Piedmont Cable Company, SE 100 by NE 200, portion plat 8, subdivision map Bowman Tract, Oakland Township; $10.

Realty Syndicate to Dwight Hutchinson (single), lots 23, 24 and NW 10 feet lot 32, block C, map Sather Tract, Oakland Township; $10.

Otto Waaland to Emil J. and Marie F. Weber (wife), lot on W line of Sixth street, 100 N of Bristol, N 33 by W 131, portion lot 10, block 75, tract B, Berkeley L. and T. I. Association, Berkeley; $10.

Milo S. and Jennie C. Baker (wife) to Frank Bricker, lot on E line of Henry street, 120 S of Durant, S 120 by E 135, lot 6, block 13, property Berkeley Villa Association, Berkeley; $10.

John W. and Sallie H. Richards to Charles R Greenleaf, lot on W line of Piedmont avenue, 150.82 S of Durant avenue, W 145.07 to point 150 N from N line of Channing way, S 50, E 152.35, N 50.52, block D, map portion Berkeley property, Berkeley; $10.

The Power of Iteration.

There is nothing more extraordinary than the effect produced by reiteration upon the public mind. Almost any nonsense makes an impression if only it is repeated often enough in print. The fortunes made by soaps, hair washes, patent medicines, patent aids to cookery, etc., are witnesses to this curious fact.

There is a form of self-advertisement which proves even more pointedly than commercial advertisement the wonderful potency of assertion. It is something far subtler than what we have been discussing and appeals to a smaller and more select public. In this case the deception goes further, but it is necessary to obtain the full effect that a person who makes the assertion should himself believe in its truth. The power to deceive with which the self-deceived are often endowed is remarkable.

By countless assertions a stupid man can convince himself. This is why unreceptive people become so pig-headed and prejudiced as they get older.—Spectator.

One of Italy's Weaknesses.

The great weakness of the conservative influences in Italy lies in the general poverty of the people and in the fact that there is almost no substantial bourgeois middle class, firmly joined against dangerous social or industrial experiments. In the south a wretched agricultural peasantry, with no chance to get at the soil save as virtual serfs, stands ready to join itself with the lazzaroni of Naples and other southern cities and the discontented industrial proletariat of the whole north. These elements promise ill in case of any really general strike.—New York Mail.

Wild Dogs of Central Africa.

The wild dog of Central Africa, an explorer writes, is common enough. He is an ugly looking beast, with a pied body, coarse hair, short head and large upright ears. These wild dogs play fearful havoc with game, occasionally clearing out whole districts precisely in the same manner as the red dhole of India, before which even the tiger is said to retreat.

They have a wonderful power of scent, wonderful boldness, endurance and pertinacity, and their loose, easy gallop covers the ground far more quickly than it appears to do. They usually hunt in considerable packs, although I have sometimes met them in three and fours. I have never heard of wild dogs actually attacking a man, but they often behave as if on the point of doing so, and unarmed travelers have been literally treed by them before now.—Chicago News.

A bill has been introduced in the New York Legislature looking toward the removal of all hedge fences along railway tracks, on the ground that such fences do a considerable amount of harm by banking up snow, while no practical good is derived from them.