

FRAGERS

Friday Surprise No. 29

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Pure Food Show Specials

(Fourth Floor) To-Day Only

Notwithstanding the rainy weather the two opening days of our Grand Pure Food Show have been record-breaking ones. All have asserted that it is the most complete and magnificent ever held. Free samples may be obtained at all the booths.

Special Fancy Creamery Butter

regular size square, 43c a square

- Old Reliable—Hand-made sour mash—regularly \$3 a gallon; special \$2.25
Riesling, Sauterne or Zinfandel—Gallon 68c
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Old Dollar Whiskey—Regularly \$1.00 bottle; special 67c

Mrs. Jean Sinclair will conduct the second lesson in Cooking and the Art of Domestic Science this afternoon in the Demonstration Hall on the 5th floor. These lessons have proven one of the greatest attractions of our Pure Food Show, several hundred interested ladies having attended the first lecture last Wednesday.

- Scalloped Edge Crepe Paper (3rd Floor.) This paper has fancy scalloped edges; is 3 1/2 yards to a package, and comes in any color; use for shelves, etc. Our regular 10c package. Friday Surprise 6c
Heavy Saucepans (3rd Floor.) Our great Friday Surprise offering in our Housefurnishing Department is a heavy retinned Saucepan that will hold four quarts. Regular value 20c. Friday Surprise 10c

- Children's Stockings (Main Floor.) These stockings are made with a fine rib and of strong twisted Maco cotton yarn. They are elastic, have double heels and toes, and come in all sizes; stainless black. Worth 20c a pair. Special at 12 1/2c
Fancy Handkerchiefs (Main Floor.) Alphonse and Gaston handkerchiefs for children; made of sheer cambric, with different printed subjects. Worth 8c each. Friday Surprise 2 1/2c

FLEISHER YARNS. We have them in stock. Gingham (Main Floor.) This is the standard material in stripes and checked patterns. There are all colors. Regular 10c grade. Special to-day, per yard, 6c. Pragers ALWAYS RELIABLE MARKET AND JONES STS

COMPERE SAYS CODLIN MOTH WILL SOON MEET DEATH.

Foe of California Apple Is Doomed



George Compere, just from Europe, the discoverer of the parasite that kills the dreaded codlin moth, declared yesterday, while inspecting the work of the parasite at the rooms of the State Board of Horticulture, east the apple growers \$11,000,000 annually. The loss on the apple crop of California from this cause is fully 50 per cent of the whole each year. Consequently the strong admiration which Compere has for this subject has great interest.

Compere has circled the world in his search of beneficial parasites half a dozen times or more. Brought by the sun of arid climates and by the winds of the seas until he is as dark as an Indian. Compere appeared yesterday to be the typical liver of an out-of-door existence. "The parasite of the codlin moth," he said, "I discovered in Spain. It also exists in France. In these two countries it successfully controls the codlin moth so that the percentage of loss to the apple growers by reason of its depredations is very small. In every orchard in Spain and France where the codlin moth exists the parasite is giving continual proof of its efficiency as a destroyer. Nature uses its own methods to destroy. By the way, it is an interesting fact that there is no instance on record where an insect pest has been permanently and successfully checked by any artificial method.

"How do I know that the parasite will be as efficient here as it is in Europe? That is easy. Look at this jar. Here is the codlin moth worm; here is the parasite stabbing him to death. In the last minute at least five of the worms have been killed by the parasites while I have been talking. The climatic conditions of California so closely resemble those of Spain and France as to be almost identical. Undoubtedly the parasites will thrive in any temperate climate where apples ripen." Then Mr. Compere talked about the demonstration of the utility of the beneficial insects in exterminating insect pests already afforded by experiments in California. Parasites imported have brought under control the cottony cushion scale that once threatened to destroy all the citrus tree fruit south of Tehachapi; the soft brown scale, another enemy of the citrus fruits; the yellow scale, also a citrus fruit enemy; the so-called San Jose scale, that attacked deciduous fruits; the black scale, the brown apricot scale and the Pluta brassica, or cabbage moth. On his present trip Compere also brought with him from abroad the Pieris rapae, which destroys the cabbage worm. While Compere talked the codlin moth parasite in altitudes displayed its uncommon agility and rapidity in a score or so of glass jars that stood in the rooms. With lightning-like speed the parasite plunged its rapier again and again through the bark of the prepared tree limbs, which, with

DELMAS HOUSES FEMININE IRE

Dissatisfied Daughters of J. Alexander Yoell Are Indignant at Attorney EXPERT GIVES OPINION

Dr. J. W. Robertson Declares That the Aged Pioneer Was Not of Sound Mind

The urbanity of Attorney D. M. Delmas received a severe test in Judge Kerrigan's court yesterday. The moment the hearing of the Yoell case was adjourned Delmas was surrounded by indignant women, who overwhelmed him with reproaches. The angry women were Mrs. Emily Dunn, Mrs. Theobald and Miss Gertrude Yoell, the dissatisfied daughters of J. Alexander Yoell, whose will is being contested.

Assailed on all sides by reproachful words and indignant language, Delmas appeared helpless. "May I ask, Mr. Rix," he appealed to one of the attorneys for the contestants, "to be relieved from this annoyance." Rix remonstrated with his angry clients, while the clerk rapped for order. With some difficulty the sisters were persuaded to cease and Delmas left the courtroom, followed by their indignant glances.

The scene was caused by Mrs. Dunn's inability to comprehend a question propounded to her by Delmas. She testified that she was forced to sell a house given to her by her father in order to pay bills for medical service. The question was explained by Delmas, by Attorney Hoefler and by the court, but the witness could not comprehend.

"That will do," said Delmas, with a smile and a tittering in the courtroom evidently nettled Mrs. Dunn and her sisters, for the three women instantly surrounded the attorney and reproached him volubly in spite of continued cries for order. Dr. J. W. Robertson of the Livermore Sanitarium testified that he believed Yoell to have been insane and classified his insanity as the dementia of old age. He said that people afflicted in this manner were able to transact business not connected with subjects regarding which they have insane delusions. "All insane people are not in asylums," added Dr. Robertson.

In the cross-examination Delmas closely questioned the expert as to the meaning of an insane delusion. "Take the case of a man who, after thirty years of married life, is driven out of his home. If he should upbraid an old friend and then apologize to him on the next day, would that be evidence of his insanity?" "No," replied the expert. "The case will be resumed at 10:30 o'clock this morning."

Benefit for Seamen's Institute. A concert programme was given last night at Trinity Church, Bush and Gough streets, for the benefit of the Seamen's Institute. Among the selections given were Servian songs by the Eschman Quartet, duets by Mrs. E. Shafter and Mrs. Marion Robinson, cello solos by Arthur Weiss and songs by Miss Julia R. Tharp. The affair was under the direction of Mrs. Mariner Campbell and Oscar Weil.

RADLY BEATEN BY SOLDIERS—Munuel Yavare, proprietor of a chop house at Sutter Heights, obtained a warrant from Police Judge Cabanis yesterday for the arrest of three soldiers on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon. He alleges that the soldiers ordered meals at his place on January 31 and refused to pay for them. They attacked Yavare with knives, cutting his clothing and body. They beat him on the head and body with a club.

AMUSEMENTS. COLUMBIA SAN FRANCISCO'S LEADING THEATRE. THIS WEEK AND NEXT WEEK, NIGHTLY INCLUDING SUNDAY, MATINEE SATURDAY. Charles Frohman Presents WILLIAM COLLIER THE DICTATOR

Seats Now on Sale MELBA AT THE ALHAMBRA THEATRE TUESDAY EVENING, FEB. 7. SATURDAY MATINEE, FEB. 11. Prices—\$4, \$3, \$2 and \$1.

Orpheum PROSPER TROUPE; JOHN and BERTHA GLEESON and FRED HOULIHAN. CARTER De HAVEN SEXTETTE. And ORPHEUM MOTION PICTURES. Showing the Most Beautiful Hand Painted Films Ever Made. Last night of JAMES F. MACDONALD, ALCHOR CAPTAIN; BURNS, BINNS and BINNS; the GREAT THREESOME

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Racing! New California Jockey Club. RACING EVERY WEEK DAY, RAIN OR SHINE. Races at 2:15 P. M. every day. \$10,000 BURNS HANDICAP. TO BE RUN SATURDAY, FEB. 4. For special trains stopping at the track take the street car to the track at 12:30, 12:50, 1:00, 1:30 or 2:00. Returning trains leave the track at 4:10 and 4:45 P. M. and immediately take the street car.

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Tired, Nervous Mothers

Make Unhappy Homes—Their Condition Irritates Both Husband and Children—How Thousands of Mothers Have Been Saved From Nervous Prostration and Made Strong and Well.



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A nervous, irritable mother, often on the verge of hysterics, is unfit to care for children; it ruins a child's disposition and reacts upon herself. The trouble between children and their mothers too often is due to the fact that the mother has some female weakness, and she is entirely unfit to bear the strain upon her nerves that governing children involves; it is impossible for her to do anything calmly. The ills of women act like a firebrand upon the nerves, consequently nine-tenths of the nervous prostration, nervous despondency, "the blues," sleeplessness, and nervous irritability of women arise from some derangement of the female organism.

Do you experience fits of depression with restlessness, alternating with extreme irritability? Are your spirits easily affected, so that one minute you laugh, and the next minute you feel like crying? Do you feel something like a ball rolling in your throat and threatening to choke you; all the senses perverted, morbidly sensitive to light and sound; pain in the ovaries, and especially between the shoulders; bearing down pains; nervous dyspepsia, and almost continually cross and snappy? If so, your nerves are in a shattered condition, and you are threatened with nervous prostration. Proof is monumental that nothing in the world is better for nervous prostration than Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound; thousands and thousands of women testify to this fact.

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YOUNG ITALIAN ENDS LIFE WITH A BULLET

Because Police Were Looking Into His Conduct He Decides to Face Eternity.

Because the police called on him two days ago, Vittorio E. Bolcelli, a young Italian, became despondent and ended his life by putting a bullet into his brain yesterday. His body was found a short time afterward on the Ocean House road near the old Bungalow saloon. He left a widow and a small fortune. In a will, written in a notebook, Bolcelli leaves the residue of an Italian estate (7000 lire) to his wife, and he also left a note to a friend to see that she became possessed of it. About two weeks ago a young Italian is said to have run short of funds and he waited for relief from Italy. A policeman was sent to the room to make an investigation, as it was rumored that the man was becoming demoralized. The policeman made no arrest. Yesterday afternoon three men heard a pistol shot near the Ocean House road and soon came upon the body. In one of the pockets was a brief note to the suicide's wife, reading thus: "My sweet wife: I have always satisfied your every caprice and never had any trouble. But when the policeman came I was disgusted."

This note seems to give the motive for the deed. Bolcelli was 25 years of age and his widow is but 18.

RUES FOR DAMAGES.—Mrs. M. A. Baird, proprietor of an apartment house, yesterday sued the United Railroads and United Carriage Company for \$5025 damages for injuries alleged to have been sustained on November 26. She was riding in a car on the street, between Seventh and Eighth avenues, when an ocean liner car collided with the vehicle. She says her head and spine were injured.

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SEAFARER'S LIFE IS CONSIDERED

Christian Endeavorers Tell of Work Being Done in Behalf of Boys Afloat

The seafaring life was a theme of special interest at the eighteenth annual convention of the Golden Gate Christian Endeavor Union, held at the Central Methodist Episcopal Church yesterday. The opening hymns and the addresses dealt peculiarly with the sailor's life. Bravery, stalwart and young Americans from warship and training ship, leaders of the Christian Endeavor movement on their respective vessels, were present in an assemblage that crowded the great rooms of the church.

W. F. Ellis, vice president, presided over the afternoon meeting and J. W. Hatch, president, occupied the chair at the great rally in the evening. "The Floating Work" was one of the first matters taken up and had among its supporters F. W. Dorn, who spoke on "The Work Among Men in the Navy." Christian Endeavor societies, he showed, were in high favor and growing in the United States navy.

The afternoon addresses were but a prelude to the stirring and eloquent message from Dr. George W. White, who told of "The Church on the High Seas," advocating that as there are floating saloons and floating hotels and floating homes of the sailor, so there should, in his opinion, be floating churches. He believed the opportunity should be given for religious service on all vessels afloat. As a result of an address by Miss Jennie Partridge it was resolved that Golden Gate Christian Endeavor Union memorialize the Secretary of the Navy that chaplains be appointed to all warships having a sufficient number of men to warrant an action.

The following officers were installed by the Rev. William Kirk Guthrie: J. W. Hatch, president; H. L. Miser, first vice president; Miss Agnes Schumacher, second vice president; Miss R. E. Treadwell, recording secretary; Miss Ida M. Stanford, corresponding secretary; Dr. W. F. Crawford, treasurer; Miss Rose E. Lamont, superintendent of intermediate work; Miss M. C. Webb, superintendent of junior work. BRENNAN SHOWS TRANSFER OF FATHER GREY'S MONEY Doctor Produces Witnesses Who Heard Priest Say That He Had Given Away Fortune. There was more evidence in Judge Sloss' court yesterday in favor of the contention of Dr. James P. Brennan that the \$32,000 which Father P. J. Grey now seeks to recover was given to him by the aged priest while it was yet in litigation. Most important was the original assessment by which Grey transferred to Brennan all the money to his credit in the Hibernia Savings and Loan Society, including a judgment for \$20,386.23. The assignment was dated September 18, 1899, and was acknowledged before Notary E. W. Putnam, who testified to the authenticity of Grey's signature. Dr. William Norris testified he had heard Father Grey say that he had given all of his property to Dr. Brennan. Like testimony was given by Mrs. Catherine E. Houlehan.

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